

SPRINGTIME IN PARIS



ASIAN ART
SOCIETY FOR

WITH CONLEY & SILVERS

APRIL 2024

HIGHLIGHTS



MUSÉE GUIMET

Exclusive visits and after-hours receptions at Musée Guimet, Musée Cernuschi, The Pagoda Paris, & Empress Eugenie's chinoiserie collection at Chateau Fontainebleau — privatized just for our group!

An immersive experience in the world of ceramics at Sèvres with a curator-led tour of their Asian collection and a private visit to their innovative atelier.



MUSÉE CERNUSCHI

Luxurious 5-star accommodations and carefully curated dining experiences.

A glamorous farewell dinner cruise viewing the banks of the Seine, a UNESCO World Heritage site, from our own intimate riverboat.



SÈVRES ATELIER

Lectures and discussions led by historian Dr. Julian Brown, and logistics by tour operator Conley & Silvers.



MUSÉE CERNUSCHI

DAY 1: SUNDAY, APRIL 21

Travel to Paris.

DAY 2: MONDAY, APRIL 22

Guests will be greeted at the airport and transferred to the Five-Star Hyatt Madeleine Hotel located in the heart of Paris.

Early arrivals might consider visiting the two nearby house museum collections: Musée Jacquemart-André, which features a beautifully reassembled Japanese room made originally for a villa in Kyoto as well as 18th century paintings, furniture, and sculptures, or the Musée Nissim de Camondo, which showcases fine French furniture and decorative arts.

In the late afternoon, enjoy a Champagne welcome reception with hors d'oeuvres at our hotel.

R (RECEPTION)



PAGODA PARIS

DAY 3: TUESDAY, APRIL 23

Begin with a leisurely morning and an insightful lecture from Dr. Julian Brown. Break for lunch before taking a guided stroll through Parc Monceau.

With private entrée for our group, visit the Pagoda Paris, a distinctive Art Deco style red brick townhouse with a pagoda-style roof commissioned in the 1920s by the celebrated Chinese art dealer C.T. Loo. Visit this fascinating building and its collection with an expert, learn about Mr. Loo and his extensive archives, and enjoy a sumptuous meal surrounded by dreamy antique lacquer interiors.

The exclusive access continues during our private visit to the Cernuschi Museum. Explore this 19th-century mansion, built by a wealthy Italian banker to hold his treasures, an exquisite array of bronzes, ceramics, jades, and Buddhist art collected during his years of travel through Asia.

B (BREAKFAST), D (DINNER)



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DAY 4: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

With a free morning, take advantage of the wealth of cultural experiences in Paris, such as a visit to the Louvre (advance tickets required), making sure to visit the 104 sculptures from around the world in the Pavilion des Sessions collection.

Dive into French History and Asian art again in the mid-afternoon with a lecture from Julian before embarking on another tailor-made experience for our group. Participate in a private after-hours visit to the National Museum of Asian Arts - Guimet, hosted by the Senior Curator of Southeast Asian Art. Immerse yourself in one of the world's most exquisite collections, comprised of over 50,000 works from different parts of Asia, including China, Japan, Korea, and Southeast Asia. Continue the festivities at our intimate reception in the museum, and raise a glass to once-in-a-lifetime experiences.

B, R



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SÈVRES

DAY 5: THURSDAY, APRIL 25

Immerse yourself in the world of ceramics at Sèvres. The National Ceramic Museum and Manufactory at Sèvres houses a world-renowned collection of nearly 50,000 pieces from all periods and corners of the world. Engage in a curator-led tour of the Asian collection and witness modern production techniques in use at the Sèvres atelier, a living laboratory for porcelain innovations, during our privatized visit. Tuck into a catered lunch together at the Pompadour Pavilion, a 19th c mansion, reserved exclusively for our group.

This afternoon, visit the Albert-Kahn Museum & Garden, which showcases rare photographs from the early 20th century, as well as Japanese gardens with exotic plants from around the globe and picturesque waterfalls.

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CHATEAU DE FONTAINEBLEAU

DAY 6: FRIDAY, APRIL 26

Embark on an extraordinary and exclusive journey through time on a day trip to Château de Fontainebleau. Along the drive via private coach, engage in a lecture from Julian on the history of this illustrious palace and its grounds that we will see together in the afternoon.



