VILLAGE LIFE®

DORDOGNE

September 5 to 13, 2019

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Dear Alumni and Fans,

Bonjour!

Join a small group of travelers for this unique opportunity to experience provincial Dordogne, where the authentic character of Southern France is distilled into one of Europe’s most beautiful and intact medieval villages, Sarlat-la-Canéda. Immerse yourself in the rich local culture and cadence of daily life in the heart of this charming département, and learn more about the history of early humans who painted their stories on its cave walls, the largest concentration of prehistoric art in the world.

Our carefully planned, specially designed itinerary and expert-guided excursions explore five impressive UNESCO World Heritage sites: the dramatic cliffside monastic village of Rocamadour; the important archaeological sites of L’Abri du Cap-Blanc, Rouffignac cave and Les-Eyzies-de-Tayac-Sireuil; and the prehistoric troglodyte village of La Madeleine. Visit the state-of-the-art International Center for Cave Art at Lascaux to appreciate one of humankind’s earliest artistic creations. Exclusively arranged, enriching presentations and the VILLAGE LIFE® FORUM provide personal perspectives on la vie in the villages of Dordogne.

Your “home,” ideally located in the quaint medieval village of Sarlat-la-Canéda, will be the family-owned PLAZA MADELEINE HÔTEL, a restored 19th-century townhouse. This delightful hôtel de charme features an old-world ambiance with modern accommodations and amenities and is known for the warm hospitality of its staff. In addition to the included meals in the hotel, dine on regional specialties during traditional three-course dinners in specially selected French bistro.

VILLAGE LIFE® in Dordogne offers a quintessential adventure through the timeless South of France at an excellent value—and you unpack only once! This enchanting and engaging educational travel program is exceedingly popular, so book now while space and Early Booking Savings are still available.

Sincerely,

Christine Kajikawa Wilkinson ’66, ’76 PhD
President, ASU Alumni Association

Cover: Rocamadour has beckoned visitors and pilgrims alike to its summit above a tributary of the Dordogne River.

In medieval Dordogne, street lamps along ancient lanes are one of the few concessions to modernity.
Pre-Program Bordeaux® Option* or
1 Depart the U.S.
2 Bordeaux, France/Sarlat-la-Canéda
   ♦ Transfer to Sarlat to check into the Plaza Madeleine Hôtel.
3 Sarlat-la-Canéda
   ♦ Walking tour of medieval Sarlat.
   **Cultural Enrichment:**
   ♦ Afternoon at leisure to peruse the village market of Sarlat.
4 Rocamadour®/Souillac
   ♦ Tour of 13th-century Rocamadour.
   ♦ Visit to quaint Souillac.
5 Les Eyzies-de-Tayac-Sireuil®/L’Abri du Cap-Blanc®
   ♦ Visit to the Jardins d’Eyrignac.
   **Cultural Enrichments:**
   ♦ Tour of the National Museum of Prehistory in Les Eyzies.
   ♦ View cave friezes of L’Abri du Cap-Blanc.
6 Lascaux/Saint-Amand-de-Coly
   ♦ Visit to Saint-Amand-de-Coly.
   **Cultural Enrichments:**
   ♦ View prehistoric cave art of Lascaux.
   ♦ Lecture on the preservation of medieval architecture in Sarlat.
   ♦ Sample local wine and cheese pairings.
7 Rouffignac®/La Madeleine®
   **Cultural Enrichments:**
   ♦ Morning at leisure to enjoy individual pursuits in Sarlat such as their old-world twice-weekly market.
   ♦ Tour of prehistoric Rouffignac cave.
   ♦ Excursion to the prehistoric troglodyte village of La Madeleine.
   ♦ Private evening folk music performance and dance.
8 Beynac/Domme
   ♦ Tour of 12th-century Château de Beynac.
   ♦ Walking tour of historic Domme.
   **Cultural Enrichment:**
   ♦ Cruise in a typical gabare on the bucolic Dordogne River.
9 Sarlat-la-Canéda/Bordeaux
   ♦ Return to the U.S. or
   **Post-Program Albi®/Toulouse Option*”
   *Available at additional cost.

