





### TOUR ITINERARY



Europe / France / Burgundy

# **Burgundy Bike Tour**

Côte-d'Or Along the Route des Grands Crus

### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Taste sparkling Crémant, Chardonnay, and Pinot Noir with local winemakers
- Visit the Hospices de Beaune, a UNESCO-listed example of Burgundian architecture and home of the world's most famous wine auction
- Cycle la Route des Grands Crus, lined with the most esteemed vineyards of the region
- Spoil your palate with a Michelin-starred meal at Relais Bernard Loiseau











#### ARRIVAL + DEPARTURE

#### **Arrival Details**

- Airport City: Paris, France
- Pick-Up Location: Dijon Train Station
- Pick-Up Time: 11:00 am

## **Departure Details**

- **Airport City**: Paris, France
- **Drop-Off Location:** Dijon Train Station
- **Drop-Off Time:** 12:00 pm

NOTE: DuVine provides group transfers to and from the tour from the pick-up and drop-off locations stated on the itinerary. In the event your train, flight, or other travel falls outside the arrival or departure times or locations, you may be responsible for extra costs incurred in arranging a separate transfer.

## **Emergency Assistance**

For urgent assistance on your way to tour or while on tour, please always contact your guides first. You may also contact the Boston office during business hours at +1 617 776 4441 or emergency@duvine.com





## Tour By Day



# Bienvenue en Burgundy

Your guides will greet you at the train station in Dijon before an essential bike fitting and safety talk. Set off on our first scenic spin to Château Commarin, a *domaine* that has remained in the same family for an impressive 26 generations, dating back to 1214. Enjoy lunch at a typical local *auberge* before we continue riding through the Burgundian countryside. Pedal alongside the famous Canal de Bourgogne which connects Burgundy to Paris and is one of the most attractive canals in France. Finish on relatively flat terrain all the way to our luxurious accommodation at Abbaye de la Bussière, where we will spend two nights. This evening we're treated to a meal prepared especially for us by the hotel chef. *Bonne dégustation!* 

Meals: Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Dijon, Commarin, Échannay, Saint-Victor-sur-Ouche, La Bussière-sur-Ouche

Accomplished: 18 miles / 30 km, elevation gain: 1,489 feet / 454 meters

Accommodations: Abbave de la Bussière



## La Route de Grands Crus in the Côte d'Or

After breakfast at the hotel, cycle from the Canal de Bourgogne up to the forest of the Hautes-Côtes de Nuits before descending into the heart of the world's most renowned vineyards. Our journey along the Route des Grands Crus will showcase the esteemed beginnings of some of history's most famous wines. Stop in Gevrey-Chambertin to taste robust red wines (famously favored by Napoleon Bonaparte himself) before a wine-paired lunch prepared by our winemaking friend, Christine Drouhin. After lunch, continue along the Route des Grands Crus through wine villages and estates like Chambolle-Musigny, Échezeaux, and Romanée-Conti. Explore one of the vineyards where Burgundy winemaking began in Clos de Vougeot, then finish the ride in Nuits-Saint-Georges, the birthplace of Chevaliers du Tastevin—a prestigious society of Burgundy wine connoisseurs. Ride the rest of the way to the hotel, or opt for a lift back in the van. This evening, visit the charming village of Châteauneuf and dine at the helm a chef who was awarded France's best artisan of the year.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Gevrey-Chambertin, Chambolle-Musigny, Morey-Saint-Denis, Vosne-Romanée,

Nuits-Saint-Georges, La Bussière-sur-Ouche

**Accomplished:** 31 miles / 50 km, elevation gain: 2,313 feet / 705 meters **Longer Option:** 49 miles / 79 km, elevation gain: 4,229 feet / 1,289 meters

Accommodations: Abbaye de la Bussière



## Côte de Nuits to Côte de Beaune

Start your day with a typical French breakfast before exploring the renowned Grands Crus vineyards. Traverse the initial ascent and then descend along peaceful roads towards the Côte de Nuits. Along the way, pass through Corton-Charlemagne, named after the French king who held a deep affection for the region's vineyards. Burgundy's beautiful tiled roofs lead the way to Savigny-lès-Beaune where we join Greg, a friend and passionate *vigneron*, at his home. Here we'll enjoy a generous tasting of sparkling Crémant de Bourgogne before we ride a few more miles to medieval Beaune for a bistro lunch in the *centre-ville*. After, visit the Hôtel-Dieu, a charity hospital founded in 1443 and one of the finest examples of 15th-century French architecture. Tonight, your guides will stroll with you to the home of our friend, Chef Adeline, for an intimate evening of food and wine.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Magny-lès-Villers, Pernand-Vergelesses, Savigny-lès-Beaune, Beaune

Accomplished: 23 miles / 37 km, elevation gain: 1,804 feet / 550 meters

Accommodations: Le Cep or Le Cèdre or L'Hotel de Beaune



## Explore the Hautes-Côtes and Côte de Beaune

Fuel up with a lovely breakfast at the hotel before cycling through the picturesque villages of the French countryside. Pedal through the charming hamlet of Orches and admire the Château de La Rochepot. Once in Nolay, take a quiet bike path to Santenay, the most southern wine-producing village of the Côte de Beaune. Stop and taste Premier Crus in the 15th-century vaulted cellar of a biodynamic wine estate before riding to our lunch spot for a gourmet picnic prepared by the guides. An afternoon spin through iconic wine towns, including Chassagne-Montrachet, Puligny-Montrachet, and Meursault, will lead us back to Beaune. The evening is yours to enjoy one of the many excellent restaurants in town.

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch

Destinations: Beaune, Saint-Romain, Orches, La Rochepot, Saint-Aubin, Santenay, Chassagne-

Montrachet, Puligny-Montrachet, Meursault, Volnay, Pommard

Accomplished: 33 miles / 54 km, elevation gain: 2,277 feet / 694 meters

Accommodations: Le Cep or Le Cèdre or L'Hotel de Beaune

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# The Canal de Bourgogne

After a generous *petit dejeuner* within the old stone walls of our hotel, we'll get back on our bikes and head further into the hills of the Hautes-Côtes de Beaune to reach the famous Canal de Bourgogne. The grand finale is a one-mile climb to the perched medieval village of Châteauneuf. Celebrate your success with a fashionably late lunch at our favorite *auberge* and discover the town's 15th-century fortress with a panoramic view of the canal and valley below. After lunch, we'll hop in the van for a 40-minute transfer to our final hotel in Saulieu. Relax with a massage in the hotel's luxurious spa or venture out to explore the charming town. We celebrate our final evening in Burgundy with an unforgettable Michelin-starred meal at our hotel. *Bon appétit*!

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

**Destinations:** Chambolle-Musigny, Curley, Reulle-Vergy, L'Étang Vergy, Messanges, Chevannes,

Bruant, Bécoup, Pont d'Ouche, Châteauneuf, Saulieu

**Accomplished:** 22 miles / 36 km, elevation gain: 2,122 feet / 647 meters **Longer Option:** 48 miles / 78 km, elevation gain: 4,080 feet / 1,244 meters

**Accommodations: Relais Bernard Loiseau** 



## Au Revoir

After breakfast, say goodbye to Burgundy however you see fit. Take advantage of our last few luxurious hours on hotel grounds or go for a final spin around the lakes of Morvan's protected nature park. Your guides will see you off at the Dijon train station.

Meals: Breakfast

**Destinations:** Saulieu, Champeau-en-Morvan

Accomplished: 17 miles / 27 km, elevation gain: 1,364 feet / 416 meters

