

Trendsetter



Travel & Cruise Centre

Bordeaux & Basque Region Golf Tour & River Cruise Luxury 15 Day/14 Night Tour with 7 Golf Games

Including 7 Night Cruise on Uniworld SS River Royale

13 to 27 August 2019

from A\$12,499 per person twin share

Trendsetter Travel & Cruise Centre invites you to join us on this luxury Bordeaux and Basque Region Golf Tour which includes a 7 day golf and wine cruise on on-board Uniworld's **River Royale**. Uniworld, a leader in luxury river cruising, is regularly rated the world's best river cruise line.

Our journey commences near Biarritz (an easy inexpensive direct flight or 4 hour train ride from Paris) with a 5 night stay at the historic Chantaco Hotel, which abuts the famous Harry Colt designed **Golf de Chantaco**. We have booked the best rooms in this recently (2016) refurbished boutique 25 room hotel. We will play golf at 3 of the leading courses in and around Biarritz and spend our 4th day taking a guided tour of the Basque Region. From there, we transfer by coach and board the boutique 130 guest **River Royale** to commence a 7 night cruise on the Garonne, Dordogne and Gironde Rivers. The cruise starts and finishes in Bordeaux. Following the end of the cruise, we transfer to **Golf du Medoc Hotel et Spa MGallery by Sofitel** located 20 km from the centre of Bordeaux and play the two highly rated golf courses at **Golf de Medoc**. Our 14 night tour includes 7 games of golf of which 2 games will be played while based on **River Royale**.



On board **River Royale**, your cruise includes all meals and beverages (standard alcoholic drinks (which include extensive choice of premium wines, 11 vodkas, 28 whiskeys/bourbons and French champagne) and non-alcoholic), gratuities, wifi, shore excursions and use of an on-board fitness centre. Between now and August 2019, **River Royale** will undergo a “top to toe” transformation and will transition her name to **SS Bon Voyage** in recognition of her re-appointment to the Uniworld fleet as a “Super Ship”. The 7 nights pre and post-cruise includes accommodation, breakfasts and welcome and farewell dinners (including drinks). The 7 rounds of golf include green fees, all coach transfers, prize money, and drinks post golf. This tour will proceed regardless of numbers.

Golfers should not be concerned about joining the tour with non-golfing partners as the cruise includes complimentary shore excursions ensuring that partners will be kept well entertained. Pre and post cruise, you will stay at pleasant quality hotels with a chance to both chill out and explore Biarritz/Saint Jean de Luz (and the nearby Basque region) and Bordeaux regions.

While on **River Royale**, as a Virtuoso booking, there is a unique on-board credit of **A\$260 pp** which increases to **A\$390 pp** provided our group has a minimum of 10 guests. There is an **A\$200 pp** discount for past guests on Uniworld or any of its group tour companies. The cruise fares includes an A\$1,000 pp credit on purchasing another Uniworld cruise or any hotel stay at the Red Carnation Hotel Collection or tour with Insight Vacations or Luxury Gold (all luxury sister brands of The Travel Corporation) – conditions apply.

For additional information on the 7 night Uniworld “Brilliant Bordeaux” cruise, please refer to the following web page link: <https://www.uniworld.com/au/river-cruise/europe/france/brilliant-bordeaux/2019-bordeaux-to-bordeaux/>

Trendsetter will be happy to organise additional nights pre and post tour at advantageous rates, and some with special benefits, so that you can make the most of your time in Europe.



Your tour hosts Adrienne Witteman and David Cooper, Directors of Trendsetter Travel & Cruise Centre, are both enthusiastic golfers and are longstanding members of two prestigious Sydney golf clubs. They have golfed and cruised extensively throughout the world.

They invite you to join them on this fantastic golf tour, including the chance to play 7 golf games, at most of the best courses in the Bordeaux/Basque region of France.



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Itinerary

Day 1 – Tuesday 13 August 2019 – Biarritz/Saint Jean de Luz

Today you arrive at either Biarritz train station or Biarritz airport – from there it is a 17 to 20 km drive to our hotel accommodation at the renovated (2016) Hotel Chantaco Golf and Wellness (5 nights). You can either take an inexpensive flight direct to Biarritz from Paris or take the fast train (2 hours) from Paris to Bordeaux and add an extra 2 hours to train down to Biarritz.

Enjoy a get together with Adrienne and David, and fellow golf cruise tour participants, prior to the tour welcome dinner.



Our tour is booked in deluxe double rooms (25 sqm), all with private balcony or patio. For a modest premium of A\$50 pp/night, you can upgrade to a Junior Suite (30 to 35 sqm)

Tour Inclusions: dinner and pre dinner drinks (1st night only) and 5 nights at Hotel Chantaco on a bed and breakfast basis.

Day 2 – Wednesday 14 August 2019 – Biarritz/Saint Jean de Luz Golf - Golf d’Arcangues

After breakfast, we travel 15 km to **Golf d’Arcangues**. This park styled course is over-looked by the Pyrenees and winds through forests and meadows.

