



Riviera Driving Tours

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Thank you for your interest in Riviera Driving Tours.

I hope you'll take a moment to review the following material regarding our Mini Cooper Cabriolet driving tour in the south of France and contact me if you have any questions.

To reserve your spot, please fill out the attached registration forms and waiver (one for each participant) and scan and email to rivieradrivingtours@gmail.com or print and mail to:

*Riviera Driving Tours
4412 7th Avenue South
Birmingham, Al 35222*

Credit card, passport, and drivers license information is required by the rental car company. Riviera Driving Tours will not keep any personal information on file.

Also, should you sign up, feel free to forward my contact information and the address and telephone number of La Grande Bastide in St Paul de Vence to friends and family so that they will have an additional way to contact you during the tour should the need arise.

I hope to see you soon in the south of France.

Bon Voyage!

Dirk Dominick



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At Riviera Driving Tours, our goal is to provide a one-of-a-kind experience to intrepid travelers who love to drive, eat well, sample delicious local wines, and discover exciting new destinations.

The concept is simple - we remove the hassle of vacation planning so you can focus on one thing once you arrive in Nice: sliding behind the wheel of your cabriolet and cruising down some of the most spectacular roads on the planet. Daily routes are meticulously designed to highlight the best roads, villages, restaurants, and sights of the French Riviera and arriere pays (back-country).

The tour is designed in a convoy format but guests are always free to blaze their own trail through the French countryside if they wish, i.e., it's not mandatory to drive in a rally formation. Tour booklets, satellite navigation systems, and two-way radios help ensure that your next destination is never in doubt.

Highlights

Cruise high above the Mediterranean on the world-famous Moyenne Corniche

Explore the beautiful perched villages of the riviera back-country

Drive the mountain road featured in James Bond's "GoldenEye" starring Pierce Brosnan and "Ronin", starring Robert DeNiro

Re-trace the route of the Monaco Grand Prix

Zip along winding mountain roads in Liguria, Italy as you explore the dramatic hill towns across the Italian border

Drive the north rim of the Grand Canyon of France", the Gorges du Verdon

Enjoy the best food and local wines the region has to offer

Dine at a superb Michelin-starred restaurant in an ancient chateau





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Contact Information

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Your Airport Destination

The Nice Cote D'Azur Airport in Nice, France. The airport code is NCE.

Upon arrival at the airport in Nice you will be met by a Riviera Driving Tours representative outside baggage claim (the first public area you will enter after retrieving your luggage) and transferred by van to Hotel La Grande Bastide in St Paul de Vence. The transfer will take approximately thirty minutes.

Accommodations

La Grande Bastide

1350 Route de La Colle

06570 Saint-Paul-de-Vence, France

tel: + 33 (0)4 93 32 50 30

If dialing from the US - 011 33 4 93 32 50 30

<https://en.la-grande-bastide.com/>

Our home base for the tour, La Grande Bastide, is a charming, small hotel located just down the hill from the village of St Paul de Vence. The hotel has free wifi, bar service, pool, and on-site parking. There is a vintage Citroen to shuttle guests to St Paul and back.



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Vehicles

Mini Cooper Cabriolets are front wheel drive with automatic six-speed transmission and a manual shift option. All cars have touchscreen satellite navigation systems, camera based Active Driving Assistants, LED head and tail lights, air-conditioning, cruise control, Bluetooth connectivity, USB port, and a twelve speaker audio system.

Cars are available to guests at all times during the tour following a short orientation on Thursday afternoon.

Fuel is included. The minimum driving age is 25.

Currency

The currency used in France is the euro. There is no need to exchange dollars for euros before your trip. If you need cash simply use an ATM in the Nice airport when you arrive. There are plenty of ATM's throughout the area.

Food/Alcohol Allergies

Please contact Dirk Dominick at rivieradrivingtours@gmail.com if you are allergic to any foods and/or alcohol so that proper precautions may be taken.

Electricity

American appliances run on 110 volts while European appliances run on 220 volts. Unless you have a dual voltage appliance you will need a converter and an adaptor to charge your electronics. The converter converts the electrical voltage while the adaptor is helpful in inserting the converter into the wall outlet.





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Credit/Debit Cards

We suggest using debit cards to get cash from ATM's and credit cards for all other purchases. It's much easier to resolve fraudulent purchases or a stolen card from your credit card company than from your bank. Make sure, though, that your credit card does not charge a foreign transaction fee (usually 2 to 3%).

