



ACTIVE TRAVEL
for Cultural Explorers

SMALL GROUP
Maximum of 24 Travelers

LAND JOURNEY

Paris

featuring the African American Experience

Inspiring Moments

- ▶ Discover how the **African American expatriate community** influenced Paris.
- ▶ Explore **Montmartre**, where African American jazz musicians created their own Harlem in the 1920s.
- ▶ Enjoy an evening at a **jazz club**.
- ▶ Nibble treats and French specialties during a **gastronomic walking tour**.
- ▶ See Paris' most beautiful landmarks during a **cruise on the Seine**.
- ▶ Join an enriching tour through the **Musee du Quai Branly**, a premier cultural institution.
- ▶ Gain a **new perspective of Paris** as you explore its historic quarters, tranquil gardens and friendly neighborhoods.
- ▶ Experience Paris' Banks of the Seine, a **UNESCO World Heritage site**.

INCLUDED FEATURES

Accommodations (with baggage handling)

- 7 nights in Paris, France, at the first-class Les Jardins du Marais.

Extensive Meal Program

- 7 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 3 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.

Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- **Discovery excursions** highlight the local culture, heritage and history.
- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- **AHI Sustainability Promise:** We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit.
- **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
- Free time to pursue your own interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.

Itinerary

- Day 1** Depart gateway city ➔
- Day 2** Arrive in Paris and transfer ➔ to hotel
- Day 3** Paris
- Day 4** Paris
- Day 5** Paris
- Day 6** Paris
- Day 7** Paris
- Day 8** Paris
- Day 9** Transfer ➔ to Paris airport and depart for gateway city ➔

➔ Flights and ➔ transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

Activity Level: Active programs are designed for people who are in good health and can comfortably participate in a demanding daily schedule of physical activities.

American military band plays jazz for wounded soldiers outside their Paris hospital, 1918



Latin Quarter



SPARTAN PATHWAYS TRAVEL
MSU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Discovery

AHI Connects: Paris Noir. Watch the 2016 documentary, “Paris Noir: African Americans in the City of Light,” followed by an engaging question and answer discussion with the filmmakers.

Welcome to Paris! Get to know the neighborhood around your hotel and learn how to use the Métro subway.

Paris’ African American History. Explore the city that welcomed Josephine Baker, Langston Hughes and other African American luminaries. Drive along the Avenue des Champs-Élysées and stroll through the neighborhood, viewing the favorite haunts of the expatriate community.

Harlem in Paris. Learn about the influence of the Harlem Renaissance and jazz in Paris while exploring Montmartre. Soldiers of the U.S. Army’s 369th Infantry Regiment are credited with introducing jazz to Europe during World War I. Nicknamed the “Harlem Hellfighters,” the unit significantly impacted Paris’ music scene and culture. Today, see nightclubs owned by legends Bricktop and Eugene Bullard, and learn how African American culture influenced European culture.

An Evening of Jazz. Trace the evolution of French jazz during a tour of St-Germain-des-Pres and the Latin Quarter. Following the war, African American musicians played in clubs in these neighborhoods. Listen to stories about musical legends, followed by dinner and concert at a local jazz club.

Flavors of France. Step into the tasty world of French gastronomy and discover several of the city’s best artisan-made foods. From cheese to charcuterie, taste your way through France’s culinary heritage.

Musee du Quai Branly. Join an expert guide in the Musee du Quai Branly, one of Paris’ premier cultural institutions. Opened in 2006, the museum features collections focused on non-European cultures with a rich variety of art, artifacts and objects from Oceania, Asia, Africa and the Americas.

Pioneers of the Left Bank. While walking by the Panthéon, the Sorbonne and the former home of Richard Wright, learn about the contributions and achievements of iconic figures of the African diaspora. Gain insight into the Negritude literary movement that began among French-speaking African and Caribbean writers and enhance your understanding of the Harlem Renaissance and the First Congress of Black Writers and Artists.

Paris by Boat. Cruise the Seine River for a different perspective of Paris, viewing Notre-Dame Cathedral, the Louvre Museum, Île St. Louis and other astounding sites.

Enrichment

► **Paris’ African American Writers**

UNESCO World Heritage

Paris, Banks of the Seine



Soldiers of the 369th Infantry, the Harlem Hellfighters

Electives

We’ve designed an engaging excursion to take you further afield.

Versailles. Visit Versailles to see France’s grandest palace on a guided tour. Versailles was France’s political capital and seat of the royal court from 1682-1789. The Treaty of Versailles, which ended World War I, was signed in the famous Hall of Mirrors. After your tour inside the palace, enjoy free time to explore the gardens at your own pace.

Electives are available at an additional cost.



Seine River

Accommodations

Les Jardins du Marais



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AHI Sustainability Promise

We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit, whenever possible.

Environmental Impact | Thoughtful choices to minimize our environmental footprint: eco-friendly transportation, guided walks in lieu of bus tours and less plastic waste.

Social Impact | Ongoing initiatives to support local businesses that employ and benefit people in the community. Curating meaningful experiences by staying in intimately sized locales instead of cities affected by overtourism.

Economic Impact | Community-based tourism using expert local guides and lecturers, plus program scheduling during quieter, “shoulder seasons.”

AHI Travel Expertise

Passenger Service Representative | Helps with everything from arranging flights to fulfilling special requests.

Travel Director | Manages all details to ensure a memorable trip.

Travel information | Prepares you fully for your journey.

Expert local guides and lecturers | Provide friendly, knowledgeable service and share their passion for their country.

Let us arrange your flights!

AHI FlexAir | Our **personalized air program** features transfers, assistance and flexibility.

DATES & PRICES

September 24 – October 2, 2022

From Price **\$3,945**

Special Savings **\$250**

Special Price \$3,695

VAT is an additional \$295 per person.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation. Single accommodations are an additional \$1,195 (limited availability).