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with  
**Charlie Nardozi**  
presents

Exploring  
The Gardens and Food of  
**Barcelona & Provence**

September 16 - 25, 2014

**Departure USA: Tuesday, September 16, 2014**

**Wednesday, September 17, 2014: Barcelona**

Meet gardening expert Charlie Nardozi and your local guide upon arrival at the Barcelona Airport. Barcelona is one of the liveliest cities in all of Europe! We'll see **Las Ramblas Boulevard**, the most famous in Barcelona, dotted with bird and flower stalls, and we'll visit the famous **La Bouqueria Food Market**. Afterward we'll visit the majestic **La Sagrada Familia Cathedral**. In the evening we'll enjoy a dinner together at a local tapas restaurant.

**Meals Included: Dinner**  
**Overnight Barcelona**

**Thursday, September 18, 2014: Barcelona**

This morning we'll explore more of the city. We'll see the Columbus Monument, Parc Montjuic, and UNESCO World Heritage sites linked to Antonio Gaudi including the unconventional Casa Mila building and **Parc Guell**. We'll visit Montjuic Park and Castle with stunning views of the city and the Laribal Gardens. From there we can walk or ride downhill to the new **Barcelona Botanic Garden**, opened less than 20 years ago, focusing on vegetables, medicinal plants, and ornamental plants from other parts of the Mediterranean. Tonight enjoy dinner and an evening of Flamenco.

**Meals Included: Breakfast, Dinner**  
**Overnight Barcelona**

**Friday, September 19: Barcelona**

Today we'll have time to explore more of the city. Barcelona is celebrating a weeklong festival, **Festes de la Mercè**, in honor of their patron saint, Our Lady of Mercy. It opens with giants and dragons in the **Plaça Sant Jaume** and is followed by more than 600 events including dazzling fireworks, mapping projections, free concerts, street theatre, and a heap of activities for children.

*Option:* Visit the **Picasso Museum**, where one of the 20th century's most significant artists is revealed through the genius of the more than 3,800 works that make up the permanent collection. The museum captures Picasso's intimate relationship with Barcelona, a connection that lasted throughout his life.

In the evening we'll take a cooking class and learn about Spanish cuisine.

**Meals Included: Breakfast, Cooking Class with Dinner**  
**Overnight Barcelona**



La Bouqueria Food Market



Parc Guell



Parc Guell



Festes de la Mercè



Cit  de Carcassonne



Marimurtra



La Maison de la Truffe et du Vin



Uzes Medieval Garden



Les Jardin de la Fontaine



Les Confines

### Saturday, September 20: Marimurtra Botanical Garden, Carcassonne

This morning we'll depart Spain and travel north along the coast to France. On the way we'll visit **Marimurtra**, one of the oldest botanical gardens in Europe, established in the early 20th Century by a German botanist. It contains plants from all over the world, divided into three sections (tropical, temperate and Mediterranean). Afterward we continue to **Cit  de Carcassonne**, a medieval fortress settlement with a history that exceeds 2,500 years. Its picturesque fortifications with 52 towers, were reconstructed by Viollet-le-Duc in the 19th century and is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Upon arrival, we'll enjoy a walking tour with our local guide. Afterward check-in to our hotel. Evening is free.

**Meals Included: Breakfast**

**Overnight Carcassonne**

### Sunday, September 21: Saint-R my-de-Provence

This morning we'll check-out of our hotel and go on to visit **Jardin LaBouichere**, a garden of 1,001 scents. Afterward we'll visit the 2013 award-winning garden called **Jardin Saint-Adrien**. Created on the site of a medieval quarry, the garden has been built up around the rock. The main feature of the garden is a large natural lake with rock sides that have been planted with some amazing agaves. We'll continue to **Saint-R my-de-Provence**, check-in to our hotel, and enjoy a walking tour before dinner at a local restaurant.