Tour Inclusions: breakfast and golf

Day 3 – Thursday 15 August 2019 – Biarritz/Saint Jean de Luz – Golf de Chiberta

Today we travel 30 minutes north and play **Golf de Chiberta**, the links layout located 5 km north of Biarritz. Designed by famous golf architect Tom Simpson in the 1920s, reputedly on the instructions of the Duke of Windsor, a keen golfer, to make it into one of the most beautiful courses in the world. This is one of the highest rated courses in all France and arguably the best of France’s links golf courses. We will drive back to our hotel via Biarritz, and if time permits, have a walk along the famous Biarritz waterfront. Golf carts are not available on this course. Alternative golf will be arranged for those that are either unable or unwilling to walk the course.

Tour inclusions: breakfast and golf and visit to Biarritz

Day 4 – Friday 16 August 2019 – Biarritz/Saint Jean de Luz – Guided Tour of Basque Region

Today we give golf a rest and undertake a full day guided tour of the Basque Region. This is expected to include travel into nearby Spain and a visit to San Sebastian.

Tour inclusions: breakfast and guided coach tour of the Basque Region

Day 5 – Saturday 17 August 2019 – Biarritz/Bordeaux – Golf de Chantaco

Golf involves little more than a short walk from our hotel entrance to the 1st tee at **Golf de Chantaco**. Extensively upgraded in the 2 years prior to our visit, this is one of the best courses to play in the Basque Region. Designed by Harry Colt (of Pine Valley fame), it opened in 1927.

Tour Inclusions: breakfast and golf



Day 6 – Sunday 18 August 2019 – Biarritz/Bordeaux – Board River Royale

A 2 hour 30 minute coach transfer north to board River Royale in Bordeaux with a free afternoon to independently explore the historic city of Bordeaux – but a short walk from where our ship will be berthed.



Tour inclusions: breakfast, coach transfer and all-inclusive cruise (including lunch today) for the next 7 nights

Day 7 – Monday 19 August 2019 – Uniworld Cruise/Bordeaux

After over-nighting in Bordeaux, we depart at 9 am and sail north up the Garonne River into the Gironde Estuary. Around mid-day, **River Royale** berths at the historic village of Cussac Fort Medoc for a couple of hours before arriving mid afternoon at Pauillac la Fayette. From there you have the option of a Chateau wine tasting tour or undertake the Bunker Archeology Tour visit to the Atlantic Wall and inspect the extensive German fortifications prepared by Nazi Germany in advance of the D Day landings. You will sail back that evening and berth around 10 pm in Bordeaux.

Tour inclusions: inclusive cruise with on shore touring

Day 8 – Tuesday 20 August 2019 – Uniworld Cruise/Cadillac

This morning we sail south down the Garonne River to the elegant river town of Cadillac, famous for its sweet sauterne wines. Here we will experience an exclusive artisanal wine-paring lunch at Chateau Royal de Cazeneuve.

Tour inclusions: inclusive cruise with on shore touring

Day 9 – Wednesday 21 August 2019 – Uniworld Cruise/Blaye/Libourne

This morning we arrive at Blaye where the morning is spent undertaking a scenic tour by coach along the Route de La Corniche Fleuri. Alternatively, the morning can be spent undertaking a cycle tour along quiet roads, riverside paths and charming villages. Late afternoon we stop at Bourg sur Gironde for 3 hours with more exploring and bike riding opportunities. Tonight, we berth at Libourne.

Tour inclusions: inclusive cruise with on shore touring

Day 10 – Thursday 22 August 2019 – Uniworld Cruise – Golf – Chateau des Vigiers



After an early start, we will drive 50 minutes and play the stunning **Château des Vigiers golf course**. Designed by Donald Steel, the 27 hole course layout was built in 1992. Each nine starts and finishes at the namesake chateau (refer photo). We will return via St Emilion and allow time for a stop and look around the historic cobblestone township. Our ship will over-night in Libourne.

Tour inclusions: inclusive cruise, golf and visit to Saint Emilion

Day 11 – Friday 23 August 2019 – Uniworld Cruise – Golf – Grand Saint Emilionnais

Another early start sees us drive 30 minutes through the wine country surrounding St Emilion to arrive at the highly rated Tom Doak designed **Grand Saint-Emilionnais Golf Club**. We will tee off at 8.30 am. After a leisurely drink post golf, we return to **River Royale** for lunch prior to its scheduled 3 pm departure.



We sail leisurely up the Dordogne River and back down the Garonne River arriving in Bordeaux around 8 pm.

Tour inclusions: inclusive cruise and golf

Day 12 – Saturday 24 August 2019 – Uniworld Cruise - Bordeaux

This morning's activity is a guided walk around historic Bordeaux followed by a caviar tasting.

