## Join us on a Sacred Retreat...







## MAGDALENE CODES

# BLACK, MAGENTA AND WHITE MADONNAS

GRAIL HAVEN RETREAT in the SOUTH OF FRANCE 3<sup>rd</sup> JUNE TO 17<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025

RETREAT AT GRAIL HAVEN en FRANCE

SPIRITUAL EDUCATION AND HEALING CENTRE

Celebrate the high vibrational healing and inspiration of the South of France. Ancient mysteries and wisdoms are encoded here, steeped in a long history of spiritual enlightenment that was maintained by the French Mystery Schools. 'The Divine Feminine' has for centuries been enshrined in this land. It is in the caverns and caves, sacred springs and Celtic rivers, and other places of power and pilgrimage. Deeply experience the three manifestations of the goddess:

MAGENTA MADONNA
Mary Magdalene
Druid Forest of Baume

WHITE MADONNA
Virgin Mary
Lourdes

BLACK MADONNA Female Deity Rocamadour Your RETREAT LEADERS are knowledgeable about every aspect of this sacred journey, having led people here and other places of world pilgrimage for 28 years.

GERALDINE TAYLOR-WOOD; experienced the presence of Mary Magdalene in several mystical visions. Secret teachings have been passed on to her, and she has taught them at conferences and workshops around the world.

RICHARD DE WELLES is an international artist, crystal healer and teacher.

Together they have lovingly restored their centuries old Grail Haven property in a unique village in the Languedoc, with a wealth of mystical places including Cathar Castles nearby.



#### GRAIL HAVEN EN FRANCE RETREAT CENTRE

The 5 centuries old Retreat Centre, where you will stay, has been transformed into a luminescent healing and spiritual education centre.

For several days you will be on Retreat here.

Geraldine and Richard live half the year here in France and half the year at Grail Haven, Mt Tamborine, Australia.

Geraldine says, "We work with small intimate groups catering for individual needs. Many return to come with us again and again, which is a wonderful compliment".

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### **ITINERARY**

June 3rd: - Arrive TOULOUSE Airport

MARY MAGDALENE - We travel to the beautiful, mountainous Forest of Baume, A Druid forest, Magdalene was said to have lived here and her Ascension was recognized here. She is the Patron Saint of the South of France.



We visit her relics in the mystical Cave of Solitude. Her relics were authenticated by Rome in the 11<sup>th</sup> Century, and since then this has been a major pilgrimage site of outstanding beauty.

Also a quiet day to spend in the town of Arles, where you can visit the Museum of Art, the Van Gogh Centre, or just stroll along the banks of the river Rhone, where Magdalene was said to enter France

#### GRAIL HAVEN CENTRE, ESCALES, LANGUEDOC

Nestled amidst vineyards and edged by mountains, we stay in the ancient conservation village of Escales. A stunning Labyrinth has been built in our garden modelled on the Chartres Cathedral, Paris, Labyrinth. It has been built out of terracotta tiles from the 8<sup>th</sup> Century Abbey of Lagrasse and is listed on the World Labyrinth site. We dine 'al fresco' in the rose and lavender gardens with rare species of birds under starlit heavens.





GRAIL HAVEN EN FRANCE - ESCALES PROGRAMME

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR - En route from Arles to Escales we visit the spectacular fortress port, built for the Crusades AIGUES MORTES and beautifully preserved for over 800 years.

NOTRE DAME DU CROS - is a little known place of sacred waters. A vision of Magdalene sanctified the healing waters that spring from the ground. Its power and beauty is enhanced by a small chapel and a woodland pathway with the Stations of the Cross. Here we take the water for healing and drinking back to Escales.

#### THE MEDIEVAL CITY OF CARCASSONNE

Carcassonne is the oldest, working, medieval City in all of Europe. Chapels, and battlements grace this stunning World Heritage site. Its narrow, cobbled streets are alive with gypsy music and lined with fabulous arts and crafts shops. And, of course, delicious French food!

#### **RENNES LE CHATEAU**

This extraordinary place is described as the 'greatest mystery of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century'! It is featured in the Da Vinci Code and literally hundreds of other books. The Church of Mary Magdalene holds many mysteries and secrets, a holy gem in the Occitaine.

