



Puy du Fou, Vendée

FOR YOUR CLIENTS INTERESTED IN ART, CULTURE  
& HISTORY

☀️ 4 DAYS 📍 180 KM

# FROM NANTES TO THE VENDÉE COAST & PUY DU FOU THEME PARK

## Highlights of the trip:

- The creative city of Nantes and Les Machines de l'île
- Clisson and Muscadet vineyard
- The Puy du Fou theme park
- Les Sables-d'Olonne on the Vendée Atlantic coast





## Day 1



### Morning | Nantes

TGV train station in Nantes – 2h05 from Paris

#### Follow the Green line in Nantes

A green line literally painted on the ground enables visitors to discover all the main city landmarks, from the Château des ducs de Bretagne to the latest art works of Le Voyage à Nantes. Get ready!

#### Lunch in the theatre district in Nantes.

### Afternoon | Nantes

Elegant and cultural, the Graslin district is a gem of 18th and 19th century urban planning. Graslin is reputed for its chic upmarket shops, its gourmet restaurants and its Passage Pommeraye, the only three-storey covered arcade in Europe.

**Discover Les Machines de l'île**, the city's top attraction and the creative quarter.

- Machines de l'île de Nantes (Carrousel of the Marine Worlds): This unprecedented artistic project sits at the crossroads of Jules Verne's "invented worlds", of Leonardo da Vinci's mechanical universe, and Nantes' industrial history.
- Creative quarter of the île de Nantes: new forms of architecture and art installations flourish in this new neighbourhood.

**Dinner at La Cigale**, an Art Nouveau elegant brasserie in Nantes, opened in 1895 and listed as a historical monument.

**Night at the 4\* Mercure Centre Passage Pommeraye Hotel** in Nantes.

> *Alternative : 4\* Maisons du Monde Hôtel & Suites*

## Day 2



### Morning | Clisson and Muscadet vineyard

**Explore the fascinating history of Clisson**, its impressive medieval castle, narrow streets and Tuscan colors along the banks of the Sèvre Nantaise during a guided tour.

**Discover La Garenne-Lemot**, an exceptional site (villa and garden), overlooking the river and inspired by Italian architecture. Taste a range of Muscadet wines at the Château du Coing vineyard in Saint-Fiacre-sur-Maine.

#### Lunch in the vineyard.

### Afternoon | Les Epesses

**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!

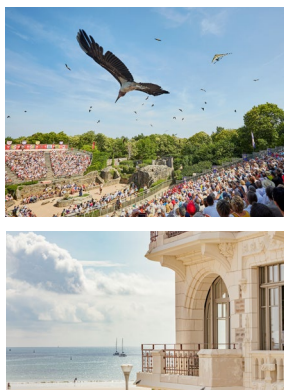
- 20 shows and activities (up to 8 shows per day)
- 4 period villages (22 art craftsmen)
- 150 hectares of nature
- 1,500 animals (270 horses and 900 birds)

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





## Day 3

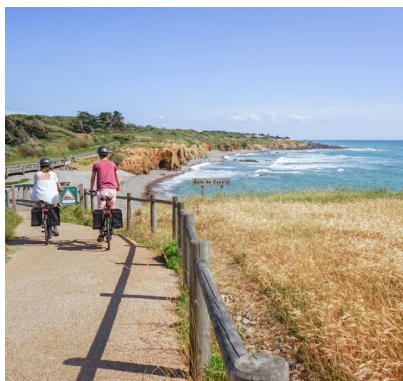
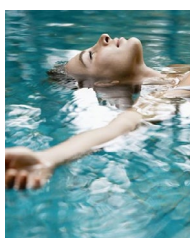


### Day at Puy du Fou France | Les Epesses

#### Late afternoon | Transfer to the Vendée Atlantic coast in Les Sables-d'Olonne

**Dinner and Night at 4\* Hotel Côte Ouest Thalasso & spa,** Les Sables-d'Olonne. Facing the ocean, the hotel will plunge you into the atmosphere of the 1930's ocean liners.

