

## My French Voyage in Burgundy

Located in Central Eastern France, Burgundy is an open invitation to discovery, taste and sharing. With beautiful scenery, UNESCO World Heritage sites, exceptional food and the oldest wine trail in France it is one of our favourite regions to explore.

Whilst it is well known all over the world for its famous vineyards, we want to show you that the Burgundy region has much more than just wine to offer.

If you are wanting to visit a beautiful region with stunning countryside landscapes dotted with tiny villages, some of them "*Plus Beaux Villages de France*", in a place that is away from the crowds and authentic, this tour is for you.

## Your Gourmet Adventure in Burgundy

Burgundy is a major centre for wine and gastronomy and we guarantee it will stimulate your senses as we spend 7 days experience the best food and wine this region has to offer, including:

- A visit to **Halles de Dijon** (covered market) built in 1868 by the Eiffel Company, and enjoy a very special **wine tasting**.
- Discover the **Dijon mustard**. We will visit the mustard producer Fallot, the last company still making mustard in the traditional way!
- Enjoy **Pain d'épices** de Dijon, known as ginger and honey bread, with a visit to the company Mulot & Petitjean, a traditional family business and heir to an ancestral expertise that has endured since 1796.
- **Enjoy cheese!** What visit to France wouldn't be complete without cheese? We will taste the **Époisses**, made from lactic curd and featuring a washed crust. We will introduce you to Olivier, one of the country's best producers. We will also have a tasting of the **cheese de l'Abbaye de Citeaux**, produced by monks.
- We will introduce you to **local produce** and let you experience food such as **charolles beef** and **chicken bresse**.
- You will visit **restaurants away from the tourist traps**, offering the so called "*menus bourguignons*". One of our visit will be to Martial's restaurant, who has taken **the art of bistro cuisine** to the next level. An example from the three-course lunch menu: "an island of whipped cream floating proudly atop a Maranges-white asparagus velouté, with bacon crispies tizer; excellent shredded suckling pig in a fig leaf *jus*, with mashed potatoes".
- Drink the **very best organic wines** from the region!

- Visit legendary Bruno's Wine Bar with outstanding cheese and **charcuterie platters** featuring **Saint-Marcellin** from La Mère Richard, **Boudin Noir** from Christian Parra, Emilia or Angelachu **tuna belly**, and **Rosette** made from the owner's pigs!
- Visit le **Bistrot Lucien in Gevrey Chambertin**.
- Michelin star Chef and your host, Francois, will also cook every dinner for you and with you (for those who want) incorporation local recipes with seasonal products picked up daily from the local markets and local producers. If you would like to prepare a special dish or have a special request for dinner one evening – we would love to do that for you, so just let us know and we can make it happen.

## Your Backroad Adventure in Burgundy

September is harvest month and therefore a beautiful time to be in Burgundy.

We will follow the route of the **Grands Crus de Bourgogne**, the “Champs-Élysées” of Burgundy.

We will also take you on a journey to **the Côte de Nuits**, which extends from the south of Dijon to prestigious hillside that is home to villages bearing the names of the greatest red wines in the world: **Chambertin, Clos de Vougeot, Romanée-Conti** and many more.

The **Côte de Beaune** follows on from the Côte de Nuits towards the south. This soil is blessed with the Chardonnay grape and is where the greatest dry white wines in the world are produced and we can't wait for you to experience this very special place.

Burgundy is also home to amazing **history and heritage**. Cities well preserved such as **Dijon**, the capital of the ancient Duchy of Burgundy, and **Beaune** are definitely deserve a visit. In Beaune we will make sure that you don't miss the **Hospices**, an emblematic example of 15th century Flamboyant Gothic architecture and we will have some time to go for a stroll through the old medieval town.

If you are interested and the time permitted we will also visit the **Abbey Church of Cluny** and contemplate the religious heritage of the Burgundy. Cluny's Abbey was founded in 910 by Guillaume d'Aquitaine and construction was completed in the mid 12th century. For five hundred years, until Saint Peter's in Rome was built, the Abbey Church of Cluny was the largest religious building in Europe (177m long) and it has produced a number of Popes.

And of course, there will be time for some shopping. Why not bring back an authentic **Dijon mustard** or a **Crème de cassis liqueur** to serve the famous French kir and share a piece of Burgundy with your friends at home?

## Your Accommodation in Burgundy

*Your home away from home in Burgundy is a luxurious manor, set amongst a vineyard.*

Our accommodation for our week in Burgundy is a premium manor, located in a classified wine village in the very heart of the wine-producing region. You will always be close to the wineries, Dijon or Beaune towns, allowing you to truly make the most of your time in stunning Burgundy.

The manor is comfortable and offers authentic luxury, surrounded by **2.5 acres of green space and vines**. It features **6 spacious bedrooms, 5 with an en suite bathroom** and 2 living rooms with fireplace.

It has a large and very well equipped kitchen and will give us the opportunity to extend your cooking knowledge and have a lot of fun together!

## What is included in your tour of Burgundy?

- 7 nights accommodation in a beautiful manor house, surrounded by vineyard
- Twin share room and private bathroom
- 5 restaurant lunches and 7 dinners, as well as continental breakfast included every day
- Coffees/ Teas daily
- Regional and French wines with all your meals
- Michelin star Chef, Francois, cooks every dinner for you and with you (for those who want)
- Five full day tours of visiting stunning little villages and gourmet experiences in Burgundy
- Entry fees to local attractions whenever they apply
- Free transport to and from the local Beaune train station on arrival and departure
- Free Wi-Fi in accommodation
- We will give you advice on reaching and leaving the Beaune train station, in order for you to be relaxed about your arrival and departure
- A pre-departure briefing, either in person if in Perth, Western Australia or via phone or skype, to discuss travel arrangements for the tour

As with all of our tours, Wednesday of our week together is a free day in which you can explore this beautiful region on your own. Visit the museums, shops and galleries of your choice and walk around at your own pace. As always, we are more than happy to provide advice and suggestions for your day if required!

If you want continue your trip, the Lyon and Alpes region are just next door and these famous mountains well known for skiing are also stunning Summer destinations.

For more details email [info@myfrenchvoyage.com.au](mailto:info@myfrenchvoyage.com.au) or phone Francois on 61 (0)459 631 228

### **The Tour Details**

> Just 8 places available

> 2350€ (approximately AUD\$3400) per person twin share and 2800€ (approximately AUD\$4050) per person for a single (all inclusive, the only thing you need to arrange is your flights and we can help if required)

> Next tours: 14<sup>th</sup> of September until 21<sup>st</sup> of September 2019

> 2020 Tour Dates: 19<sup>th</sup> of September until 26<sup>th</sup> of September 2020

**BON VOYAGE!**