

EXPLORING HISTORICAL VESTIGES OF SOUTH BURGUNDY (DELUXE

Burgundy is famous for its warm hospitality and its unhurried lifestyle. The southern part of Burgundy is rich in tradition, gastronomy, history and excellent wines. A land of culture, countryside, fine food and wine. You'll be pleasantly surprised by the beauty of its traditional architecture – paradise for cyclists.

DIFFICULTY •••• KM 258/ 268

LENGTH 8 days 7 nights

ARRIVAL Daily 16.03. - 02.11.24

Day 1 Dijon

Discover the treasures of Dijon such as the Church Notre Dame, the Tomb of the Dukes, who were more important than the king of France in medieval Burgundy. The influence of the Dukes of Burgundy was renowned and they were particularly close to the English throne.

Day 2 Dijon - Beaune 43 km

The rolling vineyard countryside is waiting. This is the heart of Burgundy and you will savour it. Don't miss a visit to the wine château of Aloxe Corton, with its delightfully ornate roof, or the 12th Century Clos de Vougeot Château, which was the property of the Citeaux Abbey for several centuries. In Nuits St Georges you will have a tasting in the world-renowned wine village that has produced wine for a thousand years.



Day 3 Beaune - Chassey-le-Camp 28 km / 38 km

In the morning you will visit this cultural wine capital, with its famous Hôtel Dieu, the ancient hospice, a 15th century masterpiece of gothic art, built after the Hundred Years War. You are leaving for some of the most famous wine villages in the world, Pommard, and Mercurey. Historical monuments, such as old village 'Lavoirs', typify this area. On the way you can stop at the Castle Rochepot (*long version*).

Day 4 Chassey-le-Camp - Cluny 66 km

Today you will explore the Côte Chalonnaises that lies between the foothills of the Morvan Mountains and the valley of the River Saône.

The Côte Chalonnaises are a perfect geographical bridge between the famous wine-growing areas of the Côte de Beaune to the north and the Mâconnais to the south. This area is no less distinguished with its own array of famous appellations. At Comartin you can see the magnificent château and it's garden before you follow the cycle route to Cluny.



Day 5 Cluny - Tournus 37 km

Cluny was a very important place with its Abbey, which was one of the biggest in Europe until the $16^{\rm th}$ century. Cluny and Saint Philibert are two of the 250 Romanesque churches in Burgundy. From here you are crossing the splendid countryside between the Chalonnais and Tournus. Tournus is set along the banks of the Saône. Here the ancient Abbey of Philibert is waiting to be explored.

Day 6 Tournus - Chalon-sur-Saône 34 km

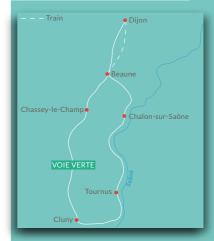
The River Saône is never far away. Chalon is a busy river port town and the birthplace of Nicéphore Niepce, the inventor of photography. There is an intersting museum that is named after him. The gothic cathedral in the heart of the city, the chapel and the pharmacy of the ancient hospital are also worth a visit.

Day 7 Chalon-sur-Saône - Beaune - Dijon 51 km

Today you will cycle along the Canal du Centre with beautiful scenery and vineyards all the way to Beaune. On the way you will cross the Cote Chalonnaise, with its very lovely landscape, small hills, and yet more vineyards. Way back to Dijon by train (30 minutes).

Day 8 Departure

SELF-GUIDED CYCLING TOUR



ROUTE CHARACTERISTICS

Slightly hilly routes without long climbs except on day 5 after Cluny. Asphalted side routes, agricultural roads and cycling paths.

SERVICES INCLUDED

- 3 nights in 4-star-hotels
- Daily breakfas:
- Welcome talk
- 1 Wine tasting in Nuits-Saint-Georges
- 1 train ticket Beaune Dijon
- Daily luggage transfer
- Itinerary on our app
- Route book, maps and information materia
- 7/7 Service Hotline

PER PERSON

ROOM

with B&B DBL / SGL 1290 € / 18

EXTRA NIGHT

Dijon DBL / SGL 112 € / 178 €

BIKE RENTAL

1/27-Gear Hybrid bike 100 ° Bike (250 € deposit) 200 °

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

POSSIBLE OPTIONS

Rental of helmets, phone holder