

2026 - Flavors of Burgundy (Wine Cruise)

7-NIGHT CRUISE

Experience the viticultural pleasures of the Burgundy region when you embark on this river cruise curated for new and experienced wine enthusiasts alike. Indulge in invigorating wine tastings set against the backdrop of picturesque destinations like Seurre, Tournus, Chalon-sur-Saône, and Lyon. Immerse yourself in the awe-inspiring landscapes of graceful vineyards and storied landmarks along the Saône River. The flavors of Burgundy extend to its vibrant culture and captivating history. Delve into the techniques that shape the renowned wines of this region, gaining insight into traditional processes that have stood the test of time. Hosted by a dedicated wine expert, this journey is a must for anyone interested in the best of Burgundy's wines.

OVERVIEW:

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DESTINATION</u>	<u>ACTIVITIES</u>
1	LYON	EMBARKATION
2	LYON	Beaujolais wine tasting "France's Culinary Capital" city tour OR Les Halles tasting tour OR Lyon bike tour
3	MACON	"The South Burgundy City" Mâcon tour OR Cluny excursion Scenic cruising OR Mâconnais wine tasting OR Mâcon-Tournus bike tour
4	TOURNUS	Tournus city tour & Abbey of Saint Philibert visit OR Château Cormatin OR Medieval Brancion Scenic cruising OR Chalonnaise wine tasting OR Tournus-Chalon bike tour
5	CHALON-SUR-SAÔNE	Historic city tour OR Chalon-sur-Saône bike tour Scenic cruising OR Côtes de Nuits wine tasting
6	SEURRE	Beaune excursion OR Art du Tonneau Copperage Experience OR Seurre walking tour Scenic cruising OR Seurre-Dijon bike tour
7	PORT OF DIJON	Dijon city tour OR Château d'Arcelot visit OR "Banks of the Saone" Bike tour
8	PORT OF DIJON	DISEMBARKATION

ITINERARY DETAILS:

Day 1, LYON. Board your ship in preparation for your 7-night *Flavors of Burgundy* cruise. (B,D)

Day 2, LYON. Discover dynamic Lyon, starting with a tasting of Beaujolais wines at a traditional winery. In the afternoon, you may join a tour of Lyon that starts in Fourvière Hill, part of the city's historic region that is now a designated UNESCO World Heritage Site and home to the 19th-century basilica Notre-Dame de Fourvière. Continue to the old town of Lyon, followed by a guided walk through the St. Jean district, where you will be introduced to the city's unique covered walkways, known as "traboules." If you're a self-described foodie, our Les Halles Market tasting tour is for you, during which you'll have a chance to taste some of Lyon's local delights. Or get active a guided bike tour through the city designed with cyclists in mind. (B,L,D)

Day 3, MACON - TOURNUS. Join a guided tour through the "South Burgundy City" of Mâcon, learning about its local vineyards, museums, historical sites and perhaps its famous son, the poet and minister Alphonse de Lamartine. Or venture somewhat off the beaten path to Cluny, known for its large abbey. Return to the ship and enjoy a scenic cruise to Tournus. Or, instead, join a guided bike tour from Mâcon to Tournus. (B,L,D)

Day 4, TOURNUS - CHALON-SUR-SAÔNE. Let your knowledgeable guide lead you through Tournus and to its magnificent Benedictine Abbey of Saint Philibert. Or choose instead to visit the moated Château de Cormatin, which dates back to the early 17th century and features ornate apartments as well as a beautifully manicured garden. As an alternative, venture to the medieval village of Brancion with its preserved gateway, church and market hall. Later in the day, enjoy a scenic sailing to Chalon-sur-Saône, or learn about centuries old traditions while sampling the region's famous Chalonnaise wines. Alternatively, pedal from Tournus to Chalon-sur-Saône on an exhilarating guided bike tour. (B,L,D)

Day 5, CHALON-SUR-SAÔNE - SEURRE. Located in southern Burgundy at the heart of the Côte Chalonnaise wine region, Chalon-sur-Saône whispers the secrets of its medieval past which you will discover on your historic city tour. You may also choose to explore the city on a guided bike tour. Later in the day, enjoy a scenic sailing to Seurre. Alternatively, sample the highly esteemed vintages from the Côtes de Nuits region on a guided wine tasting, surrounded by the oaken casks and intricately tiled roofs that bring this sommelier's fantasy to life. (B,L,D)

Day 6, SEURRE. Visit the town of Beaune, a walled town nestled in the heart of Cote d'Or vineyards where you'll stroll the cobblestone streets and take in such sights as the mosaic-tiled roof of the Hospices de Beaune, founded in the 15th century as a hospital for the less fortunate. Guests interested in wine making can learn more about cooperage, or the art of making wine barrels, in this interactive workshop that guides you through the process of crafting barrels through traditional methods. You may also join a guided tour through Seurre, unraveling its rich tapestry of heritage and charm. In the afternoon, enjoy a scenic sailing or opt for a more active outing with a bike tour. (B,L,D)

Day 7, PORT OF DIJON. Famously known as the "Birthplace of Mustard," Dijon was the home to the four Dukes of Burgundy from 1364 to 1477. On a guided tour, explore Dijon's medieval center which overflows with art and cultural heritage, showcased within several spectacular museums. Alternatively, embark on a guided bike tour along the Saône River and witness captivating sites such as the lock controlling the river's access to the Rhone-Rhine Canal. Or choose to visit the stunning Château d'Arcelot, with elements dating back to the 13th century. The Château d'Arcelot blends medieval religious structures, neoclassical architecture, and even a Chinese pavilion into a fascinating architectural marvel. (B,L,D)

Day 8, PORT OF DIJON. Bid farewell to Dijon and prepare for your return flight home.

**Please be advised the ship will be docked in Saint-Jean-de-Losne and is located approximately 30 minutes' walk from the train station. Purchasing one of our transfer options between Saint-Jean-de-Losne and Dijon is strongly recommended for guests embarking on our 7-night cruise without a post-cruise land package.*