



Jóna Tours



jona@jona-tours.com www.jona-tours.com

Tel: 00 33 962335793 UK Mobile: 07756 941 599

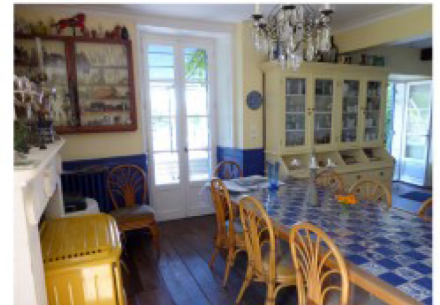
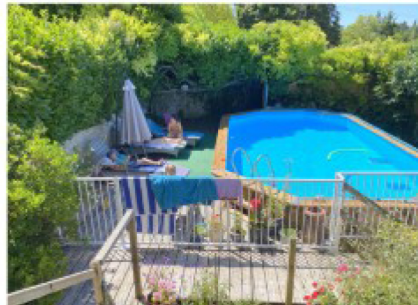
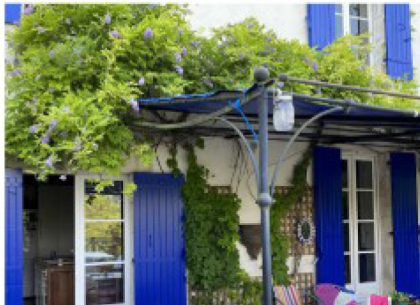
62, Rue du 26 Mars 1944, 24600 Ribérac, Dordogne, France



Jóna Sparey has been organising and personally conducting some tours to Iceland and other countries for 37 years, with every aspect of each holiday being carefully planned. 57% of members now return again for more adventures.

DISCOVERING THE DORDOGNE

16 - 25 MAY 2024



It has been several years since I regularly organised holidays to this beautiful area of South west France where I live. My elegant townhouse is situated in the small picturesque farming town of Ribérac in the Dordogne and I would once again like to invite members here for a 10 day holiday. The house has 7 large bedrooms and a two acre garden with a private swimming pool and a natural pond. Stunning sunsets can be viewed regularly from the large terrace which overlooks the interesting garden which is a natural habitat for many breeds of birds, brown squirrels and coypus.

The holiday is designed to be relaxing but with some very interesting and unusual visits conducted by our able and knowledgeable local guides Pascal, Sabri and Pinky, plus Jona each taking you to a different local area on various days. To ensure your absolute comfort there is a limit of 8 guests.

My townhouse where you stay is brimming with character, filled with artworks, photos, textiles and ceramics mostly created by Jona but also collected over the years from around the globe. My home is only a five minute walk into the centre of Ribérac which is a bustling town of shops, cafes, banks and of course Boulangeries. Ribérac has the largest weekly market of the Dordogne, a picturesque rural region typified by traditional villages, chateaux, brocantes selling antiques, rolling wooded countryside, tranquil rivers and steeped in history with many interesting places to explore.

ACCOMMODATION

To ensure your comfort the maximum number of members for these holidays is only 8 guests. The 7 bedrooms are available as twin bedded rooms, double bedded and single. The house can house 16 people, there are six toilets, two bathrooms and shower room. A large kitchen-diner opens onto a huge terrace area which overlooks a two-acre garden filled with fruit trees, a natural pond, vegetables, a large wild flower garden where wildlife abounds. Steps lead down to the private outdoor swimming pool, all totally private and secluded. May and Sept months are quieter, with less visitors in the area making it more relaxing also avoiding the heat of the summer.

VISITS INCLUDE...

AUBETERRE

Sunday food and wares market + second largest Monolithic church in France hewn into a cliff, quite awesome! Lunch in the busy square.

BOURDEILLES

Situated by the river Dronne which runs through Riberaac 5 mins from Jona's house. Visit to the medieval fortress and Renaissance palace.

LASCAUX + SARLAT

Discover the cave paintings which date back over 17,000 years and Sarlat which is preserved and representative of a French 14th cent large market town.

DOMME

A medieval village perched high on a cliff with spectacular views of the river Dordogne.

BRANTOME

Medieval monastery and a very relaxed boat trip along the river Dronne, with gallery and antique shops to explore.

ST EMILION

Discover the famous wine region near Bordeaux, travel on a small train through the vine yards and enjoy some wine tasting and a visit to a museum of ceramics.

EYGUAINNE

Boat trip on the river Isle, with canals and locks.

BORDEAUX

Visiting Art Galleries, travelling on the tram to areas, lunch at a huge market and the El Espejo de Aqua the World's largest reflecting pool.

Other visits could include a mill producing 18 varieties of flour, a chance to make your own bread.

A walnut oil making establishment. Picnic lunch at the La Jamaye lakes, and perhaps a swim there. Visits to Brocantes selling bric-a-brac and antiques. A stone quarry where mill stones have been made for over 2,000 yrs. A visit to Peter the Potter, try your hand at the potter's wheel. A boat trip on the river Dordogne with Pinky the boat specialist and story teller.





DINING OUT

We dine out at some excellent local French restaurants which serve good local produce. When a day has been busy with visits we always dine at home in order to relax. Lucy is a master chef and she will be preparing some splendid evening meals for us.

BREAKFAST

A buffet is always offered for breakfast, with extras on picnic days where you prepare your own picnics choosing fillings from an array of foods, with fruit, or cakes and drinks. Every bedroom has a tray for making that early cup of tea or coffee, biscuits, etc and bottled water.

Rooted in my passion for travel and unfailing delight in organising tours, my holidays are always full of variety and members tell me memorable. My company is small, the emphasis for me is the personal service I provide for each member. Every aspect of each holiday is carefully planned with a friendly approach and attention to detail. My tours are always small groups with experienced and knowledgeable guides and drivers, and I try to offer a unique blend of exploration, education, adventure and congenial company. With so many members returning for more holidays I feel that I am perhaps being successful in providing a truly enjoyed holiday for most if not everyone.



DISCOVERING THE DORDOGNE

16 - 25 MAY 2024



Maximum 8 guests

TOUR PRICE:-

£2,490 (2,860€) per person

Single Supplement:- £170 (190€)

TOUR PRICE INCLUDES ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

FLIGHTS: Return Flights or Train Journeys. Where possible flights close to home. Transport from and to airports or rail station in France.

ACCOMMODATION: 9 nights. The spacious house has 7 large bedrooms with 2 bathrooms, 6 toilets and 1 shower room.

FULL BOARD: 9 buffet breakfasts, 9 lunches + 9 evening meals, with aperitifs and wines. Plus beverages when out on visits.

ALL EXCURSIONS plus entrance fees, plus gratuities to guides.

PRIVATE MINI BUS WITH FOUR GUIDES INCLUDING JONA.

