

# FASHION, TEXTILES, AND SILK PAINTING IN FRANCE

## LYON AND BURGUNDY REGION, FRANCE

### COCHENILLE DESIGN STUDIO

JUNE 2ND - 12TH, 2025 \$1700

LOCATION: LYON AND BURGUNDY REGION, FRANCE

This year we are combining our days of exploring Lyon with days of textile and garment design and Silk Painting in Burgundy with textile artist Nadja Lancelot.

Our France retreat will begin in Lyon exploring its deep silk and textile heritage. We will have a variety of appointments and excursions. Of course, we cannot help but enjoy the cuisine, as Lyon is France's leading culinary capital. We will provide some workshop time both in Lyon and Burgundy to aid you in your creative process with garment/pattern design. If you are new to design, fear not, we will guide you along.

### LYON... JUNE 2ND - 6TH, 2025

Plan to arrive on June 2nd for a wine and appetizer orientation meeting at Susan's apartment. Commencing June 3rd, we will be ready to explore the city. We will learn about the silk history of Lyon and browse the old city as well as the newer areas to enjoy French fashions. We are privileged to have been granted the opportunity to visit Hermès headquarters near Lyon to view their process for printing silk scarves.

*Lyon Exploration will include an assortment of the following:*

- Visit to Silk and Weaving facilities in Lyon
- A visit to Hermès production facility outside of Lyon to view their silk printing process
- Screen and Block Printing Demonstration at a local Atelier
- Dinner with a French Chef in his historic home (once owned by Napoleon's mistress!)
- Walking Tour of Lyon
- Visits to Artisan Studio/Shops
- Design Workshop to discuss inspiration and design in preparation for our projects in Burgundy
- Fabric/Yarn/Trim Shopping for our Garment Project

### SILK PAINTING AND GARMENT DESIGN IN BUXY, BURGUNDY, JUNE 6TH - 12TH

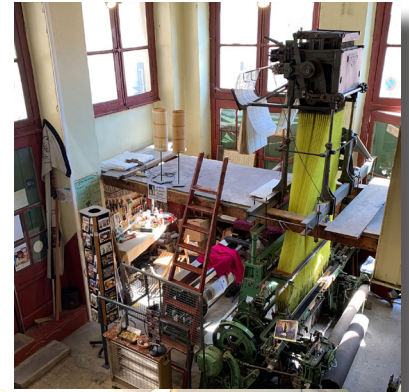
Explore silk painting in the heart of beautiful Burgundy. On the 6th, we will transfer by train to Nadja's vintner estate home in Buxy. There we will combine planning engineered design with painting with liquid dyes on luscious silk. Projects will include hand-painting a silk scarf and a unique hand-painted panel which will be incorporated into a garment you design either with Garment Designer (for those who own it) or your own pattern. You will come away with 2-3 pieces of your own.

In addition to the textile art, we will also tour the local sights in Burgundy and experience some top-notch French dining.



*Activities will include:*

- Tour of the Nadja's vintner property
- Introduction to an assortment of silk painting techniques
- Handpainting a *Silk Scarf* and a unique *Design Panel* for use in a garment
- Workshops with Susan, focusing on garment design as well as incorporating unique panels into a paper pattern, and thus a garment. Additional design techniques for garments.
- Tour of the region, vines, winery, the lavoires (laundry washing stations of yore), the local milliner, and more
- Wine Tasting in Burgundy



*The maximum group size is 5 people.*

You should be in good health and relatively fit. Lyon is a walking city, but it has hills and steps in the old areas. It is possible to take taxis/Uber, but walking and public transport are the norm for the locals, as it generally is for us.

**COSTS:**

**Tuition: \$1700**

**This will include:**

- All tuition including workshops and special visits with local artists/companies or textile/fabric merchants
- Visit to Hermès headquarters on the outskirts of Lyon.
- Entrances to an assortment of museums and businesses related to fashion, textiles, silk, and art.
- Walking Tour of Lyon
- Public transportation in Lyon
- Train to and from Buxy (in Burgundy)
- Silk and supplies for creating two silk projects.
- One dinner, lunches while in Buxy. Breakfast is included with the room.

**The tuition does NOT include:**

- Airfare
- Housing in Lyon or Buxy. (see the next page)
- Taxis/Uber opted for by choice in lieu of walking/public transit
- Lunches and Dinners in Lyon (other than one Chef dinner meal)
- Dinners in Buxy (other than the first night)

Students who would like to design their silk panel garment with Garment Designer pattern making software will need a portable computer with the pattern software installed in advance. Students who don't want to work with software will need to bring a few standard patterns that will be flexible for change. A supply list will be sent later.

**Payments**

A deposit of \$500 will be required to hold your place. The balance of \$1200 will be due April 15, 2025, although you can pay this at any time.





### Cancellation/Refund Policy

- Please review the information on the Registration form for a full understanding of our cancellation/refund policy.

### HOUSING:

#### Lyon

- Housing is **not** included.
- There are options to stay in apartments (VRBO or AirBNB), a Bed and Breakfast, or a hotel. We can assist you in locating your housing. Susan has space in her AirBnb apartment for two additional people for those who are looking to share.
- We would estimate that you should plan for around 75 Euros per person per night in a shared apartment. (4 night stay)

#### Buxy, Burgundy

- The Vintner's Bed and Breakfast is 100 euros per night which includes your breakfast. This you will pay to Nadja directly. (6 night stay)

### AIRFARE:

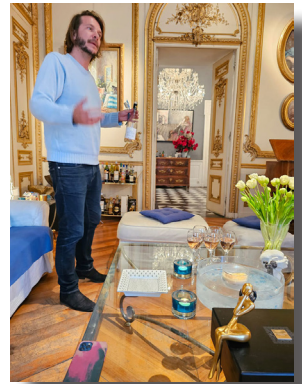
We leave this up to individuals, as some people are using miles, some want flexibility, and mostly, you all will be coming from different places. You can fly directly into Lyon on various major airlines using their local partners, or other airlines (e.g. Ryan Air).

OR: You can fly into Paris and take the train to Lyon (from Gare de Lyon). Train travel in France is excellent.

Feel free to email Susan with questions. We are also happy to talk on the phone.

Susan's email is [susan@cochenille.com](mailto:susan@cochenille.com)

Reservations will be first come-first served. Please complete the Registration form and send it in to us as soon as you can to confirm your space, or call our office at 858-259-1698.



The Vintner Estate Home in Buxy