Health and Safety

France has one of the best healthcare systems in the world. If you require medical attention during your trip you can rest assured that you will receive excellent care.

If you do need medical attention and your current healthcare plan does not cover you overseas then you will be required to pay for the medical services you receive. Please check with your health insurance provider to confirm coverage.

A trip to France requires no special inoculations.

Wardrobe Suggestions

Casual, comfortable clothing (with comfortable shoes) that can be dressed up a little at night with a sport coat, scarf, or wrap. Spring and fall temperatures in St Paul range from highs in the mid to low seventies during the day and lows at night in the mid to low sixties, so a light jacket, sweater or wrap is recommended.



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Pre-Travel Checklist

**Check the expiration dates on your passport, drivers license, and debit and credit cards.*

**United States citizens do not need a visa to travel to France, only a valid passport. Passports must be valid for at least 90 days “after” you return home from your French Riviera Driving Tour. Under French law you are required to carry your passport or a photocopy of your passport at all times. French police are allowed to stop anyone at anytime and ask for an I.D.*

**Alert your bank and credit card companies that you’ll be traveling overseas. If banks suddenly detect unusual overseas transactions they may freeze your accounts, leaving you without access to funds.*

**As a precaution against lost documents, consider making photocopies of your passport, travel itinerary, insurance documents, credit card account numbers, etc., and carry them separate from the original documents or leave copies with someone you can contact in case of an emergency.*

Another option is to scan your documents and email them to your email account. If they are lost you can retrieve them online.

Essentials Checklist

Passport, Drivers License, medications, credit/debit cards, plane tickets/travel itinerary, electrical converter/adaptor, sunblock, arrange for pet care.



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Itinerary/Misc. Notes

Please note that on arrival day, Wednesday, there are no activities planned. We have included this additional day on the tour so that guests will have time to rest and hopefully mitigate the effects of jet-lag. The official driving portion of the tour will begin the following afternoon (Thursday).

Tuesday is departure day.

Please remember that unscheduled meals and drinks at the hotel or elsewhere are not included in the tour. Guests will be asked to settle any outstanding tabs with the hotel on the final day of the tour.

A Reminder About Car Insurance

Riviera Driving Tours purchases the maximum amount of insurance possible for each vehicle. In car rental lingo this means we “buy down the excess” to its lowest limit of 1,300 euros for the Mini Cooper Cabriolet. The excess is the maximum amount the renter (you) will be liable for should there be an accident. According to the terms set by the car rental company, the driver(s) is responsible for the excess. Before you embark on your trip your credit card will be “blocked” (not charged) by the rental car company for the amount of 1,300 euros for the duration of the trip.





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INCLUDED IN YOUR FRENCH RIVIERA DRIVING TOUR

- *Round trip ground transfers from Nice Cote D'Azur Airport to La Grande Bastide*
- *Complimentary welcome drink upon arrival at La Grande Bastide*
- *6 nights accommodations at La Grande Bastide*
- *5 days Mini Cooper Cabriolet rental*
- *Comprehensive tour booklet*
- *Daily itineraries/activities and lead car*
- *Two-way radio (1 per vehicle)*
- *All breakfasts, lunches, and dinners during the tour (lunch will be available at the hotel on Wednesday and Thursday or guests may choose to eat on their own in the village)*
- *Tastings/events*
- *A few surprises...*

NOT INCLUDED IN YOUR FRENCH RIVIERA DRIVING TOUR

- *International and domestic flights*
- *Hotel services including laundry, unscheduled meals and drinks, etc.*
- Travel insurance*
- Damage to vehicles (1,300 euro deductible to be covered by driver). Please see FAQ at www.rivieradrivingtours.com for more information).*

Price is \$4,250 per person based on two persons per vehicle.

Please make checks payable to Riviera Driving Tours and send to:

4412 7th Avenue South
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Payments made through PayPal or by credit card will unfortunately incur an additional fee.



