



SOUTHWEST FRANCE

*Prehistoric Caves
& Premier Wines*

AUGUST 30–SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

FEATURING **Dr. Alan Mann,**
Professor of Anthropology, Emeritus,
Princeton University

AND **Dr. Bruno Maureille,**
Palaeontologist, French National
Center for Scientific Research

DEAR PRINCETONIAN,

Twenty thousand years ago, Neanderthal man engraved and painted, on the walls of caves, images that are remarkably recognizable and astonishingly beautiful. Now, we invite you to join your fellow Princetonians on a unique Princeton Journey—*Southwest France: Prehistoric Caves and Premier Wines*—to view these once-lost works in person. Dr. Alan Mann, emeritus professor of anthropology, and his longtime colleague, Dr. Bruno Maureille, head researcher at the French National Center for Scientific Research, will provide insights and context at all of the sites visited, including the Neanderthal excavation site of Les Pradelles in Marillac, where every summer for over a decade Princeton undergraduates have conducted field work as part of the Anthropology Department's Human Origins course co-taught by our study leader duo.

Begin in the city of Bordeaux, a UNESCO World Heritage site, where flat terrain in the historic center invites exploration of its charming avenues on foot. The wine region around Bordeaux produces over 700 million bottles annually, from everyday table wines to some of the most rare and sought-after in the world. Make stops to savor some of these along with the region's famous cuisine, including a visit to St. Emilion, another World Heritage site that can be traced back to prehistoric times. From the wonderful engravings at Rouffignac, the cave of 100 mammoths, to the spectacular Pech Merle horse, we examine ancient art that enlightens us about the daily life and dreams of prehistoric man. Caves, wines, castles, churches, and truffles—by the end of the tour we experience them all in fine style.

Limited to 26 participants, this exclusive Princeton program is sure to inspire early reservations, so we encourage you to reserve your space by contacting the Princeton Journeys team at (609) 258-8686 or journeys@princeton.edu.

Sincerely,

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COVER: CAVE PAINTINGS AT LASCAUX II



STUDY LEADERS



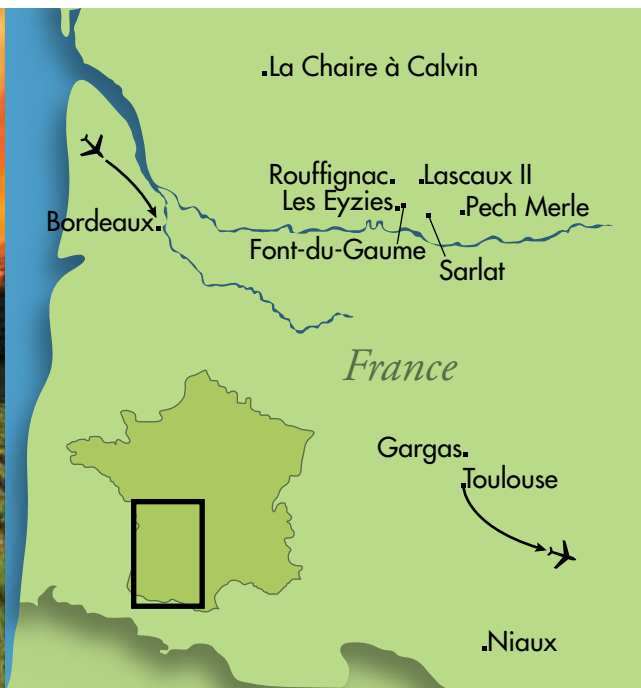
DR. ALAN MANN, Professor of Anthropology, Emeritus, received his PhD from the University of California, Berkeley, and joined the Princeton faculty in 2001. His major interest is the evolutionary origins of humanity, and he has done field work studying the fossil remains of human ancestors in many parts of Africa, Asia, Australia, and Europe. For the past 20 years, he has co-directed the excavation of the French Neanderthal archaeological site Les Pradelles, where Princeton undergraduates worked each summer for twelve years. He holds a research appointment in the Laboratoire d'Anthropologie of the Université de Bordeaux and, in 2013, he was awarded the Palmes Académiques by the government of France for contributions to French culture. He has published more than 75 scientific papers and four books.



