

The Cooking In The Cuisine Experience

14th of June to the 19th of June 2024

Presented by Château de Gudanes

Friday 14th of June

- 9:00 am Let's meet at the Place Wilson in the centre of Toulouse. The Château Buses shall be waiting to take your luggage. We will begin with a short walking tour of the city before travelling to the Château. *Allons-y!*
- 1:00 pm *Bienvenue au Château de Gudanes* arrival sparkling toast and presentation of rooms followed by a short orientation of the amenities
- 2:30 pm Luncheon awaits in the *Salle à Manger* followed by dessert in the *Salon de Rose*
- 4:30 pm Historical tour of the château's interior salons followed by a gentle guided walk through the surrounding villages sharing the history of the local area and region
- 6:30 pm Classic French *Kîr Royale* served with raspberry sorbet are presented in the *Salon de Musique* accompanied by Simon, a graduate of Royal Academy of Music and North London Conservatoire, playing the piano
- 7:30 pm 'Be Our Guest' welcome dinner to be held in the *Salon de Printemps*

Saturday 15th of June

You are warmly and cordially invited to an enchanted forest breakfast beginning promptly at 8:00 am in the *Salle à Manger*...

- 10:00 am Savoury cooking class with *chef de cuisine* Tracy
- 11:30 am Classic *millefeuille* class with *Le Cordon Bleu* pastry chefs Jennifer & Larissa
- 12:30 pm Luncheon is served in the *Salle à Manger*
- 2:00 pm Departure for a canoeing adventure through the valley! Or, cook away the day in the pastry cuisine
- 5:00 pm Restoration lecture and workshop. Assist in restoring 18th Century frescoes in the Château's original dining room...
- 6:30 pm Dinner at *Le Clos Cathare* overlooking the Pyrenees mountains
- 10:30 pm Meeting by candlelight in the *Grand Vestibule* to journey together into the Château's basement for a dramatic reading of Edgar Allan Poe's 'The Black Cat'

Sunday 16th of June

- 8:00 am *Servez-vous* style traditional, French breakfast is served in the *Salon de Porcelaine* until late. Don't forget to make your own mimosa!
- 9:30 am Morning visit to the markets in our local village of *Les Cabannes* with Tracy, Jennifer and Larissa. Sharing their love of traditional, French food culture as they discuss the menu for lunch and secrets for picking produce...
- 10:30 am Tour of the *Château Jardin* with Karina sharing her experiences rehabilitating the gardens, how they may have looked in the 18th Century and historical knowledge and secrets of botanical ingredients dating back to medieval times. Collecting herbs and vegetables for cooking together along the way!
- 11:00 am Sweet and savoury pastry making class with Tracy, Jennifer and Larissa making a selection of tarts and other delicious fare
- 1:30 pm Picnic luncheon and pass-the-parcel in the *Château Jardin* accompanied by the piano accordion
- 3:30 pm Seasonal *siróp* and jam making class with Jennifer and Larissa
- 4:30 pm The Château Apple Cake! Reproducing and modernising an 18th Century recipe from the property's original cookbook!
- 6:30 pm A selection of traditional French and local aperitifs are served in the Château's ancient basement...
- 7:30 pm Alfresco dinner on the front terrace
- 9:30 pm Star gazing and an *en plein air* French film *soirée* begins...



Monday 17th of June

- 8:00 am Breakfast is served in the *Salon de Porcelaine*. You are sweetly invited to visit the Château Crêpe Cart to place your order!
- 9:00 am Departure to visit the farmers' markets and discover hidden antique treasures in the medieval village of *Mirepoix*
- 12:30 pm Picnic luncheon and wine tasting at *Château de Fiches* followed by time to explore the estate. Upon your return to the Château in the late afternoon, Larissa looks forward to welcoming you into the pastry cuisine for a class creating her signature rose gin sorbet!
- 5:00 pm The Château Pop-up Boutique is *ouvert*...
- 6:00 pm Signature Château cocktail, the *Violette*, accompanied by a ballroom dancing lesson with Karen in the *Grand Vestibule*
- 7:30 pm Formal Marie Antoinette inspired banquet to be held in the *Salon de Musique* followed by an evening of poetry

Tuesday 18th of June

- 8:00 am Breakfast is served in the *Salon de Porcelaine*. This morning's *à la carte* speciality shall be *pain-perdu*!
- 9:30 am Jennifer's signature *île flottante* class begins!
- 10:30 am Baked *saint marcellin* cooking class with Tracy
- 1:00 pm Luncheon is served in the *Salle à Manger*
- 3:00 pm Flower picking in the *Château Jardin*. Let's meet in the *Grand Vestibule*!
- 3:30 pm An afternoon dessert decoration and styling workshop with Karina, Jennifer and Larissa followed by photography of your cake and dessert creations!
- 6:00 pm Aperitifs are served in the *Salle à Manger* accompanied by a tablescapes workshop and the sharing of each of our own table setting traditions
- 7:30 pm Formal dinner in the *Salon de Printemps* followed by a special presentation of desserts in the *Salle à Manger*
- 10:00 pm An evening of disco songs and karaoke. Dance the night away!

Wednesday 19th of June

- 8 am until late Breakfast is served in the *Salon de Porcelaine*. We warmly welcome you to visit Tracy in the Château Cuisine to order an *omelette au fromage et violette*!
- 11:00 am *Au revoir nos amis*...

If you have booked an earlier departure from Toulouse please do just let us know so that we are able to ensure your *bon voyage*

