

# CoroRio

# Conductors: Reese Norris & Joelle Norris

9-day European Performance Tour May 28-June 5, 2017

Featuring Honfleur, Normandy, Alabaster Coast, Versailles, Paris, & Barcelona (revised July 11, 2016)





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# WHY MAESTRO BY TUMLARE?

Dear Joelle and Reese,

The year 2016 celebrates Tumlare's 44<sup>th</sup> year of unparalleled success in arranging tour support throughout Europe, excelling at distinctive programs with a personal touch! Tumlare's European presence is unequaled; each of our 20 offices excels in their knowledge, understanding, creativity, and local relationships, and employs our own experienced staff of seasoned experts.



We are thrilled to continue our collaboration, and will continue

to provide CoroRio with the special care that you value and deserve. On behalf of our U.S. team, and our local offices in both Paris and Madrid, we look forward to ensuring a memorable experience for all!

# Best regards, Dave

# PERFORMANCE TOUR SERVICES

- Uniquely rewarding performance opportunities
- Tribute Recital in Normandy, Informal Concert at Notre-Dame de Paris, and two fully promoted concerts in Honfleur-area & Barcelona
- Appreciative audiences
- Professional on-site assistance at each venue
- Dedicated full-time bilingual Tour Manager
- Ground services, accommodations, transportation, guides, meals, and cultural events
- International and intra-European flights
- 24-hour emergency services while traveling
- Group Student Deluxe health and travel protection plan
- Choice of group or direct billing of your participants, with available on-line registration

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# **PROPOSAL HIGHLIGHTS**

# **AIR GATEWAYS**

• Memphis to Paris, and return from Barcelona

# **OVERNIGHTS**

- 1 night, Overnight Flight
- 3 nights, Honfleur
- 2 nights, Paris
- 2 nights, Barcelona
- Departure

# PERFORMANCES

- Tuesday, May 30
- Wednesday, May 31
- Friday, June 2

• Sunday, June 4

May 28, 2017 May 29/30/31, 2017 June 1/2, 2017 June 3/4, 2017 June 5, 2017

**Concert in Honfleur-area!** Your debut concert is scheduled in the area of Honfleur! Sample venues include St. Catherine's Church and St. Leonard's Church. A warm-up rehearsal is provided, along with the use of a clavinova. **Tribute Recital in Normandy!** Your first performance opportunity is an a cappella Tribute Recital, as part of a memorial wreath laying ceremony. This event typically allows a maximum of 30 minutes, and is arranged outside. **Informal Concert in Paris!** As a highlight of your time in Paris, perform at the <u>Notre-Dame de Paris!</u> You should plan to sing a cappella; however, if you travel with an organist, we can solicit authority to use the Choir Organ (piano or electrical devices are not accepted). This opportunity is subject to continued availability, and an alternate venue may be substituted. **Concert in Barcelona!** Perform your concert finale in Barcelona! Possible venues include Santa Maria del Pí and Tibidabo Temple. A clavinova and warm-up rehearsal are provided at your venue.



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# 9-DAY PERFORMANCE TOUR ITINERARY



# DAY 1: SUNDAY, MAY 28, 2017

**OVERNIGHT FLIGHT** 

HONFLEUR (D)

Begin your European Performance Tour with today's overnight trans-Atlantic flight! \*Please note that airlines open their schedules for booking approximately eleven months in advance of travel.

# DAY 2: MONDAY, MAY 29, 2017

Arrive in Paris, where your full-time bilingual tour manager will greet you at the airport with a warm welcome. Your explorations begin right away, as you transfer from Charles de Gaulle Airport to the Normandy region, and the picturesque port town of Honfleur. Along the way, visit the ruined remains of **Chateau Gaillard**, the stronghold of Richard the Lionheart. Arrive at your comfortable centrally located hotel in Honfleur and refresh after your journey. This afternoon enjoy a guided walking tour, and time

permitting, hikers may wish to walk up to the Mont-Joli hilltop for great views over Honfleur and the Seine estuary; near the top you will find Notre-Dame-de-Grâce Chapel, a pilgrimage destination with noted history. Dinner is served at a local bistro this evening, and then enjoy a good night's sleep.



