



Six Day Tour to the Loire Valley General Studies

Day One

Depart school on executive coach. DVD and toilet facilities on board. **Shuttle** crossing to France.

Onward journey to the **Loire Valley** and our accommodation near **Doué La Fontaine**. Our children will be in 2/3/4 bedded rooms with staff on the same corridor. A room is set aside for our group in the evenings and there is also a secure swimming pool for our use.

Evening meal. There will also be a talk on fire procedures this evening

Day Two

After breakfast, we will head for the zoo at **Doué La Fontaine**, which is set in the rock. We will complete a work study here. After lunch, we will visit the troglodyte town of **Rochemenier**, where the group will look around a 'cave farm'.

There will then be a workshop at a windmill where the group will have a go at **making bread** and speaking French!

Evening meal at the windmill restaurant tasting traditional 'fouées'. Return to the hotel.

Day Three

After a continental -style breakfast, we will depart for **Puy Du Fou**. The group will spend the day at this popular park which details periods of French history in a dramatic and entertaining way.

Return to the hotel and evening meal.

Day Four

Breakfast and transfer to a **local market** and **chocolate factory**.

After lunch, we will transfer to **Saumur** stopping first at the **Cadre Noir** for a tour of the most famous riding school in the world and a **snail farm**.

This will be followed by a visit to the **Chateau De Brézé** and its' underground fortress. This may be substituted by another Chateau if preferred and there will be opportunities to speak French.

Evening meal and return to the hotel.

Day Five

Breakfast and transfer to **Futuroscope** in Poitiers for a day visit. There will be a full day at this scientific park.

Evening meal, followed by our **quiz and prize giving!**

Day Six

Breakfast and departure for the United Kingdom.

There may be an opportunity for the group to look around a **small chocolate factory** before stopping at the **Cité Europe** for some last minute shopping.

Crossing and picnic lunch.

Evening arrival at school.

Please note that groups often enjoy an evening with ‘the singing chef’ or sporting activities. There are many excursions in this area and the itinerary is very flexible.

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