**Meals Included: Breakfast, Dinner**

**Overnight Saint-R my-de-Provence**

### Monday, September 22: Saint-R my-de-Provence

After a leisurely breakfast we'll depart for **Luberon**, characterized by a series of perched, hilltop villages, dating back 1,000 years or more with famous names like Gordes, Roussillon, Bonnieux, Lacoste and of course, **M nerbes**, the charming town made famous by Peter Mayle's *A Year in Provence* series. We'll explore this stunning region along winding country roads, wandering through the lavender fields and enjoying wine & truffles at **La Maison de la Truffe et du Vin**, where we'll discover the importance of black truffles to Provence. Lunch will be in M nerbes. Afterward we'll visit **La Louve in Bonnieux**, a French contemporary garden laid out in a series of terraces that naturally blend into the native landscape, and **Chateau Val Joanis in Pertuis**, a winery with 17th century French Manor gardens.

**Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Wine Tasting**

**Overnight Saint-R my-de-Provence**

### Tuesday, September 23: Saint-R my-de-Provence

Today we'll enjoy a cooking class with lunch and learn the art of French cooking in Provence. Later in the afternoon we'll visit the **Uzes Medieval Garden** in Uzes, the secret garden tucked within the city that features plants grown during that time period, including medicinal plants. You can climb to the top of the tower for beautiful views of the surrounding countryside. Afterward we'll visit **Les Confines**, a private country estate garden featuring formal gardens, flowers, containers and sensory gardens.

**Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Wine Tasting**

**Overnight Saint-R my-de-Provence**

### Wednesday, September 24: Saint-R my-de-Provence

This morning we'll visit the famous **Open Air Market** which features an endless sprawl of cheeses, olives, veggies, fruits, crafts, and prepared foods all in a colorful, bustling atmosphere. In the afternoon there's an option to visit **N mes** and visit **Les Jardin de la Fontaine**-old Roman gardens and architecture in the middle of this city. Tonight a farewell dinner is planned at the lovely **Le Chateau des Alpilles**.

**Meals Included: Breakfast, Dinner**

**Overnight Saint-R my-de-Provence**

### Thursday, September 25: Departure

This morning after breakfast we check-out of the hotel and depart for the Marseille Airport for our flight back to the USA.

**Meals Included: Breakfast**

## LAND TOUR INCLUSIONS:

- ✿ 3 nights Barcelona, 1 night Carcassonne, 4 nights Saint-Rémy-de-Provence
- ✿ All land tour taxes and service charges
- ✿ Luggage service in Carcassonne & Provence
- ✿ Goodspeed Tour Escort and bi-lingual local guides in Barcelona & Provence to accompany the group
- ✿ Transportation throughout by private coach to all destinations included in the tour
- ✿ Full breakfasts (8) each morning
- ✿ Dinners (3) at local restaurants
- ✿ Dinner (1) & Flamenco evening
- ✿ Lunch (1) in Provence
- ✿ Cooking classes Barcelona with dinner (1) and Provence with lunch (1)
- ✿ Guided tours: Barcelona, Carcassonne, Saint-Rémy-de-Provence

