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Lyon 50 Plus Language Learning Holiday



Location

A cosmopolitan university city filled with art, culture, history, contemporary dance, silk weavers, and off to the east, views of the snow-covered Alps, Lyon, never a “touristy” city, has become *branché* (cool), or, more colloquially, *in*, to employ the English slang they often use. The capital of French gastronomy, the city, with its glittering shop windows and *mélange* of burnt sienna and pink façades has everything a city needs to seduce. It’s no surprise that in 1998, UNESCO designated the area on both banks of its famous Saône River, a World Heritage site—the largest urban area on Earth so designated.

Program

The Lyon 50 Plus Language Learning Holiday program merges French lessons with French culture. After morning classes, your afternoon and evening program focuses on the culture, cuisine and history of Lyon. You’ll have lunch with your teacher once per week at a local restaurant and afterwards, explore the sights and sounds of France’s third largest city with one of the school’s trained guides. In the evening you’ll have a chance to use your French over dinner with your local host family.

Course

The objective of this French course in France is to work on practicing language skills in communicative contexts. Classes comprise an average of six students with a guaranteed maximum of eight. Lessons are based mainly on French communication skills for travel and tourism, complemented by grammar and written expression. Teachers are aware of the specific needs and requirements of students over 50 years of age. Classes are therefore adapted to allow students to approach learning the French language in an optimal manner, closely linked to the culture of the country.

Teachers

The teachers in this language learning holiday program are all native French speakers and are qualified to teach French as a second language. They bring a wealth of experience and enthusiasm to the classroom and design each lesson to focus on speaking and listening skills with appropriate attention paid to reading and writing.



Accommodation

Accommodation is homestay-based, enabling you to constantly practice the language and explore French culture in a comfortable and friendly setting. The accommodation officer rigorously selects each family and spends a great deal of time matching the student to the right family, which is why we appreciate as much information as possible from students regarding personality, likes and dislikes, etc. Host families are of all ages and social backgrounds, but they all have one thing in common: their hospitality and friendliness. Your hosts will provide breakfast and dinner, daily.



Typical Week

Day	Morning	Mid-day	Afternoon	Evening
Sunday			Welcome presentation	Dinner with host family
Monday	Lessons	Lunch at local restaurant	Guided tour of Lyon	Dinner with host family
Tuesday	Lessons	Free Time	Visit to a silk shop and tour of the <i>Croix-Rousse</i> area	Dinner with host family
Wednesday	Lessons	Free Time	Guided Tour of the <i>Des frères Lumière</i> museum	Dinner with host family
Thursday	Lessons	Free Time	Wellness in an oriental <i>hammam</i>	Culinary travel by Paul Bocuse: <i>Le Sud</i>
Friday	Lessons	Free Time	Jazz concert; Cruise on the Saone	Dinner with host family; Optional Casino Night
Saturday	Free day (optional activities available)			

Sample Prices (\$US)	2 weeks
Course Only	\$1,650
Course + Homestay Accommodation	\$2,350

Please consult our website for more accommodation options. For \$CDN pricing please contact us.

Additional Costs:

- Travel to and from Lyon
- Comprehensive medical and travel insurance
- Meals not included with your accommodation
- Course only booking are subject to an \$150 enrolment fee
- Entrance fees and transportation costs for optional or independently organized activities and excursions
- Entry Visa if required.