



Gordes

YOUR HOLIDAY DAY-BY-DAY



DAY 01 ARRIVE IN PERNES-LES-FONTAINES

Arrive at the **Hôtel l'Hermitage** and relax with a dip in the pool or explore the grounds before dinner (included) in a local restaurant.

DAY 02 PERNES-LES-FONTAINES TO LES IMBERTS 30KM/19MI OR 35KM/22MI

Cycle along the Canal de Carpentras, then head to L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue with its riverside cafés. Continue to Fontaine-de-Vaucluse followed by a climb and stunning views across the Luberon Valley. Stay at the **Mas de la Sénancole** for the next two nights (dinner included).

DAY 03 AT LES IMBERTS OPTIONAL 9KM/6MI

Make your way to the mediaeval village of Gordes for one of the best views over the Luberon. Explore the village and castle then take a taxi up to l'Abbaye Notre-Dame de Sénanque.

DAY 04 LES IMBERTS TO APT 33KM/21MI OR 37KM/23.5MI

Head through tranquil countryside and make the short climb up to Roussillon, the start of the Ochre Trail. Continue on to Gargas, visit the Ochre Mines of Bruoux, then on to Apt for a drink in the old town. You stay at the **Hôtel Sainte Anne** for two nights (pay locally for dinner).

DAY 05 AT APT

Explore Apt, the ancient cathedral, narrow alleyways and the two museums. Market day is Tuesday and Saturday – worth a visit to pick up truffles or traditional Provençal arts and crafts.

DAY 06 APT TO MAUBEC 36KM/22.5MI

Follow the greenway (previously a railway track) along the River Calavon to Pont Julien, a stone bridge built in Roman times. Continue on past the perched villages of Lacoste and Bonnieux, to Maubec. Your hotel for the next two nights is **La Bastide du Bois Bréant**. Dinner is included at a local restaurant.

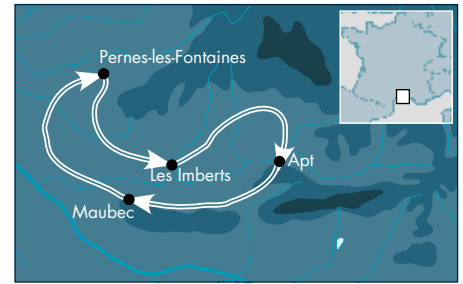
DAY 07 AT MAUBEC OPTIONAL 26KM/16.5MI

Options today include circular rides to the pretty villages of Lagnes, Taillades and Robion. Alternatively, take a taxi (payable locally) to explore historical Saint-Rémy-de-Provence.

DAY 08 MAUBEC TO PERNES-LES-FONTAINES 38KM/24MI

Pedal out past orchards to the mediaeval town of Le Thor, before continuing to hilltop Thouzon to visit its castle and caves. Explore mediaeval Pernes-les-Fontaines before returning to the **Hôtel l'Hermitage**. Your final dinner (included) is taken in a local restaurant.

DAY 09 LEAVE PERNES-LES-FONTAINES



TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

- Exclusive Rep Service
- Vineyards, olive groves and apple orchards, punctuated by canals and clear, flowing rivers
- Perched villages, mediaeval towns and castles
- Mountain backdrops and the region's famous lavender scent

AT A GLANCE

Trip code **C08PL**

Departures every two days from 13th May to 14th October 2018



Leisurely/Moderate

★★★★★ customer rating

YOUR HOLIDAY INCLUDES

- 8 nights hotel-to-hotel accommodation in *** hotels
- All breakfasts and 6 evening meals
- Services of your local Representative
- High quality bikes
- GPS route directions and maps
- RideWithGPS navigation app
- Luggage transfers between hotels
- Wine Collection Service (see page 106)

OPTIONAL UPGRADES

- First Class rail available
- Sole occupancy of a double room - please enquire
- Room upgrades at selected hotels
- Electric bikes available
- Extra nights in Pernes-les-Fontaines
- City break add-ons in Paris or Avignon

WHERE YOU STAY



Hôtel l'Hermitage



Mas de la Sénancole



Hôtel Sainte Anne



La Bastide du Bois Bréant