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Then, after the doors close to the public, enter the captivating world of Empress Eugénie’s coveted Chinoiserie collection, a hidden gem veiled from public view. Amassed in the mid-19th century during her marriage to Napoleon III, it contains over 1,200 pieces of Asian art. On our privatized tour, traverse rarely seen chambers adorned with meticulously handcrafted lacquer screens, intricately carved jade sculptures, and ornate porcelain vases that give a nod to imperial opulence.

While at the Chateau, delight in a sumptuous reception in the Salon des Fleurs, adorned with floral motifs and reserved exclusively for our group – this experience is sure to be a highlight of the trip!

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DAY 7: SATURDAY, APRIL 27

Tour the world-class Musée du quai Branly, home to a stunning collection from across the Asian continent, including some of the most iconic pieces of East Asian art. With a special early entry for our group, see the gems of the collection without the crowds.

Take some leisure time to visit the rest of the museum at your own pace. Then, stroll over to the Musée d’Orsay for a self-guided visit and have lunch at a nearby recommended restaurant.

This afternoon, make a specially arranged visit to Musée Ennery, housed in a 19th-century mansion and founded by a collector with a passion for Asian culture.

In the evening, embark on a glamorous farewell dinner cruise viewing the banks of the Seine, a UNESCO World Heritage site, from our own intimate riverboat.

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MUSÉE DU QUAI BRANLY

DAY 8: SUNDAY, APRIL 28

After a final indulgent breakfast at our hotel, check out and meet your driver for your transfer to the Paris Airport.

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SÈVRES



SEINE CRUISE



BANKS OF THE SEINE RIVER



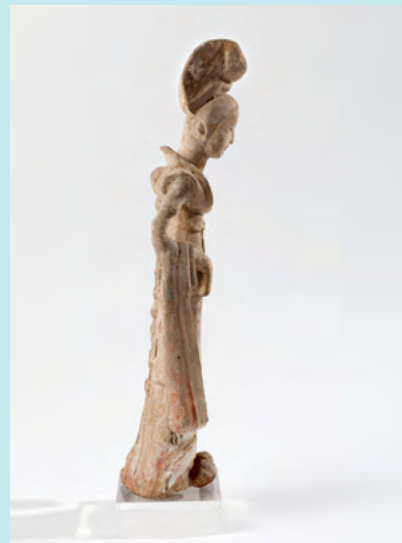
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MUSÉE DU QUAI BRANLY



Your Tour Director, **Dana Conley**, fell in love with travel in college while studying art and politics at the Stanford-in-Florence program. Dana lived in France from 2009-2015, and returns for extended stays every year.

She has traveled to over 50 countries in search of authentic adventures, beautiful meals, and life-changing moments to share with her private and organizational clients. Via Conley & Silvers LLC, her goal is to provide guests with the highest level of customer service while creating unique and magical itineraries and events. Before co-founding Conley & Silvers, Dana's career spanned from being a researcher in Asian security matters at the Pentagon and International security think tanks to art appraisal

and directing an art gallery. When Dana is not tour managing or on a reconnaissance mission, she divides her time between Europe, New York City, and Great Guana Cay where museum going, antiquing and yoga reign as her favorite pastimes.

Born and educated in England, **Dr. Julian Brown**, your expert guide, made Paris his home over thirty years ago. Family holidays introduced him to the joys and fascination of travel and foreign cultures at a very young age and he began leading tours around Europe in the early 1980s whilst studying French and Spanish at the University of Durham. He now spends much of each year conducting museum visits and historical walking tours in the French capital and leads tours through the French provinces. When not in France, he is lecturing on tours in Italy, Spain or Southeast Asia, where he spends time each winter. He holds a PhD from the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, on the colonial and museological contexts of the ancient art of Champa (Vietnam), and has lectured on his research at universities, museums, royal societies and international conferences. Books and classical music compete with travel, art and history as his main passions.

HYATT PARIS MADELEINE



CHINOISERIE
LOUNGE



The Hyatt Madeleine is a luxurious 5-Star hotel located in the heart of Paris, and offers spacious rooms with elegant décor, modern amenities, and stunning city views. The hotel's rooms are spacious and elegantly decorated, with a range of options to suit any traveler's needs. The bathrooms and high-end amenities ensure that guests have everything they need for a relaxing and enjoyable stay.



Guests can relax with a drink or a coffee in the cozy Chinoiserie Lounge, which is in the heart of the hotel and topped with a majestic glass roof signed by the Ateliers Gustave Eiffel.



