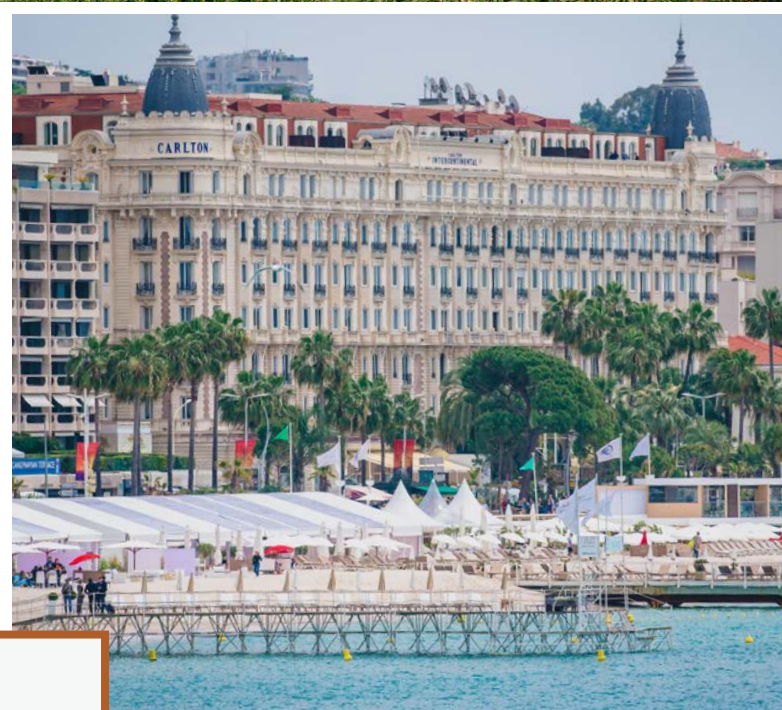
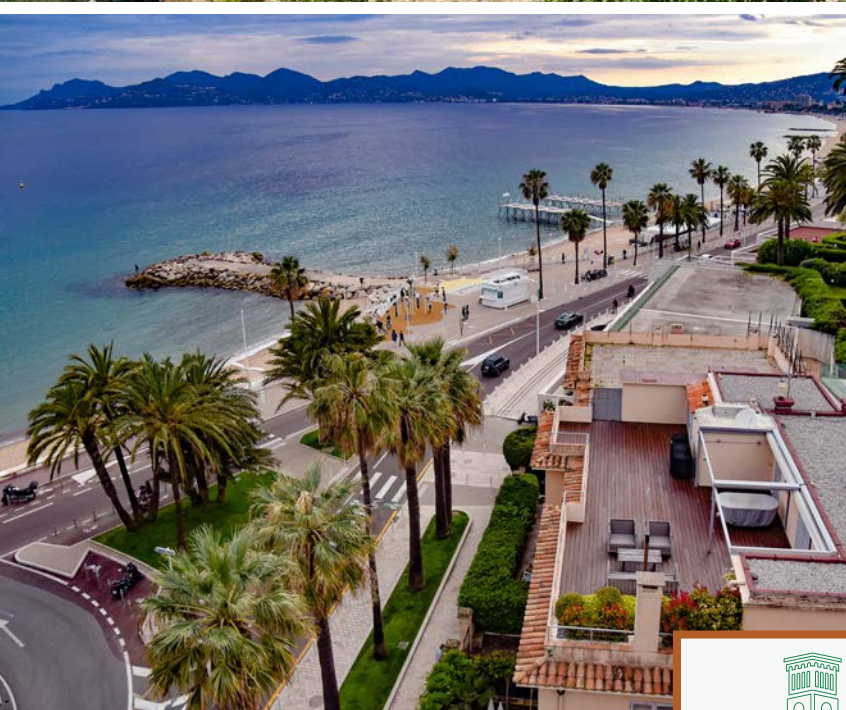




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Since 1946, the Cannes Film Festival has celebrated the art of filmmaking around the globe, becoming one of the most prestigious—and exclusive—annual film events in the world. The Festival has long held a reputation for showcasing a diverse range of independent films and thrusting little-known filmmakers onto the world stage.

Through special accreditation granted to the Chautauqua Institution by the Festival, enjoy access to dozens of screenings of some of the most daring, promising, and topical films of the year. Stay at a hotel just a short walk from the Palais des Festivals and enjoy seven days to attend as many screenings as you wish. With your Festival badge, you'll have access to restricted areas and hear from film professionals about their craft.



## Trip Highlights

- Go behind the scenes of the film industry with Washington Post film critic Ann Hornaday as your Chautauqua Travels Guest Expert
- Take in films from the Official Competition as well as those by up-and-coming filmmakers in the Un Certain Regard competition. Join industry professionals as directors introduce their short films and hear from the creative teams about a newly restored Cannes Classic
- Visit the Film Market where the business of film is conducted and enjoy refreshments at the American Pavilion and tour the International Village - only accessible with your Festival badge
- Learn about the inner workings of the festival from your Chautauqua Travels Expert Marta Lamperova, Vice Dean at FAMU (Europe's top film school) and Artistic Director of Febiofest, Prague International Film Festival
- Gather for a viewing party of the televised festival awards ceremony, including the Palme d'Or
- Through your included membership to the American Pavilion, enjoy the prime beachside location and relax between screenings with a refreshment on the terrace or attend one of the many panels or talks with film industry professionals



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## Itinerary

### Day 1: Arrival in Cannes

Arrive in Cannes today and transfer from the Nice Côte d'Azur airport to the Hôtel Montaigne & Spa, located just a few minutes' walk from the Vieux Port and beaches. Gather with fellow travelers for a welcome reception at the hotel followed by a three-course welcome dinner. You will receive your accreditation badge this evening and can take in a late-night screening if you wish!

