

Hidden Trails

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*Equestrian Vacations
- on & with Hidden Trails*

About Hidden Trails

Hidden Trails is owned and operated by nature enthusiasts who love horses and adventure activities. We have been involved with riding and other outdoor vacations for over 20 years.

With our partners Voyage du Cheval (France), Pegasus (Germany) as well as Equitour (Switzerland and France) we have collected the best riding destinations all over the world in some hidden places we would like to share with you.

These rides are about galloping on endless beaches, forging rivers, cantering through forests, trotting along age-old trails, gazing at beautiful vistas and encountering foreign cultures. But most of all, these trips are about getting away from the cycle of too much work and never enough free time.

Escape from the rituals, which long ago froze our nights and days into little more than routine and away from the worries of our new tense times. It is so satisfying when we take the plunge of adventure - it's unfortunate that we invent so many reasons to put aside living our dreams of adventure. It is sometimes a tangled web that we weave through life. Some of the threads reveal a work-a-day world of commitments, duties and obligations. Other threads are of a quiet fabric of hope, responsibility and refreshment.

On our adventures you see the real country, its back country and meet the locals. The love for horses has no boundaries but possesses a common language we all speak and understand. The majority of the overseas rides are from inn to inn, some from castle to castle and a few are camping rides.

You will experience new countries and their customs and make new friends. The Hidden Trails trips are the best you can find.

They have been tested by our staff or associates and received our stamp of approval. If you are considering a special riding vacation anywhere in the world, call us first and let our experienced consultants match the perfect trip with your dream.

We will listen to you and give you objective advice to help you choose the best destination and adventure.

Your vacation is the most precious time of the year and we are committed to making it the most memorable time of your life. Wherever you go, have a great time and bring back some peace of mind.

Thank you for your continued support.

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Provence to Camargue Mediterranean Ride - France, Europe

Tour Code: IT-FRPV03
7 days / 6 nights ~\$2,340.00
Dates: Apr-Jun & Sep-Oct

Trip Rating : ●●●●●
Difficulty : ●●●●●
Lodging : ●●●

Tack: Trail Saddles
Horses: Arab/Spanish cross
Pace: Moderate - with walk, trot and canters...
Walk,Trot,Canter,

Airport: Marseille



Introduction

Provence, France
Ride to the Mediterranean: From the mountain of Luberon, down to the Mediterranean sea!

Heading out with the horses from a little riding centre found in the nature park of Luberon, known as the 'Heart of Provence,' we will follow along ancient Roman roads and cross Van Gogh's Hills, the "Alpilles," riding into the rural villages nearby where the horses can stop and drink from the courtyard fountain while we chat with the locals. Imagine cantering through sweet fields of lavender framed by the snow-peaked Alps and the ink-blue Mediterranean waters, and then tethering the horses nearby as we break for a picnic of French breads and cheeses paired with local wines! You are on a trail towards the famous region of the Camargue: a land of marshes, pink flamingos, black bulls and white horses! With accommodations in quaint, country inns (4* hotel upgrade available), this is a horseback trail rich in beautiful Provencal landscapes, curious history and foreign culture, ending as we emerge from the marshlands onto the open sands, for an invigorating gallop upon the Mediterranean coastline!

Accommodation

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This is a progressive ride so nights are spent in different locations.

Description

Overnights during the trail will be in small and private rural guesthouses and inns. While they are rather simple facilities, they have been selected for their beautiful setting and friendly atmosphere. Rooms usually have ensuite bathrooms. There are no laundry facilities while on trail. All accommodations have WIFI.

Standard Accommodation Itinerary - subject to changes based on availability

Night 1 & 2: Les Gargoulettes in Lauris
Night 3: La Sarriette in Eygalières
Night 4: Mas de Sylvereal near Astouin
Night 5: Le Maset in Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer
Night 6: Les Gargoulettes in Lauris

Les Gargoulettes in Lauris

Your host welcome you in their lovely country house. Each room has its own theme and decor with air-conditioning, a TV, free Wi-Fi access and ensuite facilities. There is an outdoor swimming pool, a Jacuzzi and a sauna that guests are welcome to use.

La Sarriette in Eygalières

This guesthouse provides simple accommodations in 2 private bedrooms and a dormitory (8 single beds). Bathrooms are shared and Wi-Fi is available free of charge. There is a common area with a TV and a fireplace and a terrace with view over the garden.

Mas de Sylvereal near Astouin

This beautiful 400 years old country house welcomes guests in tastefully decorated bedrooms with private bathroom. Wi-Fi is available in all areas and is free of charge. There is also a garden with a sitting area where guest can relax.

