



## Fam trip to the Aisne county

July 11 – 13<sup>th</sup> 2019

Registration until June 24<sup>th</sup> at Christelle Clément : [c.clement@aisne-tourisme.com](mailto:c.clement@aisne-tourisme.com)

### **July, 11th**

Departure at 08.54am from London Saint Pancras to Lille Europe. Arrival at 11.27am.

Meeting with John and Christelle – T : +33 (0)6 04 09 55 74

Route to Laon

### **02.30pm – 05.30pm : Guided visit to Laon : medieval city, cathedral and undergrounds**

[www.tourisme-paysdelaon.com](http://www.tourisme-paysdelaon.com)

Known as the 'Montagne Couronnée' (the Crowned Mountain), the majestic city of Laon opens its gates to visitors. Be it the cathedral, a masterpiece of primitive Gothic art, or the maze of streets dating back to the Middle Ages, the whole of the hilltop city invites you to stroll around within the city walls.

### **06pm : Check-in in a hotel. Dinner**



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[www.jaimelaisne.com](http://www.jaimelaisne.com)

[www.randonner.fr](http://www.randonner.fr)

[www.weekend-espritdepicardie.com](http://www.weekend-espritdepicardie.com)



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**July, 12th**

Breakfast

**09.30am – 11.30am : Guided visit to Meteyer House of Champagne and tasting of champagne at Trélou-sur-Marne**

[www.champagne-meteyer.com](http://www.champagne-meteyer.com)

Visit the superb cellars and taste Meteyer Champagne, which is the result of a unique know-how. At the heart of the Marne Valley vineyard, the Meteyer house has magnificent cellars turned into a museum. Anna will drive you in her Diane vintage car around the vineyards.

**Midday : Lunch in a restaurant**

**02.30 – 03.30pm : Discovery the Château of Condé at Condé-en-Brie**

[www.chateauconde.com](http://www.chateauconde.com)

The interior of the Château de Condé is an absolute gem. Visitors can admire its sumptuous 18<sup>th</sup> century décor, with the work of some famous artists : the Watteau wing, the Servandoni ballroom, the drawing room decorated by Oudry with its unforgettable 'magic' mirror. Read about its fascinating history : the Princes of Condé, Richelieu, Olympe and her mysterious powders.

**04.00pm – 05.00pm : Discovery of Viels-Maisons gardens**

<https://www.jardins-vielsmaisons.net/>

Can you smell that beautiful scent? You must be in Viels-Maisons gardens, a little haven of peace bursting with thousands of flowers, rose bushes and trees.

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**Saturday, 13th**

**09am – midday : Guided visit to Soissons and Septmonts**

[www.tourisme-soissons.fr](http://www.tourisme-soissons.fr)

Located at the front line, both Soissons and the village of Septmonts were at 70% destroyed during the war. Soissons lived under the German rules during 4 years and was freed during the summer 1918. You will visit the beautiful abbey Saint-Jean-des-Vignes and the cathedral, a masterpiece of gothic art.

After the war, the village of Septmonts was partly renovated by American funding. It is now one of the loveliest villages of that area.

**Midday : Lunch in a restaurant**

Route to Lille.

Departure at Lille Europe at 06.35pm to London. Arrival at London at 07.15pm



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