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Dear Columbian,

The Columbia Alumni Association—a free, no RSVP-required association of all University alumni—keeps you connected to the intellectual and social network of Columbia University. The CAA Travel Study program is an integral part of our mission. Featuring specially chosen destinations and accommodations, and inquisitive alumni travelers from Columbia, the Travel Study program is your ticket to a fresh experience with your alma mater. We invite you and your family to join us as we exploreRiver Life™ in BURGUNDY AND PROVENCE on a specially designed travel itinerary that captures the authentic character of daily life in these fabled regions of France.

For centuries, wine, silk, art, religions and ideas have flourished along the Rhône River’s fertile valley, linking the ancient provinces of Burgundy and Provence to the Mediterranean world. Seamlessly blending the past with the present, this cradle of European civilization features Roman ruins, medieval abbeys, romantic Renaissance castles and idyllic villages nestled among rolling hills and lush family-owned vineyards.

Expert-guided tours and lectures will delve into the fascinating history, rich artistic legacy and exquisite cuisine of the Rhône River Valley. To further stimulate and satisfy your intellectual curiosity, we offer you the opportunity to engage in a Village Forum™, introducing you to local residents who provide a personal perspective of the modern life and their cultural heritage. You’ll even learn to speak some French, so you can engage in the time-honored ways of the people in these celebrated regions while tasting acclaimed wines and world-renowned cuisine.

Throughout this journey, we’ll discover the history of this region from Roman and medieval times to present day. Take advantage of the opportunity to enrich your mind and palate. Columbia’s intellectual and social connections have never been more relevant than today, so join us, along with the participants from cosponsors including the University of Pennsylvania, Carnegie Mellon University and Georgetown University. You’re just a short flight away from a journey highlighting the beauty and excitement of the Burgundy region, and of the Columbia Alumni Association community.

Sincerely,

Donna H. MacPhee ’89CC
Vice President for Alumni Relations
President, Columbia Alumni Association

Columbia Guest Lecturer

We make it a priority to provide an outstanding Columbia University affiliated guest lecturer who will accompany each program. Education is central to the mission of the Alumni Travel Study Program, and we intend that you will be joined by a guest lecturer. Our lecturers are chosen for the depth of their knowledge as well as their approachability. We trust that their enthusiasm and insight, experienced through formal lectures and informal conversations, will greatly enhance the educational value of the trip. As this brochure goes to press, however, we are unable to guarantee a lecturer. Please feel free to contact our office for an update on the guest lecturer status.

Please note that a minimum number of passengers is required to confirm faculty participation.

Cover: Visit the imposing Papal Palace in Avignon, reflecting the glory of seven popes who resided there during the 14th century’s Great Schism.

Sit at an inviting streetside café on the Rue St-Jean in Lyon’s historic Old Quarter.
Bienvenue en France! The exclusive RIVER LIFE™ IN BURGUNDY AND PROVENCE cruise offers a firsthand experience of the true character, traditions and daily rhythms of the charming and historic villes of Beaune, Cluny, Lyon, Boucieu-le-Roi, Avignon and Arles. One of the highly successful and exceptional value offerings in the VILLAGE LIFE™ series, this unique program immerses you for one full week in a comprehensive and personal travel experience at just the right pace. Reserve by the Early Booking date to receive even further savings! All accommodations, meals, carefully planned excursions and featured CULTURAL ENRICHMENTS are included and are only available in this exclusively arranged offering.

The first-class M.S. REMBRANDT has been specially chartered for its intimate size, perfect for enjoying the Rhône Valley’s bucolic scenery. And, you will unpack only once!

CULTURAL ENRICHMENTS are key educational components of RIVER LIFE™ IN BURGUNDY AND PROVENCE and offer you a travel experience like no other:

♦ Hear it from the Experts! By special arrangement, an Arles resident will lecture on the importance of the Rhône River to the area. Prominent faculty and experienced English-speaking guides will accompany us throughout the program and talk about historical, cultural and contemporary France.

♦ Learn key phrases and pronunciation that will enable a more lively and personal interaction with locals during “Parlez-vous français?” the specially arranged introduction to the langue française.

♦ Meet Provençals during the exclusive VILLAGE FORUM™, as a resident of Provence shares the joie de vivre and candid perspectives on daily life in southern France.

♦ Experience the hospitality and charm of a typical French village during a private reception hosted by the nuns of the Convent of the Blessed Sacrament in Boucieu-le-Roi.

♦ Sample Burgundy’s world-renowned wines and local cheeses and sausages during a private tasting at the exquisite Château Montmelas.

♦ Enjoy time on your own—stroll along the lively Boulevard des Lices in Arles, enjoy views of Avignon and the river from the medieval Pont d’Avignon or sip a glass of Beaujolais and observe village life from a sidewalk café.