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VEHICLE REGISTRATION FORM

Driver #1

Full Name _____

Address _____

Telephone # _____

Date of birth _____

Passport # _____

Passport expiration date _____

Drivers license # _____

Drivers license expiration date _____

Credit card # _____

Credit card expiration _____

Credit card security # _____



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VEHICLE REGISTRATION FORM

Driver #2

Full Name _____

Address _____

Telephone # _____

Date of birth _____

Passport # _____

Passport expiration date _____

Drivers license # _____

Drivers license expiration date _____

Credit card # _____

Credit card expiration _____

Credit card security # _____



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ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE TRANSFERS FORM

Date of arrival in Nice _____

Time of arrival in Nice _____

Arrival airline and flight # _____

Date of departure from Nice _____

Time of departure from Nice _____

Departure airline and flight # _____

ALLERGIES

Driver #1 _____

Driver #2 _____



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RIVIERA DRIVING TOURS, LLC - WAIVER OF LIABILITY

Name

Address

Phone Number

Emergency Contact (Name and Phone Number)

Dates of Scheduled Tour



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Riviera Driving Tours, LLC, requires all Customers to agree to and execute a waiver of liability, releasing Riviera Driving Tours, LLC, its employees, officers, owners, and agents, (collectively, “Riviera Driving Tours”) from any and all liability from any damage, injury, or liability to the Customer that may be incurred during the course of the Tour and any activities or excursions included therein (collectively, the “Activities”) before undertaking or participating in said Activities.

The Customer hereby acknowledges receipt of and agrees to the following:

1. Release of Liability.

In consideration for being allowed to participate in the Activity, I, the Customer, hereby release from liability and waive my right to sue Riviera Driving Tours from any and all claims, including claims of Riviera Driving Tours’ negligence, resulting in any physical injury, illness (including death) or economic loss I may suffer or which may result from my participation in this Activity, travel to and from the Activity (including air travel), or any events incidental to this Activity.

2. Assumption of Risk.

I am voluntarily participating in this Activity. I understand that there are risks associated with my/our participation in this Activity, such as physical and/or psychological injury, pain, suffering, illness, disfigurement, temporary or permanent disability, death, property damage, or economic loss. These injuries or outcomes may arise from my/our own or other’s actions, inactions, or negligence, or the condition of the Activity location(s) or facility(ies).



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Nonetheless, I assume all risks of my participation in this Activity, whether known or unknown to me, including travel to and from the Activity (including air travel) or any events incidental to this Activity.

3. Indemnification.

I agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Riviera Driving Tours from any and all claims, loss, or damage to myself, including bodily injury or damage to personal property, for any and all liabilities, and costs, including attorney fees, as a result of my participation in this Activity, including travel to and from the Activity (including air travel) or any events incidental to this Activity. If Riviera Driving Tours incurs any of these types of expenses, I agree to reimburse Riviera Driving Tours. I further agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Riviera Driving Tours from any and all claims, loss, or damage claimed by any third party, for bodily injury or damage to personal property, for any and all liabilities, and costs, including attorney fees as a result of any act or omission by me, the Customer, regardless of whether the act or omission is determined to be negligent, reckless, or wrongful.

4. Medical Treatment and Expenses.

If I need medical treatment as a result of my participation in this Activity, travel to and from the Activity (including air travel), or any events incidental to the Activity, I agree to be financially responsible for any costs incurred as a result of such treatment. I am aware that Riviera Driving Tours does not provide health insurance for me and that I should carry my own health insurance.



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In the event that I am involved in an accident or incur an injury during participation in the Activity which renders me incapacitated or unable to express a need for medical treatment, I hereby authorize Riviera Driving Tours to procure medical attention for me on my behalf for evaluation and treatment, but in no such event shall Riviera Driving Tours be held liable for any expenses incurred for any such treatment, and I acknowledge and agree that I shall be responsible for any and all expenses for medical treatment in such an event.

5. Severability.

The undersigned further expressly agrees that the foregoing waiver and assumption of risk is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the laws of the United States, the laws of the State of Alabama, and the laws of any other country in which the Activities may occur, and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall continue in full legal force and effect.

I have read this document, and I am signing it freely. I understand the legal consequences of signing this document, including (a) releasing Riviera Driving Tours from all liability, (b) waiving my right to sue Riviera Driving Tours, and (c) assuming all risks of participating in this Activity, including travel to and from the Activity (including air travel) or any events incidental to this Activity.

I understand and agree that this Waiver of Liability shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties, their successors, assigned, and personal representatives.

To the extent that this document is being signed by a Parent/Guardian on behalf of a Customer who is a minor child, the Parent/Guardian hereby acknowledges and agrees that all provisions, agreements, acknowledgements, waivers, and authorizations asserted herein shall be that of both the Customer and the Parent/Guardian on the Customer's behalf.

Signature of Customer _____

Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian (if applicable)

Date: _____

**If Customer is a Minor Child
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Initials:** _____
