

**ARRIVAL INFORMATION
LODGING AND SCHOOL DETAILS**

Nice, France

SCHOOL DETAILS

Dates of Attendance: June 29, 2008 to July 26, 2008
Course: French Language Program - 4 weeks, 15 lessons per week
Address: 26 Avenue Notre-Dame, 06000 Nice, France
Tel: (33) (4) 93 80 02 47
Fax: (33) (4) 93 80 02 19
Director: Mr. Laurent Delouche
Contact: Jesse Phillippe

LODGING DETAILS

Name: Villa Saint Exupery
Lodging: Student Residence. Full Board.
Address: 22 Avenue Gravier, 06100 Nice, France
Tel: (33) (4) 93 84 42 83 (Free phone within
France: 0800 307 409)
Fax: (33) (4) 89 83 01 83
Contact: Clare or Arno von Dem Bussche

TELEPHONE INSTRUCTIONS: To call France from the USA dial: 011, the country code (33), the regional code (4), and then the number.

TRANSFERS: You will be met by the Centre's staff at the Nice airport. Upon deplaning in Nice, please go through Immigration/Passport control and present your passport, collect your luggage and proceed through the Customs exit doors where staff members from the school will be waiting for you. If you do not see the staff members right away, **DO NOT LEAVE THE AREA!** Wait a few more minutes and if you still cannot locate them, call the school at the phone number listed above and they will assist you and give you instructions on where to meet their staff.

THE RESIDENCE:

This fabled residence is a lovely old monastery sprawled in leafy gardens located 3km from the city center, with beautiful dorms and private rooms with annex villa inspired by French writers and artists, and fantastic common areas.

Fit for Saint-Exupéry's little prince, this palatial 240-bed place lays on a dozen free online computers (plus wi-fi and broadband), and a king-size buffet breakfast with 10 kinds of cereal. Within the stained-glass former chapel, the 24-hour common room transforms into an evening bar; and there's an enormous gleaming slate and steel self-catering kitchen and a wrap around barbeque terrace.

Staff can offer information about exploring Nice and surrounding towns, and the immaculate, mostly en suite dorms. Upper level rooms have magical views across Nice to the Med. The residence offers accommodation in a private villa a few minutes walk from the main residence, ideal for private groups. Transport by tramway is close by and the school offers a free shuttle to the nearest tram way stop.

Residence facilities: Free Car & Bike Parking, Free Internet Access - 12 computers 24 hour access, Free WIFI Internet Access, Laundry facilities, Bed Linen Included & towels included, Iron / Iron board, Bar - Café, Restaurant, Credit Cards Accepted, Currency Exchange, Free Luggage Storage, Security Lockers, 24 hour Security, Guest Kitchen, Low cost Phone & Fax Facilities, Professional Tour Desk/Travel Info, Action & Adventure Tours, large common room & BBQ Area.

POCKET MONEY: The school recommends that students exchange their pocket money (average Euro 30.00 to Euro 60.00 per week) into Euros prior to departing the US. Your pocket money will be kept in CMEF's "bank".

PACKING SUGGESTIONS:

- Personal ID, student discount card (such as the ISIC card) and a valid, signed passport
- (Make copies of all ID and take one copy with you, and leave one at home with relatives)
- International long distance phone card or international cell phone to call home (check with your phone company if they offer these to clients)
- Traveler's Checks, ATM card (for a checking account) for personal spending money
- Sports bag/small day pack for day trips
- Flashlight and small alarm clock
- Waterproof sandals - 1 pair
- Sneakers or strong running shoes - 1 pair
- Bathing suit - 2
- Toiletries (in waterproof, portable case: toothbrush and paste, comb, brush, soap, shampoo, deodorant)
- Sunscreen/bug repellent - non aerosol
- Socks and underwear - 7 pairs each
- Pajamas - 2 pairs
- Light sweater or fleece
- Light jacket - waterproof
- Sweat shirt/pants
- 3 pairs of pants, 2 pairs of shorts, 6 T-shirts or tops
- Notebook, pens, pencils, eraser, etc. for language class and note paper/envelopes for writing home
- A compact bilingual dictionary
- 2 hand towels, 1 bath towel and 1 beach towel
- Laundry bag with student's name clearly marked on the outside of the bag
- Extra set of reading glasses or contact lenses if you wear any

OPTIONAL ITEMS:

- Camera
- Vitamins and over the counter medications like Imodium and Advil. All medications should be in the original packaging.
- Photos from home; (i.e. of family members, friends, pets, your house, your school - to show to new friends!)
- Sunglasses
- Electrical converters (for shavers or hair dryer - check voltage requirements before departure)

- For older students access to emergency funds can be useful, i.e.: a credit card or ATM card for a parent's checking account. It is important, however, that your child understands what is an emergency and what is not (ex: buying a new sweater is NOT an emergency!)

DO NOT BRING:

- Valuable jewelry/expensive electronic equipment and games - all are easily misplaced or permanently "borrowed".
- Large amounts of currency- whether in local or North American currencies

HELPFUL HINTS: Protect yourself against the sun-use sun cream and wear a hat.... Close your windows and door during the day and make sure to keep track of your room key and meal card.... Be open to trying new things-you never know what you like until you try it!

Important: Make photocopies of your passport and make sure to record the series numbers if you have travelers checks. Bring a copy with you and leave an extra copy at home with a family member.