**Included Meals:** Reception, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Hôtel Montaigne & Spa

### Day 2: Bienvenue: An Introduction to the Festival

After breakfast this morning, your Chautauqua Travels Expert will offer an introduction to the history and organization of the Cannes Film Festival as well as an overview of the schedule and the featured films. Then head to the Palais des Festivals for a walking orientation of the various Festival venues with your Expert. Following the tour, you are free to pursue films of your choice for the rest of the day. The last showing is at midnight!

**Included Meal:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Hôtel Montaigne & Spa or similar

### Day 3: Cannes Film Festival Screenings & An Insider's Scoop

Review today's screenings with your Chautauqua Travels Expert during breakfast, then set out for the Palais des Festivals to watch as many films as you wish throughout the day. Early in the evening, gather for a presentation by a film professional and private reception exclusively for Chautauqua travelers at the American Pavilion, with a discussion led by Washington Post Film Critic Ann Hornaday. Later, return to the theaters to catch an evening screening.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Reception

**Accommodation:** Hôtel Montaigne & Spa or similar



### **Day 4-5: Cannes Film Festival Screenings**

Enjoy two more full days filled with the screenings of your choice, including those from the Cannes Classics, Un Certain Regard categories, or a series of short films. Between screenings, you may choose to attend information sessions with industry professionals or emerging filmmakers at the American Pavilion. There will be an opportunity to attend a presentation on the key directors and their work at the Festival with your Chautauqua Travels Expert.

In your free time, stroll past the elegant Art Deco hotels and haute couture boutiques along La Croisette, or find a prime people-watching spot to grab a coffee or lunch. Take a walk through the narrow lanes of Le Suquet, Cannes' historic district or, if you wish, take advantage of the spa at the hotel to unwind.

**Included Meal:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Hôtel Montaigne & Spa or similar

### **Day 6: The Wrap Party**

During a leisurely last day in Cannes, gather for a final session with your Chautauqua Travels Expert to share your thoughts, experiences, and film critiques. Celebrate your cinematic discoveries this evening at a farewell dinner followed by a viewing party for Le Palmarès, the Festival's awards ceremony.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Reception, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Hôtel Montaigne & Spa or similar

### **Day 7: Au Revoir**

Depart hotel for individual flights home at Nice Côte d'Azur airport

**Included Meal:** Breakfast



## Your Experts



### Ann Hornaday

Ann Hornaday is a journalist, author and film critic. She is currently the chief film critic for the Washington Post, where she has worked for 20 years. After working at Ms. Magazine as a researcher and editorial assistant, she became a freelance writer in New York City, where she eventually began to write about movies for The New York Times' Arts & Leisure section and other publications. In 1995 she became the movie critic at the Austin American-Statesman in Austin, Texas, where she stayed for two years before moving to Baltimore to be the movie critic at The Baltimore Sun. She was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in criticism in 2008 and is the author of Talking Pictures: How to Watch Movies. Hornaday grew up in Des Moines, Iowa, and graduated cum laude with a degree in government from Smith College. She is a member of the National Society of Film Critics and the Broadcast Film Critics Association.



### Marta Lamperova

Marta Lamperova has attended the Cannes Film Festival for over a decade and has led several student programs. Her background in the world of film provides a unique perspective on the business and its various aspects—from buying and distributing to marketing and production. Marta graduated with a degree in psychology from the Comenius University Bratislava, Slovakia, and a degree in film studies from the University of Fine Arts VMU. She then worked as a production manager and freelance producer for various production companies in Prague before becoming the managing director of Film Europe in 2008. Marta works as a Vice Dean at FAMU (Film and TV School of Academy of Performing Arts), Europe's top film school, and as an Artistic Director of Febiofest, Prague International Film Festival.

# Accommodations

## Hôtel Montaigne & Spa

The Hôtel Montaigne & Spa is stylish, comfortable, and is well-situated in a quiet location off a major boulevard, a 7-minute walk from the heart of Cannes—including the seaside boulevard of La Croisette, the Palais des Festivals, the restaurant-and shop-studded Rue d'Antibes, and the old port and historic district of Le Suquet. The property features a lobby bar, outdoor patio, and breakfast room. The modest-sized rooms are bright and feature modern décor, with hairdryers, safes, and bathrooms of varying size. Views from the rooms are of the small street or overlooking the hotel's sunny interior courtyard. Service is friendly and accommodating, eager to welcome guests during the excitement of the Festival!



## Price:

Double Occupancy: \$7,295 pp

Single Occupancy: \$9,145 pp

Deposit: \$1,000

Program limited to 25 travelers.

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## What's Included

- All accommodations for the duration of the tour
- Meals, as noted in the itinerary
- All sightseeing and visits as noted in the itinerary
- Expertise of a Chautauqua expert, ATA-hired travel director, and local guides throughout the tour
- All gratuities for on-tour guides, drivers, hotel, and restaurant staff as part of the group program
- All on-tour transportation, unless otherwise noted
- A group transfer from the airport for those arriving according to the designated itinerary
- The assistance of an ATA professional travel team to assist with pre-trip questions, travel arrangements, including flights, extra hotel nights and other services
- Comprehensive pre-departure mailings and materials with information about the destination and what to expect on tour, including a suggested reading list
- Emergency evacuation insurance

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