

YOUR TRAVEL PLAN FOR SOUTHERN FRANCE



ROAD TRIP TO OCCITANIE



Les Calanques



Vieux Port Marseille

Your 9-days Trip

Itinerary: <https://tinyurl.com/3u5hw3ds>

DAY 1-4 : Marseille

DAY 4-9 : Montpellier

Travel Dates: 26 May - 3 June 2026

Day 1 - 26/05/2026

Arrival in Marseille

> Accommodation Greet Hotel Marseille Saint Charles - 3 nights

Address: 4 Allée Léon Gambetta, 13001 Marseille

Contact: Nouredine +33 04 91 95 09 09, HB675@accor.com

Booking reference : 453433

Welcome to Marseille in a boutique hotel in the heart of the “multi-faceted city”, due to its cultural diversity.

Depending on your time of arrival, enjoy a gentle introduction to the city with a walk along the Old Port, the seaside promenade.

Day 2 - 27/05/2026

Morning: we recommend that you meet a local guide for a hike through a park or the Calanques, some of Marseille’s preserved parks.

Recommendation: Guided Walk in Parcs & Coastal Exploration

- **Marseille Greeters**

Marseille Greeters +33 6 09 08 96 00

<https://www.marseilleprovencegreeters.com/en/welcome/>

- **Tourism Office Guided Tours**

<https://www.marseille-tourisme.com/en/naturopathic-hike-and-poetry-in-calanque>

Afternoon: enjoy free time to explore Marseille, options include walking along the Corniche Kennedy coastal road, relaxing at Plage des Catalans, or discover the trendy Cours Julien neighbourhood.

> Foodie Experience: Dinner at Ginger Phoenix

Address: 18 Rue Beauvau, 13001 Marseille,

Contact : Aurélien +33 09 78 81 20 75

Including a main and dessert, excluding wine, with a budget of 30€/pers



Boutique hotel, Marseille



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Parc Pastré

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Dinner in Montpellier



Château de Flaugergues, Montpellier

Day 3 - 28/05/2026

Frioul Archipelago Islands Natural Escape and MUCEM

A short ferry ride to the Frioul archipelago known for wild landscapes
****Due to unforeseen circumstances beyond our control, we have been unable to prepay tickets. Please come in early in the morning to the dock and book your return ticket directly at the office****

- Boat company Calanques If

<https://www.calanques-if.com/en/if-castle-bay-of-marseille>

Address : 4 Quai du Port, 13002 Marseille

- Boat company RTM

<https://www.lebateau-frioul-if.fr/>

Address : 1 Quai de la Fraternité, 13001 Marseille

Recommendations

Optional visits: MUCEM or Notre-Dame-de-la-Garde for beautiful views

- **MUCEM: museum's website**

Address : 1 Esp. J4, 13002 Marseille

- **Notre-Dame-de-la-Garde: Basilica's website**

Address : Rue Fort du Sanctuaire, 13006 Marseille

Day 4 - 29/05/2026

Scenic Transfer to Villeneuve-lès-Maguelone

> **9h00 - Car Pickup** from Enterprise Rent A Car. Please refer to p9-10.

Address: 36 Bd Charles Nédelec, 13001 Marseille

Contact: +33 04 91 05 90 86

Booking reference : 2094123632

Stop over in Estézargues, where everything is within 1Km radius.

> **From 12h30: Foodie experience: Lunch at Bistro des Mourres**

Including a main and dessert, excluding wine, with a budget of 19€/pers

Address: 2 place du presbytère, 30390, Estézargues, France

Contact : Hubert +33 04 11 71 86 27

Recommendations

- **Oil Mill: Domaine de Pierredon**

111 Chem. de la Distillerie, 30390 Estézargues, Gilles +33 04 66 04 05 89

- **Wine Cellar: Cave des Vignerons d'Estézargues**

478 Rte des Grès, 30390 Estézargues, Anna +33 04 66 57 03 64

- **UNESCO World Heritage Site: Pont du Gard (10Km away)**

30210 Vers-Pont-du-Gard, Eva, +33 06 48 10 46 17

LOCATIONS



Local Bistro in Estézargues



Villeneuve-lès-Maguelone



BnB in Maguelone

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Place de la Comédie, Montpellier



Visit with Alice



Mushroom Farming



Local permaculture farm



Dinner in Montpellier

> Accommodation Chai de Maguelone - 5 nights

Address: [100 Rue Maguelone, 34750 Villeneuve-lès-Maguelone](#)

Contact: Agnès [+33 06 73 58 62 52](tel:+330673586252) agnes.lebacheley@free.fr

Welcome to your charming guesthouse located between lagoons, vineyards, and the Mediterranean coast. At your own leisure you can also enjoy a massage with Agnès.

