

French Wine tour

Day 1 – Paris, Chartres and Loire Valley

Morning:

Depart Paris in a luxury coach with a driver guide. Head west to Chartres, exploring its UNESCO-listed Cathedral, a masterpiece of early Gothic Architecture with stunning stained glass and medieval charm.

Lunch:

Dine at Hotel Le Grand Monarque's gourmet restaurant in Chartres, offering classic French dishes with local flair.

Afternoon:

Continue to Angers, heart of Anjou, where guests visit the Carré Cointreau Distillery for a 1 – 1½ hour guided tour and tasting.

Then transfer to Saumur, sampling Saumur-Champigny, and if time allows, a short stop for tastings in Vouvray and Montlouis-sur-Loire—renowned for crisp Chenin Blanc.

Dinner & Overnight:

Enjoy dinner at a charming local restaurant followed by overnight in Tours, close to the Loire Valley



Day 2 – Tours, Villedry and Bordeaux

Morning:

Visit the elegant Château de Villedry, famed for its tiered Renaissance gardens—ornamental, floral, and vegetable terraces framed by reflective waters.

Afternoon:

Transfer to Bordeaux and enjoy a guided tasting and art-and-wine experience at Château Mouton Rothschild, including the museum of wine and art, barrel hall, and vineyard tour. Subject to availability.

Overnight:

Return to Bordeaux and check into a centrally located hotel.

Day 3 – Bordeaux, Médoc and Saint-Émilion

Morning: Head to Château Sociando-Mallet for an expert tour and tasting among Médoc vineyards.

Afternoon: Transfer to Saint-Émilion, where guests enjoy a leisurely walking tour of the medieval village, visit a premier estate, and taste its iconic Merlot blends.

Evening: Return to Bordeaux, with dinner suggestions at riverside brasseries or Michelin-starred establishments.



Day 4 – Bordeaux, Dordogne and Lyon

Morning: Depart early into the Dordogne River region, admire cliffside castles such as Beynac, and soak in scenic landscapes.

Afternoon: Transfer to Lyon, France's culinary capital famous for its Bouchon bistros.

Evening: Stroll through Vieux Lyon's traboules and Dîner libre—perfect chance to sample Lyonnaise specialties like quenelles or andouillette.

Day 5 – Lyon and Burgundy (Mâcon & Beaune)

Morning: Transfer through Mâconnais, stopping for a Pouilly-Fuissé tasting amid limestone slopes.

Afternoon: Journey north via the Côte de Beaune. Visit Clos de Vougeot Château for a vineyard tour and tasting. Explore Beaune's Hôtel-Dieu, a 15th century hospices complex.

Dinner: Savoury dinner at Auberge du Cheval Noir, pairing local Burgundies with regional cuisine.

Overnight in Beaune.

Day 6 – Beaune, Dijon and Alsace (Colmar)

Morning: Short visit to Dijon for mustard tasting and a walk through the historic centre.

Afternoon: Enter Alsace, stopping in Eguisheim and Riquewihr—quintessential fairy-tale wine villages. Visit a *co-op* or family cellar to sample Gewurztraminer, Riesling, and Muscat. End in Colmar.

Overnight: Stay in historic Colmar, consider a riverside or half-timbered hotel.



Day 7 – Colmar, Nancy and Champagne (Épernay & Reims)

Morning: Transfer over the Vosges Mountains to Nancy. Discover its stunning Baroque Place Stanislas.

Afternoon: Continue to Épernay. Tour Moët & Chandon for a cellar tour and tasting among historic chalk cellars.

Evening: Continue to Reims, check in, then enjoy a glamorous evening—invite guests to upbeat Champagne bars.

Day 8 – Champagne and Paris

Morning: Visit Pommery for a guided tour (including famed art cellars) and Piper-Heidsieck, featuring an electric “train” cellar visit.

Lunch: Champagne-themed lunch at La Briqueterie in Épernay—menu designed to pair with bubbly.

Afternoon: Return to Paris. Arrive in late afternoon, drop-off service included at hotels or the airport.