

BRITTANY'S EMERALD COAST WALK



Dinan

YOUR HOLIDAY DAY-BY-DAY



DAY 01 ARRIVE IN LAMBALLE

Your holiday starts at the C16 Le Manoir des Portes, with beautifully kept gardens, just 3km outside the market town of Lamballe. Relax with an apéritif before dinner (included).

DAY 02 LAMBALLE TO SABLES-D'OR-LES-PINS

17KM/11MI/5HR

Transfer to the tiny fishing port of Dahouët, then head along the coast, with extensive views, rocky coves and aquamarine seas. Lunch on the beach, then continue inland to Sables-d'Or-Les-Pins and the **Hôtel de Diane**. Dinner is included here for the next two nights.

DAY 03 AT SABLES-D'OR-LES-PINS

Either spend the day in this lovely seaside village with its golden sand beaches, or follow our suggested circular walk along a spectacular coastal footpath to nearby Cap d'Erquy.

DAY 04 SABLES-D'OR-LES-PINS TO FORT DE LA LATTE/DINARD

17KM/11MI/5HR

Head past deserted beaches and heather-topped cliffs to the Cap Fréhel Lighthouse, then on to the C14 feudal stronghold of Fort de La Latte. Climb up the tower for magnificent coastal views before continuing to the **Hôtel Printania** (pay locally for evening meals on your two nights here).

DAY 05 AT DINARD

Once a sleepy fishing village, Dinard was transformed into a famous, upmarket resort by the English during the C19. Walk out to the Pointe des Étrêtes or take a water taxi to Saint-Malo.

DAY 06 DINARD TO DINAN

19KM/12MI/6HR

Transfer to the picturesque village of Langrolay-sur-Rance, then it's inland, following the course of the River Rance. Walk through shady forests, fruit orchards, and along riverside paths to Dinan. The **Hôtel Le d'Avaugour** is superbly located within the ramparts of the mediaeval old town with a choice of restaurants for dinner (payable locally).

DAY 07 AT DINAN

Explore the beautifully restored squares and ramparts of mediaeval Dinan. Visit the imposing C13 castle, the Gothic basilica and explore the cobbled streets with their artisan workshops.

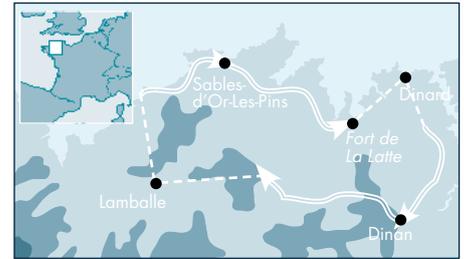
DAY 08 DINAN TO PLOREC/LAMBALLE

18KM/11.5MI/5HR

A short transfer, then it's on through the Pays du Tour du Penthivère to the impressive C13 Château de la Hunaudaye and its 800-year-old ruins. Continue across farmland, past ancient standing stones, back to the **Le Manoir Des Portes** for dinner (included).

DAY 09 LEAVE LAMBALLE

WHERE YOU STAY

Le Manoir des Portes
***Hôtel de Diane
***Hôtel Printania
***Hôtel Le d'Avaugour
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TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

- Exclusive Rep Service
- Beautifully varied and unspoilt
- Deserted coastal paths, shaded forest trails, magnificent beaches
- Traditional Breton fishing ports and sites unchanged since the Middle Ages



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Departures every two days from 13th May
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Leisurely/Moderate

★★★★☆ customer rating

YOUR HOLIDAY INCLUDES

- 8 nights hotel-to-hotel accommodation in mix of *** and **** hotels
- All breakfasts and 4 evening meals
- Services of your local Representative
- Route directions and maps
- Luggage transfers between hotels
- Walking transfers
- Cider Collection Service (see page 106)

OPTIONAL UPGRADES

- First Class rail available
- Sole occupancy of a double room - please enquire
- Room upgrades at selected hotels
- Extra nights at Lamballe or Dinan
- City break add-ons in Paris



Îlot Saint-Michel, en route to Dinard

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DAY 01 ARRIVE IN LAMBALLE

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DAY 02 LAMBALLE TO SABLES-D'OR-LES-PINS

37KM/23MI

Head along quiet country lanes then out to the coast and the sailing resort of Pléneuf-Val-André. Beachside trails lead you to your hotel, the **Hôtel de Diane**, just 200m from the sea, where you'll spend the next two nights. Enjoy your evening meals (included) on the terrace.

DAY 03 AT SABLES-D'OR-LES-PINS

Relax on the beach or follow our 25km circular route taking in the Cap Fréhel Lighthouse and the famous Fort de La Latte, which occupies one of the finest settings in northern France.

DAY 04 SABLES-D'OR-LES-PINS TO DINARD

42KM/26.5MI

Pedal through pretty farming hamlets then head to the yachting village of Lancieux and onto gorgeous Saint-Briac, where Debussy composed his major work 'La Mer'. You'll spend the next two nights at the **Hôtel Printania** (pay locally for evening meals).

DAY 05 AT DINARD

Dinard is one of the most famous and upmarket seaside resorts in Europe. Walk out to the Pointe des Étrêtes for views of the off-shore islands or take a 10-minute ferry across the bay to Saint-Malo and its ancient fortified walls.

DAY 06 DINARD TO DINAN

34KM/21MI

Cycle inland and take a trip back in time following the banks of the River Rance past sleepy hamlets, fishing ports and beautiful Saint-Suliac. Enjoy lunch at the sailing port in Saint-Hubert then cycle along the flat towpath to Dinan and the **Hôtel Jerzual**, where you'll spend two nights (pay locally for evening meals).

