



# Loire Valley (France) Bicycle Tour

May 26 - June 11, 2000 12 Cycling Days ~550 km

<http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/lagrandeurp/loire00.htm>



## Cost: \$2860

Price includes sixteen hotel overnights with continental breakfast, coach tour of Paris, train shuttle between Paris & Orleans and Angers & Paris, van transportation of bicycles and luggage including driver, wine and cheese social in Orleans before start of tour, entrance to selected tourist attractions, and daily cycling route maps. Participants are responsible for any other expenses including transportation between home and Paris, supplying their own bicycle, gratuities, and all other food.

**Yes**, please register me in the **Loire Valley Bicycle Tour**, May 26 - June 11, 2000. I am enclosing a down payment of \$715 payable to *Skies Unlimited Travel* by January 14, 2000. A balance of \$2145 will follow by March 24, 2000.

please print

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Millennium Tour!!

Join Calgary touring cyclist Peter LaGrandeur on this common adventure bicycle tour of the Loire Valley in France in late spring of 2000. The focus of this van-supported 550km riding trip will visit the chateaux, wineries, cuisine, art, churches, museums, and culture of this historic area south of Paris, long the historic home of French royalty.

The cycling starts in Orleans, south of Paris and works its way west to the city of Angers. The connections between Paris to Orleans and then Angers back to Paris will be via the French passenger train. Participants on this trip bring their own bikes which will be transported separately and directly between the airport to Orleans and then at the end of the trip from Angers back to the airport by separate van transport.

Accommodation will be at 2 and 3 star hotels based on double/twin bedrooms.



**Peter LaGrandeur**  
bicycle tour co-ordinator



## Participant Registration Agreement

### 1. Risk Acknowledgement & Acceptance of Self Responsibility:

This trip is offered on the understanding it is a **Common Adventure** where each participant conducts him/herself independently, makes his/her own judgements about safety and well being, takes full responsibility for his/her own actions, and contributes whatever he/she can towards the success of the trip. The *Tour Co-Ordinator* is not a leader or professional guide of any type and acts only to provide basic logistical arrangements for initiating and running the trip. The route, itinerary and all other aspects of this trip are only suggested and, as responsible tourists, each participant is expected to **research everything prior** to the trip to whatever extent he/she feels is necessary to determine that all is safe and suitable. Each participant is expected to possess any skills, equipment, fitness, common sense, etiquette, knowledge of applicable legislations, etc., to enjoyably and safely be involved in this activity. Each participant is the sole and final judge about his/her capability to safely proceed with this tour. All participants recognize **financial loss, physical injuries and death** to be real possibilities facing anyone in the sport of bicycling and related activities and agree to assume all risks and consequences. All participants agree to absolve Peter LaGrandeur, Skies Unlimited Travel, and their agents of any liability arising from this tour. Any person who does not feel confident or self reliant about their abilities or who does not agree with this philosophy should not participate on this tour.

**2.** I recognize that there are many potential perils that may be encountered while participating in the *Loire Valley Bicycle Tour* including motorists, lack of electronic contact, non-ideal road conditions, etc.. I will be reasonable physically fit and will educate myself and gain sufficient experience in whatever skills are required to capably handle any situation I may be presented with. These skills may include bicycle repair, first aid, hot/cold/wet weather survival, route finding, etc..

**3.** I will, at all times, ride courteously and abide by all applicable legislations while operating a bicycle on the *Loire Valley Bicycle Tour*.

signature (parent/guard if <18 years of age)

date Y M D

emergency contact person & ph. # (please print)

### Notes:

1. Send original form with signature (**not on flimsy fax paper please**), with payment payable to "Skies Unlimited Travel" to 72 Brookpark Mews SW, Calgary, AB, Canada T2W 2P3. Payment may also be made with credit card. Please call "Skies" at (403) 251-4289 voice/fax.
2. General inquiries may be directed to Peter LaGrandeur at (403) 228-0269 or via e-mail at "lagrandeurp@compuserve.com". Alternatively to *Skies Unlimited Travel* at above postal address, or by e-mail to "kovacs@cadvision.com".
3. No refunds unless trip is cancelled on Jan 14 due to low enrollment. Consider trip cancellation insurance.
4. One form per participant.