

# DISCOVERING THE LOIRE VALLEY CHATEAUX

CHENONCEAU – AMBOISE – CLOS LUCÉ – BLOIS – CHAMBORD – CHEVERNY – AZAY-LE-RIDEAU - VILLANDRY

**3 DAYS / 2 NIGHTS**

Price per person  
from

**489 €**

Hotel	★★★★☆	489 €
	★★★★★	529 €
	★★★★★	599 €

An unforgettable all-inclusive three-day-holiday to discover the most prestigious chateaux of the Loire Valley, beautiful gardens “à la française” and enjoy the way of life in the Loire Valley.

## INCLUDED :

-  • Transportation in an air-conditioned minibus for 3 half day tours (full day 1 & 2 and morning day 3),
-  • Dinner (drinks not included) on day 1 & 2,
-  • B&B in a three-star hotel in the city centre (in a double room) on days 1&2 and tourist tax,
-  • Breakfast on days 2 & 3,
-  • Entrances to the chateaux of Chenonceau, Amboise, Clos Lucé, Blois, Chambord, Cheverny, Azay-le-Rideau, gardens of Villandry,
-  • Booking charges.

## NOT INCLUDED :

- Lunches on days 1, 2 & 3,
- Extra charge for a single room,
- Extra night : contact us,
- Guided visit / Audio-guides in the chateaux

Available every day from February/March to November from 2 people. Depending on the schedule of the minibuses, the program of the stay is subject to change.

## TRAVEL BOOK

### DAY 1

Arrival in Tours.

Let's go for a first trip to visit three prestigious Loire Valley chateaux:

#### IN THE MORNING

**THE CHATEAU OF AMBOISE:** one of the first truly “royal” residences. It is a prestigious example of combined Gothic and Renaissance architecture with Saint Hubert chapel where Leonardo da Vinci rests.

**THE CLOS LUCE - PARC LEONARDO DA VINCI** in Amboise: last residence of Leonardo da Vinci. Visit of the castle, its 40 fabulous machines and the landscaped course.

Free lunch.

#### IN THE AFTERNOON

**THE CHATEAU OF CHENONCEAU:** built in the sixteenth century, one of the purest early French Renaissance style works, constructed on the foundations of an ancient fortified water mill in the river bed itself.

Back to Tours. Dinner in the city centre of Tours and accommodation at the hotel.

### DAY 2

Breakfast at the hotel.

Let's go for another day trip to discover:

#### IN THE MORNING

**THE ROYAL CHÂTEAU OF BLOIS.** One of the most prestigious testimonies of Renaissance art in France, a perfect illustration of the evolution of French architecture from the Middle Ages to the 17th century.

Free lunch.

#### IN THE AFTERNOON

**THE CHATEAU OF CHAMBORD.** More than four centuries after its construction, Chambord still defies the imagination: 156 metres of stone façades, 56-metre-high, and 440 rooms.

**THE CHATEAU OF CHEVERNY,** which became the model for Marlinspike Hall in Hergé's Adventures of Tintin will surprise you with the richness and diversity of its furniture, and the authentic charm and refined decoration of its rooms.

Back to Tours. Dinner in the city centre of Tours. Accommodation at the hotel.

### DAY 3

Breakfast at the hotel.

#### IN THE MORNING

Let's go for an half day trip to discover:

**THE CHATEAU OF AZAY-LE-RIDEAU.** Built in the 16th century on an island in the middle of the river Indre, this chateau is one of the best examples of Renaissance architecture we have.

**THE GARDENS of the CHATEAU of VILLANDRY.** Like a jewelry box, the fabulous gardens of Villandry surround one of the last great chateaux built on the banks of the Loire during the Renaissance. Walk through one of the most beautiful gardens in France, constructed on three levels.

End of our services in Tours at 12.45pm

## INFORMATIONS RESERVATIONS

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