## Visits & Entrances:

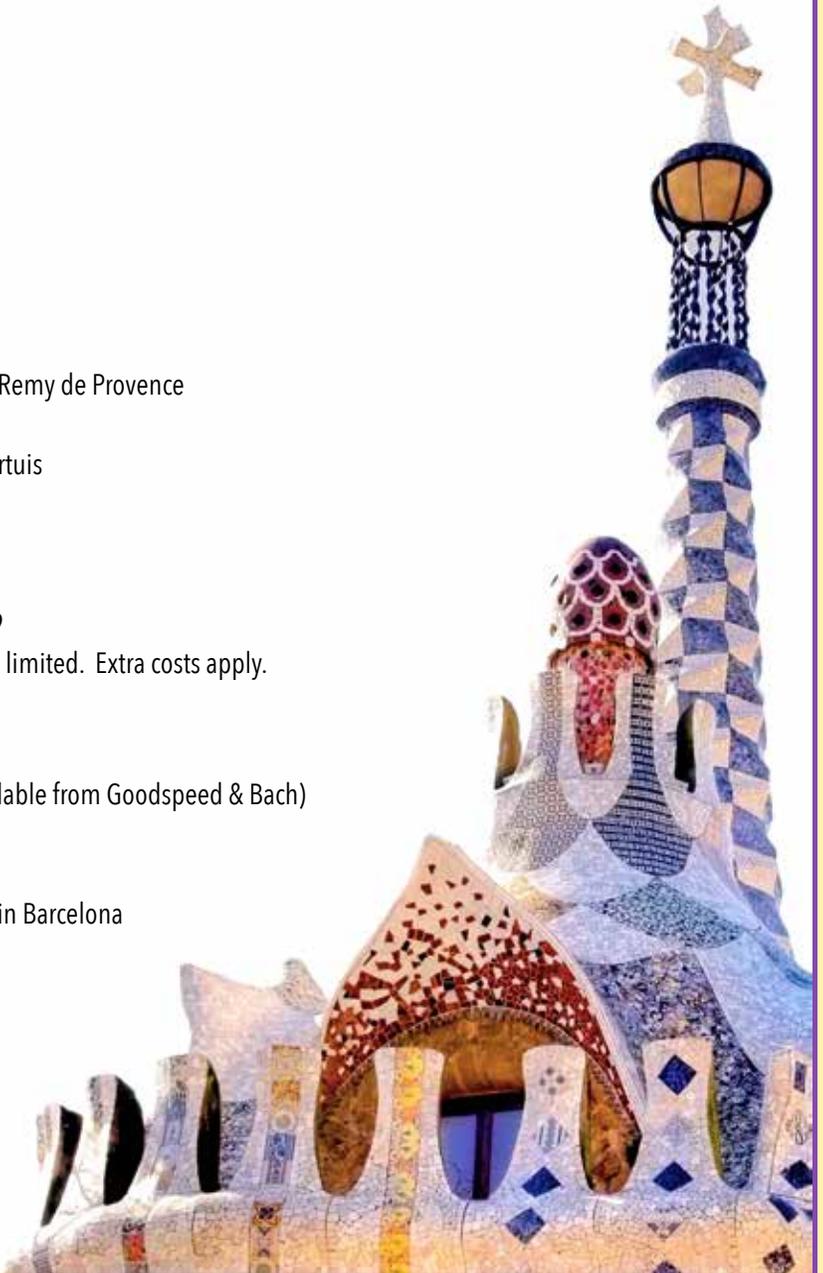
- ✿ Food Market on the Ramblas
- ✿ La Sagrada Familia Cathedral
- ✿ New Botanic Garden of Barcelona
- ✿ Parc Montjuic
- ✿ Parc Guell
- ✿ Food Market on the Ramblas
- ✿ Marimurtra Botanical Gardens
- ✿ Jardin LaBouichere, Limoux
- ✿ Jardin Saint-Adrien
- ✿ Guided Tours of Barcelona, Carcassonne, and St. Remy de Provence
- ✿ Open Air Market Saint-Rémy-de-Provence
- ✿ La Louve in Bonnieux & Chateau Val Joanis in Pertuis
- ✿ The Uzès Medieval Garden & Les Confines
- ✿ Maison de La Truffe/Menerbes Wine

## LAND TOUR COST in Double Occupancy: \$4,989

Single rooms are available upon request and space is limited. Extra costs apply.

## ITEMS NOT INCLUDED or OPTIONAL:

- ✿ Trip insurance (strongly recommended, and available from Goodspeed & Bach)
- ✿ Round trip airfare to Europe
- ✿ Drinks with group lunches and dinners
- ✿ Any events and entrances for Festes de la Mercè in Barcelona
- ✿ Picasso Museum in Barcelona
- ✿ Nîmes excursion & Les Jardin de la Fontaine
- ✿ Any optional excursions
- ✿ Items of a personal nature
- ✿ Gratuities to local guides and bus driver
- ✿ Any items not specifically mentioned above
- ✿ Any tour extensions, before or after the tour



## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Land Deposit Schedule for the VPR traveler

\$1,000 per person deposit is required to book the tour. Final payment due: 65 days prior to departure