**Itinerary**

The region of Dordogne appears like a fairy tale, much as it did in the medieval yesteryear—during this comprehensive, small group travel program, experience firsthand its true character, age-old traditions and scenery seemingly lifted from a well-worn storybook. Explore the pastoral départements of southwestern France, the medieval village of Sarlat-la-Canéda within the oak-forested Périgord Noir and the world’s largest collection of magnificent prehistoric art. Learn about the cultural heritage of Dordogne—sample Aquitaine wine and cheese in an épicerie gourmet, engage with dordognais expert guides and insightful locals and visit historic monuments and Paleolithic caves that are premier artistic masterpieces of their era. Wander cobblestone villages at the leisurely rhythm of this program—the ideal itinerary, at just the right pace.

Enjoy your 19th-century wooden gabare cruise on the Dordogne River.
Sarlat-la-Canéda

Author Henry Miller called Sarlat “the Frenchman’s paradise.” Your charming “village home” is in the pre-French Revolutionary capital of Périgord Noir, a lushly forested corner of the Aquitaine region, ideally located between the Dordogne and Vézère Rivers. It is a bon vivant’s dream, renowned for truffles, wild mushrooms, strawberries, walnuts and duck, and Bordeaux’s finest wines directly from vintners’ cellars.

Sarlat has one of Europe’s greatest concentrations of medieval, Renaissance and 17th-century façades. Meander through cobblestone streets illuminated by gas lamps and lined with Renaissance-style stone houses crowned with pepperpot chimneys. See the artful blend of flamboyant and subdued styles, evident in the architecture of the townhouse of writer and philosopher Étienne la Boétie. Experience the heart of Sarlat’s Place de la Liberté, where every Wednesday and Saturday one of France’s most storied markets is held, a tradition dating from the Middle Ages.

Cultural Enrichments: During the course of the program, immerse yourself in the joie de vivre of Sarlat. Experience the market at leisure among the backdrop of corbelled towers and rich ocher walls.

Meet dordognais (local residents) in the Village Life® Forum, and hear candid perspectives on contemporary daily life in a medieval village. Attend the private, specially arranged presentation by a local expert on preserving Sarlat’s medieval architecture.

Enjoy a private, 19th-century-style French folk music and lively dance performance. Sample regional cheese and wine in a specialty épicerie.

Savor authentic French cuisine during two specially arranged dinners, each in a bistro in Sarlat.

Rocamadour/Souillac

Built on the face of a sheer 400-foot cliff, the UNESCO World Heritage-designated village of Rocamadour has one of the most dramatic settings of any village in the world.

During the Middle Ages, pilgrims flocked here from across Europe to perform penance by ascending the 216 steps of le Grand Escalier (the Grand Stairway) on their knees seeking miracles from St. Amadour by visiting his crypt. Embedded in the cliff above the doorway to the Chapelle de Notre Dame is the sword said to be that of the heroic knight Roland.

Nearby, visit the quaint town of Souillac and its 12th-century Abbaye Sainte-Marie, a treasury of Romanesque statuary and Biblical carvings.

Cultural Enrichment: Savor a lunch of regional specialties in a village restaurant.

Jardins d’Eyrignac

Designated a national monument, the Eyrignac Manor has been the continuous family residence of 22 generations spanning over 500 years. On this 17th-century estate located just outside of Sarlat, view what many consider the finest jardins (gardens) in all of France. Originally an 18th-century Italian design, the landscape was converted a century later to an English-style, coniferous garden and has been immaculately manicured since that time to preserve the exquisite topiary patterns.

Les Eyzies-de-Tayac-Sireuil

France’s capital of prehistoric humanity, Les Eyzies, is home to unprecedented fossils of Early Modern Man. Approximately 35,000 years old, the fossils here are some of the earliest known evidence of human life in Europe.

Cultural Enrichments: The guided tour of the National Museum of Prehistory, housed in a 13th-century castle, contextualizes the area’s cave paintings, fossils and early tools.

See L’Abri du Cap-Blanc’s UNESCO World Heritage-designated prehistoric cave friezes.

Lascaux

In 1920, a quartet of schoolboys stumbled onto the Lascaux cave, repository of the most stunning works of prehistoric art and today a UNESCO World Heritage site.
Cultural Enrichment: Explore the perfect reproduction in the International Center for Cave Art at Lascaux, where the Paleolithic age becomes animated through interactive exhibits.

Villages of the Périgord Noir
Petit Saint-Amand-de-Coly, one of the most beautiful villages in France, is dominated by the 13th-century abbey church, an unusual fusion of Romanesque and Gothic styles. Traces of the Hundred Years’ War remain in the ramparts and towers of the fortress-like church and the remnants of its abbey.

