

The background of the advertisement is a photograph of a grand, ornate interior space, likely a palace or museum. Several large, multi-tiered chandeliers with numerous crystal pendants and lit candles are visible, hanging from the ceiling. The architecture features classical columns and intricate carvings, creating a sense of historical grandeur.

# Versailles

## Behind the scenes of the Palace and the little secrets of the Trianons

Luxaviation's Cultural Experiences combine elite private jet services with La Fugue's bespoke exceptional travel experiences in Europe, and well beyond the old continent, to open hidden doors to culture, art, music, architecture, history and heritage.

Since 1980, La Fugue has offered an original and demanding travel concept centered on art, classical music and opera...

**From 16 to 18 October 2020**

*Trip limited to 16 participants maximum*



**LA FUGUE**

Take a peek behind the scenes of the **Palace of Versailles** during a lavish weekend. From musical surprises to exclusive tours of secret places, you will feel like kings and queens in your own palace.

Be the first to discover an exceptional experience: hidden apartments, meetings with the Palace directors, dinners that will surprise and astonish, and more. The promising countertenor **Iurii Iushkevich** and the **Arts Florissants** quartet will provide one of the magnificent musical events on offer.

Our weekend will end on a high note in the unique setting of the **Petit Trianon**. Marie-Antoinette's private estate, specially booked for the occasion, will treat you to the most unforgettable of evenings.

## Your Trip | *Day 1*

### Friday, 16 October - Versailles

Arrival into Le Bourget Airport, Paris and onward transfer to Versailles.

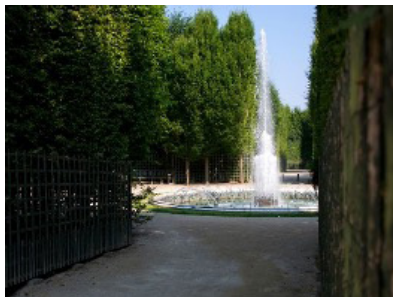
After lunch on the edge of the Canal, we can settle into our rooms at the Trianon Palace.

We will then regroup and head to the Palace of Versailles. Making our way through the gardens, we will see the most distinctive groves before meeting the President of the Palace, Catherine Pégard, and our guide for a private tour of the Palace.

Our journey along the essential sights of the Palace will be punctuated by musical surprises in secret locations closed to the public. From the apartments to the royal chapel, get ready to discover some of the finest achievements in 17<sup>th</sup> century French art.

The walk will end with the historical apartments of the duke of Harcourt, where dinner will be served on-site, prepared by one of our young culinary talents.

Transfer back to our hotel by minibus at the end of the evening.



## Your Trip | *Day 2*

### Saturday, 17 October - Versailles

Departure in the middle of the morning for an exploratory day on the Versailles estate, away from the public crowd.

Following our guide, we will walk to fascinating areas abounding with life: the sprawling gardens, Potager du Roi (King's vegetable garden), and training at the Equestrian Academy (provided Bartabas is there).

We will enjoy a king's picnic in the course of the tour.

In the evening, the Trianon Estate will be all yours. This intimate venue is a majestic space that runs from the French Pavilion to the Queen's Theatre, and a musical surprise will be unveiled along the way. Finally, we will reach the "magical table" for an unforgettable cocktail around the *Temple d'Amour*.

This memorable evening will continue at the Petit Trianon, but that will remain a secret for now...



## Your Trip | *Day 3*

### Sunday, 18 October - Versailles

Departure from the Trianon Palace at the end of the morning.



## Your Artists

### Iurii Iushkevich (Countertenor)

We have come a long way since Alfred Deller! Although the British singer paved the way in the 1950s, countertenors today are each more talented than the last when it comes to singing range and repertoire. The current princes of music – Philippe Jaroussky, Max Emanuel Cencic and Franco Fagioli – naturally come to mind. More recently, Polish singer Jakub Józef Orliński has revitalised the image of the countertenor by combining his singing talent with break dancing. We invite you to discover the Russian talent **Iurii Iushkevich**, an exciting personality in the more recent generation of singers.



This musical prodigy is considered a rising star among the countertenors of tomorrow. With several international awards under his belt, Iurii already reigns supreme in the most prestigious European festivals. We are happy to reveal his talent in the exceptional setting of the Palace of Versailles, before he becomes a household name.

The tremendous **Arts Florissants** string quartet accompanies him with their bright expertise.

### Les Arts Florissants String Quartet

Founded in 1979 by French-American conductor William Christie, **Les Arts Florissants** is one of the most renowned Baroque musical ensembles in the world. Specialised in musical performance on period instruments, Les Arts Florissants has played a pioneering role in the rediscovery and dissemination of 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> century European music, which they strive to bring to the fore on the current scene.



## Your Accommodation

### The Trianon Palace (5-star)

Discover royal luxury at the Waldorf Astoria Trianon Palace Versailles. In the heart of this forest haven, nestled in the peaceful Versailles gardens, savour delicious Michelin-starred cuisine or enjoy an extraordinary experience at the Guerlain Spa.



## Price Per Person

**Double room package: €5,500**

**Supplement for a single room: €380**

The price for this trip includes:

- double room accommodation at the Trianon Palace with breakfast for two nights
- tours, musical surprises, meals (beverages included)
- transfers mentioned in the programme
- tourist tax
- repatriation assistance

A guide will accompany you on this trip.

The price of this trip does not include:

- extras
- transport
- station/airport transfers

Sanitary measures will be followed to protect your safety while ensuring your comfort.