Day 5 - 30/05/2026

Montpellier & Wine Estate and Mushroom Farm Experience

> **8h45: Bike Rental**, 2 electric bikes for 48hrs, with 2 bike locks and a helmet per person will be delivered at your accommodation at 8h45.

Contact: Prestige Bike, Laurent [+33 06 63 06 47 31](tel:+330663064731)

Cycle up to Montpellier and discover a vibrant Mediterranean city combining historic charm and contemporary culture.

Secured carpark address: [Parking Comédie, Bvd Sarraill, 34000 Montpellier](#)

> 14h: Wine Estate, Mushroom farm and Permaculture Experience

Address: [1744 Av. Albert Einstein, 34000 Montpellier](#)

Contact: Alice [+33 06 23 47 31 28](tel:+330623473128)

> 19h30: Foodie Experience, Dinner at Les Canons

[28 Rue de Candolle, 34000 Montpellier](#)

Contact : Gwen [+33 04 99 61 82 09](tel:+330499618209)

Day 6 - 31/05/2026

Maguelone Cathedral and Beaches

Today you will explore the surrounding natural areas by electric bike, following scenic cycling paths through lagoons, vineyards, and protected coastal environments.

Recommendations

- **Morning: Maguelone Cathedral - Historical Site**

[Domaine de, 34750 Villeneuve-lès-Maguelone,](#)

- **Lunch: Les Compagnons de Maguelone**

[Domaine de Maguelone, proche de la cathédrale de Maguelone, 34750 Villeneuve-lès-Maguelone,](#) Contact [+33 04 67 50 49 88](tel:+330467504988). This restaurant cannot be booked, first come first served!

- **Dinner: Le Petit Troc**

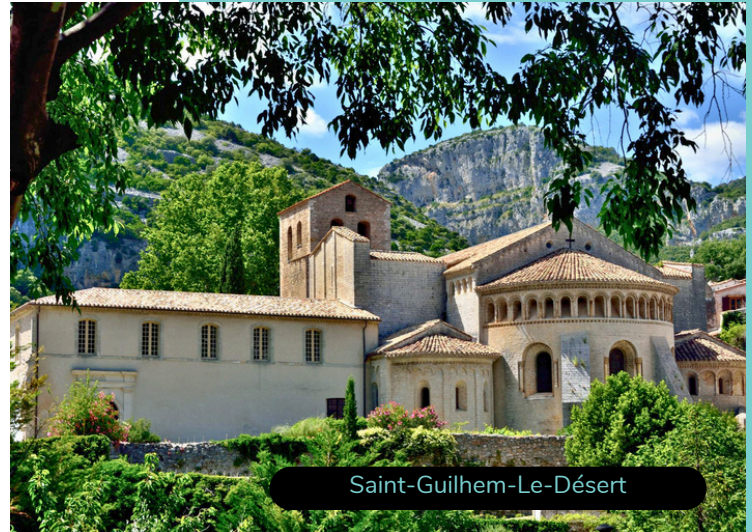
[36 Pl. de l'Église, 34750 Villeneuve-lès-Maguelone,](#) Contact Sylvie, [+33 04 67 27 88 13](tel:+330467278813)

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Pic-Saint-Loup and Hortus



Saint-Guilhem-Le-Désert

Day 7 - 01/06/2026

Pic Saint-Loup Natural Park

Today you may drive up and explore the Pic Saint-Loup region, one of southern France's most iconic natural landscapes.

Recommendations

Activities

- Hike around Lac de Cécéles, [34270 Saint-Mathieu-de-Tréviérs](#)
- Wild edible plant experience with [Alicia Koch, +33 06 09 62 02 85](#)

Lunch

- J'ADORE Restaurant, [310 Parc de Saint-Sauveur, 34980 Saint-Clément-de-Rivière](#), Vince, [+33 04 99 67 31 02](#)

Day 8 - 02/06/2026

Saint-Guilhem-le-Désert & Hérault Valley

Discover Saint-Guilhem-le-Désert, one of France's most beautiful villages, located in the stunning Hérault Valley.

