



Puy du Fou, Vendée

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& ART DE VIVRE**

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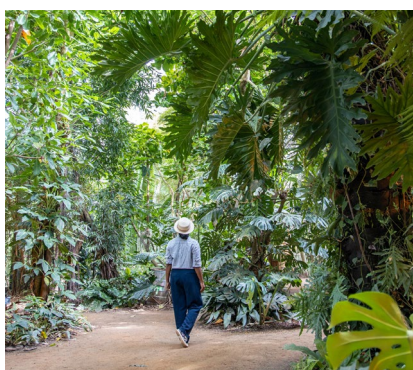
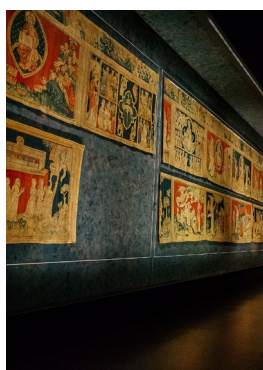
LOIRE VALLEY FOOD & WINE GEMS & PUY DU FOU THEME PARK

Highlights of the trip:

- The Loire Valley, a UNESCO world heritage site
- Angers, capital of Anjou – rated French city with the best quality of life
- Saumur and its famous wine cellars
- The Royal Abbey of Fontevraud & its new modern art museum
- The Puy du Fou theme park



Day 1



All day | Angers

TGV train station in Angers – 1h30 from Paris

Known as the capital of Anjou, Angers spreads out just a few steps away from the Loire River. Discover at your own pace the city centre and its numerous shops.

TOP 3 VISITS IN ANGERS

- The **Apocalypse Tapestry** is a 106 meter long medieval treasure, containing 74 paintings, exceptional colours, dramatic or playful scenes, that took 9 years to complete! Such a masterpiece deserved a showcase of its own size: it can be seen at the Chateau of Angers, with its 17 towers and its kilometre-long walls.
- **Loire Odysée Cruises:** from a one-hour discovery cruise to the concert dinner, you can enjoy Loire River -the longest river in France- in a special way, departing from Angers. From April to October.
- **Visit Terra Botanica, a vegetal themed park** (the only one in Europe): explore the extraordinary gardens and discover the secrets of 500,000 plant species in Angers.

Dinner at “Le Relais” restaurant in Angers city centre.

Night at the 4* Hôtel de France in Angers city centre near the train station.

> *Alternative: Dinner & Night at 4* Best Western Hôtel d'Anjou*

Day 2



Morning | Cointreau liqueur and Château life

Learn the **secrets of Cointreau**, the famous orange-flavoured liqueur produced in Angers, used in many famous cocktails. Use your imagination to create your own signature beverage.

Known as the “Giant of the Loire Valley” with its 7 floors, **the Chateau de Brissac** is the tallest Chateau in France. You can live the great life by sleeping in one of the B&B bedrooms and taste wine from its vineyard.

Afternoon | Saumur Loire Valley

Transfer to Saumur

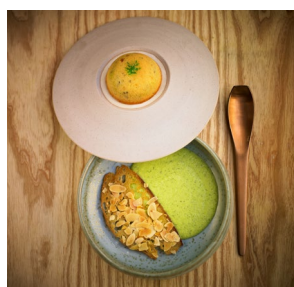
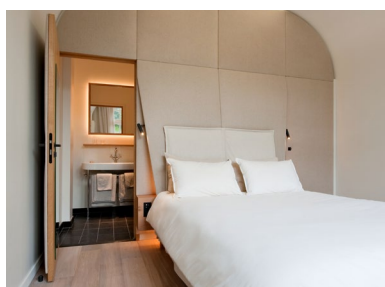
Explore Saumur on board a vintage combi. Saumur, where the fashion designer Coco Chanel was born, is located by the Loire River, a UNESCO world heritage site, surrounded by vineyards and dominated by its Chateau.

Dinner at Fontevraud Le Restaurant (1 Michelin*) at the heart of a 1,000-year-old abbey.