Cultural Enrichments: Visit Rouffignac, “Cave of a Hundred Mammoths,” and marvel at the “giant kettles,” smooth, dome-like rock formations forged by swirling currents. Carved beneath a cliff overlooking the serene Vézère River, the prehistoric troglodyte village and UNESCO World Heritage site of La Madeleine offers unique insight into the semi-nomadic Magdalenian culture, which prevailed in southern Europe from 15,000 to 9000 B.C.

Château de Beynac
The fortified Château de Beynac, perched 500 feet above the Dordogne River, commands a medieval village of golden stone houses tucked into the steep hillside. This masterpiece of medieval military engineering was once a stronghold of Richard the Lionheart. Traverse its elaborate series of stone walls, parapet walks, watchtowers and passageways to an eclectic interior decorated with a magnificent 17th-century staircase and delicate 15th-century frescoes.

Cultural Enrichment: Cruise the tranquil Dordogne River aboard a private 19th-century gabare, traditional Périgord transportation for more than 150 years, followed by a lunch of Périgord specialties in a local restaurant overlooking the river.

Domme
Among the “most beautiful villages” of France, Domme is an authentic medieval bastide, or fortified village. Enter through its original ramparts and see graffiti etched by the Knights Templar on the inner village walls. The beauty of the 13th- and 14th-century architecture of Domme is surpassed only by its exceptional views overlooking the Dordogne River.

Visit the emblematic Château de Beynac occupied by the French during the Hundred Years’ War, built on a rocky cliff to dominate the Dordogne River Valley.
**PLAZA MADELEINE HÔTEL, SARLAT-LA-CANÉDA**

Enjoy the traditional pace of Village Life® during your stay in the family-owned Plaza Madeleine Hôtel, located just beyond the ancient walls of Sarlat-la-Canéda’s medieval quarter, a mere five-minute walk from the village center. A grand 19th-century townhouse, this hôtel de charme has been renovated with tasteful French esprit contemporain.

Each of the 39 comfortable, air-conditioned guest rooms features two twin beds or one queen bed with private bathroom, individual climate control, satellite television, phone, Wi-Fi access, safe, minibar and hair dryer.

The hotel dining room, where continental breakfast is served daily, featuring fresh baked breads, pastries and charcuterie, is reserved for the exclusive use of hotel guests. There is a brasserie pub with lounge and private terrace, a petit lounge with computer facilities and Wi-Fi access, a heated outdoor swimming pool, solarium and spa with Jacuzzi and sauna. The dedicated hotel staff is pleased to provide attentive service.

Marvel at the exquisite artistry and ingenuity found in the stories of the prehistoric paintings in Lascaux.

**PREHISTORIC ART**

You will find the world’s greatest concentration of prehistoric art sites not found elsewhere in the enchanting département of Dordogne. Limestone caves and rocky overhangs here provided Ice Age man with shelter and a vast canvas for extraordinary paintings. In Lascaux and Rouffignac, the two most well-known caves, both UNESCO World Heritage sites, the extinct aurochs, wild stallions and antelopes painted approximately 25,000 to 17,000 years ago still prance, preen and gallop before your eyes. The original Lascaux cave has been closed to the public since 1963 for preservation purposes; yet, the incredible replica in the International Center for Cave Art at Lascaux allows the public to experience these riveting cave paintings interactively, providing a realistic, stimulating representation of the vibrant colors now faded in the original.

The Rouffignac cave offers up-close views of deft prehistoric drawings covering the six-mile gallery of cavernous walls and ceilings, including the famous frieze of two bison ready to engage each other in battle.

Near the village of Les Eyzies, visit the original Cro-Magnon rock shelter and UNESCO World Heritage site of L’Abri du Cap-Blanc, showcasing the rare, life-size frieze of horses and bison sculpted in limestone. A guided tour of the National Museum of Prehistory in Les Eyzies helps put this vast network of prehistoric art into context.

See well-preserved cliff dwellings along the Dordogne River, where prehistoric troglodyte villages once flourished.
Included Features

In Sarlat-la-Canéda
◆ Seven nights in the charming family-owned Plaza Madeleine Hôtel.
◆ Private Welcome Reception in the hotel.
◆ Breakfast each morning, one lunch and two dinners in the hotel.
◆ Two dinners, each in a specially selected traditional French bistro featuring French country table d’hôte menus and regional specialties.
◆ Regional wine served with each included dinner.

