

NORTH BURGUNDY



Highlights

Cycling along rivers & river valleys,
Wine-growing villages &
wine tasting,
Abbey of Pontigny,
Basilica of Vézelay,
picturesque Noyers

FRANCE
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NORTH BURGUNDY AND CHABLIS (DELUXE)

Burgundy is a land of great art and good living, pastoral and peaceful. During the cycling trip you will discover great abbeys, elegant châteaux, medieval half-timbered villages and fortified towns. This trip charms all your senses.

DIFFICULTY



KM

244

LENGTH

8 days
7 nights

ARRIVAL

Daily
16.03. - 02.11.24

Day 1 Arrival

Auxerre, city of Art and History that has conserved an exceptional architectural heritage. Its cathedral, a model of gothic elegance, the St Germain Abbey, a nearly intact monastic complex with crypts dating back to the 9th Century containing one of the oldest mural paintings discovered in France, not to mention a charming city centre with great boutiques.



Day 2 Auxerre - Chablis 38 km

Cycle in the direction of Pontigny. You pass short stretches of forest until you reach the Cistercian church. It is one of the last witnesses to the great spiritual movement of the Cistercians. After the visit, you continue via Ligny-le-Châtel and then through the world-famous and extensive valley of the fruity Chablis white wine to the village of the same name. A wine tasting awaits you here in a typical wine cellar.

Day 3 Chablis - Noyers - Nîtry 34 km

After a leisurely tour of Chablis, you cycle off. You pass the Serein valley with its picturesque wine-growing villages and finally reach Noyers-sur-Serein. Thanks to its medieval townscape, Noyers is one of the 100 most beautiful villages in France. You cycle to Nîtry, where you spend the night in a beautiful 18th century hotel.

Day 4 Nîtry - Avallon 52 km

Today you cycle across the superb "terre plaine" plateau and Avallon landscapes. You will pass by the medieval hamlet of Montréal before reaching Avallon, a beautiful ancient town.

Day 5 Avallon - Vézelay 42 km

The tour continues today through some of Burgundy's finest landscapes, culminating in a stop in Vézelay and its Sainte-Madeleine Basilica, a Romanesque art masterpiece listed as UNESCO world heritage. During the middle Ages, Vézelay was a major pilgrimage site and a special halt on the way to Compostella. Its Basilica dominates the small mediaeval town and its fortifications. It is also among the 100 most beautiful villages of France.

Day 6 Vézelay - Escolives-Ste-Camille 48 km

Starting by a climb to reach the Yonne valley, the itinerary will then follow it and the canal du Nivernais all day. You will come across beautiful sites such as Châtel-Censoir and the Saussois cliffs. Escolives is near the Canal de Nivernais, a small village where you will spend a peaceful night in a winegrower's farm.

Day 7 Escolives-Ste-Camille - Auxerre 33 km

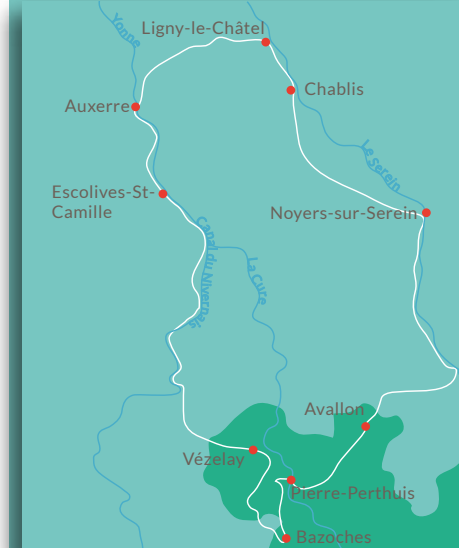
Water dominates the day. In fact, Burgundy has been called the water table of France. All the mighty rivers are interconnected by a marvellous canal system. You are cycling beside the water surrounded by nature before leaving its side to go through the lovely Auxerre vineyard villages: Irancy, Saint-Bris-le-Vineux, and Bailly. In the caves de Bailly you will taste the famous Crémant de Bourgogne before carrying on to Auxerre.



Day 8 Departure

C'est la vie - your cycling holiday in Burgundy is finished. After having a last breakfast it's time to say goodbye to this charming region in France!

SELF-GUIDED CYCLING TOUR



ROUTE CHARACTERISTICS

Slightly hilly routes without long climbs. Asphalted side routes. Cycling path along the Canal du Nivernais.

SERVICES INCLUDED

- 3 nights in charming 4-star-hotels
- 3 nights in charming 3-star-hotels
- 1 night in a Chambre d'Hôte in a wine domaine from the 17th century with pool
- Daily breakfast
- Welcome talk
- 1 tasting of Crémant in Bailly
- 1 winetasting in Chablis
- Daily luggage transfer
- Itinerary on our app
- Route book, maps and information material
- 7/7 Service Hotline

PER PERSON

ROOM

with B&B DBL / SGL 1097 € / 1527 €

EXTRA NIGHT Auxerre

DBL / SGL 95 € / 150 €

BIKE RENTAL

21/27-Gear Hybrid bike 95 €
E-Bike (250 € Deposit) 190 €

City tax is not included and has to be paid on the spot.

POSSIBLE OPTIONS

Rental of bikes, helmets, phone holder