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Sunday May 14- Departure USA

Monday May 15- Arrival in Arles –

Lodging: **Hotel du Cloitre** Welcome dinner in town

Tuesday May 16—visit Arles and Camargue

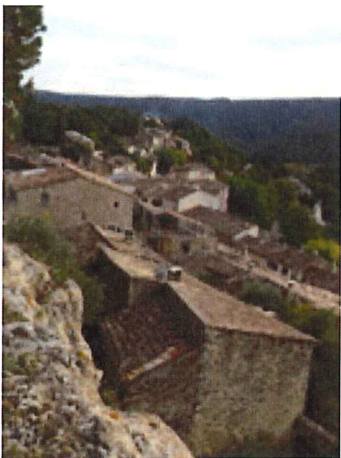
Morning visit : Les Arenes, Theatre Antique , Cathedral Sainte Trophine and its Cloisters

2PM—Tour to the **Camargue**

A few minutes from **Arles**, lies the **Natural Park of the Camargue**, a land of salt marshes, unpopulated beaches with sand dunes, wild white horses, bulls, flamingoes and other migratory birds. Visit Algues Mortes and the Salins de Giraud.

Wednesday May 17-

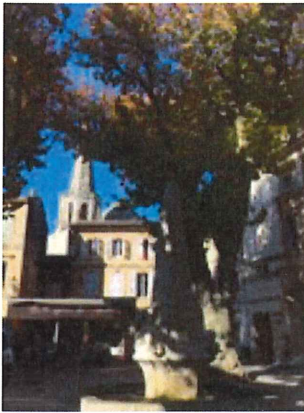
—Departure for a full day exploration of the **Alpilles hills. Abbaye de Montmajour**—a 10th century Benedictine abbey



Les Beaux de Provence-- is the fortified village of **Les Baux** that rises up a top a rocky ridge. Once a medieval fortress it became a “dead city” until beauxite was mined from the surrounding hills. This picturesque perched village is today a popular tourist stop.

Saint Rémy de Provence is a tranquil little town from which to sample some of the good life

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Provence has to offer. **Nostradamus** was born here and **Vincent Van Gogh** spent his tragic last years in St. Remy's asylum. Today this town attracts many artists.

Return to Arles for the evening.

Thursday May 18 Departure 9AM – Visit **Nimes** and **Orange** Theatre Antique and the Arenas- some of the best preserved Roman architecture in the world.

Friday May 19

Early morning Transfer to Rail Station Avignon. Train to Chalon sur Saone.

Check in **Hotel Kyriad**

PM-visit **Niepce Museum**.

Chalon is considered the birthplace of photography. Nicephore Niepce, one of the pioneers of photography was born here in 1765. The museum dedicated to the inventor displays early photographic artifacts and photos.

Evening at leisure.

Saturday May 20- Travel to Lyon

Hotel Ibis Styles- Part Dieu or similar

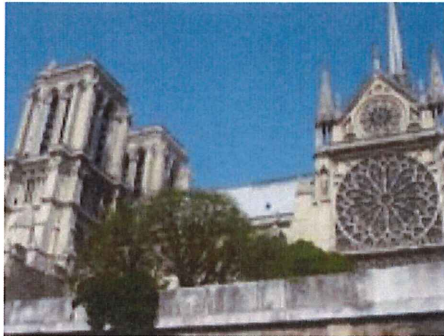


In the afternoon visit **Institut Lumiere** – Freres Lumieres were the founders of the moving picture.

Take time to visit the beautiful city of Lyon

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situated at the confluence of the Rhone and the Saone Rivers. The historic center is classified at UNESCO World Heritage site with its Renaissance architecture.. At the top of the Fourviere Hill you can visit the Basilica of Notre Dame de Lyon . Lyon is renowned for its gastronomy,; enjoy the local gastronomy in one of the many bistros called bouchons.



**Sunday May 21-Take train to Paris.
Arrival in Paris and transfer to hotel
IBIS Clichy Batignolles or similar**

Free time in Paris

**Monday May 22- Free time in Paris.
Visit the Louvre**

Tuesday May 23- Paris: Musee d' Orsay

Wednesday May 24-Train to London

Transfer to Eurostar Paris station.



**Arrive in London and transfer
to your Hotel . Rest of the day
at leisure to visit London visit
Tate Modern Museum/Victoria
& Albert Museum.**

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or similar**

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**Thursday May 25- departure to
Lacock Abbey and Avebury Circle**

Night in London.

Friday May 26 – Free time in London

Saturday May 27- Return Home