DAY 07 AT DINAN

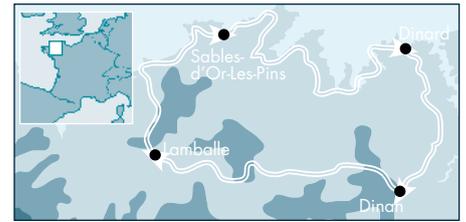
This beautifully-preserved ancient walled town comes with riverfront port and half-timbered buildings. Admire the architectural heritage and perhaps follow our 25km circular route inland to the pretty village of Évran.

DAY 08 DINAN TO LAMBALLE

47KM/29MI

Your first stop is the village of Léhon then it's on to the impressive C13 Château de la Hunaudaye, with its majestic towers and water-filled moat, before a gentle cycle back to **Le Manoir des Portes** in Lamballe for your final dinner (included).

DAY 09 LEAVE LAMBALLE



TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

- Exclusive Rep Service
- Beautiful coastal paths, quiet inland country lanes, pretty villages for relaxing lunches
- Stunning poppy-fringed beaches; undoubtedly amongst the finest in Europe
- Traditional Breton fishing ports and colourful harbours



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- 8 nights hotel-to-hotel accommodation in a mix of ★★★ and ★★★★ hotels
- All breakfasts and 4 evening meals
- Services of your local Representative
- High quality bikes
- GPS route directions and maps
- RideWithGPS navigation app
- Luggage transfers between hotels
- Cider Collection Service (see page 106)

OPTIONAL UPGRADES

- First Class rail available
- Sole occupancy of a double room - please enquire
- Room upgrades at selected hotels
- Extra nights in Lamballe or Dinan
- City break add-ons in Paris

WHERE YOU STAY

Le Manoir des Portes
★★★Hôtel de Diane
★★★Hôtel Printania
★★★Hôtel Jerzual
★★★★



View over Dinan Port

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DAY 01 ARRIVE IN DINAN

Arrive at the ***** Hotel Le d'Avaugour**. The hotel has a small bar and a beautiful garden where you can have breakfast or enjoy a pre-dinner drink. Walk to the end of the garden and you find yourself on the ramparts of the old town. Below is our suggested itinerary for the week but you're free to pick and choose when and where you walk or cycle each day.

DAY 02 LÉHON AND DINAN

WALK 7KM/4.5MI/2HR

An easy walk to get to know Dinan and the Rance Valley. Amble along the river to Léhon, the C9 Abbaye Saint Magloire and the ruins of its C11-13 hilltop château. Then it's up into Dinan to explore this mediaeval gem.

DAY 03 TADEN CIRCUIT WALK 13KM/8MI/3.5HR OR CYCLE 8KM/5MI OR 23KM/14.5MI

This leisurely circuit takes you along the north side of the River Rance to the village of Taden with its restored church and the C14 Manoir de la Grand Cour. Choose to walk through peaceful woodlands and valley trails or cycle along the well-maintained cycle paths to the river marina at Lyvet/La Hisse and return along the old Dinard-Dinan railway line.

DAY 04 FREE DAY

Explore the area around Dinan port or further afield. You can rent canoes or kayaks for guided tours or independent rental, or electric boats to head further upstream to Léhon or down-river to Lyvet. There are even boat trips as far as Saint-Malo (2.5hr each way).

DAY 05 EVRAN LOOP

CYCLE 25KM/16MI

Cycle south along the Rance to Léhon (as per the walk you might have already enjoyed). Then continue along the canal to Evran. Choose the same route back from Evran on the voie verte, or take to the backroads through countryside.

DAY 06 FREE DAY

(BUS, TAXIS OR HIRE CAR REQUIRED)

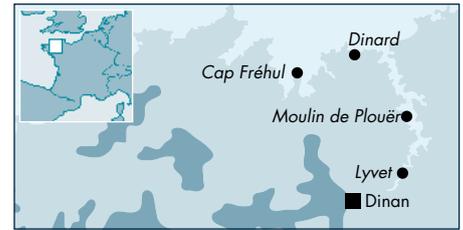
The options are almost endless, with coastal footpaths from Dinard (west or east) or around the headland at Cap Fréhel to see Fort La Latte. Alternatively, take the bus to Dinard or the boat across to Saint-Malo, to explore the ramparts and old town, or head even further afield to the iconic island commune of Mont-Saint-Michel.

DAY 07 MOULIN DE PLOUËR TO DINAN

WALK 14KM/9MI/4HR

Take a taxi to Moulin de Plouër (just east of Plouër-sur-Rance) and walk back to Dinan along the Natura 2000 trail. You stay along the River Rance, sometimes on its banks, at other times high above it and often with great views, especially at high tide on the more northerly section to Lyvet.

DAY 08 LEAVE DINAN



TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

- Exclusive Rep Service
- Stay in the centre of mediaeval Dinan, close to its riverfront port and its ancient ramparts
- Plenty of tempting riverside restaurants and local market (Thursdays)
- Superb seafood; sweet and savoury crêpes; refreshing local cider
- Gentle walking and cycling along riverside paths, valley trails and through peaceful woodlands



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Leisurely & Leisurely/Moderate

YOUR HOLIDAY INCLUDES

- 7 nights single-centre accommodation in a ******* hotel
- All breakfasts
- Services of your local Representative
- Walking route directions and maps
- High quality bikes
- GPS route directions and maps (for cycling)
- RideWithGPS navigation app (for cycling)
- Cider Collection Service (see page 106)

OPTIONAL UPGRADES

- First Class rail available
- Single room - please enquire
- Room upgrades available
- Extra nights in Dinan
- City break add-ons in Paris

WHERE YOU STAY



******* Hôtel Le d'Avaugour