A native of Bordeaux, **BRUNO MAUREILLE** is a paleontologist and head of research at the French National Center for Scientific Research. He has directed field projects across France, including at the famous La Chapelle-aux-Saints in Corrèze, where the first recognized Neanderthal burial was identified in August 1908. Between 2001 and 2013, Maureille collaborated with fellow study leader Alan Mann to lead Princeton undergraduates in excavations at the Paleolithic site of Les Pradelles. Through his field work, Maureille has described many new Neanderthal fossils and rediscovered the Neanderthal neonate skeleton Le Moustier 2. His research and published work covers topics such as Neanderthal craniofacial morphology, growth, and development, Neanderthal behavior, and Neanderthal funerary activities.



SAINT EMILION, BORDEAUX



ITINERARY

*Wednesday, August 30
& Thursday, August 31*

Home / Bordeaux, France

Depart home on an overnight flight to Bordeaux, a port city on the Garonne River and a regional capital of southwestern France. Bordeaux is globally renowned as a wine industry hub and is home to the world's premier wine fair, Vinexpo. Those arriving early are invited to join a 1:00 p.m. departure from the hotel to visit the impressive new Cité du Vin for a wine-tasting workshop incorporating exciting new technologies including smell, light, and sound in addition to taste. Join later arrivals for a 4:00 p.m. panoramic tour of the city's historic center, a UNESCO World Heritage site, followed by a welcome reception and dinner.

HOTEL DE NORMANDIE (R,D)

Friday, September 1

Bordeaux

This morning explore the Aquitaine Museum's collection of objects and documents related to the history of Bordeaux and Aquitaine. After lunch at leisure, gather for a meeting with Professor Bruno Maureille

at the University of Bordeaux, to learn about fossil discoveries at the Neanderthal site of Les Pradelles, where Professors Mann and Maureille worked together on a Princeton-sponsored dig for more than a decade. Enjoy a wine tasting and guest lecture by Henri Faivre, a noted French winemaker, then savor local specialties during dinner at a local restaurant.

HOTEL DE NORMANDIE (B,D)

Saturday, September 2

Bordeaux

Today is devoted to an excursion northeast of Bordeaux, with visits to La Chaire à Calvin, a prehistoric rock shelter with a sculpted frieze dating back more than 15,000 years B.P.; Les Pradelles; and La Rochefoucauld, where you can enjoy a visit to the château still inhabited by the Duke and Duchess of La Rochefoucauld, or a tasting of sumptuous Bordeaux chocolate.

HOTEL DE NORMANDIE (B,L)

Sunday, September 3

Bordeaux / Sarlat

Depart Bordeaux and head east to the Périgord, a region of natural beauty rich in history and wildlife. En route, stop at the medieval village of Saint Emilion,



a UNESCO World Heritage site known for its Romanesque church and as a principal red wine producer in Bordeaux. Visit the partly subterranean Monolithic Church, carved out of a rocky hillside in the 12th century. Then enjoy free time in the village and a wine tasting at a local vineyard. Arrive early this evening in Sarlat-la-Canéda (commonly referred to as Sarlat), a picturesque town in the heart of the Périgord and our base for the next four nights.

PLAZA MADELEINE HOTEL & SPA (B,D)

Monday, September 4

Les Eyzies / Font-du-Gaume

Today explore sites in and around Les Eyzies-de-Tayac, self-proclaimed "Prehistory Capital of the World." The National Museum of Prehistory, opened in 2004, is built into the face of a cliff, much like the caves of the Neanderthal

and Cro-Magnon people who inhabited this region millennia ago. Its collections feature artifacts from the acclaimed excavation sites in the Vézère Valley. After time to absorb the museum's wealth of information about these early hominids, visit three extraordinary cave sites—Abri du Poisson, a small rock shelter named after the 25,000-year-old etching of a salmon carved into its ceiling; Font-de-Gaume, a cave containing prehistoric polychrome paintings and engravings dating the Magdalenian period; and Cap Blanc, the only frieze of prehistoric sculptures open to the public anywhere.

