

ACCOMPANYING PROGRAMS

Wednesday October 4th – 14:00-18:00

DISCOVERY OF SUMMIT « PUY DE DÔME » AND ROMAN ART

The Puy de Dôme, walking to the top of the highest volcano of the area (1.465 m).

Orcival, a charming village in the region of Mont Dore with one of the five main churches of the regional roman art. This sanctuary has goldsmithery masterpiece, a Madonna as a majesty of the 17th century, object of an important pilgrimage.

Visit of the church (access to the roman church depends on religious offices schedule)

The Guéry Lake, that has a volcanic origin, is 1.244 m high, in a wide amphitheatre, dominated by the peaks of the “massif du Sancy”

The Tuilière and Sanadoire stones, two impressive phonolite pitons separated by a glaciated valley, is one of the most breathtaking natural site of the area

Back to Clermont-Ferrand.

Thursday October 5th – 9:30 – 12:10

OLD CITY OF CLERMONT-FERRAND

➤ You will plunge in the mystery of the builders of the Middle Age with the opera of images “ Game of Stone and Faith ” at “Espace Art Roman” of Tourism office, (show carried out by Jean-Michel MAHENC of the Workshops of Barbizon).

Guided tour through Clermont with its various aspects and facets.

Set on its volcanic hillock, the old city of Clermont is discovered while walking the cobblestone streets with many beautiful private mansions and fountains

➤ Outside of the roman church of Notre-Dame-du-Port, one of the five main churches of the local roman art, registered at the Unesco World Heritage

➤ The gothic cathedral all in lava of Volvic, stained glasses

Thursday October 5th – 15:00 – 19:00

THIERS AND THE KNIFE MUSUEM

Departure from Clermont-Ferrand at 15:00

Visit of the "Maison des Couteliers" that opens its doors to the knife museum, and a nice workshop

THIERS, built on the flank of the mountain, the “black city” that George Sand evoked in one of her books, is at the cutting edge of the art of knife manufacturing for five centuries

Back to Clermont-Ferrand, arrival at 19:00

Friday October 6th – 9:00 – 18:00

GASTRONOMIC BALLAD ON THE VULCANS AREA

Departure from Clermont-Ferrand at 9:00

10:00, Visit of a traditional farm and discovery of “Saint Nectaire” cheesemaking, from mountain pastures to the table. Cheese tasting.

City of Saint-Nectaire, thermal resort, with one of the greatest piece of roman art, one of the five main churches of the area, and that gave her name to the famous cheese “Saint Nectaire”.

Murol, dominated by its fortress of the 12th century, built on a basalt piton.

12:30 Lunch on the shore of **Chambon Lake**

Summit of Croix Morand

Mont-Dore, reknowned thermal and ski resort on the slopes of « Puy de Sancy” (1 885 m), the highest Volcano in Auvergne area.

Back to Clermont-Ferrand 18:00.

VULCANIA PARK VISIT

Saturday October 7th –12:00 – 18:00

AT VULCANIA

12:30: Lunch at Vulcania Park

Afternoon : discovery of Vulcania, the european volcanism park

Inside an exceptional architecture, including among others a lava tunnel, a magic pond, the theatre of universe, the mud pots, and the volcanic garden

Vulcania's originality allows to explore the mysteries of life through unique feelings.

Satellite pictures, audio/video show on a giant screen, a 3D movie, and various simulations will be proposed to make your visit a real adventure in the heart of the volcanoes.

Back to Clermont-Ferrand at 18:00.

FARM VISITS PROGRAM*

Monday October 2nd and Wednesday October 3rd

FARM VISITS IN COTE D'OR AREA

Monday:

Departure from Dijon at 10:00

Farm visits

Lunch at Beaunotte

Farm visits

Overnight in Chatillon sur Seine

Tuesday :

Farm visits

Lunch

Departure to Clermont Ferrand 14:00

Or :

Monday October 2nd and Wednesday October 3rd

FARM VISITS IN SOUTH WEST AREA

Monday :

Departure from Clermont Ferrand at 8:00

Farm visits

Lunch

Farm visits in Aveyron

Overnight in Sévérac le Château

Tuesday :

Farm visits in Aveyron

Lunch

Farm visits in Lozère

Departure to Clermont Ferrand at 17:00

** farm visits program may change depending of the number of participants*