Le Maset in Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer

This hotel offers 11 modern bedrooms all fitted with a TV, air conditioning, free Wi-Fi and a private bathroom. The beach is just a few hundred meters away and there is an outdoor swimming pool accessible to all guests.

Upgraded Accommodation Itinerary (3-4 star hotels) - subject to changes based on availability

Night 1: Hotel Domaine de Fontenille in Lauris
Night 2: Moulin de Vernegues in Mallemort
Night 3: La Bastide d'Eygalières in Eygalières
Nights 4 & 5: Auberge Cavaliere in Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer
Night 6: Hotel Domaine de Fontenille in Lauris

Hotel Domaine de Fontenille in Lauris

This charming Provencal bastide from the 18th century has been recently restored in order to provide guest with a comfortable stay. It is surrounded by a lovely park and vineyards. Each of the 18 bedrooms feature a mix between rustic charm and modern facilities (safety box, TV, free Wi-Fi and private bathroom). The surrounding park includes an outdoor swimming pool, a hammam and a fitness center.

Moulin de Vernegues in Mallemort

This 17th century property was recently renovated to offers guest comfortable and modern bedrooms. All air-conditioned rooms come with a TV and an ensuite bathroom. There is a beautiful outdoor swimming pool and an onsite spa center (extra costs).

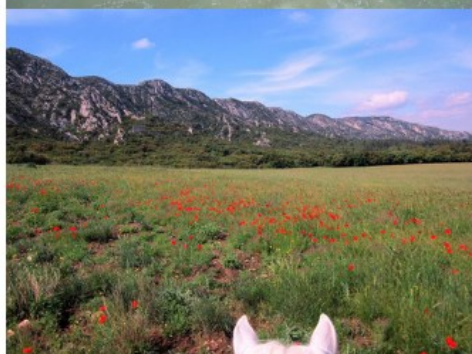
La Bastide d'Eygalières in Eygalières

This hotel is housed in a typical Provencal house and offers 15 simply decorated guestrooms. All rooms are fitted with A/C, a phone, a TV and a private bathroom. There is a lovely patio with an outdoor swimming pool.

Auberge Cavaliere in Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer

This stylish auberge features accommodations in the main house and in small cabins. The rooms come equipped with all creature comforts including free Wi-Fi access, a private bathroom, a TV and a terrace. Other amenities include 2 outdoor swimming pools, a tennis court, a spa area with a sauna and hot tub.

Room Occupancy





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Triple occupancy is available at most accommodations. If not available, we can book one double and a single without the supplement.

If traveling as a single rider willing to share and we don't find anyone to share, then the single supplement will apply.



Meals

All meals are included in your package and typical Provençal meals are on the menu.

Breakfast will be provided by the accommodations we stay in. It features hot drinks with bread, butter, jam and honey.

At lunch, our assistant will prepare a substantial buffet. A "pastis", a glass of red wine, a barbecue by a mountain stream, a refreshing salad, a nap before leaving again : many small pleasures which will add to the enjoyment of our rides.

In the evening everyone meets around the table, to discover local food - or should we say "cuisine" - don't count on losing any weight.

Wine is included with lunch and dinner for the standard accommodations. Wine is not included with dinner for the upgrade to 3-4 star hotels.

Dietary Restrictions

We can cater to dietary restrictions with prior notice.

Riding

Riding Level

In order to make the most of the ride, we require riders to be at ease with walk, trot and canter, in outdoor riding.

Pace

This program includes 2/3/5 riding days depending on the option you choose. You will ride an average of 5 hours every day (about 2-3 hours in the morning and again 2-3 hours in the afternoon). The pace will vary according to the terrain.

Horses

Most of our horses are Barb and Spanish crosses. They have been trained for trail riding and are sure-footed. They live together as a herd, all year long.

During the ride, we advise you to take care of your horse, in order to get to know him better, and to create a special relationship with him.

Riding Group

Groups are made out of 5 to 8 riders. This limited amount of riders, often including several nationalities, allows each person to make the most of the trip.

Staff

Two members of staff will accompany you on your trip: 1 guide on horseback who speaks English and French and 1 person in charge of transporting luggage and setting up the lunch buffets.

Guides are certified, and friendly. They made a job out of their passion and enjoy sharing their passion with guests. Whether on the Alps or on the beaches of Camargue, amongst odorant thym, rosmmary and lavender, our guides are here to keep riders safe. All guides speak English.

Itinerary



Sample Itinerary: Provence to Camargue Mediterranean Ride - *subject to changes*



Day 1 (Sunday): Arrival

Meeting at Marseille airport or Aix-en-Provence train station, or directly at your accommodation in Lauris. Welcome aperitif and presentation of the trail ride. You will be introduced to your guide and spend a first friendly dinner.

