

Camargue

a captivating wonderland



Cruising Suggestions

1 WEEK - ONE WAY TRIP

1 WEEK - RETURN TRIP

■ *St-Gilles/*
Port-Cassafières OR VICE VERSA

Canal du Rhône à Sète

Cruise past the peaceful reed marshes of **St Gilles** and discover the salt fields around **Aigues Mortes**. Try to spot one of the Camargue's 'Guardians', who look after the free roaming bulls and horses. Moor in the sea side town of **Palavas** and soak up the sunshine on the golden beach. Take a trip around the famous Noilly Prat cellars in **Marseillan**. Spend time exploring **Agde**, one of France's oldest towns.

■ *St-Gilles/Étang de Thau*

Canal du Rhône à Sète

The 13th century fortified town of **Aigues Mortes** remains largely intact and is a joy to explore. A vibrant centre for summer festivities, moor close to the ramparts for an unrivalled view. Tie up in the town of **Carnon** and take a short walk to the beautiful beaches. Discover the shaded alleys of **Frontignan**, a lovely spot for an aperitif of local Muscat. Visit **Bouzigues** on the **Étang de Thau** to indulge in a dish of fresh seafood.

Cruising hints

The warm climate in Camargue allows for cruising from very early through to very late in the season. It is an easy area to navigate, with only two locks, so is perfect for those people new to canal cruising.

109 km • 2 locks • 20 hr one way cruising time

146 km • no locks • 27 hr round trip cruising time



Famous for enjoying the most sunshine in France, the Camargue is one of the country's most remarkable regions. Pink clouds of flamingos, herds of wild white horses and jet black bulls pepper the landscape which changes from reed marshes to vineyards and fishing villages as you cruise along. The beautiful walled city of Aigues Mortes entices you to step back in time and the immense expanse of the Etang de Thau saltwater lake simply must be explored. With the canal opening in the Spring and closing in Autumn, it's the perfect choice for those wanting to escape the crowds and enjoy some laid back cruising in the glorious Southern sun.



Flavours of the region



Tuck into a dish of filling beef casserole accompanied by long grain Camargue rice or discover an abundance of tempting fresh oysters and plump mussels. Wash dinner down with a refreshing glass of local wine such as Listel Rose or Costieres de Nimes.