WALKS ALONG THE BANKS OF THE DORDOGNE





Meyronne

YOUR HOLIDAY DAY-BY-DAY



DAY 01 ARRIVE IN MARTEL

Arrive at **Le Relais Sainte-Anne** in Martel, a picturesque town also known as 'la ville aux sept tours' or the town of seven towers. Dinner is included at all hotels this week.

DAY 02 MARTEL TO MEYRONNE

10KM/6.5MI/2.5HR

Before leaving Martel, enjoy its mediaeval streets, in particular the Palais de la Raymondie and the Place de la Halle. Enjoy 360° views of the Dordogne Valley from the summit of Mont Mercou, before arriving at the **Hôtel La Terrasse** for two nights.

DAY 03 AT MEYRONNE

You could walk to Rocher Sainte-Marie and the *Grottes de Lacave* or head to the town of Rocamadour, home to the shrine of the Black Madonna. Alternatively, travel by taxi to the Gouffre de Padirac, an enormous underground chasm.

DAY 04 MEYRONNE TO SOUILLAC

19KM/12MI/5HR

Follow the path along the Roc de Monges with spectacular panoramic views then take the GR6 through sleepy hamlets and lush farmland to rejoin the river at Château de la Treyne. Continue to the small town of Souillac and **La Vieille Auberge**, where you'll stay for two nights.

DAY 05 AT SOUILLAC

Wander around this delightful town or visit the Musée de l'Automate, which holds the largest collection of mechanical toys and dolls in France. Alternatively, walk to La Durantie for more stunning views along the Dordogne Valley.

DAY 06 SOUILLAC TO CARSAC 13KM/8MI/3.5HR OR 16KM/10MI/4HR

Take a transfer to Roufillac then head along the Dordogne River into the heart of the Périgord Nord. You can also take a short detour to visit the Château de Fénelon en route to **La Villa Romaine** just outside Carsac, for two nights.

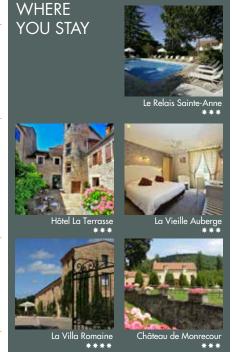
DAY 07 AT CARSAC

Walk along the disused railway line that is now a 'voie verte' into Sarlat and explore this mediaeval town, the capital of the Périgord Noir. Wander the warren of old lanes and charming courtyards with their Renaissance façades and richly ornamented buildings.

DAY 08 CARSAC TO SAINT-VINCENT-DE-COSSE 21KM/13.5MI/5HR

Pass stone *bories* (dry stone huts) and small country hamlets as you walk between the Château de Montfort, Vitrac port and La Roque-Gageac. Take a short but steep detour up to the Château de Beynac then continue to the **Château de Monrecour**.

DAY 09 LEAVE SAINT-VINCENT-DE-COSSE





TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

- · Exclusive Rep Service
- Unspoilt scenery, woodland valleys, wellmarked tranquil riverside paths
- Pretty mediaeval villages, traditional Périgourdine markets, fairytale châteaux
- Wonderful river wildlife: coypu, heron, kites, kingfishers, buzzards and dragonflies
- La Roque Gageac, one of Les Plus Beaux Villages de France

AT A GLANCE

Trip code **W08DO**

Departures every two days from 11th May to 24th September 2018



Leisurely/Moderate

YOUR HOLIDAY INCLUDES

- 8 nights hotel-to-hotel accommodation in a mix of *** and **** hotels
- All breakfasts and evening meals
- Services of your local Representative
- Route directions and maps
- Luggage transfers between hotels
- Wine Collection Service (see page 106)

OPTIONAL UPGRADES

- Sole occupancy of a double room (including one night in a single room)
 please enquire
- Room upgrades at selected hotels
- Extra nights in Saint-Vincent-De-Cosse or Sarlat
- City break add-ons in Toulouse