Meals included: Dinner

Overnight at Les Gargoulettes in Lauris

Day 2 (Monday): Lauris to Mallemort

Ride at the foot of the Luberon mountain in pine and oak forests to the Durance valley where we will cross the river. Picnic brought by our assistant on the other side of the Durance river. In the afternoon, we will ride along the Alpilles canal to the farm where the horses will stay for the night. Transfer with minibus to our lodging, in Lauris.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Overnight at Les Gargoulettes in Lauris

Day 3 (Tuesday): Mallemort to Eygalieres

After breakfast, transfer to the horses. This morning, we ride through a rich valley among fruit trees, to Lamanon where we will enjoy our lunch buffet. We then ride into the Alpilles Nature Park, making our way out of the valley, towards Van Gogh's country. We will reach the Roman village of Eygalière late in the afternoon.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Overnight at Guesthouse near Eygalieres

Day 4 (Wednesday): Eygalieres to Les Baux de Provence

Morning: 4 hours on horseback. Picnic at the ancient site of Glanum. Loading of horses into the truck. Visit (entrance ticket not included) of the Saint Paul de Mausole Monastery: Vincent VAN GOGH was interned here from May 8, 1889 to May 16, 1890. Transfer and visit of Les Baux de Provence. After your visit of the village: transfer by minibus to the heart of the Camargue. Night in a hotel, some four hundred years old, built on the remains of a 12th century abbey.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Overnight at Hotel near Astouin

Day 5 (Thursday): Bull Cattle Drive to Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer

After an hour on horseback in the heart of the Camargue, we will arrive at a "manade", a bull and horse ranch. A passionate "guardian" (Camargue cow-boy) welcomes us in front of the enclosure of one of his bull herds. We accompany him on horseback to "grab" the bulls, that is to say push them through the marsh to a sorting enclosure. Then he tells us about the Camargue bull and horse breeds. After sorting a few bulls in front of us he ends his performance by offering us an aperitif "the friendship glass". Picnic on the spot, prepared by our assistant. Then we leave on horseback to Les Saintes Maries de la Mer. After your installation at the hotel, you can go for a walk in the village streets and do some shopping, take a stroll to the beach, or enjoy the hotel swimming pool. Meeting for dinner in a lively bodega in the village. Night at the hotel.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Overnight at Hotel near Les Saintes Maries de la Mer

Day 6 (Friday): A morning ride on the beaches

Nice gallops and walk in the sea. The lunch will be prepared at the hotel by your assistant, and the afternoon you will ride along the Vaccares lake: you will discover a lot of flamingos and wild birds on a pleasant trail. Transfer to Mas de Recaute in Lauris, for a last dinner all together, share memories, pictures, addresses ...

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Overnight at Les Gargoulettes in Lauris

Day 7 (Saturday): Departure

End of the trip after breakfast. Transfers to Aix-en-Provence train stations and Marseille airport.

Meals included: Breakfast



Non Riders

Non-riding companions are welcome to join this trip. It is best to have a car in order to do some sightseeing while the rest of the group explores on horseback.

Other Info

Meeting: Lauris

Airport: Marseille

Train station: Aix-en-Provence

Transfer: Marseille

Distance: 45 miles

Pick-up / drop-off for this trip is available from Aix-en-Provence TGV train station, Aix-en-Provence central train station or Marseille airport.

Tack: Trail Saddles

Horses: Arab/Spanish cross

Pace: Moderate - with walk, trot and canters
5 hours a day on horseback on average

Walk | Trot | Canter |

Level: 🐾🐾🐾🐾 (3.5 to 4 out of 5) Good Intermediate

Age: Min 12 Max 80

Weight: 200 lbs / 90 kg



Riders: Min 4 riders

Max 8 riders

Rates and Dates 2026 - IT-FRPV03

Rates include: Standard accommodation, All meals with wine for lunch and dinner, Transfer from/to Marseille Airport or Aix-en-Provence Train Station at set times & 5 riding days

Packages and Options

Season	Description	EUR	~US\$
A 2026	7 day trip (standard accommodation)	€1950	\$2340
B 2026	7 day trip - Luxury Option on request (inquire for rates - min 5 pax)	€0	\$0

The US Dollar Rate is based on a EUR Exchange Rate of 1.2 and subject to currency fluctuation

Rates Note:

For 1 pax booking as willing to share: 25% off single supplement rate will be applied if we don't have anybody to share with you
It is possible to book extra nights before or after the tour - please inquire

