



# PROVENCE AND PAGODAS

29 JUNE - 3 JULY 2025



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### OVERVIEW

In 2025, we're thrilled to once again partner with Nostalgic to offer the ultimate classic car driving experience. Join us for an unforgettable journey through the picturesque lavender fields of Provence behind the wheel of a lovingly maintained classic Mercedes-Benz. Along with breathtaking drives through the region, the tour highlights will include leisurely visits to the charming villages of Fontvieille and Lourmarin, guided explorations of Avignon and Arles, and a rich culinary adventure showcasing the best of local and national cuisine.







## THE CLASSIC CARS

This tour offers the iconic experience of driving a classic Mercedes-Benz, turning every mile into a captivating journey through automotive history and timeless style.



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## MERCEDES-BENZ SL (W113)

The Mercedes-Benz SL W113, affectionately known as the “Pagoda,” is a dream roadster that graced the roads from 1963 to 1971, embodying the quintessential style and sophistication of 1960s automotive design. More than just a car, the W113 represents an era where luxury, safety, and style converged, capturing the understated elegance and timeless appeal that make it an enduring classic.

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### MODEL

1963 – 1971

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### POWER

150-170 PS

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## MERCEDES-BENZ SL (R 107)

The Mercedes-Benz SL R107, produced from 1971 to 1989, is one of the most iconic models in Mercedes-Benz history, symbolizing luxury, performance, and style. The R107 is celebrated as a robust, collectible classic that blends timeless style with Mercedes-Benz's renowned engineering and remains cherished by enthusiasts and collectors alike.

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### MODEL

1971 – 1989

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### POWER

180-185 PS

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## DAY 1: ARRIVAL IN MARSEILLE

Upon your arrival at Marseilles, we'll whisk you away to the charming, historic village of Saint-Rémy-de-Provence. Your home for the trip will be Le St. Remy, a luxurious five-star hotel tucked within a beautifully restored 19th-century townhouse. Designed by renowned interior designer Reyhana, the hotel reflects her African heritage and inspirations drawn from her journeys across Asia and the Mediterranean coast. Saint-Rémy and its surrounding region offer a wealth of cultural treasures, from art galleries and boutique shops to local olive oil producers and wineries, making this the ideal base for exploring Provence's rich heritage and vibrant charm.

This evening, we will come together at the Le St. Remy terrace for a drink's reception followed by a group dinner set in the hotel's beautiful courtyard indulging in Provençal flavours.

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### ACCOMMODATION

Le St. Remy

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### DINNER

Le St. Remy Restaurant

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## DAY 2: DRIVE TO AVIGNON

Today, you'll take the wheel of your classic Mercedes-Benz for the first time, setting off from Saint-Rémy-de-Provence towards Les Baux de Provence. From there, we'll continue our journey to Avignon, beautifully nestled in the heart of Provence. Once home to the papacy, Avignon invites us to explore its rich history on a guided tour, where we'll visit its world-famous landmarks, including the grand Palace of the Popes, the iconic Pont d'Avignon, and the charming, picturesque old town.

We will then make our journey back to the hotel, where you will have a free evening to dine at your leisure and make the most of the beautiful hotel facilities.

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### ACCOMMODATION

Le St. Remy

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### DINNER

At Leisure

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## DAY 3: DRIVE TO ARLES

After breakfast, we'll embark on a scenic drive through the enchanting Alpilles mountains, taking in breathtaking views of rugged limestone peaks and rolling hills as we make our way towards the unique landscapes of the Camargue and the historic town of Arles. In Arles, a small town famed for its Roman amphitheatre, you can choose to explore this fascinating landmark on a guided tour, where you'll learn about its storied past and significance, or wander at your own pace, discovering the town's many other hidden gems. Before arriving back at Le St. Remy, we will stop en route at Château Romanin for a wine tasting experience.

This evening, we'll be hosted by La Maison de Boeuf, where an unforgettable dining experience awaits lovers of fine meat and authentic Provençal flavours. Specialising in premium cuts of beef, the restaurant expertly prepares each dish to bring out the rich, natural flavours, creating a meal that truly celebrates the essence of Provence.

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### ACCOMMODATION

Le St. Remy

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### DINNER

La Maison de Boeuf

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## DAY 4: DRIVE TO LOURMARIN AND GORDES

Our ultimate journey takes us through some of France's most beautiful villages as we head east toward the breathtaking high plateau of the Luberon. We'll begin in the charming village of Lourmarin, where you can explore its magnificent castle and indulge in traditional French cuisine. From there, enjoy a scenic drive through majestic mountains and the world-renowned lavender fields that define Provence's beauty. Next, we'll arrive in Gordes, a hilltop gem offering stunning panoramic views of the surrounding countryside—a perfect finale to this unforgettable adventure.

We'll conclude the tour in style this evening with a celebration at the Michelin-starred Auberge de St. Remy, where you'll indulge in a exquisite seven-course meal, perfectly paired with fine wines.

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### ACCOMMODATION

Le St. Remy

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### DINNER

Auberge de St. Remy

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## DAY 5: DEPARTURE DAY

After breakfast and check-out, guests will have time to relax at their leisure before being transferred to Marseille Airport for their outbound flights.

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### ACCOMMODATION CHECK OUT

0800hrs until 1100hrs

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## PRICE AND INCLUSIONS

### PRICE INCLUDES

- Four nights' accommodation in a 5\* hotel
- Access to a Mercedes-Benz SL W113/R107
- Airport Transfers to and from Marseille Airport
- The presence of a vehicle support team
- Breakfast at the hotel each day
- Three evening meals including wine
- Seven-course celebratory meal with wine pairing at Auberge de Saint Remy
- Welcome drinks before dinner on select nights
- Wine tasting at Chateau Romanin
- Printed route book including a full itinerary
- Personnel to assist all members
- Support vehicles for transporting luggage
- VAT and all local taxes

### PRICE EXCLUDES

- Outbound and Return Flights
- Medical and travel insurance
- Any extras on the trip (i.e. spa treatments)
- Alcohol (save for the allowances included with evening meals)

### PRICE

£9,195 \*Price based on two people sharing a vehicle in a superior room

£9,445 \*Price based on two people sharing a vehicle in a deluxe room

£9,775 \*Price based on two people sharing a vehicle in a prestige room









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