

Metz & Luxembourg



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Temple Neuf, Metz

Thursday 9th – Sunday 12th March 2023 – 4 days from *£965pp

It was in Meisenthal that École de Nancy founder Émile Gallé first learnt the craft of glass blowing and decorating, which he used to great effect in his interpretation of Art Nouveau. The whole region is famed for both its glass craft and pottery. From your base in the dignified city of Metz, expert Prof. Anne Anderson will guide you through the wonderful works by Gallé, Daum, Lalique and Saint-Louis as well as explore the art and Art Nouveau of elegant Luxembourg.



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*Based on 2 people sharing a twin room. Deposit £250 per person due by 30th September 2022.



Day by day itinerary

Day 1

Travel by Eurostar and TGV from St Pancras to Metz. Transfer to the hotel for check-in. This evening there will be a welcome drink, dinner with wine at a local restaurant and a lecture, 'Playing with Fire: the Glass of Gallé and Lalique'.

Day 2

Saint-Louis Crystal Museum, Metz and Musée Lalique Wingensur-Moder.

Morning visit to La Grande Place for the Saint-Louis Crystal Museum, a former royal factory, the oldest manufacturer of glass in the world, dating back to 1586, with over 2000 crystal glass items on display. This afternoon, head to Wingensur-Moder to the Musée Lalique, which houses a superb collection of more than 650 works that charts the career and techniques used by Lalique and his successors to achieve effects in glass. This evening a second lecture from Anne - 'Art Nouveau in Metz and Luxembourg'. The evening is free for you to pick one of the many local restaurants in the area to enjoy dinner.

Day 3

Full day Luxembourg.

A full day visit to the elegant city of Luxembourg, where highlights include the extensive collection of fine art at the National Museum of History and Art (MNHA), dating from the Middle Ages to the 20th Century, the medieval Cathedral and old town, as well as a tour of some of the city's

extensive collection of exquisite Art Nouveau buildings, centred around the "Plateau Bourbon" district. This evening we will have dinner with wine at the Art Nouveau Brasserie Flo (approx 15-20 minute walk from the hotel).

Day 4

Day free in Metz and home.

Morning free in Metz to explore the Cathedral or Centre Pompidou Metz, a satellite site of the National Collection of Modern Art in Paris, before afternoon transfer back to the station for the return TGV to Paris and onwards by Eurostar to St Pancras.

Your expert guide

Prof. Anne Anderson

Prof. Anne Anderson author, broadcaster and Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries, was a senior lecturer at Southampton Solent University for 14 years, specialising in the Arts and Crafts, Art Nouveau and Modernism. Anne's career as an international speaker has taken her all over the world and her TV credits include the BBC's Flog It!

Anne has received a rapturous response from our customers at the many Travel Editions UK lectures and tours as well as a host of tours overseas and her knowledge, wit and enthusiasm bring her beloved subjects to life in whatever location she finds them.



Prof. Anne Anderson



Where you stay

Novotel Metz Centre, Metz

The four-star Novotel Metz Centre is perfectly located in the heart of Metz. The hotel's decor is modern and stylish with a range of facilities - fitness centre, a restaurant and relaxed bar. Rooms are contemporary and airy with air-conditioning, en-suite bathroom, television and free wi-fi. Please note twin bedded rooms at the hotel consist of a double bed and a pull out sofa bed.

Included

- Return standard class Eurostar and TGV from St Pancras to Metz via Paris
- Three nights' bed and breakfast at the four-star Novotel Metz Centre, based on shared occupancy of a twin/double room
- Welcome drink and two lectures at the hotel
- Two dinners with wine at local restaurants
- Transfers, tours and entrance fees
- Prof. Anne Anderson and tour manager throughout

Not included

- First Class rail upgrade £160 per person
- Double for sole use supplement £150
- Holiday insurance
- Meals other than those stated
- Items of a personal nature such as drinks, laundry, telephone calls etc
- Porterage and gratuities



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