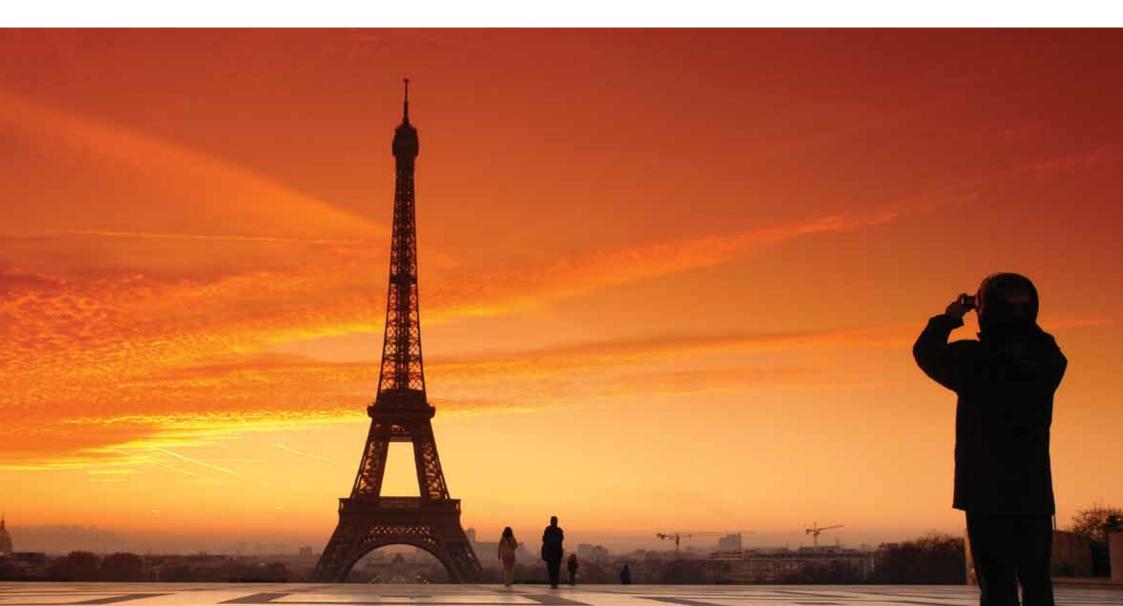


# PERSONALLY CURATED WINE & FOOD JOURNEYS





# DISCOVER FRANCE'S WINE REGIONS **10 DAYS**

**CHAMPAGNE - BURGUNDY - RHÔNE VALLEY** 

Exquisite tastings hosted by a Master of Wine, designed for wine and food lovers. Come savour the l'art de vivre in the birthplace of wine culture and haute cuisine.

- Experienced European wine region tour host
- Introduction-only visits to wineries thoughout Champagne, Côtes de Nuits (northern Burgundy), Hermitage and Châteauneuf-du-Pape (Rhône)
- Taste the very best of seasonal produce, regional cuisines and wine varietals
- Discover cool champagne caves beneath chalk hills and meet the winemakers
- Sample the grand and premier cru domaines of white and red Burgundy
- Dine in famous châteaux and drink the wines of the same property
- Stay in unique historic hotels, all centrally located in the cities we visit where you can explore French history, art, architecture and culture





Join tour in Reims, largest city of the Champagne province. Visit a Champagne cave for bubbly welcome, aperitif and visit a contemporary underground cellar. Welcome dinner at a

nearby bistro.

# **DAY 2 REIMS**

Depart for vineyard and village tour, travelling south over the Montagne de Reims. Travel to tiny village of Ay for a Champagne house visit. Lunch in a local restaurant, then visit a nearby cellar with millions of bottles of wines aging underground in the Gallo-Roman caves for tour and tasting.

#### **DAY 3 REIMS**

Travel south of Reims for the Côtes des Blancs. Enjoy a Champenois-hosted lunch before departing for Epernay, Champagne's second city where we visit a venerable family house.

#### **DAY 4 BEAUNE**

Depart Reims for the Côte d'Or. Arrive in the village of Chambolle, enjoying the wines of the Chambolle Musigny appellation. Lunch at local bistro. Arrive central Beaune hotel before an extensive tour and tasting at a local négociant cellar.

#### **DAY 5 BEAUNE**

Venture north along La Route des Grands Crus in the Côtes de Nuits for a visit, tasting and lunch underground, traditional Burgundian fare. See Cistercian and Cluniac abbeys and monasteries. Visit cellars of a famous established burgundy shipper near Beaune hotel, taste many appellations.

## **DAY 6 BEAUNE**

Explore white grape territory at a chardonnay domaine in Puligny-Montrachet. Return to Beaune to catch weekly market. Late afternoon tour and taste under the foundations of the city in 500 year-old cellars. Dinner at a local restaurant.



### **DAY 7 BEAUNE**

Free day in Beaune, the capital of Burgundy wines. Wander through cobblestone streets and explore a city of art, monuments and museums. Dinner at hot new restaurant.

# **DAY 8 VALENCE**

Head south along the Rhône River for the hillside village of Tain l'Hermitage. Taste single vineyard selections and enjoy lunch in a cellar, paired with the fullest bodied white and red wines in France. Depart for central Valence hotel.

### **DAY 9 VALENCE**

Head north to Ampuis in the heart of Côte Rotie, a rocky terrain where syrah grows on angled terraces together with a whiff of white viognier. Visit a famed family winery and enjoy lunch nearby.

# **DAY 10 VALENCE**

Leave for Châteauneuf-du-Pape, stopping for a tasting at a rising star Rhône modernist. View the dilapidated summer Château of ancient Popes. Final celebration dinner at local restaurant.