PLAZA MADELEINE HOTEL & SPA (B)

Tuesday, September 5

Rouffignac / Saint-Cyprien

This morning visit the prehistoric cave of Rouffignac (also known as "the cave of 100 mammoths"), a UNESCO World Heritage



LA ROCHEFOUCAULD CASTLE



PONT DE PIERRE, BORDEAUX

site that possesses an extensive underground system of shafts, levels, and passageways. Aboard an electric train, travel more than a mile into the interior of the cave to see its artistic engravings or black contour drawings, which consist of 224 animals, primarily mammoths, and four human figures. In the afternoon, enjoy a private visit to a truffle farm in Saint-Cyprien, accompanying the owner and his dog in search of the precious fungus, and a vineyard visit with a tour of the cellar and a wine tasting.

PLAZA MADELEINE HOTEL & SPA (B,L,D)

Wednesday, September 6

Sarlat / Lascaux II

Sarlat-la-Canéda is one of the most representative medieval towns of 14th-century France. Explore the historic old town center, noting its impeccably restored stone buildings. View the interior of a historic house and browse through the local Wednesday market. A specially arranged “prehistoric lunch” at the Castel-Merle site includes a demonstration of flint knapping (shaping of flints into tools) and fire making. In the late afternoon visit Lascaux II, a replica of the most famous sections of the Grotte de Lascaux, a vast

network of chambers adorned with the most complex prehistoric paintings ever found. Originally opened to the public, the Grotte began to suffer irreparable damage from human breath, temperature changes, and introduced elements, and was closed in 1963.

PLAZA MADELEINE HOTEL & SPA (B,L,D)

Thursday, September 7

Sarlat / Tarascon-sur-Ariège

Depart Sarlat and drive east toward Tarascon-sur-Ariège. En route, visit Pech Merle, one of the few prehistoric cave painting sites still open to the public. Extending into the interior of the cave for more than a mile from the entrance are caverns whose walls are painted with dramatic murals, some dating back as far as 25,000 B.C. After lunch and free time to explore the charming village of Saint-Cirq-Lapopie, enjoy a private wine tasting in Cahors followed by an early-evening arrival in Tarascon-sur-Ariège.

MANOIR D'AGNES (B,D)

Friday, September 8

Niaux

Today enjoy visits to two prehistoric caves, Niaux and either

Bedeilhac or Mas d'Azil. Niaux has fine-quality cave paintings from the Magdalenian period, and Bedheilhac has, in addition to paintings, carved bone artifacts, engravings, and sculptures. Mas d'Azil contains a cave that is the typesite (or model of a particular archaeological culture) for the prehistoric Azilian culture.

MANOIR D'AGNES (B,L,D)

Saturday, September 9

Tarascon-sur-Ariège / Toulouse

Depart Tarascon-sur-Ariège for a morning visit to the caves of Gargas to see examples of negative human handprints, produced by blowing liquefied pigment around a hand held flat against the rock surface. After lunch in the medieval village of Saint-Bertrand-de-Comminges, continue on toward Toulouse, arriving in the early afternoon in time for a tour of the city's historic center. Gather for a gourmet farewell dinner this evening.

GRAND HOTEL L'OPERA (B,L,D)

Sunday, September 10

Toulouse / Home

After breakfast, transfer to the Toulouse airport for flights home. (B)

PRICING, PER PERSON

Double occupancy: \$6,995

Single occupancy: \$8,295

AIR ARRANGEMENTS U.S.

domestic and international airfare is not included in the program rates. Round-trip economy-class airfare from New York to Bordeaux, France, with return from Toulouse, is approximately \$970 per person as of August 2016 and is subject to change without notice. Information about making flight arrangements will be sent to all participants.

