

France Tour 2010: Darcy, Springs, and Aqueducts
June 2 – 7, 2010

Background and Responsibility

Patricia Bobeck, hydrogeologist and translator of Henry Darcy's book, The Public Fountains of the City of Dijon, doing business as "Geotechnical Translations" drew up the itinerary for this tour. She worked with tour operator "Planète Incentive" of Bedoin France, who organized the tour, including making hotel, restaurant, travel, and sightseeing arrangements in France.

Patricia Bobeck, Geotechnical Translations, and Planète Incentive shall not be held liable for a) any damage to property or any personal injury or death, or b) loss or damage due to delay, cancellation, or disruption of the tour by laws, regulations, actions or failures to act by any governmental entity, or acts of God, strikes, fire, flood, war rebellion, terrorism, insurrection, sickness quarantine, epidemics, theft, or any other cause(s) beyond their control. The participant waives any claim against Patricia Bobeck, Geotechnical Translations, and the tour operator Planète Incentive for any such loss, damage, injury, or death.

Neither Patricia Bobeck, Geotechnical Translations, nor Planète Incentive shall be liable for any air carrier's cancellation penalty incurred by the purchase of a non-refundable ticket to or from Paris, the departure city. Baggage and personal effects are at all times the sole responsibility of the participant.

By registering for the tour, the participant certifies that he/she is in good physical condition and is capable, without assistance, of walking a minimum of two miles over uneven terrain and of climbing stairs that may not have handrails. Participants should have sufficient stamina to keep pace with an active group of travelers on long days of touring. Furthermore, the participant certifies that he/she does not have any mental, physical or other condition or disability that would create a hazard for him/herself or other participants.

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THE TOUR PRICE INCLUDES:

- Accommodation for 3 nights in Paris, in **Hotel Observatoire Luxembourg 3***** with full breakfast, based on double or twin occupancy.
- Accommodation for 2 nights in **Hotel du Nord in Dijon, 3***** with continental breakfast, based on double or twin occupancy.
- Accommodation for 2 nights in Avignon at **Cloître St Louis 4****** with buffet breakfast, based on double or twin occupancy.
- Transfers in Paris between Paris Roissy CDG airport and your hotel, based on shuttles 1-4 passengers each.
- Private coach services on Thursday morning in Paris with transfer from hotel to Palais de Chaillot then to Sewers museum, for Friday afternoon to the Louvre

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- Museum (and return) and on Saturday morning between hotel and Gare de Lyon railway station.
- Private coach services in Dijon for station/Hotel transfers and return and for one full day visit in Burgundy area.
- Private coach services in Avignon for ½ day tour to Pont du Gard, Uzès, Nîmes and for ½ day tour to Fontaine de Vaucluse in Avignon then transfer to TGV station on last day.
- Trip on TGV train between PARIS / DIJON / AVIGNON and return in 2nd class.
- **All meals mentioned in our program**, 3 lunches, 5 dinners including water and wine (¼ bottle per person).
- Entrance fees as mentioned.
- Assistance of one person from our agency in Paris throughout the tour,
- Technical tour leader Patricia Bobeck will present the geological background and information on Henry Darcy and his projects.
- Pre-tour information, including a reading list.
- English guidebook for the tour, including geological descriptions and major cultural and historical information for visited sites, bibliography for additional reading and films of interest.
- One copy of the English translation of Henry Darcy's Public Fountains of the City of Dijon.

THE TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Meals on your own as mentioned.
- All personal expenses: Bar, phone, laundry, room service, etc.
- Tip for bus drivers.
- Extra on wine during meals or wine changes.
- All services not mentioned in our program.
- Optional 2CV Tour in Paris, \$150/person, and
- Airfare to Paris prior to the tour and from Paris after the tour.

Prices: The prices stated in the trip cost document are per person, based on a double occupancy. A supplement will be charged for single accommodations. The tour price does not include airfare between the US and France.

Prices and the program are subject to change according to gas surcharges or an increase of SNCF rates. If it is necessary to levy a surcharge, we reserve the right to do so, and notification will be made at the time of final invoicing. Prices depend on the confirmation of rates Euro/USD as mentioned (1 € = 1.50 U\$).

Payments, Cancellations, Refunds

Payment will be made through Geotechnical Translations. Payments may be made by credit card or check.

Payment Schedule: 20% of the tour cost (including single supplement, if applicable) is due at the time of reservation. Please note that the tour cost depends on the number of registrants. Between 10 and 14 participants, \$3785; between 15-19 participants, \$3250; between 20 and 25 participants, \$2975.

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Tour deposit = 20% x \$3750 = \$750. When tour registration reaches 15 persons, the deposit will be adjusted. When the group reaches 15 persons, final payments for early registrants will be adjusted to reflect the lower tour cost.

Supplement deposit = 20% x \$820 = \$164.

Final payment is due April 1, 2009 for travel to begin June 2, 2009.

Your reservation may be cancelled if full payment is not received by April 1. All cancellation notices must be received in writing and will become effective as of the date of the postmark.

Cancellations and refunds:

After reservation and up to March 31, 2010: No fees.

Between April 1 – April 30, 2010: You will be charged \$300.

After May 1: You will be charged 100% of the trip cost, in other words, there will be NO refund.

There will be no refund if you leave the trip for any reason while it is in progress. No refunds will be made for any unused portions of the trip.

We reserve the right to cancel the trip in the event that inadequate enrollment makes the tour economically infeasible to operate or because of good-faith concerns with respect to the safety, health, or welfare of the participants. If the tour is canceled prior to departure, the Geotechnical Translations or Planète Incentive will provide you with a full refund of monies paid for the tour. If we cancel the tour in progress, you will receive a prorated refund based on the number of days not completed on the expedition. We will not be responsible for any refund for nonrefundable airline tickets or for any airline tickets purchased by the passenger directly from an airline or travel agent.

Trip cancellation insurance is available at an additional cost and is strongly recommended.

Itinerary Changes: The itinerary is subject to modifications by the designated tour operator. Every reasonable effort will be made to operate programs as planned, but alterations may still occur after final itineraries are sent.

Health Requirements: You must be in good physical and mental health. Any physical condition, diet, or treatment requiring special attention must be reported in writing when the reservation is made.

Age Requirements : Anyone 18 or under must be accompanied by a parent or guardian for entire journey. Children must be a minimum of 12 years of age.

Photography: We reserve the right to take photographs or videos during the tour and to use the resulting photography for promotional purposes. Participants who do not want their images used in this way are asked to note this preference on the reservation form.

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Other: Additional Terms and Conditions may apply and if so, will be provided with pre-trip mailings. By registering for the tour, the participant agrees to the Responsibility statement and the Terms and Conditions herein.

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REGISTRATION FORM - Tour Name: France Tour 2010 June 2-9, 2010

You may fax this form to 512-382-0600 or mail it to P.O. Box 161391, Austin, TX 78716.

First Name		Last Name		Title (Dr., Mr., Ms.)	
Daytime Phone		Evening Phone		Mobile Phone	
Email					
Address					
Address					
City		State	Zip Code	Country	
Special Requests					
Billing Information	Visa	Master Card	Check No.		
Card No.			Expiration Date	3-Digit Sec. Code	
Billing Name and Address As It Appears on the Card					
Address					
Address					
City		State	Zip Code	Country	
Daytime Phone					
Please sign to indicate you have read and accept the terms and conditions listed above.					