



GASTRONOMY & WINE IN THE SOUTHWEST OF FRANCE

8 days from \$1699*

SATURDAY

Pick up your car rental upon arrival at Toulouse airport, drive to “Chateau de L’Hoste” for your welcome drink with Guy Hérault, the “*chef de cuisine*”, and savor a gastronomic dinner where you will discover a range of typical dishes.

SUNDAY

After breakfast, take off for a visit to the most colorful market in the Montcuq, free time for lunch in this delightful village or picnic in the nearby countryside. Return to the chateau for dinner.

MONDAY

After breakfast depart for an excursion to St Cyprien. Visit the "Grange de Marcillac" where you will be initiated into the secrets of the black truffle, the 'black diamond' of the Quercy. Have a 'truffled' lunch at the Grange (drinks included), and visit the hilltop village of Lauzerte before coming back to the chateau for dinner.

TUESDAY

After breakfast master Chef Guy Hérault welcomes you into his kitchen for a hands-on session on the preparation and serving *foie gras*. At lunch time, eat the fruit of your own labors (wine included) then visit the Foie Gras museum in nearby Frespech. In the evening, before your dinner at the château, a visiting enologist will reveal the particularities of the Cahors wines in a wine-tasting session.

WEDNESDAY

After breakfast enjoy another hands-on session in the chateau kitchen featuring fish recipe. Once again, enjoy your own production at lunchtime (drinks included), then visit the Château Lamartine in Cahors for an intensive wine-tasting, and the Chateau de Bonaguil before coming back to your chateau for dinner.

THURSDAY

After breakfast, visit the “Chateau de Henri IV” in the medieval village of Nérac, free time for lunch. In the afternoon, enjoy another wine-tasting at the 'Domaine de Buzet' before coming back to your château for dinner.

FRIDAY

After breakfast, participate to the last class, entitled the dessert, of Guy Hérault; eat again your own work at lunchtime (drinks included), and take off for a visit to the Bastide town of Penne d’Agenais, the “Maison de la Tourtière” and the prune factory at Escoute before coming back to your château for dinner.

SATURDAY

Take your last breakfast at the Château de L’Hoste before your departure to Toulouse airport.

Package Price Includes:

- **7-night accommodations at Château de L’Hoste in Quercy**
- **Daily breakfast, four lunches, and daily dinner**
- **Excursions, wine tasting, and cooking classes as described in the itinerary**
- **8-day car rental with unlimited mileage (mid-size, manual, insurance)**
- **VAT and hotel service charges**

*Price is per person, based on double occupancy. Single Supplement: \$350. Program valid until June 2005.

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