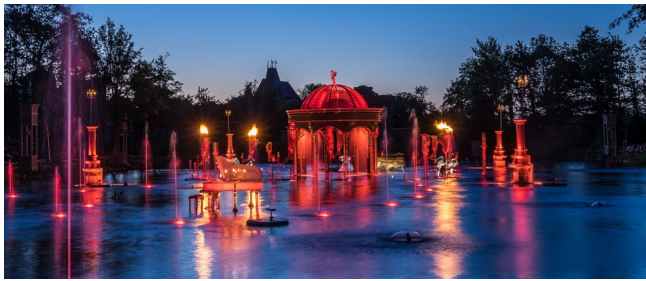
> *Alternative: Dinner at the gastronomic restaurant Le Gambetta, Saumur*

Night at 4* Fontevraud l'Hotel – a design hotel in a medieval crane – a night with Eleanor of Aquitaine.

> *Alternative: Night at 5* Château de Verrières Hotel & Spa, Saumur*



Day 3



Morning | Fontevraud royal abbey

Visit the Royal Abbey of Fontevraud, the largest monastic city in Europe, listed as a UNESCO world heritage site, hosting the reclining effigies of Eleanor of Aquitaine, of her husband Henry 2nd and of their son Richard the Lionheart. Don't miss the modern art museum that opened in 2021.

Cruise lunch on the Loire River on board "l'Etoile qui Rit - the Laughing Star" traditional boat.

Afternoon | Puy du Fou France

Discover the amazing shows at Puy du Fou France (Les Epesses), #1 Leisure Park 2022 in France & Europe and #2 in the world in Trip Advisor travellers' choice. This historic theme park features unique and special effects shows reenacting various periods of French history. Get ready to embark on a journey back in time!

- 20 shows and activities (up to 8 shows per day)
- 4 period villages (22 art craftsmen)
- 150 hectares of nature
- 1,500 animals (270 horses and 900 birds)

Night at one of the 5 historic hotels on the park.

Day 4



Day at Puy du Fou theme park

Drive back to Nantes – TGV train station or international airport.



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1* Michelin restaurant and 4* Hotel

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Le Mans

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PLEASE FIND BELOW SUGGESTIONS IN ATLANTIC LOIRE VALLEY

- **Gourmet visit in Angers:** Come and unravel the history behind the famous products from Angers that are used by creative and passionate chefs and artisans to please our taste buds!

- **The wonders of the Loire Valley all in one place – Troglo Nature in the Saumur area**

- **Pierre et Lumière** is one of the most impressive cave dwelling sites in Saumur. You will travel the equivalent of 200 kilometres and discover several sculptures representing the most emblematic monuments of the Loire Valley carved in tufa stone.

- **The Mushroom Museum:** Come and discover the secrets of mushroom growing in a surprising and mysterious atmosphere.

- **The Puygirault garden:** A plant garden rather than a flower garden, the various vegetable squares will introduce you to more than 1,000 plants across 2 hectares. A place of relaxation and education, this garden is respectful of our planet.

- In Vendée, 30 mins south of Nantes, discover **the Logis & Jardins de la Chabotterie**, a typical house & museum about the history of Vendée. Don't miss the French garden with 120 + varieties of vegetables & flowers, including aromatic and medicinal plants, and try the gastronomic restaurant.

- **Smallest oyster village** in France but a world-renowned quality, the “Port de la Guittière” on the Southern Vendée coast organises visits to show how to grow oysters and taste them. If you are a real oyster fan, then the oyster discovery route will delight you in the same way as the wines routes probably will.

Top 3 in Le Mans : not to miss

- Le Mans is known throughout the world for its **24-hour endurance car race** that takes place every year in June. Brad Pitt, Jackie Chan and Steve McQueen are some of the stars who have participated in the race. A not-to-miss event.

- During the summer, Le Mans goes all arty: a whole artistic exploration takes place in the city centre, illuminating the old town (Plantagenêt city) and colouring the parks and gardens in many ways. Discover **new artistic experiences through 2 major cultural events**, free of charge: Plein Champ and the Night of the Chimeras.

- Every year at the end of September, the festival **“Between courtyards and gardens”** turns the old town of Le Mans (Plantagenêt city) into gardens and gives access to 20 “Secret Gardens” that exceptionally open their doors during the festival.

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