Expert-Guided Excursions and Exclusive Cultural Enrichments
◆ Architectural walking tour of Sarlat-la-Canéda.
◆ Admire the magnificent Romanesque sculptures in Souillac’s Abbaye Marie.
◆ Visit to the lush, impeccably maintained 19th-century Jardins d’Eyrignac.
◆ Tour of the National Museum of Prehistory in Les Eyzies-de-Tayac-Sireuil.
◆ Specially arranged Village Life® Forum with local residents who will discuss contemporary daily life in provincial France’s Dordogne département.
◆ A lecture on architectural preservation in Sarlat-la-Canéda by a local historian.
◆ Local wine and cheese tasting at a Sarlat épicerie gourmet.
◆ Visit to the medieval village and fortified church of Saint-Amand-de-Coly.
◆ Private 19th-century Périgord cultural folk performance.
◆ Tour of the medieval Château de Beynac.
◆ Private, specially arranged gabare cruise along the Dordogne River, with lunch in the village of Beynac-et-Cazenac.
◆ Walking tour of Domme, with spectacular views of the Dordogne River Valley.
◆ Specially arranged meals highlighting the distinctive flavors of the Dordogne region.
◆ French language introduction.

UNESCO World Heritage Site Highlights
◆ Excursion to 13th-century Rocamadour.
◆ Excursion to see the cave friezes of L’Abri du Cap-Blanc.
◆ Viewing of the prehistoric cave art of Lascaux.
◆ Visit to the prehistoric troglodyte village of La Madeleine.
◆ Visit to the impressive Rouffignac cave.

Always Included
◆ Transfers and luggage handling abroad if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
◆ Experienced, English-speaking local guides for included excursions.
◆ Gratuities to hotel personnel and to local guides and drivers on included excursions.
◆ Complimentary bottled water provided on motorcoaches during excursions.
◆ Hospitality desk in the hotel.
◆ Experienced Gohagan & Company Program Director at your service.
◆ Complimentary use of an audio headset during guided excursions.
◆ Automatic $250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.
Splendors of Bordeaux
Saint-Émilion • Médoc
Pre-Program Option
Long distinguished as the wine capital of the world, France’s verdant Bordeaux region has been growing, fermenting and bottling the grape since the eighth century. Tucked away in the heart of rolling countryside and endless vineyards, visit the charming village of Saint-Émilion, a UNESCO World Heritage Site famous for growing the Merlot grape. Its medieval Église Monolithe is one of the largest underground churches in Europe. Just north of Bordeaux in the Médoc region, visit a château to enjoy a tasting of distinguished grand cru classé wines. Spend two nights in the deluxe Hôtel Burdigala, in the heart of Bordeaux.

Albi • Toulouse
Cordes-sur-Ciel • Carcassonne
Post-Program Option
The cobblestone towns of southwest France showcase the region’s storybook charm. Experience the classic refinements and medieval allure of Cordes-sur-Ciel, Albi, Carcassonne and Toulouse on this four-night Post-Program itinerary. Sample Gaillac wines in the lovely Château Bouscaillous; explore cherished cathedrals and old-world villages; admire the largest collection of Toulouse-Lautrec’s works; and enjoy the incomparable scenery of the South of France. Accommodations are for two nights each in the deluxe Mercure Albi Bastides hotel and the Grand Hôtel de l’Opéra in Toulouse.

The Pre-Program and Post-Program Options are available at additional cost. Details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.

Visit the historic cité de Carcassonne, an excellent example of a medieval fortified town;
**LAND TARIFF excluding taxes**

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*Singles are available upon request for an additional $700.*

Please make my/our reservation(s):

- Double occupancy (two twin beds).
- Double occupancy (one queen bed).
- Single accommodations.
- I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

**Splendors of Bordeaux Pre-Program Option**

- Double at $895 per person.
- Single at $1395 per person.
- I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations.

**Albi • Toulouse Post-Program Option**

- Double at $1395 per person.
- Single at $1795 per person.
- I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations.

Enclosed is my/our check(s) for $__________ as deposit.

Make checks payable to Gohagan & Company.

1. We authorize you to charge my/our deposit of $__________ to:

   - Visa
   - MasterCard

Card Number Exp. Date

Signature as it appears on credit card

All FINAL PAYMENTS are required to be made by check or wire transfer by May 31, 2019.
Enjoy the Old Town in medieval Sarlat, while the romantic ambiance of France fills the twilight air.