The hotel rests in the 8th arrondissement, one of the most prestigious neighborhoods in Paris. Known for luxurious boutiques, grand boulevards, and iconic landmarks such as the Arc de Triomphe and the Champs-Élysées, the area is also home to several exceptional museums featuring Asian art such as the Guimet Museum, Musée Cernuschi, and Musée du quai Branly.

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WHAT TO EXPECT



CHATEAU FONTAINEBLEAU

We've handpicked walking routes that we feel everyone who is fit can enjoy. However, please note there is significant daily touring on foot, including time spent standing in museums while touring. Remember the streets of Paris are often uneven and paved with cobblestones, and we may encounter stairs without railings or elevators, so you need to be surefooted. You can always opt out of an activity and take a coffee break or take a taxi at your own expense.

While we hope that you love the itinerary we've created, we, of course, reserve the right to mix things up and swap activities if we feel it will enhance the trip.

COSTS

This 6 night, 7 day trip is designed for 20 guests, staying at the 5-Star Hyatt Madeleine Paris. Single occupancy guests are booked into Hyatt Queen rooms and double occupancy guests in Deluxe King rooms, which can be configured to have one king or two twin beds. Extra nights on either end of the scheduled trip will be offered at a special rate.

\$7720 per person double occupancy
+ \$1200 supplement for single occupancy

** All prices shown already reflect a discounted rate of 3% for paying via check or wire transfer. Should you wish to pay via credit card, it is possible, but you will be charged at a non-discounted rate.*

INCLUDED:

- ◇ 6 luxury hotel nights with taxes included
- ◇ All accommodations, meals, and excursions as specified in the itinerary
- ◇ Local wine, beer, coffee, tea, and soft drinks are included at lunches and dinners. Receptions include hors d'ouvres wine, beer, and non-alcoholic beverages
- ◇ Comprehensive program of briefings, lectures, and presentations
- ◇ All group entry fees and tickets
- ◇ All airport transfers (guests may be grouped with other guests flying at the same time)
- ◇ Group transportation in private coaches
- ◇ Expert & local guide fees
- ◇ All gratuities
- ◇ Baggage handling at hotels
- ◇ A pre-trip package including C&S custom luggage tags and a printed itinerary.
- ◇ Lecture series by Dr. Julian Brown, including a pre-trip suggested reading and film list.
- ◇ A multitude of exclusive events as detailed in the itinerary such as exclusive after-hours visits to museums with exceptional receptions and private dining.
- ◇ A celebratory farewell dinner on a privatized Seine river cruise.
- ◇ Dana Conley as Tour Director and concierge services by Conley & Silvers for help with personal arrangements.

NOT INCLUDED:

IMPORTANT NOTES

To run this amazing trip as advertised, we need 20 attendees ages 16 and older. There is a maximum of 6 single occupancy rooms on this trip. After the first deposit, guests will be required to submit a signed standard Waiver and Release of Liability form for C&S and the Society for Asian Art.

- ◇ Round-trip Airfare. U.S. domestic and international airfare between home and our trip is not included in the program rates.
- ◇ Passport expenses
- ◇ Medical expenses and immunizations
- ◇ Travel, medical, or evacuation insurance.
- ◇ We strongly recommend all guests purchase any travel insurance policies for your specific needs within two weeks of the first deposit to obtain the best coverage. C&S can help guests find a policy.
- ◇ Meals and beverages other than those specified as included
- ◇ Personal charges such as telephone calls, laundry, spa and room service expenses.



MUSÉE GUIMET

RSVP & DEPOSIT

We would be honored if you wish to join us! The interest for this trip has been very strong, so we believe it will sell out quickly. To register, fill out this form and mail it with your deposit, reservations will be taken on a first-come, first-serve basis based on postage date. Please make check payable to: Conley & Silvers LLC and mail to: Dana Conley, 4328 Barquero Ct. E, Jacksonville, FL 32217.

REGISTRATION FORM

To register, return this form with your deposit of \$1500 per person to Conley & Silvers LLC to hold a guest's place. The remaining balance will be due 120 days before the trip. All deposits are non-refundable unless another guest can take that place.

full name

address

city/state/zip

phone

e-mail

For Double Reservations:

We prefer one king bed We prefer two twin beds

full name of additional guest

phone

e-mail

For Single Reservations:

I wish to have single accommodations

I plan to share with: _____

I/We confirm that I/We have carefully read the Details section of this brochure and agree to their terms on behalf of myself and the members of my party named above.

signature(s)

date

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