The afternoon is free for shopping and further exploring of Bordeaux. However, for those that prefer, an afternoon optional game of golf (at a surcharge of Euro 225 pp) will be offered at one of the leading courses near Bordeaux.

Tour inclusions: inclusive cruise and optional golf (surcharge applies)

Day 13 – Sunday 25 August 2019 – Bordeaux – Disembark Uniworld – Golf

Today we disembark from *River Royale* and have a transfer to **Golf du Medoc Hotel et Spa MGallery by Sofitel** a leading 36 hole 4 star golf resort hotel located 20 km from the centre of Bordeaux.

Late morning we play *Golf du Medoc* and play the Bill Coore designed *Chateaux* course. Coore has partnered Ben Crenshaw in many iconic golf courses including The Plantation Course on Kapalua. This course is rated # 1 in South West France and in the top 10 in France.

Tour inclusions: 45 Star hotel plus golf at *Golf de Medoc*

Day 14 Monday 26 August 2019

After a leisurely breakfast, we return to play the *Golf du Medoc's Vines* course, designed by Canadian Rod Whitman. It is rated as one of the top 10 courses in south west France. This fine golfing experience will be enhanced by a late lunch at the resort.

This evening we will have our tour finale dinner, including pre dinner drinks and wine over dinner.



Tour inclusions: 4 Star hotel, breakfast, golf at *Golf de Medoc* and dinner (including drinks)

Day 15 Tuesday 27 August 2019

Out tour concludes after breakfast.

Tour inclusions: breakfast

The Finer Details ...

- ALL guests will receive a 15 day, 14 night golf tour, which includes a 7 night inclusive luxury cruise, 7 nights in minimum 4 star hotels (including breakfast), 7 games of golf, coach transfers, prize money, drinks post golf and welcome/farewell dinners (including drinks). Tour includes an on-board Uniworld Virtuoso credit of \$260 pp increasing to \$390 pp subject to 10 or more persons in the tour party. . The cruise fares includes an A\$1,000 pp credit on purchasing another Uniworld cruise or any hotel stay at the Red Carnation Hotel Collection or tour with Insight Vacations or Luxury Gold (all luxury sister brands of The Travel Corporation). Conditions apply to the Uniworld offer.

Our Group Cruise fares are priced **A\$500 pp** below those advertised on the Uniworld web page (as at 4 September 2018) and thus present good value.

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	Staterooms without French Balcony - lower deck (14 sqm)	Staterooms without French Balcony - middle deck (14 sqm)	Stateroom with French Balcony (13 sqm)	Suite (20.3 sqm)
	(8 staterooms) Categories 4 & 5	(29 staterooms) Categories 2 & 3	(26 staterooms) Category 1	1 Suite
7 night Cruise Fare (A\$ pp)	\$5,999	\$6,799	\$7,599	\$10,399
Golf Package Golfer (A\$ pp)	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500
Package Non Golfer (A\$ pp)	\$4,200	\$4,200	\$4,200	\$4,200
Cruise Fare + Golf Package (A\$ pp)	\$12,499	\$13,299	\$14,099	\$16,899
Cruise Fare + Package - Non Golfer (A\$ pp)	\$10,199	\$10,999	\$11,799	\$14,599
<p><i>All the above cruise fares are based upon shared twin/double. As a group booking, all cruise payments must be made directly to Trendsetter Travel. A 10% cruise fare deposit is payable. Balance is due at least 120 days prior to departure. Up until 120 days from departure, the cruise can be cancelled and the cruise payments refunded less an A\$250 pp cancellation charge (which constitutes a credit able to be applied to any Uniworld cruise over the following 5 years). The golf package requires a non-refundable payment of A\$2,000 pp (30%). All the above Cruise Fares are reducible by A\$200 pp for past passengers of Uniworld or any other TCC tour (refer link of https://tcc.com/brands/ to see a list of the 24 TTC brands).</i></p> <p><i>Cruise prices subject to change until deposit paid and price locked in. Single fares available on request. Non golfing partner package is reduced to reflect the absence of participation in the 7 game golf programme.</i></p>				

- TRAVEL INSURANCE IS COMPULSORY.
- Uniworld General Terms and Conditions (including cancellation provisions etc) can be found on <https://www.uniworld.com/au/terms-conditions/2018termsconditions/>
- The package price does NOT include golf club hire, or cart/electric/pull buggy hire. Golf will be played on the courses as specified but Trendsetter cannot be held responsible for any cancellation/s necessitated by a change to the ship's itinerary due to weather or any other event, or late amendment by the golf course. If such an event occurs and, in the unlikely event, Trendsetter cannot organise an alternative golf course, Trendsetter will pass through any refund available.

Contact Trendsetter Travel & Cruise Centre (www.trendsettertravel.com.au) for further information on this tour by phone +61 2 9428 5900 (Longueville/Northwood office) or email david@trendsettertravel.com.au

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