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# DAY 3: TUESDAY, MAY 30, 2017

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel, provided each day for the remainder of your trip. Today's excursion brings you to the nearby Côte d'Albâtre; the 80-mile stretch of the Alabaster Coast mirrors those of the English White Cliffs of Dover, and represents their shared geological history. First visit Fécamp, which captivated the Impressionists. From the plateau of the Pays de Caux, there are endless views of the coast, and on the southwest cliff there is a surprise waterfall. Ten miles south of Fécamp, Etretat displays nature's miraculously fragile beauty. This once simple fishing village gained renown for its oysters, which were much appreciated at the court of Versailles. A local guide will share the history of this seaside resort from the 19<sup>th</sup> century, a place of inspiration for artists, writers, and numerous opera composers

# HONFLEUR (B/D)



and singers. Wander the old wooden covered market displaying both regional crafts and produce, and take a hike along the crests of Etretat for the stunning views painted by so many artists. *Return to Honfleur, and present your debut Concert in the area! Sample venues include St. Catherine's Church and St. Leonard's Church. A warm-up rehearsal is provided, along with the use of a clavinova.* Enjoy an authentic French dinner, perhaps including traditional Normandy omelettes, crêpes, or galettes.

# DAY 4: WEDNESDAY, MAY 31, 2017

HONFLEUR (B/D)

Your journey through Normandy continues; home to friendly locals, and so many historical events that you may easily become a history buff along the way! CoroRio will memorialize WWII and the American troops who died in Europe, with visits to the now peaceful setting at Omaha Beach, and the Normandy American Cemetery and Memorial Visitor Center in Colleville-sur-Mer. *Today the ensemble will perform an a cappella Tribute Recital, as part of a memorial wreath laying ceremony. This event typically allows a maximum of 30 minutes, and is arranged outside.* It was here at the D-Day beaches where thousands of Allied troops arrived in order to defend the coast against Germany, on June 6, 1944. The Battle of Normandy was a significant turning point in the war, and led to the liberation of Paris and the restoration of the French Republic. Your local guide will prepare you for the deserted bunkers and beaches that remain as sobering



reminders of the war. As you continue today's travels, there is stop in Beuvron-en-Auge for free time to stroll through one of the "most beautiful villages of France." Return to Honfleur, and enjoy further exploration with your tour manager for the remainder of the day. Dinner is served at a local restaurant.

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# DAY 5: THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2017

This morning travel to France's capital city! Along the way, visit the Palace of Versailles for a tour of King Louis XIV's palatial home. The palace features 700 rooms and countless priceless paintings and sculptures; a highlight of the royal residence is the historic Hall of Mirrors. Also scheduled for today is a walk through the spectacular gardens with your tour manager. Continue on to Paris, where upon arrival you'll enjoy an afternoon panoramic drive and sightseeing with local guide. See the icons and monuments of the city, including the 35-foot replica of The Statue of Liberty on the Île des Cygnes, Eiffel Tower, Louis XIV's gilded church dome of Les Invalides, Place de la Concorde, and Napoleon's Arc de Triomphe. Time permitting, take a walk through the Père Lachaise Cemetery with your tour manager; the largest in the city, and home to the graves of many who have enhanced French life over the

# PARIS (B/D)



last two centuries, including composers, musicians, writers, and artists such as Jim Morrison, Oscar Wilde, Georges Bizet, Maria Callas, Edith Piaf and Frédéric Chopin. Check-in to your hotel and refresh. This evening, share dinner at a local bistro and enjoy a **boat cruise** along the Seine River, floating through the illuminated "City of Lights."

# DAY 6: FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 2017

PARIS (B/D)

Sightseeing continues this morning with a stroll around the historic Île de la Cité, where the celebrated Notre-Dame de Paris remains at the spiritual heart of Paris. There is free time for photo taking, and a climb of the Cathedral's **towers** to see the gargoyles. *As a highlight of your time in Paris, perform an Informal Concert at the Cathedral! You should plan to sing a cappella; however, if you travel with an organist, we can solicit authority to use the Choir Organ.* After

your visit, you may wish to cross the bridge to the charming Île St. Louis, for lunch or an ice cream! This afternoon there is a guided tour of the famed **Musée du Louvre** and their incredible collection, including the Mona Lisa, Venus de Milo, and the Winged Victory. Later, participate in a walking tour of Montmartre, including the steps of Sacre Coeur and the wonderful sunset views of the city. A local fondue restaurant is host to this evening's dinner.



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# DAY 7: SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2017

Your European tour moves to the sunny Mediterranean, as you travel to the airport this morning for your flight to Barcelona, the capital city of Catalonia! Upon arrival transfer into the city center, where a local guide leads today's walking tour along the fashionable Las Ramblas, and into the alleys of the Gothic Quarter. Visit the 14<sup>th</sup> century **Gothic Cathedral**, experience the lively Mercat de la Bogueria food market stalls, and see the Columbus Monument. This evening enjoy a traditional tapas dinner and taste many of the local specialties!

