

NORTH BURGUNDY

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



NORTH BURGUNDY AND CHABLIS (ECO)

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 240	LENGTH 8 days 7 nights	ARRIVAL Daily 16.03. - 02.11.24
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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 9 th Century containing one of the oldest mural paintings discovered in France, not to mention a charming city centre with great boutiques.



Day 2 Auxerre - Ligny-le-Châtel 35 km

You begin your cycle through the fields and will stop in Pontigny where you discover the Cistercian Abbey, the largest and one of the most beautiful Cistercian churches remaining in France. Then you continue to Ligny-le-Châtel., with of course a fantastic picnic that will be served on the way. Burgundy's largest white wine vineyard is your programme today.

Day 3 Ligny-Chablis - Noyers- sur-Serein 40 km

Nice day cycling in the Chablis vineyards. After arriving in Chablis, it will be time to enjoy a Chablis wine tasting and learn more about this wine-growing area. Today's itinerary follows then the Serein valley through beautiful villages of the southern Chablis vineyards to the medieval town of Noyers with its Naïf Art museum. Noyers has preserved fortifications and half-timbered houses. It's one of the hundred most beautiful villages of France!

Day 4 Noyers-sur-Serein - Avallon 46 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 cycling 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 - Accolay 40 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, the Saussois cliffs, and finish in Accolay.

Day 7 Accolay - Auxerre 37 km

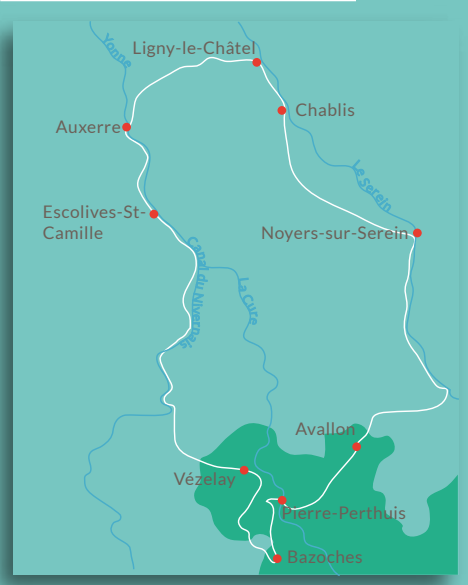
Water dominates the day. In fact, Burgundy has been called the water table of France. All the mighty rivers are interconnected by a marvellous canal system. You are cycling beside the water surrounded by nature before leaving its side to go through the lovely Auxerre vineyard villages: Irancy, Saint-Bris-le-Vineux, 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 biking holiday in Burgundy is finished. After having a last breakfast you have 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

- 4 nights in 3-star-hotels
- 1 night in 2-star-hotels
- 2 nights in charming Chambres d'Hôtes
- 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	665 € / 982 €
EXTRA NIGHT Auxerre	
DBL / SGL	45 € / 78 €
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