### Land Booking Conditions and Refunds

120 days prior to departure: \$100 per person penalty applies

90 days prior to departure: \$1,000 per person penalty applies

65 days prior to departure: No Refunds

**Land Cancellations:** You must advise of all cancellations in writing.

### Administration

This tour of Barcelona and Provence is designed by Vermont Public Radio and Goodspeed & Bach, Inc. to give an in-depth glimpse into the gardens, food, culture, and history of the area. Garden expert Charlie Nardozi will lead the tour. Bi-lingual local guides will accompany the group in Barcelona and Provence. A portion of tour fees benefits Vermont Public Radio, but is not considered a tax-deductible contribution according to IRS regulations.

### Air Travel Arrangements (NOT included in the tour price)

Air Travel arrangements are available from Goodspeed & Bach. A customized air itinerary can also be arranged for those individuals traveling from other cities or planning different travel dates. Travelers have the option to make their own flight arrangements. Arrival city- Barcelona. Departure city- Marseille.

### Accommodations

During the tour, accommodations will be arranged in comfortable hotels in double occupancy rooms with private shower or bath. Single rooms can be arranged for a supplementary fee of \$1,169, and are based upon availability at the time of your request (space is limited). The hotels are selected to provide a balance between central location, excellent service, character, amenities, and price. Each hotel has a unique character which will result in variations in room size, breakfast menu, and some amenities. Circumstances may arise between now and departure where the hotel may be changed. We will do our best to arrange a replacement hotel of the same quality.

### Changes in the Itinerary

VPR and Goodspeed & Bach, Inc. reserve the right to alter the order of events or to make changes deemed necessary for the comfort, convenience, and safety of the participants. Every effort will be made to adhere to the printed itinerary, but weather conditions, transportation difficulties, or other circumstances beyond the control of VPR, Goodspeed and Bach, Inc., and the local suppliers could force the cancellation or substitution of events or specific services.

### Reservation Procedure

To register for the tour, please fill out and return the enclosed registration form along with a per-person deposit of \$1,000. You may also register by phone (toll free 888-446-1789) or email [travel@goodspeedandbach.com](mailto:travel@goodspeedandbach.com). Registrations will be accepted in the order in which they are received. Space is limited.

### Payment Policy & Schedule

Tour payments may be made by check, payable to **Goodspeed & Bach, Inc.** After your initial deposit of \$1,000 the balance payment is due by July 15, 2014. Deposits and payments are refundable if written notice of cancellation is received 120 days or more in advance of departure, less a \$100 per person non-refundable administration fee or 90 days prior to departure - full refund less \$1,000 per traveler. We regret that refunds cannot be made for cancellations less than 65 days prior to the departure date. Travel insurance is highly recommended, and can be purchased at an additional charge through Goodspeed & Bach, Inc. Cancellation charges also apply to additional accommodations reserved prior to, and after, the tour. Goodspeed & Bach, Inc. cannot assume responsibility for any fees relating to the issuance and/or cancellation of air tickets. Full terms and conditions are also available at

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

**VPR TOUR REGISTRATION FORM**  
**Exploring the Gardens and Food of Barcelona & Provence**  
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Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_place(s) for the following individuals

NAME (s) as it appears on your valid passport (please check the expiration date):

D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(days) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Travel companion name(s) on passport \_\_\_\_\_

D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Travel preferences (*please check all that apply*)

- Double occupancy with traveling companion tour cost
- I would like a single room(single room supplement \$1,186 applies)
- I would like to share a room (every effort will be made to help connect you to a traveler to share with)
- I would like Goodspeed & Bach to book my flights round trip
- I will make my own flight arrangements

I (we) have read the itinerary and terms and conditions as found above and also available on [www.goodspeedandbach.com](http://www.goodspeedandbach.com) and agree to abide by all the stipulations contained therein.

**Travel protection is highly recommended and available from Goodspeed & Bach, Inc.**

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_

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DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Please make tour checks payable to **Goodspeed & Bach, Inc.** and mail registration to:

34 Church Street # 5, Burlington, VT 05401

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