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## Picturesque villages and towns of Alsace

### *Full-day excursion to Mont Sainte-Odile, Ribeauvillé & Kaysersberg*

In the morning, you will visit the Mont Sainte-Odile convent as well as Obernai. The afternoon will be composed of a wine tasting session in Ribeauvillé and a visit to Kaysersberg.

### **Make it Garden!**

**DÉCOUVERTES' ADVICE for an exclusive optional venue:** Follow your guide and visit the Windeck Park in Ottrot.

*Please see the last page for more information.*

### **Make it Foie Gras!**

**DÉCOUVERTES' ADVICE for an optional venue:** Visit a foie gras maker in Ribeauvillé and sample his products.

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### *Mont Sainte-Odile, Ribeauvillé & Kaysersberg*

**8:30 am:** Meet your guide-driver in the lobby of your hotel in Strasbourg.

Drive through the Vosges Mountain forest to Mont Sainte-Odile and **visit the convent of the "Patron Saint of Alsace."** Odile was born blind, and she miraculously recovered her sight, while being christened, at the age of 12. When she died in 720, the site became a place of pilgrimage.

Mont St. Odile will amaze you with its **extraordinary views and its exceptional natural and archeological environment.** There are marked paths for hikers and even areas set aside for seminars, all in a convivial atmosphere.

Continue on to **Obernai.** The City Hall is easy to recognize, with its unique carved-stone balcony and decorated bow window. The **Corn Exchange House**, whose bell announced the opening and closing of the market, is visible from the market square.

You can have lunch at the Michelin-starred **Bistro des Saveurs** and taste the chef's discreetly inventive cuisine.

In the afternoon, visit **Ribeauvillé**, a charming 13<sup>th</sup>-century town with many Renaissance fountains. Created by the powerful Counts of Ribeaupierre, **the romantic ruins of their castles still dominate the town.** The Augustines' Convent Church, the 13<sup>th</sup>-century Butchers' Towers and the narrow streets create a special atmosphere.

**Visit and wine tasting session at a private Domain.** The Domain is situated in a 15<sup>th</sup>-century former seigniorial residence in the heart of Ribeauvillé. They produce "**Appellation d'Origine Controlée Alsace**" and "**AOC Alsace Grand Cru**" wines, coming from over 50 different plots of land in five different villages and covering a total of 23 hectares (56.83 acres).

Drive through picturesque villages along the Wine Route with a stopover in **Kaysersberg**, birthplace of 1953 Nobel Peace Prize winner Doctor Albert Schweitzer. Kaysersberg has brilliantly managed to preserve its natural environment and rich historical heritage.

Return to Strasbourg at the end of the day.





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*NB: Please note that some sites mentioned in the itinerary might not be available every day or at certain times of the year. We suggest that you check with our Production Managers*

### *This package includes*

- Deluxe minivan carrying up to 5 passengers.
- Professional English speaking guide-driver who will chauffeur you on your sightseeing tour. He is also licensed to guide and accompany you on walking tours, as well as in museums and monuments.
- Découvertes' fees.
- 24-hour assistance available during your stay.
- All taxes.

### *This package does not include*

- Entrance fees
- Wine tasting
- Tips
- Lunch or dinner

### **Découvertes can also provide:**

- Pre-payment of all entrance fees to museums and other sites
- Lunch reservations



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## *Make it Optional*

### **Make it Garden!**

#### ***DÉCOUVERTES' ADVICE for an optional venue***

Visit Windeck Park, an old seigniorial domain. Beginning in 1835, Théodore de Darstein, Lord of Windeck, decided to enhance his 18<sup>th</sup>-century mansion with a landscaped garden and ornamental ponds. He imported many of the tree species from America. Behind the castle, whose entrance is on the village's main street, you will discover this marvelous park. Covering 11-hectares (27.18 acres), this English-style garden is composed of contrasting areas, including plantations, meadows, small ponds and winding paths.

There are 126 different varieties of trees and plants, most of them fall into one of three categories: exotic, American or European.

*Please contact us for more information as to price and availability.*



### **Make it Foie Gras!**

#### ***DÉCOUVERTES' ADVICE for an optional venue***

Foie gras is the most refined dish in Alsatian gastronomy. It owes its reputation to the foie gras pâté created in 1778 by Jean Pierre Clause, who cooked for the military governor of Strasbourg, Marshal Contades. You will visit a famous foie gras maker in Ribeauvillé and sample his wares.

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