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The Origins of Humanity

Full day excursion to the Périgord

A day-trip to Perigord is a must for those interested in history and art. The 2h30min drive is worth it because Lascaux provides the earliest evidence of art in the world. These paintings are what art was when art first began. It is because of their incredible condition that it is possible to attempt to understand the past through this art.

In the morning, you will stroll through the beautifully restored medieval streets of Sarlat and an afternoon tour to Lascaux II

Make it with an expert!

DECOUVERTES ADVICE for a special optional venue: Visit to Cap Blanc shelter or Rouffignac caves with a local palaeontologist

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Make it Contemporary Garden!

DECOUVERTES ADVICE for an optional venue: Visit to the jardins de l'Imaginaire at Terrasson la Villedieu

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Day trip to the Perigord

Meet your driver-guide at the lobby of your hotel in Bordeaux and enjoy a full day-trip to the Dordogne region.

Drive towards **Sarlat**, the geographical center of Périgord-Quercy. (2hr30min drive)

This **medieval city of Sarlat** is synonymous with 1,000 years of architecture. It is often referred to as a **model of renovation** commissioned in 1960 by André Malraux, Minister of Culture.

The city has the **most important number of classified medieval and Renaissance buildings in the Périgord**. Sarlat will delight you with its architecture and typical atmosphere along the charming cobbled stone streets.

You can not leave the town without **tasting foie gras** which is the most famous specialty of the region!

Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. We suggest **La Couleuvrine** settled in one of the towers of the old rampart of Sarlat, **a refined room near a warm fireplace**, where you will taste the products of the country judiciously re-imagined in a refined room near a warm fireplace, or the **Petit Manoir**, a 15th century private mansion. Food is excellent and original, the chef, offers a delicious cuisine that melts traditional Perigourdine dishes with spices and other fresh herbs.

Continue towards Montignac to visit the most emblematic French cave: **Lascaux II**.

Hundreds of meters of walls and roofs are covered with friezes of animals vibrating with life and color Bulls, stags, horses... have been portrayed in movement with a remarkable sense of composition and coherence! **Specialists unanimously consider this site to be one of the marvels of the prehistoric world.**

Although the original Lascaux is no longer opened to the public, **the replica of Lascaux I is magnificent and very close to reality**. The walls of this fascinating cave are covered with drawings representing animals and hunting scenes. An unforgettable visit!

Drive back to Bordeaux at the end of the day (2 hr drive)





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*NB: Please note that some sites mentioned in the itinerary might not be available every day or all year long.
We suggest you to check with our Production Managers*

This package includes

- Deluxe minivan which can carry up to 6 passengers
- Professional English speaking guide-driver who will chauffeur you on your sightseeing tour and is licensed to guide and accompany you on walking tours, as well as into museums and monuments
- Découvertes fees
- 24 hour assistance available during your stay
- All taxes

This package does not include

- Entrance fees
- Tips
- Lunch or dinner

Découvertes can also provide:

- Pre-payment of all entrance fees to museums and other sites
- Lunch reservations



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Make it Optional

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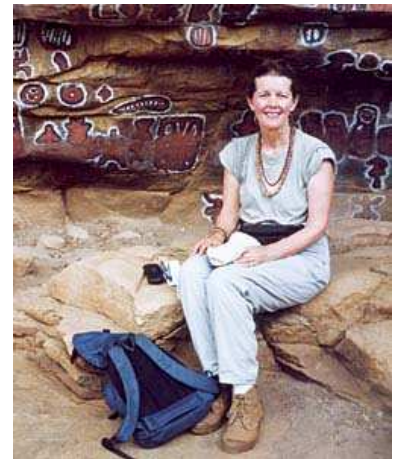
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Just a few kilometres away from Les Eyzies, visit the prehistoric site of Cap Blanc that is located above the picturesque Beune Valley. More than fifteen thousand years ago, some reindeer hunters sculpted into the limestone cliff, horses, bison and reindeer, some of them longer than two meters.

The visit will be led by an archaeologist and writer specializing in Paleolithic art that will make the visit unique and unforgettable!

This expert can also lead fantastic visit at Rouffignac (etchings and engravings of prehistoric mammoths and rhinoceros)

Please contact us for more information and price. Upon request and availability.



Make it Contemporary Garden!

DECOUVERTES ADVICE for an optional venue

Visit Les Jardins de l'Imaginaire in Terrasson-la-Villedieu, one of the most famous contemporary gardens in France at the moment. It is designed by the French-American landscape architect Kathryn Gustafson. The concept of this garden appeals to all the senses and includes rose gardens, water gardens with beautiful willows, and fountains decorated with ferns.

The Jardins de l'Imaginaire will lead your imagination to randomly stroll around the 13 thematic gardens: the sacred forest, the vegetal tunnel, the elementary gardens, the terraces, the green theatre, the winds' axis, the perspectives, the water gardens, the rose garden, the springs' path, the green sculptures, the rivers, the greenhouse.

Please contact us for more information and price. Visit available everyday. Upon request and availability.

