

# AIRELLES

CHÂTEAU DE VERSAILLES

# **BUCKET-LIST EXPERIENCES**

History buffs and those inspired by the recent BBC and Canal+ series, Marie-Antoinette, can follow in the footsteps of the iconic Queen and King Louis XVI by booking a stay at the prestigious Airelles Château de Versailles, Le Grand Contrôle. The only hotel located within the grounds of the Palace of Versailles, Le Grand Contrôle is a truly bucket-list experience offering exclusive access to Le Petit Trianon and the Palace of Versailles. To enhance the experience, Airelles has launched two unmissable opportunities for guests to further immerse themselves in the fascinating history of the world famous gilded royal Château.



### 24<sup>TH</sup> OF FEBRUARY

Behind the scenes of the Royal Opera

During the weekend of 24<sup>th</sup> February only, guests will have the opportunity to go behind the scenes of the majestic Versailles Royal Opera which is not normally accessible to the public. The recently renovated Royal Opera at Versailles was originally built to commemorate the forthcoming wedding of the future King Louis XVI and Marie-Antoinette under the direction of architect Ange-Jacques Gabriel. At the time of its inauguration in 1770, the theatre was the largest concert hall in Europe. Guests will visit the Royal Opera and then move onto the Hall of Mirrors and King Louis XV's private apartments.

A culinary highlight of the weekend will be the decadent five-course Royal Feast of the Cent Marches, reminiscent of the King's royal banquets, masterminded by the internationally-acclaimed chef Alain Ducasse. The restaurant team clad in period costume will serve an array of gold, silver or vermeil dome-covered dishes. Musical interludes will create a truly regal atmosphere.

Ideal for a late Valentine's escape, the two-night 'Romance in Versailles' Package is valid between 24-26<sup>th</sup> February only.

In addition to exclusive access to the Trianon Domain, the Palace of Versailles and the Orangery gardens, the package includes:

- A two-night stay with breakfast
- A bottle of Rosé Champagne and chocolates on arrival
- A 60-minute spa treatment each at the hotel's Valmont Spa
- An "à la carte" dinner on 24th February
- The baroque Royal Feast with live music on the evening of 25th February
- Personal butler service
- Marie-Antoinette sweet Afternoon Tea
- Organic gourmet minibar
- Access to the Valmont spa
- Golf carts to discover the gardens

Rates start from 2'000€ and are based on a double occupancy. Offer based on availability.





# 17<sup>TH</sup> OF JUNE

The Grand Masked Ball at the Palace of Versailles

King Louis XIV or the Sun King was famous for throwing the most lavish of parties. On Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2023, Airelles is offering guests the opportunity to experience a truly magical modern day celebration with an exclusive access-all-areas package. As in true Louis XIV style, only the most exquisite Baroque costumes and masks will do.

Now in its eleventh year, The Grand Masked Ball is an annual celebration that is one of The events on the European summer calendar. Taking place in the spectacular setting of the Orangery and the gardens against the backdrop of The Palace, guests will enjoy an unforgettable evening filled with colour and music including numerous performances. The DJs will begin at 23:30 with the party continuing until sunrise. Dress up in they favourite baroque costume and mask, guests will become part of Versailles' most unforgettable night.

In addition to exclusive access to the Trianon Domain, the Palace of Versailles and the Orangery gardens, the Grand Masked Ball package includes:

- A two-night stay with breakfast including two 'fantastique' category tickets for the Grand
- Masked Ball which includes access to the best seats in the VIP area, in front of the stage, a reserved table, buffet and unlimited champagne
- One dinner for two in the Michelin-starred Alain Ducasse restaurant
- The services of a personal butler
- Marie-Antoinette style afternoon tea experience
- A generous, organic minibar
- Golf carts to discover the gardens

Rates start from 5'000€ and are based on a double occupancy. Offer based on availability.





# **About Airelles**

A legacy of French refinement, Airelles offers experiences of the finest French hospitality and the art of living well at carefully curated stately homes and grand residences, by welcoming guests with the warmth, kindness and generosity of a family home.

The Airelles collection comprises Les Airelles (Courchevel), Airelles Val d'Isère, La Bastide (Gordes), Château de la Messardière, Pan Deï Palais (Saint-Tropez), Le Grand Contrôle (Château de Versailles) and Château d'Estoublon (Les Baux-de-Provence).

Looking to the future, Airelles hopes to create a remarkable and exclusive collection of luxury hotels in France and abroad. Projects in the pipeline include: a property in Venice in 2025 which will mark the brand's first property outside of France.

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