![Image: Tucked at the foot of Fourvière Hill, Lyon romances visitors with its covered pedestrian passages, elegant Roman architecture and charming Old Town. Inset above: Grape harvesting in Provence.](image-url)
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**Beaune**

Founded in the fifth century B.C., this bustling community in the famous Côte d’Or département has long been the capital of Burgundy wines and a city of art. A stroll through Beaune reveals historic mansions, medieval half-timbered houses and, last but not least, the exquisite 15th-century Hôtel-Dieu. A quintessential example of Burgundian Renaissance architecture distinguished by its dazzling, multicolored glazed roof tiles, it reflects when the power of the Duke of Burgundy stretched from Flanders to The Netherlands. Its meticulously restored chambers provide a fascinating glimpse into life during the 15th century and hold an impressive collection of period art including the brilliant *Last Judgement* by Rogier van der Weyden.

*Watch enveloping morning mists drift above serene Provençal vineyards that yield vintages prized by connoisseurs around the world.*
Experience like no other: VILLAGE LIFE™ series, this unique program immerses you for one full week in a carefully planned excursion. Tucked at the foot of Fourvière Hill, Lyon romances visitors with its covered pedestrian passages, elegant private reception hosted by the nuns of the Convent of the Blessed Sacrament, private tasting at the exquisite Château Montmelas.

CULTURAL ENRICHMENTS

Welcome and farewell receptions. Visit to Cluny Abbey (A.D. 910) and was one of the greatest centers of medieval Christianity. Indeed, the immense influence exercised by the pious Cluniac Order on the religious, intellectual, political and artistic life of the western world led Pope Urban II to tell its members in 1095, “You are the light of the world.” Only remnants of the sprawling abbey complex remain, a casualty of the revolutionary upheavals of 1793. Yet these beautiful and austere remnants still provide a fascinating glimpse of what was, until the construction of St. Peter’s in Rome, the largest Christian basilica in the world.

CLUNY

Located amid the vineyards of the Saône-et-Loire département in Burgundy, Cluny evolved around the Benedictine Cluny Abbey (A.D. 910) and was one of the greatest centers of medieval Christianity. Indeed, the immense influence exercised by the pious Cluniac Order on the religious, intellectual, political and artistic life of the western world led Pope Urban II to tell its members in 1095, “You are the light of the world.” Only remnants of the sprawling abbey complex remain, a casualty of the revolutionary upheavals of 1793. Yet these beautiful and austere remnants still provide a fascinating glimpse of what was, until the construction of St. Peter’s in Rome, the largest Christian basilica in the world.

LYON

In a nation that holds sacred the enjoyment of food and wine, Lyon occupies pride of place as France’s “capital of gastronomy.” Ideally situated at the confluence of the Rhône and Saône rivers, this vibrant city of red-roofed houses spreads out beneath lofty Fourvière Hill (“the praying hill”), crowned by the ornate 19th-century Basilica of Notre Dame. Built from the wealth of Lyon’s long-standing silk industry, almost 300 elegant Gothic and Renaissance mansions grace Vieux Lyon (“Old Lyon”), where the ancient quarters of St-Jean, St-Paul and St-Georges are linked by charming traboules—narrow, covered pedestrian passageways.

CULTURAL ENRICHMENT: Learn more about Lyon’s centuries-old silk trade in a local silk studio.

BEAUJOLAIS

“Le Beaujolais Nouveau est arrivé!” is the cry each November when the year’s new vintage reaches the market. From the lovely vineyards of the Beaujolais des Pierres Dorées, the land of the “golden stones,” come France’s youngest and fruitiest wines. In some seasons, this internationally recognized wine region produces more red wine than do the Burgundy regions of Chablis, Côte d’Or, Côte Chalonnaise and Mâconnais combined.

In the heart of the Beaujolais villages, enjoy a tour of the historic Château Montmelas hosted by Madame Delphine d’Harcourt, whose family has lived in the castle since 1566.

CULTURAL ENRICHMENT: Savor the château’s wines with local cheeses and sausages, while Marcia Hadjimarkos, a highly regarded American pianist who has lived in Burgundy for 15 years, plays the fortepiano.

BOUCIEU-LE-ROI

In the heart of the Rhône Valley stands the untouched medieval hamlet of Boucieu-le-Roi, famous for its beautiful, 15th-century bridge spanning the Doux River. Here, Father Pierre Vigne, the legendary 18th-century missionary beatified by Pope John Paul II in 2004, founded the Congregation of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament to educate the young and the sick.

CULTURAL ENRICHMENT: The Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament host a reception for us with the warm hospitality of a typical French village.
**M.S. Rembrandt**

The M.S. Rembrandt, accented with rich woods, is testimony to the historical tradition of ship-building excellence.