# BARCELONA (B/D)



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DEPARTURE (B)

# DAY 8: SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 2017

Further your explorations of Barcelona today, with a

half-day guided tour highlighting Antoni Gaudí's work. Visit and tour the fantastical **Sagrada da Família**, begun in 1883 by the devoted master and still under construction; entrance to climb the towers is included. Your local guide will lead a walk through **Parc Güell**,

reflecting Gaudí's vision for landscape gardening and natural architectural forms. The remainder of

the afternoon is yours for further exploration of the city on your own, or with your tour manager. *This* evening, prepare for your finale performance! Possible venues include Santa Maria del Pí and Tibidabo Temple. A fully-weighted keyboard and warm-up rehearsal is provided at your venue, prior to your performance. Tonight enjoy dinner of traditional paella, and celebrate the last evening of your tour!

# DAY 9: MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2017

Enjoy a final breakfast before transferring to the airport for your return flights home. Your tour managers will assist with airport check-in, and there is time for one last goodbye!

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### SINGLE ROOMS

The single supplement rate is quoted on the basis that single rooms shall not exceed approximately 20% if the total rooms required, unless otherwise agreed and confirmed. Some hotels may charge a further fee should the group exceed this percentage.

### BAGGAGE

When porterage of baggage is included in a program, it is based upon a maximum of 1 piece of standard airline baggage per person. Participants bringing baggage in excess of this amount may incur a surcharge. For the sake of passenger comfort, Tumlare Corporation, Inc. recommends that passengers limit baggage to 1 suitcase per person plus 1 carry on.

### **AIR DEVIATIONS**

A \$200.00 deviation charge is applied to any participant wishing to extend his/her stay in the original return gateway, as well as additional air collections if applicable. Participants wishing to return from a different gateway will be charged the deviation fee plus any additional related costs. Alternate return requests must be received by Tumlare at least 120 days in advance of departure; however it is strongly recommended to make your request early, to receive best access to flight availability and costs.

### ITEMS NOT INCLUDED

Tumlare Corporation, Inc. programs do not include items of a personal nature such as laundry, hotel extras, telephone charges, drinks with meals (unless otherwise stated in a proposal). Tips to Tour Manager, Local Guides, and Coach Driver are not included. All passengers are responsible for settling such accounts prior to their return to the USA.

### TAXES

As of the date of this proposal local and central government taxes are included for all services as levied by the governments of the USA and countries visited as specified. In the unlikely event that tax structures are amended at any time prior to the travel date, Tumlare will pass on all such additional taxes to the travel agent or group organizer, for collection.

### CURRENCY EXCHANGE AND FUEL SURCHARGES

All prices are quoted using the prevailing rate of exchange between the Euro and the USD from the date the original offer was made. If the rate of exchange changes by more than 4%, Tumlare reserves the right to revise the selling rates according to the current exchange rate between the Euro and the USD. Tumlare reserves the right to change the price of the tour/program before it commences due to fuel surcharges, currency fluctuations, tariff increases from common carriers and suppliers, etc. If there is a surcharge to be applied such notice will be given no later than 45 days prior to the start of the tour or program.

### PROTECTION PLAN

Tumlare Corporation, Inc. strongly recommends that all passengers be adequately insured for medical expenses, baggage loss or damage, and trip cancellation or interruption. Included in this tour is a Group Student Deluxe health and travel protection plan, provided through Travel Insured.

### VISA & PASSPORTS/TRAVEL DOCUMENTATION

Travel Documentation is the personal obligation of each traveler. Each tour participant needs a passport at time of travel, with an expiration date of at least six months after your tour returns. As of the time of going to print, US citizens do not require a visa for entry into the European Community; participants with a foreign passport may need one dependent upon their unique circumstances and should check with the appropriate local consulate offices, allowing good time to complete the necessary paperwork prior to departing the USA.

### PAYMENTS

Tour payments should be by check or money order, and made payable to "Tumlare Travel Organization, Inc."; Credit cards (MasterCard and Visa) are accepted for online registration and deposit, however further credit card payments are subjected to an administrative fee of 3.5%.

### LATE FEES

A fee of \$100 will be charged to all late final payments.

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### RETURNED CHECK FEE

A fee of \$50 will be charged for all checks returned for insufficient funds.

### RESPONSIBILITY

If Tumlare Corporation, Inc. has to cancel a tour or is unable to carry out all services due to circumstances beyond our control, we will do all possible to secure services of comparable or better standard or refund all monies in full. Tumlare Corporation, Inc. accepts no responsibility for loss or additional expenses incurred due to delays, changes, omissions or errors made by our suppliers including but not limited to air, sea, ground transportation, war, weather, quarantine and strikes. All persons working with Tumlare Corporation, Inc. will be deemed to have accepted the conditions contained herein by submitting a booking deposit.

### CLAIMS

Any claims must be made no later than 1 month after the end of the tour.

### RELEASE

Tumlare Corporation, Inc. retains the right to document tours with still and/or video photography likenesses for promotional publications on-line and in print.

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