



Languedoc -Essential tour in the Cathar Country

Highlights of the route:

From 2 to 8 persons

- Discovery of the Cathar castles with a private guide
- tasting of dishes and regional wines
- Discovery of the truffle and wine tasting
- A cultural journey into the history of this region



Explore your tour based on 2 people sharing

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Day 1 Carcassonne

In the late morning, meet your driver-guide at Carcassonne's train station (optional: other meeting point on request).

Lunch in the medieval city. Then private guided tour to discover the Counts castle, battlements, the St Nazaire cathedral, etc.)

Accommodation in a 4* hotel in the medieval city. Dinner on your own

Day2 Minerve & Canal du Midi

Meet your driver-guide and go toward the 4 castles of Lastours. From a point of view over the castle, let your guide tell you the dramatic story of this Cathar site.

Then, discover the "Truffle house". Through a visit know everything about the black diamond (culture, commercialisation, etc...) and finish the visit with a gastronomic touch.

Driving along the charming roads of Minervois region, reach Minerve, one of the most beautiful villages in France. Regional lunch. The city was marked by the Crusade against the Cathars.

To conclude the day, meet a winegrower and enjoy a Minervois wines tasting. Drive back to Carcassonne. Overnight in a 4* hotel, dinner on your own.

Day 3 : Cathar Castles

Drive along the Aude Valley to reach the so-called "citadels of Vertigo" Built on a rocky peak Quéribus overhangs the plain of the Roussillon, the Corbières Mountains, Cucugnan and Maury. Visit the castle which was the last place to resist during the crusade. Regional lunch in Cucugnan.

Then, with your guide, drive to Peyrepertuse fortress to listen to its story. End the day with the Maury naturally sweet wine tasting. Drive back to Carcassonne for the overnight.



Day 4 : Mirepoix – Montségur

On the way, first stop in Mirepoix, a fortified city that kept its medieval galleries and its covered market. Then, visit Montségur Castle, famous for the Cathar Crusade. Regional lunch.

In Puivert castle discover the magnificent medieval sculptures representing musicians. Drive back to Carcassonne and overnight in the medieval city.

Do not hesitate to ask your expert for a spa treatment at l'hôtel du Château for example.

Day 5: Fontfroide Abbey

Near Narbonne, visit the Cistercian abbey of Fontfroide. This private abbey is interesting by the mix between the medieval architecture and modern art. Lunch at the abbey restaurant and transport to Narbonne's train station. (other location on request)

End of services

Do not hesitate to ask to your expert to reserve a restaurant 1 or 2 stars of the region, for dinner.

Rates are subject to change based on the number of participants and dates of arrival.

Some examples of possible hotels in Carcassonne: Hôtel le Donjon 4 *, Hôtel du Château 4 *, Hôtel de la Cité in 5 * Mgallery (with surcharge)

Price includes:

- Accommodation in a 4* hotel in B&B
- A driver-guide or a bus and a private guide (depending on the number of participants).
- Transport in minibus or bus including travel costs
- Lunches (3 dishes and a coffee)
- Entrance fees for the monuments mentioned in the program



Price does not include:

- Drinks
- Dinners
- Personal expenses
- Cancellation insurance (contact us)
- What is not mentioned in the program

Prices may change according to the number of participants and the season

Cancellation policy :

If you or anyone on your holiday booking decides to cancel the holiday, the lead name must notify us of the decision as soon as possible. Any notification by telephone must also be confirmed in writing or by e-mail within 24-hours by the lead name. Cancellation will take effect from the day we are notified provided that written confirmation is received by us within 24-hours of the original notification.

Cancellation fees: Up to 31 days:	30% of the total amount
30 to 21 days:	50% of the total amount
20 to 11 days:	75% of the total amount
10 days or less:	100% of the total amount