Activities

- Historical Site: Abbaye de Gellone, [Pl. de la Liberté, 34150 Saint-Guilhem-le-Désert](#), a Romanesque-style Benedictine abbey established in 804 CE, part of a UNESCO-listed pilgrim route.
- Natural site: Clamouse Cave, [D4, 34150 Saint-Jean-de-Fos](#), Sandro, [+33 06 32 25 06 75](#)
- Local beer discovery: La Lazarde, [20 rue du Bout du Monde, 34150 Saint-Guilhem-le-Désert](#), Sandrine, [+33 06 60 09 03 61](#)

Lunch

- Souka, [36 Bd Saint-Jean, 34150 Aniane](#), [+33 04 67 57 44 83](#)

Day 9 - 03/06/2026

Departure

Enjoy your breakfast, before returning your rental car in Montpellier train station at 9am, and continue your journey back home by train.

**Food Recommendation, our personal favourite!

Raisin guarantees you to enjoy sustainably fine dining. Do not hesitate to pick and choose, we have never been disappointed!

<https://www.raisin.digital/occitanie/restaurants/>

LOCATIONS



Lac de Cécéles



J'ADORE Restaurant



BnB in Maguelone

RECOMMENDATIONS

WHAT IS OR NOT INCLUDED ?



WHAT IS INCLUDED

- All our best recommendations for walking and cycling hikes and contacts for local guides
- 8 nights accommodation ; 3 nights in a hotel in Marseille and 5 nights in a BnB in Villeneuve-Lès-Maguelone with breakfasts
- Your itinerary across southern France
- Activities :
 - 2 electrical bike rental for 2 days in Villeneuve Lès Maguelone
 - Organic wine tasting in a wine chateau and beer tasting
 - Visit to gardens and permaculture farm with Alice
 - A bottle of wine carefully chosen by your local expert
- Meals
 - Breakfasts in Villeneuve-Lès-Maguelone
 - 1 lunch, local bistro in Estezargues, 19€/pers, main and dessert excl. wine
 - 1 Dinner, sustainable restaurant in Marseille, 30€/pers, main and dessert excl. wine
 - 1 Dinner, local sustainable restaurant in Montpellier, 30€/pers, main and dessert excl. wine
- Car rental with Enterprise Rent-A-Car, with insurance, no waiver and unlimited mileage, from Marseille-St-Charles to Montpellier Saint Roch, from 29/05-03/06/2026 with a Renault Twingo or equivalent

WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED

- Travel insurance: we recommend purchasing travel insurance to cover unforeseen events, such as cancellations, medical emergencies, or lost luggage
- Transportation to and from the Netherlands, across France and in your spare time
- Meals : lunches, Dinners and beverages not mentioned above are at the travellers' expense
- Tips for the different partners throughout your trip
- Any activities not listed as included above
- Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Frioul Boat tickets could not be pre-booked

RECOMMENDATIONS

Weather forecast

Southern France in late May and early June typically experiences warm temperatures, but it's always best to pack some warm and waterproof clothes.

Packing

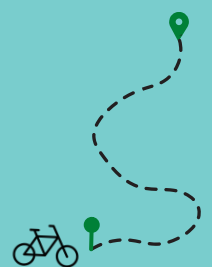
Opt for comfortable walking shoes and versatile clothing items that can be layered for changing weather conditions.

Travel Documents and Essentials

Although you will be in the EU, please make sure to carry all necessary travel documents, including ID/passports, travel insurance information, your itinerary...

Travel Security and Safety

Although we ensure that your trip is as safe as possible, please keep your belongings secure at all times. Be vigilant in crowded areas and avoid displaying valuable items openly.



WELCOME TO SOUTHERN FRANCE

Dear members of Better Places,

We hope that this travel proposal finds you enthusiastic about your next holidays with us. On behalf of the entire team, we'd like to sincerely thank you for wanting to travel differently and support a meaningful local economy.

By booking a holiday with us, you would be contributing to the development of a more responsible and sustainable form of tourism, with a focus on preserving culture and the environment. We are honoured to accompany you on an adventure that promises to be participatory, learning and memorable.

We're delighted to offer you an exciting program for your stay, including visits, workshops and deeply cultural experiences between Marseille and Montpellier.

By booking with us, you will become agents of change and ambassadors for ecotourism. Your presence will have a positive impact on our terroir and local area, as each of your interactions and shared experiences helps to strengthen our local economy and maintain and develop biodiversity.

We do our utmost to make your stay unforgettable and to offer you a unique, authentic and positive experience.

Once again, thank you for choosing us for your holidays in France and if you have any questions or specific requests regarding this proposal, please do not hesitate to contact us. We'll be happy to answer any questions you may have and ensure your stay will be as enjoyable as possible.

Enjoy your trip with Better Places!