#### THE HEALING BLACK MADONNA OF ROCAMADOUR

Once the third most important Pilgrim site in all of Christendom, Rocamadour is



set high in a stunning mountainous gorge. Here healing Black Madonna experienced by many of our groups, some finding the experience literally overwhelming. Her healing powers are celebrated by numerous plagues on the wall of the Basilica, giving thanks for her healing help over the centuries. A remarkable and heavenly place, this is an ancient pilgrim site with a powerful energy. It's so transcendent that many have experienced deep healing before her. Alongside, in a steep terrace, lies a sacred woodland labyrinth holding sculptures depicting the Stations of the Cross. Many of our people have walked this barefoot and felt "lifted to heaven".

ALET LE BAIN is a CELTIC RIVER OF BAPTISM we visit nearby where Magdalene is said to have baptised in the name of the Christ.

#### THE HEALING SANCTUARY OF LOURDES

Once a Cathar stronghold, the vibrant River of Lourdes, with white rushing waters from the snowy Pyrenees, flows through this town. Here St Bernadette received 17 visions of the Virgin Mary who guided her to reveal the sacred springs that have produced countless miraculous healings to this day. Here the inspiration of the Divine Mother is so powerful, 6 million visitors come each year to partake of its healing waters. You may choose to immerse yourself in the baths hewn from solid rock in the grottos. Geraldine has described the feeling after bathing here as like being "loved by a thousand mothers". This Sanctuary holds great love, devotion and high vibrational energy. Your experience will be as unique as you are, surrounded here by centuries of love, faith and belief.

#### RETURN TO TOULOUSE AIRPORT.

Your journey has ended, but its effects will continue for some time to come. Alison said: "The experiences have stayed with me and given me extra spiritual depth and visible joyfulness. I really feel I cope with problems much better now". Many who have come have found that pain and illness has been alleviated as a result of this unique and wonderful journey.

Gerry and Richard's sacred journeys have taken place for over 25 years. They have followed in the footsteps of Pilgrims, Saints and Martyrs through the British Isles, France, Italy, Greece and across the Holy Lands. Many who have come have experienced renewed inspiration and healing, helped greatly by guides who know this country well. Geraldine is an author, yoga teacher, astrologer, and international conference lecturer. Richard is an international lecturer, teacher, artist, dowser and crystal healer. Together they share an abiding passion for Europe's sacred and holy places of power.

This unique Retreat will give you the opportunity to absorb spiritual energy, open to profound healings and teachings for renewal and transformation.

\* This is an alchemical journey of transformation and healing.

#### HOTELS

HOTEL DU MUSEE:- Arles, Provence - We have used this charming, typically FrenchHotel for many years. It has 500 year old features and beautiful gardens where you can enjoy a snack surrounded by Geraniums, cascading Bougainvilleas and Jasmine.

HOTEL LION D'OR: - Rocamadour - The best Hotel in Rocamadour in the centre of the village, with old world French features like a room of copper ware and open fire places. The Restaurant boasts local cuisine and the window seats look down over the beautiful, woodland gorge.

HOTEL SAINT GEORGE:- Lourdes - Within easy walking distance of the famous Lourdes grotto, river and Basilica, this Hotel is a perfect place to relax and reflect.

#### RETREAT DAYS AT ESCALES

A full Programme of the days in Escales will be available.

Yoga, Meditation, Pranayama - Astrology - Crystal Healing and more will be on the Programme.

## **HOW DO I ENQUIRE FURTHER OR BOOK?**

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Retreat Includes: All accommodation - Breakfast - All food at Grail Haven Centre - Group transport - Entrance Fees - All activities and well-researched talks, workshops and sharing of knowledge.
\*Daily Programme available.

Not included: Evening Meals at Hotels only - Personal Travel Insurance.

PRICING: Based on Twin Share - Single rooms available at Hotels by request - \$ 6,950 if paid by 1<sup>st</sup> March, \$7,500 after 1<sup>st</sup> March Deposit of \$2,000 on booking. \*Personal insurance not included.

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