Transfer Option

Description

2026 Free transfer from/to Marseille Airport or Aix-en-Provence Train Station at set times for 7-day trips	
2026 Non-rider -- 50% discount	
2026 Taxi transfer from/to Marseille airport, one way, per car (3-4 pax)	€150 \$165
2026 Taxi transfer from/to Aix-en-Provence TGV station, one way, per car (3-4 pax)	€130 \$155
2026 Taxi transfer from/to Aix-en-Provence central train station, one way, per car (3-4 pax)	€100 \$120
2026 Single supplement	€435 \$525
2026 Discount if coming by car (Monday morning arrival & Friday afternoon departure)	

Tour Dates

Season	Tour Dates		
A 2026	04/26/2026 - 05/02/2026	7d / 6n	7 day trip (standard accommodation)
A 2026	05/03/2026 - 05/09/2026	7d / 6n	7 day trip (standard accommodation)
A 2026	05/10/2026 - 05/16/2026	7d / 6n	7 day trip (standard accommodation)
A 2026	05/24/2026 - 05/30/2026	7d / 6n	7 day trip (standard accommodation)
A 2026	05/31/2026 - 06/06/2026	7d / 6n	7 day trip (standard accommodation)
A 2026	06/07/2026 - 06/13/2026	7d / 6n	7 day trip (standard accommodation)
A 2026	06/14/2026 - 06/20/2026	7d / 6n	7 day trip (standard accommodation)
A 2026	06/21/2026 - 06/27/2026	7d / 6n	7 day trip (standard accommodation)
A 2026	08/30/2026 - 09/05/2026	7d / 6n	7 day trip (standard accommodation)
A 2026	09/13/2026 - 09/19/2026	7d / 6n	7 day trip (standard accommodation)
A 2026	09/20/2026 - 09/26/2026	7d / 6n	7 day trip (standard accommodation)
A 2026	09/26/2026 - 10/02/2026	7d / 6n	7 day trip (standard accommodation)
A 2026	09/27/2026 - 10/03/2026	7d / 6n	7 day trip (standard accommodation)
A 2026	10/04/2026 - 10/10/2026	7d / 6n	7 day trip (standard accommodation)
A 2026	10/11/2026 - 10/17/2026	7d / 6n	7 day trip (standard accommodation)
A 2026	10/18/2026 - 10/24/2026	7d / 6n	7 day trip (standard accommodation)
A 2026	10/25/2026 - 10/31/2026	7d / 6n	7 day trip (standard accommodation)
A 2026	11/01/2026 - 11/07/2026	7d / 6n	7 day trip (standard accommodation)

Min/Max: 4/8

The Luxurious Option is available every week on request (starting on Sunday) from January to June and from September to mid-November

Rates do not include: Beverages outside of mealtimes & Gratuities

For the Luxurious option, drinks are not included at all (no wine with lunch or dinner)

Reservation Form

Tour : _____ **Code #:** _____ **from:** _____ **to :** _____

The Travelers (Last Name, First Name)	Male Female	Single room / or tent	Birth Date MM/DD/YY	Height	Weight	Special diets									
						Special diets	Beginner	Novice	Intermediate	Strong Intern.	Advanced	ride English	ride Western	mostly arena	mostly hacking
1. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
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4. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			

Special Diets: _____

Your fitness level: Excellent Moderate Poor How long have you been riding? _____

How often do you ride? _____ Have you been on other riding tours? No Yes last trip when? _____

If Hidden Trails offers a transfer from the local airport/station: I would like the transfer to be included: YES NO

In an emergency, name and phone number of contact: _____

Attention: Please, if there is more than one participant, all have to sign the reservation form - make copies if needed

With my signature I confirm my reservation of the listed program(s) under the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions. I'm aware, and I made all participants aware of the risk involved with these outdoor adventure activities. All participants have read and agree with the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions and the Hidden Trails Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement in this brochure or as listed on the Internet.

I (we) will sign and forward the Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement at least 10 weeks before trip starting date.

Last Name and First Name (The Traveler) _____

Street _____ e-mail _____

City _____ State _____ Postal/Zip Code _____

Phone (wk) _____ (hm) _____ Cell _____ Fax _____

Date _____ Signature (mandatory) 1. _____

Please, charge a 25% deposit (minimum \$ 350 per person) now and full payment 10 weeks before the travel date to my credit card.

For payments by VISA or Mastercard (no debit cards)

Cardholder: _____

Card # _____ 3 digit Security # _____

Exp. Date: _____ Signature _____

Billing Address for Credit Card (if different than mailing address):

I have enclosed a check for the deposit

Additional Signatures:

2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Travel Cancellation Insurance Credit Card required

Sign me (us) up initial _____

No, we will provide our own initial _____

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