Permaculturally yours,
Alice


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M. FRANK HEESEN

Cher client,

Nous vous remercions d'avoir choisi Enterprise Rent-A-Car pour votre location de voiture.

		BON DE LOCATION / CAR RENTAL VOUCHER		<i>reSolution</i>	
Locataire : M. FRANK HEESEN		Numéro voucher 000000671854		Emis par : 0120216V	
MARSEILLE ST CHARLE 36 BOULEVARD CHARLES NEDELEC MARSEILLE GARE ST CHARLES 13001 MARSEILLE Tél : 0491059086		Numéro réservation 2094123632		PERMA SOCIAL CLUB 3 rue du Maquis, ZAC Maumarin 34920 Le Crès	
		Voucher : 354,24 EUR		Emis : 12/02/2026	
Date de location : Vendredi 29/05/2026 à 09:00		Date retour : Mercredi 03/06/2026 à 09:00		Durée de location : 5 jours	
		Référence : 2026_02_Better Places_Fra			
Station retour : MONTPELLIER GARE PONT DE SETE RUE DU GRAND SAINT JEAN 34000 MONTPELLIER Tél : 0467065180		Catégorie de voiture MCMR		Détails facturation PERMA SOCIAL CLUB 3 rue du Maquis, ZAC Maumarin 34920 Le Crès	
Code tarif : ALL0017				Equipements spéciaux :	
Remarques :					

N'oubliez pas de présenter ce billet de location à votre arrivée au comptoir Enterprise Rent-A-Car.
Nous vous souhaitons un agréable voyage.

Cordialement

Enterprise Rent-A-Car

Nom du conducteur : M. FRANK HEESSEN Tél : 00310653204904		Numéro de réservation : 2094123632	
	Départ	Retour	
Date de location :	Vendredi 29/05/2026 à 09:00	Mercredi 03/06/2026 à 09:00	
Durée :	5 jours		
Agence de location	MARSEILLE ST CHARLE 36 BOULEVARD CHARLES NEDELEC 13001 MARSEILLE Tél : 0491059086	MONTPELLIER GARE PONT DE SETE 34000 MONTPELLIER Tél : 0467065180	
Horaires d'ouverture	/ de 08:00 a 20:30 /		/ de 08:00 a 18:00 /
Type de véhicule :	MCMR Un nombre d'année de détention du permis de conduire de 1 an à 10 ans est requis selon la catégorie.		
Tarif :	ALL0017 (4995 kilomètres inclus.)		
Ce tarif comprend :	JOUR(S)/FORFAIT		295,20 EUR
	FRAIS D ABANDON		0,00 EUR
	COMPLÉMENT DE PROTECTION DOMMAGE/VOL (DW)		inclus
	RACHAT DE FRANCHISE TOTAL DOMMAGE/VOL (EP)		inclus
	FRAIS D'AGENCE PREMIUM DE 34,50 EUR/LOC.		inclus
	FRAIS D'IMMATRICULATION VÉHICULE DE 5,00 EUR/JOUR		inclus
	TVA		59,04 EUR
Montant total :			354,24 EUR TTC

Les kilomètres supplémentaires au delà des 4995 Km inclus vous seront facturés 0,24 Eur TTC le kilomètre supplémentaire. Ce tarif est sujet à ajustement lors de la restitution du véhicule en cas de modification des critères suivants : Lieu et date de retour, kilométrage réel parcouru, carburant et clause d'assurance.

A présenter à votre arrivée dans l'agence :

Documents à fournir :

- Permis de conduire en cours de validité.
- Carte bancaire au nom du locataire en cours de validité (Les cartes VPay, Electron, Maestro, Mozaic, ainsi que les E-Carte Bleue, cartes prépayées ou cartes de débit ne sont pas acceptées comme moyen de paiement chez Enterprise Rent-A-Car).

Et pour les clients résidents en France et n'ayant jamais loué chez Enterprise Rent-A-Car :

- Carte d'Identité ou Passeport en cours de validité.
- Dernière quittance EDF, (ou dernière quittance France Télécom).
- Numéro de téléphone.

Ou pour les clients résidents à l'Etranger et n'ayant jamais loué chez Enterprise Rent-A-Car :

- Carte d'Identité ou Passeport en cours de validité.
- Billet de transport retour (avion ou train), nominatif confirmé.
- Numéro de téléphone fixe + les coordonnées d'un contact local.

Pour toute question concernant votre location, rendez-vous sur <https://resolution.ehi.com> ou appelez le 01 44 38 61 68.

Nous vous souhaitons une agréable journée.

A bientôt

L'équipe Enterprise Rent-A-Car



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