

# **3-Day Spirit of Alsace**

\$469.00 USD PER PERSON



# TRIP SUMMARY

——— Day 1
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Hôtel Hannong, Hôtel Maison Rouge, Hotel ibis Styles Strasbourg Centre Gare

——— Day 2

——— Day 3

Mittelbergheim, Dambach, Riquewihr

Price per person: \$469.00 USD



Check-in

Check in your handpicked 3\*\*\* hotel in Strasbourg.

Visit of Strasbourg on your own

Overnight in your room at the 3\*\*\* hotel in Strasbourg.



**Hôtel Hannong** 

15 Rue du 22 Novembre, Strasbourg, Alsace, FR, 67000 03 88 32 16 22



### Hôtel Maison Rouge

 $4\ Rue\ des\ Francs\ Bourgeois,\ Strasbourg,\ Grand\ Est,\ FR,\ 67000\ 03\ 88\ 32\ 08\ 60$ 



## **Hotel ibis Styles Strasbourg Centre Gare**

14 Rue du Maire Kuss, Strasbourg, Grand Est, FR, 67000 03 88 22 60 40



#### DAY 2

#### Morning

After your included breakfast, pick up in Strasbourg and depart for the beautiful town of Colmar. Discover the charm of the old town, its prestigious monuments, the Pfister house, the Koïfhus, Saint Martin collegiate church, and the picturesque neighborhoods of small Venice or of the tanners.

Then depart for the most beautiful village of Eguisheim. Surrounded by vineyards, the narrow and concentric streets highlight the architectural merits of its half-timbered houses, lovingly decorated with flowers. After a walk in the village participate in a wine tasting session to discover the world renowned Alsace wines in a typical winery.

Your tour then continues on to the beautiful town of Riquewirh. Surrounded by ramparts, the village has been very fortunate to survive war and destruction. Its tiny streets, fortified walls and old houses have preserved their 16C splendor virtually intact, making for remarkable architectural harmony.

Free time for personal discovery and lunch.

#### Afternoon

Afte lunch you will follow the breathtaking Alsace 'Wine Route'. Located between the Rhine valley and the Vosges mountain range, the 60 year old route winds across the slopes for more than 170 kms.

The itinerary leads across rows of undulating, vine covered hills, and through quaint villages with narrow streets and charming flower decked houses clustered around the local church steeple. Finally, reach Haut Koenigsbourg castle. Here, follow your guide for a tour of this mighty fortress that overlooks the valley. Built in 12th century, the Castle occupied a strategic position controlling the wine and wheat routes to the North and the salt route that came from the East.

After the visit return to Strasbourg by 6:00 PM approximately

Overnight at your 3 \*\*\* hotel in Strasbourg



#### DAY 3

MorningThe last day of your trip to Alsace will feature the Alsace wine route and some of its most beautiful and charming villages.

We'll start a 9, after you've enjoyed your breakfast at the hotel. The Alsace Wine Route winds its way from north to south, for more than 170 kilometers (106 miles) along the eastern foothills of the Vosges. It has become famous the world over for its exceptional natural beauty as it leads visitors across rows of undulating, vine-covered hills, and through quaint villages.

Begin the day with a stop in the Mittelbergheim wine producing region. The area is home to the Zotzenberg, Kastelberg and Wiebelsberg Grand Crus and the soils found here are particularly favorable for Riesling. Here, experience your first Alsace wine discovery by tasting a selection of different wines including Pinot Blanc, Sylvaner and Riesling.

We then continue on to Dambach la ville wine area. The village itself is considered to be located at the heart of the Alsace wine region and is home to the Grand Cru Frankstein. Riesling and Gewurztraminer are particularly well adapted to the well-drained granite-mica scree which filters water and retains heat well. Enjoy a second wine tasting session in a typical "caveau", the name given to the local wineries.

#### Afternoon

After some free time for lunch, we depart for the Ribeauvillé/Riquewihr wine producing area that is surrounded by 5 Grand Crus appellations: Geisberg, Kirchberg, Osterberg, Schoenenbourg and Sporen.

If Riesling is without a doubt the king of grapes in this area, Pinot Gris, Muscat and Gewürztraminer are also known to produce excellent wines on the neighboring soils. Here famous wine growers include the Trimbach family that have been making wine since 1626 or the Hugel family who only began their activity in 1639!

Not only will you be amazed by the beauty of these two Medieval towns, it is also here that you will experience our 2 afternoon tasting sessions in some of the most highly selected wineries so as to complete your Alsace wine tasting experience.

Return to Strasbourg.



**Mittelbergheim**Mittelbergheim, Grand Est, FR, 67140



**Dambach**Dambach, Grand Est, FR, 67110



**Riquewihr**Riquewihr, Grand Est, FR, 68340



Price per person: \$469.00 USD INCLUDED IN THIS 3-DAY PACKAGE:

- 2 nights hotel accommodation in 3 \*\*\* select hotel in Strasbourg including taxes and breakfast
- 2 full-days of semi-private guided small-group tours as outlined above, with English-speaking guide and entrance fees included

Please note that the price is based on 2 people traveling together and sharing a room. single supplement of \$295.00 USD will be assessed