PROGRAM RATES INCLUDE ALL

accommodations, meals, and excursions as specified in the itinerary • Full program of briefings, lectures, and presentations • Group transfers for all participants on group arrival and departure days • Baggage handling • Gratuities to porters, wait staff, guides, and drivers • Entrance fees • Welcome and farewell wine receptions • House wine, beer, and soft drinks with all group lunches and dinners • Bottled water on motor coaches • Complete packet of pre-departure information including educational materials • Professional local tour manager/guide throughout the program

WHAT TO EXPECT The climate in this part of France in September is generally pleasant, with average temperatures in the mid-60s and occasional showers. The pace of this trip is moderately active, with up to two miles of walking each day, sometimes on uneven terrain. Participants must be in good health and able to keep up with the group without assistance from tour staff.

A NOTE ABOUT COSTS Tour costs are based upon current taxes, tariffs, currency values, and a minimum number of participants. While we will do everything possible to maintain the listed prices, they are subject to change. If there are significant changes, details and costs will be advised prior to departure.

GENERAL INFORMATION

PROGRAM RATES DO NOT INCLUDE U.S. domestic and international airfare • Passport/visa expenses • Medical expenses and immunizations • Private airport transfers outside of group arrival and departure dates • Travel insurance • Deviations from the scheduled tour • Excess baggage charges • Meals not specified in the itinerary; dishes and beverages not part of the included meals; liquor or soft drinks except as noted • Laundry or dry cleaning • Telephone, fax, internet and email charges • Room service • Other items of a personal nature

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GROUP SIZE This program, a Princeton Journeys exclusive, is limited to 26 participants.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

RESERVATIONS & PAYMENTS To reserve space, return the completed reservation form with your \$1,000 per person deposit to: Princeton Journeys, John Maclean House, P.O. Box 291, Princeton, NJ 08542-0291 or fax to (609) 258-5561. Balance of payment is due May 2, 2017. We accept personal checks, payable to Criterion Travel, as well as VISA, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover. Reservations will be processed in order of receipt.

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PAYMENT

- Enclosed is my check for \$_____ (\$1,000 per person), to hold _____ place(s) on *Southwest France: Prehistoric Caves & Premier Wines*. OR
- Charge my deposit to:
- MasterCard VISA AmEx Discover

CARD # EXP. DATE

CARDHOLDER SIGNATURE SECURITY CODE

SINGLE TRAVELERS

- I prefer to have single accommodations.
- I plan to share accommodations with _____
- I am willing to share with another participant (not guaranteed).

I am a Non-smoker Smoker.

I understand that if a roommate cannot be found by the final payment deadline of May 2, 2017, I will pay the single rate.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Bed preference at hotels (not guaranteed):

Two beds One bed

- I/We have read the tour information section of the brochure and agree to the Terms and Conditions stated herein.

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WITH Alan Mann, Professor of Anthropology, Emeritus
AND Bruno Maureille, Palaeontologist



HIGHLIGHTS

- Travel with noted anthropologist and Princeton professor Alan Mann, who has spent 40 years excavating human fossil sites around the world, including at the Les Pradelles site visited on this program.
- Enjoy a wine tasting and guest lecture by noted French winemaker Henri Faivre, and additional opportunities to sample the fine wines of the region throughout the itinerary.
- Marvel at the variety of prehistoric art forms at the renowned cave sites of southwestern France, including etchings, polychrome paintings and engravings, murals, friezes, and sculptures.
- Board an electric train to explore the interior of the Rouffignac caves, the most extensive cave system of the Périgord with nearly five miles of underground passageways.
- Accompany the owner of a truffle farm in Saint Cyprien as he searches, with the help of his dog, for the precious fungus among the roots of oak and hazelwood trees.