Les Jardins et Châteaux of Normandy, France 19th - 26th June 2026 (7 nights)









Join us for an exciting exploration of the Castles and Gardens of Normandy. Thanks to the mild Gulf Stream that warms Normandy's shores, and the rich fertile land, it's no surprise that this green agricultural region – famous for its dairy produce – is ideally suited to the cultivation of beautiful gardens. Accompanied by our expert, bilingual guide we'll explore historic castles, formal French gardens, innovative contemporary new-comers and personal gardens created with exceptional care.

Friday 19th June

Our tour meets at the Hilton Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport Hotel and we travel north to Normandy for our first visit to Claude Monet's iconic garden at Giverny. We have time to explore the house, inspirational garden, Museum of Impressionism and have lunch (independent). In the late afternoon, we check into the 5-star Cures Marines Hotel & Spa in the heart of the seaside town of Trouville-sur-Mer with its 'belle époque' charm. Dinner in the hotel (included).

Saturday 20th June

This morning we stop at **Beuvron-en-Auge**, a gorgeous village with half-timbered cottages. From here we continue on to the moated fairy-tale **Château de Boutemont**. This picturesque castle is surrounded by a series of garden rooms with a reflecting pond filled with water-lillies. We have lunch on arrival (included) and then meet the owner for a tour of the 12-acre gardens. We return to Trouville-sur-Mer where your evening is at leisure for dinner (independent).

Sunday 21st June

This morning we travel westward to visit the **Normandy American Cemetery and Memorial** and the **Omaha Beach memorial**. Later we make a stop at **Château D'Audrieu** where we have lunch (included) and time to stroll through the attractive gardens. In the afternoon we enjoy an exclusive visit to **Château de Brécy**, a richly ornamented Italian style garden elegantly laid out over four terraces with a private chapel. We enjoy a tour of the gardens before returning to our hotel where your evening is at leisure (dinner independent).

Monday 22nd June

This morning we begin with time in the delightful town of **Honfleur** to explore it's ancient harbour, medieval streets, impressive timber church and weekly market. There is time for lunch (independent). In the afternoon, we head to Étretat on the **Alabaster Coast** with its unusual rock formations. Here we visit the unique **Étretat Gardens**, an experimental, avant-garde garden where art and nature meet. We return to the hotel for dinner (included).











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Tuesday 23rd June

After check out we head to one of the most impressive gardens in France, the Baroque masterpiece of **Le Château du Champs de Bataille**. The castle and estate have been restored with no expense spared by designer, Jacques Garcia. We enjoy a tour of the vast formal gardens with time to look inside the château with its eclectic treasures followed by lunch (included). In the afternoon we check into the **5-star Hotel de Bourgtheroulde** in the heart of the historic city of **Rouen** where your evening is at leisure for dinner (independent).

Wednesday 24th June

Today we spend the day in the fascinating historic village of **Gerberoy** which is known for its wonderful gardens and display of roses. We begin with a guided walk through the village making a stop at painter, Henri Le Sidaner's, former garden. We then have lunch (included) before exploring **Le Jardin des Ifs** which is home to a monumental collection of sculpted yew trees, some over 350 years old. The garden is located in the historic Governor's house. We return to Rouen where your evening is at leisure for dinner (independent).

Thursday 25th June

This morning we visit Le Jardin Agapanthe. This contemporary garden with strong structure and a profusion of plants is the work of owner and landscape architect, Alexandre Thomas. Afterwards, we continue to the utterly charming Château de Miromesnil where we are hosted by the owners for lunch (included) then shown around their wonderful kitchen garden which contains many heritage varieties of fruit and vegetables.

In the afternoon we explore one of Normandy's most iconic gardens, **Le Bois des Moutiers**, which represents a unique example of the British Arts & Crafts movement in France. We enjoy a tour of these wonderful gardens that surround the iconic house then return to Rouen for our final night dinner (included).

Friday 26th June

After check out we visit **Le Jardin Plume**, a contemporary, impressionist work-of-art, created in a former orchard. We meet the owner and enjoy a walk through the gardens. Our final stop is **Château de Vascœuil** - a delightful, small château that houses a fine collection of modern art and garden sculpture. Here we have lunch (included) then return to Charles de Gaulle Airport to say our goodbyes. From here you can take the RER fast train into central Paris.

Full details of tour joining and departure can be found on our website.

Note: Some garden visits await final confirmation at the time of publication.



OUR HOTELS

Our hotels are 5-star and selected for their high standards of comfort and service. All rooms are ensuite and offer free wifi access.

Cures Marines Hotel & Spa Trouville-sur-Mer (4 nights)

First discovered by the 19th century impressionists, Trouville-sur-Mer is an elegant coastal resort at the heart of the 'Parisian Riviera'. The 5-star Cures Marines Hotel dates from 1912 but, today, the renovated neo-classical building offers chic, contemporary interiors, a spa, and a heated seawater pool. The hotel has two restaurants and is perfectly situated for a seafront walk or for exploring the fashionable town.

Hotel de Bourgtheroulde, Rouen (3 nights)

Hotel de Bourgtheroulde, located in the heart of historic Rouen, is a luxurious 5-star hotel combining history and elegance. Housed in a 16thcentury Renaissance building, it features 78 beautifully designed rooms blending classic architecture with contemporary décor. There is a luxurious spa with indoor pool, stylish bar and gourmet dining. All the main sights of the city including the historic square where Joan of Arc was martyred, Rouen Cathedral and the iconic astronomical clock are on the doorstep.

TOUR PRICE:

All tours are priced in GBP£

£5,850 price per person (sharing twin or double room) £775 single supplement (solo occupancy of a double room)

Prices include:

- 7 nights' accommodation at 5-star hotels with ensuite facilities.
- Breakfast daily, 6 lunches and 3 dinners.
- Assistance with luggage at the hotels.
- All garden visits including tours with garden owners and head gardeners.
- Deluxe coach travel with professional driver.
- Transfers to and from the hotel and Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport at the start and end of the tour.
- An information pack with detailed booklet about the gardens we will be visiting.
- Services of your bilingual Sisley tour director throughout.
- All tour gratuities (driver, tour director and hotels)

Prices exclude:

- Airfares.
- Passport and/or visa fees if applicable.
- Meals not included in the tour, drinks, laundry, and telephone calls.

Tour payment:

A 10% non-refundable deposit is required to secure your place(s) on the tour. Your balance payment is due 120 days prior to the tour departure.

BOOK YOUR TOUR

To book your place(s) please complete our online booking form at

www.sisley.co.uk/booking-form/

As soon as we receive your booking form, we will confirm availability on the tour of your choice and arrange collection of your deposit which secures your booking.

There are three ways to pay for your tour and you will be asked on the booking form which you prefer:

With our travel partner in North America:

You can book your tour in USD\$ or CAD\$ by credit card or check with our partners at DHTour – a travel agent who can assist with all aspects of your trip.

With Sisley Garden Tours:

All clients are welcome to book a tour directly with us. We can accept payment in GBP£ by bank transfer or by credit/ debit card via secure online payment link.

With your own travel agent:

We are happy to work with your preferred travel agent. Just provide us with their contact details on the booking form and we will take care of the rest.

Travel Insurance and Booking Terms & Conditions:

It is mandatory for all overseas visitors to France to have travel insurance before joining our tour. Full details of our booking terms & conditions can be found at <u>www.sisley.co.uk/terms-and-conditions.</u>

Please see the **Frequently Asked Questions** section on our website for further information. <u>www.sisley.co.uk/frequently-asked-questions/</u>