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RESPONSIBILITY: Gohagan, Company, the sponsoring association, and its and its employees, shareholders, subsidiaries, affiliates, officers, directors or trustees, successors, and assigns (collectively referred to as “Gohagan” or “we”) do not own or operate any entity which is to or does provide goods or services for your trip including, for example, lodging facilities, airlines, airliners, or other transportation companies, guides or guide services, local ground operators, providers or organizers of optional excursions, food service or entertainment providers, etc. All such persons and entities are independent contractors. As a result, Gohagan is not liable for any negligent or willful act or failure to act of any such person or entity or of any other third party.

In addition and without limitation, Gohagan is not responsible for any injury, loss, death, inconvenience, delay, or damage to person or property in connection with the provision of any goods or services whether resulting from, but not limited to, acts of God or force majeure, acts of government, acts of war or civil unrest, insurrection or revolt, bites from or attacks by animals, insects or pests, strikes or other labor activities, criminal or terrorist activities of any kind or the threat thereof, sickness, illness, epidemics or the threat thereof, the lack of availability of or access to medical attention or the quality thereof, overbooking or downgrading of accommodations, mechanical or other failure of airplanes, vessels, or other means of transportation, or for any failure of any transportation means to arrive or depart timely or safely.

If due to weather, flight schedules or other uncontrollable factors, you are required to spend an additional night(s), you will be responsible for your own hotel, transfers and meal costs. Baggage is entirely at owner’s risk. The right is reserved to decline to accept as a trip participant, or remove from a trip, without notice, a participant who Gohagan determines to detract from the enjoyment of the trip by others. Specific room/cabin assignments are within the sole discretion of the hotel or cruise line.

Airfare is non-refundable. The airline’s published itinerary or trip features at any time and for any reason, with or without notice, and Gohagan shall not be liable for any loss of any kind as a result of any such changes. Ship schedules, port calls, hours of arrival and departure, sightseeing events, special programs and good will functions, excursions, might be changed as a result of conditions beyond the control of Gohagan. Gohagan is not responsible therefore, for any increased costs due to circumstances beyond its control. If due to weather, or other events of force majeure or extraordinary circumstances, Gohagan determines to detach from the enjoyment of the trip by others. Specific room/cabin assignments are within the sole discretion of the hotel or cruise line.

PHYSICAL ACCESSIBILITY: All programs require physical fitness. Travelers requiring assistance must travel with a companion who will be responsible for handling equipment.

LUGGAGE: Luggage allowance policies are set by the airlines and may change without notice.

PHYSICAL ACCESSIBILITY: All programs require physical fitness. Any physical or mental condition that may require special medical attention or physical assistance (for example, the need for a wheelchair) must be reported in writing when you make your reservation.

Travelers must be able to embark or disembark motorcoaches alone or in a wheelchair and have minimal assistance from your traveling companion and climb stairs without assistance. Travelers requiring assistance must travel with a companion who will be responsible for handling equipment.

DISCOUNTED RESERVATIONS: Discounts apply only to those reservations received in the offices of Gohagan in writing, accompanied by the required deposit, by March 15, 2019. In the event a “discounted” reservation must be cancelled, no “replacement” reservation can be substituted at the discounted rate. A “replacement” reservation is a new reservation and can be substituted only at the full-fare tariff. Cancellation penalties may apply.

CANCELLATIONS: Cancellations for all or any part of the trip including Pre/Post Program(s) reservations(s) will not be effective until received in writing in the offices of Gohagan. Should you have to cancel, the following terms will apply: reservation cancellation(s) are subject to a $200 ($50 Pre/Post Programs) per person administrative fee from the time of booking through 120 days prior to departure; from 119 days through 90 days prior to departure, $600 ($200 Pre/Post Programs) per person; from 99 through 45 days prior to departure, $50% of the published full regular tariff; from 44 through 40 days prior to departure, 75% of the published full regular tariffs; cancellations 21 days or less prior to departure, a no-show, or early return from the trip will result in forfeiture of 100% of the published full regular tariffs. In addition, any applicable airline cancellation fees, optional excursion cancellation fees and administrative fees may apply.

TRIP INSURANCE: We strongly recommend that you purchase trip cancellation insurance. In the event that you must cancel your participation in a travel program, trip cancellation insurance may be the only source of reimbursement. Trip cancellation insurance is available for comprehensive coverage of such expenses in conjunction with cancellation due to illness or accident, and damaged or lost baggage. We will send you an application upon receipt of your reservation.

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