## Day 4



### Morning | Les Sables-d'Olonne

**Enjoy spa treatments at Côte Ouest Thalasso & Spa,** M Gallery Hotel, Accor Group.

**Lunch at one of the numerous seafood restaurants on the port.**

### Afternoon | Les Sables-d'Olonne

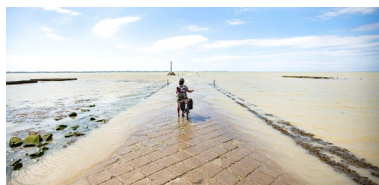
**Les Sables-d'Olonne**, a major sailing and yachting seaside resort, is known for hosting the legendary Vendée Globe, the single-handed non-stop sailing race around the world without assistance! The Vendée Globe legendary sailing race is held every 4 years.

**By bike, on foot, on horseback or on rollerblades**, take advantage of the resort's coastal paths which will offer you an exceptional panorama of the sea.

TGV train station from Les Sables-d'Olonne to Paris.

### OPTION: extend your stay with 2 days on Noirmoutier island

## Day 5 & 6



### During the 2 days

**Explore the charming Noirmoutier Island** with its traditional villas and its local produce: oysters, wine, seafood to name but a few. Meet an oyster farmer and taste local oysters. Discover the 1000-year old salt marshes with a local salt worker. Enjoy the sandy beaches of the island. Experience driving on the 4-km Gois causeway which links the island to the mainland and is only accessible at low tide.

**Dinner at La Table d'Elise**, Noirmoutier Island.

> *Alternative: Dinner at La Marine, 3\* Michelin restaurant*

**Night at the 4\* Général d'Elbée hotel** on Noirmoutier Island.

> *Alternative: 3\* Hotel Fleur de Sel, Noirmoutier Island*

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PLEASE FIND BELOW SUGGESTIONS IN ATLANTIC LOIRE VALLEY

- **A 6-day cruise** on the Loire River with **Croisieurope** "The Loire Valley, a Royal legacy" on board the MS Loire Princess. 48 cabins with private bathrooms and AC, beds facing the river, from Nantes to the Ocean and up to the major Loire chateaux.

- **Nantes – Saint-Nazaire Estuaire art trail - The Landscape, the Art and the River**

In Nantes, Saint-Nazaire and along the banks of the Loire River for 60km, a collection of 33 artworks created by artists in the heart of a fascinating land. 'Estuaire' river cruises of 2.5 hours from April to October.

- Known as the "little Versailles of Mayenne", **the Chateau de Craon and its Park** are half an hour to the south of Laval by road. Come and explore this beautiful chateau and its 40 hectares of English and French-style garden. B&B in the chateau (6 different rooms).

- 20 km south of Laval, **the Robert Tatin museum** will surprise you. Robert Tatin, once a carpenter, then a world traveler, later met Cocteau, Giacometti and Prévert, but refused to be locked up in an academy. He rather expressed his arts closer to nature.

- Located halfway between Tours and Le Mans, **the Chateau du Lude**, a 13th-century fortress, is surrounded by its remarkable gardens. It has been inhabited for the past 260 years by the same family.

- In Les Sables-d'Olonne, Atlantic Coast, do not miss **the Museum of the Abbey of Sainte-Croix**, a modern and contemporary art museum.

- **The Southern Vendée abbeys, a well-hidden secret**

**The Abbey of Maillezais** is the largest historical site of the Marais Poitevin. Once a powerful fortress, Romanesque abbey then Gothic cathedral, Maillezais

has witnessed religious, economic and artistic influences.

**The Royal Abbey of Nieul-sur-l'Autise,**

where technologies reveal the stone: In the heart of a charming village, an architectural gem enhanced by a unique restoration, opens its doors to you for a visit on the border between the real and the virtual. Guided tours.

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