The M.S. Rembrandt’s smaller size, with only 39 cabins, offers intimate, informal and graceful comfort. The many large picture windows allow you to see into the very hearts of the idyllic countrysides of France, whether you are relaxing in the lounge, or in your cabin, or dining. The best vantage point, of course, is from the enticing chaises and chairs on the sun deck.

Located on two decks, cabins are comfortably appointed and offer the latest amenities, including private bathroom, individual climate control, satellite television, direct dial telephone, closet space and hair dryer. Cabins on the main deck are twin-bedded and have two small windows. Upper deck cabins feature one picture window. Suites have a double bed and French balcony.

Meals are served at single, open seatings in the main dining room and feature delectable cuisine made from the freshest local ingredients. The dining room is lined on both sides by large windows, allowing you to enjoy your dinner while watching the changing landscape.

Professional and personalized service is provided by highly trained and experienced crew.

**AVIGNON**

Throughout the 14th century, Avignon was the center of western Christendom when Pope Clement V arrived here after fleeing the turmoil of Rome in 1309. The next six pontiffs enlarged the city into one of the richest and most powerful in Europe, until the Great Schism with Rome in 1378 led to the eventual end of the Avignon Papacy in 1405. The grandiose Palais des Papes (Papal Palace), one of the largest châteaux-forts built in Europe during the Gothic era, is the primary reflection of Avignon’s golden age and one of the most famous landmarks in France. Walk to the nearby Garden of the Popes and the Rocher des Doms, which offers panoramic views of the Rhône River Valley. At the river’s edge, see the remaining four arches of the famous Pont d’Avignon—one of the most beautiful creations of the Middle Ages. Stroll along the well-preserved, 14th-century ramparts still encircling Avignon, one of the finest surviving examples of medieval fortification.

**ARLES**

Few places on earth can match the distinctive joie de vivre of Arles. This archetypal Provençal city is home to one of the most majestic Roman monuments in France, the Amphitheater, built in the first century B.C. It is the largest constructed in France and second only to Rome’s Colosseum in magnificence and grandeur. Arles’ 12th-century Cathedral of St-Trophime has a fascinating Last Judgement-themed portal, one of the finest examples of Romanesque sculpture. Arles is also associated with Vincent van Gogh, who lived here between 1888 and 1889; the subject of his famous Night Café is still open on the lively Boulevard des Lices.

**Cultural Enrichment:** Meet a local resident at the Village Forum™ who will discuss daily life in this beautiful and historic region.

**Cultural Enrichment:** American expatriate and Arles resident Janice Lert presents a lecture on the Rhône River.
LYON PRE-CRUISE OPTION*
Spend two nights in lovely Lyon, ancient epicenter of Roman Gaul, silk capital of Renaissance Europe and mecca of French cuisine. During your stay, stroll through the famous traboules (covered passageways) that connect the old merchant houses of the Croix Rousse district and browse the mouthwatering culinary treats of the markets of Halles de Lyon-Paul Bocuse. On your own, dine on delicious Lyonnaise cuisine, accompanied by a bottle of hearty Beaujolais, in the city’s legendary bouchons (bistros). Amid the endless architectural and historical treasures of this UNESCO World Heritage site, enjoy deluxe accommodations in the inviting hotel COURS DES LOGES, a perfect combination of historical charm and modern comfort in 14th-, 15th- and 16th-century buildings masterfully restored on a pedestrianized lane in the heart of historic Vieux Lyon (“Old Lyon”).

AIX-EN-PROVENCE POST-CRUISE OPTION*
Extend your Provence experience with two nights in historic Aix-en-Provence, “City of a Thousand Fountains.” Follow in the footsteps of the city’s most famous son, Paul Cézanne, to discover this center of art and academics, while staying in the centrally located, deluxe GRAND HOTEL ROI RENE. Just steps from your hotel awaits famous Cours Mirabeau, a classic, tree-lined avenue of elegant 17th- and 18th-century townhouses with exquisite wrought-iron balconies. Walk through the two main districts of Aix and the colorful Aix-en-Provence market, admire the Provençal landscapes that inspired Cézanne and enjoy lunch in the city’s oldest café.

*Complete details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.
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Enclosed is my/our check(s) for $_________ as deposit ($600 per person, plus $200 per person Lyon Pre-Cruise and/or $200 per person Aix-en-Provence Post-Cruise). Make check(s) payable to 2010 RIVER LIFE IN BURGUNDY AND PROVENCE.

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By forwarding the deposit for this travel program, I/we acknowledge that I/we have read and accept the Terms & Conditions in this brochure.

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* Single rooms are available in category B at $6185 and in category A at $7185 on or before May 14, 2010. Add $1000 for reservations made after May 14, 2010.

* Taxes are an additional $295 per person and are subject to change.
The castle-like Château Montmelas lies in the heart of the Beaujolais villages, surrounded by bucolic vineyards.

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