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For immediate release

Five tours to enjoy travelling by train

Opera in Paris; art history in Antwerp; private tastings in Champagne

[Opera and Ballet in Paris](#)

Mozart, Tchaikovsky, Massenet, Balanchine

Three American ballets by the great Russian choreographer George Balanchine, as well as Mozart's *Don Giovanni* and a new production of Massenet's tale of Parisian life, *Manon*. There are backstage visits to two of Paris' two magnificent opera houses, as well as talks on the music by writer and St Andrew's University Director of Music Dr Michael Downes.

From £2,730pp (two sharing) includes return Eurostar tickets from London to Paris, travel by private coach, 4 hotel accommodation, most meals with drinks, the services of the lecturer and tour manager, tips and taxes. Departs 19 March for 4 nights.*

[A Festival of Impressionism](#)

The finest collection of paintings in Paris and Normandy, and places associated with the artists

Coinciding with a major festival in Normandy, with exhibitions in Rouen, Giverny and Le Havre, this is an opportunity to see a real concentration of Impressionist paintings, as well as take into account Pre-Impressionists and post-Impressionist successors. Travel by train to Paris and then onwards to Rouen by private coach, with lectures by Professor Frances Fowle, Senior Curator of French Art at the Scottish National Gallery.

From £2,360pp (two sharing) includes return Eurostar tickets, private coach travel, comfortable hotels in Paris and Rouen, most meals with drinks and all visits in the itinerary. Departs 19 April for 6 nights.

[Flemish Painting](#)

From van Eyck to Rubens: Bruges, Ghent, Antwerp, Brussels

A immersive tour to see the highlights of Flemish painting in the beautiful unspoilt cities where it was created. Based throughout in Ghent, the tour includes a visit to the newly restored Adoration of the Mystic Lamb polyptych by Hubert and Jan van Eyck in Ghent cathedral, one of the greatest masterpieces of Netherlandish painting, as well as outstanding pieces by Rubens and Brughel.

From £1,920pp (two sharing) includes return Eurostar travel to Lille, private coach transfers, 4 hotel accommodation in Ghent, most meals with drinks, visits, tips and taxes. Departs 2 September (4 nights).*

[Champagne: cuvees and cellars around Reims and Épernay](#)

A short break amongst the vineyards and picturesque towns and villages of Champagne, with private arrangements to visit some of the most prestigious houses and independent producers. There are tastings at Moët, Dom Pérignon and Maison Charles Heidsieck as well as impressive cooperatives in the premier cru village of Mailly.

From £2,230pp (two sharing) includes return Eurostar tickets from London, private coach travel, 4 accommodation in Reims, most meals with drinks, all visits and tastings, tips and taxes. Departs 8 September (4 nights).*

[Les Années Folles](#)

Interwar Paris and its most dynamic cultural figures

Experience Paris in the Jazz Age, visiting buildings, interiors and collections that epitomise this most creative age and the birth of Art Deco, from the Musée des Arts Décoratifs to the Musée des Années Trente, home to Tamara de Lempicka's *Portrait d'un homme inachevé*. Art historian and Paris resident Patrick Bade leads the tour, which also offers includes dinners in some of Paris' most decadent Art Deco restaurants.

From £1,740pp (two sharing) includes return Eurostar tickets from London, private coach transfers, 4 hotel accommodation, most meals with drinks, tips, taxes and the talks by the lecturer.*

You may also be interested in:-

[Great Railway Termini](#)

The origin of train travel in London

A day in London exploring the architecture of three magnificent Victorian train stations, with special arrangements to visit Queen Victoria's waiting room at Paddington, the Old Granary building at Kings' Cross, and the Renaissance hotel at St Pancras.

£215 per person includes morning and afternoon refreshments, lunch, one journey by underground and all visits included in the itinerary. 16 September 2020

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