

# **DAY 1**

Arrival in Tours in the late morning. Check-in in hotel in the city centre of Tours. Lunch on your own expenses.

## IN THE AFTERNOON

Let's go for a first trip to discover:

THE GARDENS OF THE CHATEAU OF VILLANDRY. Like a jewelery box, the fabulous gardens of Villandry surround one of the last great chateaux built on the banks of the Loire during the Renaissance (1536). Walk through one of the most beautiful gardens in France, constructed on three levels.

THE CHATEAU OF USSE. The "Sleeping Beauty's Chateau" inspired Perrault for writing his famous stories and it remains a symbol of the medieval fairytale chateau inhabited by brave lords, beautiful ladies and poets.

THE CHATEAU OF LANGEAIS. Built in the early XVth century, this chateau provides a perfect example of a late mediaeval chateau, with a parapet walk and a drawbridge.

### IN THE LATE AFTERNOON

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

#### **DAY 2**

Breakfast at the hotel.

### IN THE MORNING

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.

THE CHATEAU OF AMBOISE: built in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries on the orders of Charles VIII, Louis XII and Francis I, the Chateau of Amboise was 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.

#### 1.00PM

Back to Tours. End of our services.

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Available every day from February/March to November from 2 people

driver for 2 half-day tours (afternoon day 1 and

Entrances to the gardens of Villandry and the

chateaux of Ussé, Langeais, Chenonceau and

Dinner (drinks not included) in a city centre

B&B in the hotel in the city centre (in a double

restaurant in Tours on day 1,

Tourist tax and booking charges.

morning day 2),

room) on day 1,

• Guided tour / audio-guides in the chateaux, Extra charge for a single room : from 35€ to 75€,

Extra nights (please contact us),

• Lunches on days1 and 2,

• Personal expenses.

Amboise,

