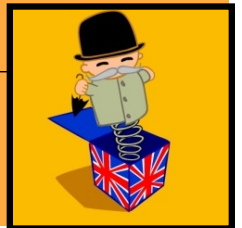


TOULOUSE TOUR & GARONNE CRUISE



Toulouse guided tour and Garonne Cruise



Meeting point at 2:00pm: Tourist Office, in front of the Donjon du Capitole

Toulouse walking tour: 2 hour duration, followed by a cruise on the Garonne river.

Language of the tour: English



This tour will be dedicated to the three colours of Toulouse and the major monuments of the city. You will discover the town and its **anecdotes** about the three colours of Toulouse: **Pink** (the traditional bricks), **Violet** (the flower of Toulouse), **Blue** (lucrative woad-growing).

You will discover:

- the Capitole (Town Hall) and its ceremony rooms. The Capitole is a beautiful square with regular facades and the classical town hall, made with bricks, stones and marble.
- St Sernin Basilica, a master piece of the Romanesque Architecture in both the history of Christendom and Romanesque art, the basilica is the most imposing in Europe.
- Les Jacobins, the Dominican church built on a typical south west gothic style where the reliquary of St Thomas d'Aquinas is.
- the Hôtel de Bernuy, built in the first years of the 16th century, this mansion incorporates a wide variety of architectural elements in stone work.
- the Daurade: the banks show the links which unite the city with the river; embedded in the strong bricks walls, it is a place for pleasant walks and, during warm weather, it becomes Toulouse's "beach".
- the Pont Neuf ("new bridge"), started in 1544, and as such the oldest bridge in the city, it was completed in 1632.





You will then be explained a few expressions like: «*l'affaire est dans le sac* » (it's in bag), «*Bien mal acquis ne profite jamais*» (ill gotten ill spent), «*A Toulouse, plus on dort et plus on gagne*» (In Toulouse, the more you sleep, the more you earn).

You will understand why the Toulouse bricks are pink, the history of woad and the famous treasure of Toulouse.

After the tour, you will board a cruise on the Garonne river or the Canal du Midi, to discover the most remarkable urban landscapes.

Caution: the boarding place will be decided in function of the hours and navigability of the Garonne River. If the boarding takes place at the Daurade Square: access walking. If the boarding takes place on the Canal, depending on the station, the metro or bus ticket will be at your expenses.



This rate includes:

- the service of an English speaking guide

This rate does not include:

- the entrance fees to the monuments (optional)

