

## France Provence - Camargue DELUXE

The picturesque Provence for epicures

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### Details

Included services:

- 7 nights in rooms with private facilities incl. breakfast
- daily luggage transportation

- taxi transfer Saintes-Maries de la Mer - Arles & Arles - Orange
- maps and information material per room

## Day-to-day programm

### Tour profile / level 2

Route mostly on low traffic roads in rural and city areas. Short stretches are on unpaved roads. A couple of days present some short uphill sections with the only relevant ascent to Les-Baux-de- Provence (4 km of gentle ascent).

#### Day 1: Orange

Individual arrival at Orange. Free time to visit the Roman monuments as the theatre one of the best preserved of all Roman theatres.

#### Day 2: Orange – Uzès, approx. 54 km

The cycle path leads you through beautiful landscapes. Orchards, vineyards from the famous Côte du Rhône (Lirac, Laudan) until St Laurent. Arriving at the charming medieval village overlooking the Alzon Valley, Uzès. Is a typical provencial Village with a wonderful market place.

#### Day 3: Uzès – Pont du Gard – Avignon, approx. 49 km

Small peacefully roads will take you to the spectacular site of Pont du Gard, considered one of the wonders of the ancient world. The Roman aqueduct was built to carry water across the River Gardon to the City of Nimes. The end of the day trip will be in Avignon.

#### Day 4: Avignon – St. Rémy, approx. 32 - 56 km

In Avignon you have time to visit the Roman monuments and the Palace of the Popes. You leave Avignon by small quiet roads and you are cycling towards one of the most beautiful villages in the region and very typical: St Rémy. Known for the aromas of wild herbs. St Rémy where Van Gogh has lived and where Nostradamus was born. The wines from Les Baux have granted their own appellation status in the late eighties. You can enjoy the end of the day in the romantic small streets and places of St Rémy.

#### Day 5: Roundtrip St. Rémy, approx. 52 km

Today you're cycling from St Remy to Les Baux. The remarkable pilgrimage site was built at 200 m high outcrop and is dominated by a ruined fortress. It's the area of Van Gogh and here he got the inspiration for a lot of his

paintings. Wonderful landscape in the shadow of the Alpilles mountains.

**Day 6: St. Rémy – Arles, approx. 32 km**

Today you leave St. Rémy to cycle south, towards to the Mediterranean sea in the town of Arles, perched on the side of the Rhone with its well-preserved amphitheatre, countless medieval and Roman monuments.

**Day 7: Arles – Ste-Marie-de-la-Mer, approx. 37 km**

Passing Mejanes you will cycle towards the Mediterranean by the protected region of the Camargue. Here you can see white horses, flamingos and an exotic wildlife in this beautiful countryside. Transfer back to Arles by taxi at 5.30 p.m.

**Day 8: Arles – Orange**

After breakfast use the included bus transfer to get back to Orange. Departure or extension of your stay at Orange.

## Prices

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