



TOUR ITINERARY

RIDING
LEVEL

2

Europe / France / Burgundy

Burgundy Bike Tour

Côte d'Or Along the Route des Grands Crus

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Taste sparkling Crémant, Chardonnay, and Pinot Noir with local winemakers
- Visit the Hospices de Beaune, a UNESCO-listed example of Burgundian architecture and home of the world's most famous wine auction
- Cycle la Route des Grands Crus, lined with the most esteemed vineyards of the region
- Spoil your palate with a Michelin-starred meal at Relais Bernard Loiseau



ARRIVAL + DEPARTURE

Arrival Details

- ✈ **Airport City:**
Paris, France
- 📍 **Pick-Up Location:**
Beaune Train Station
- 🕒 **Pick-Up Time:**
11:00 am

Departure Details

- ✈ **Airport City:**
Paris, France
- 📍 **Drop-Off Location:**
Dijon Train Station
- 🕒 **Drop-Off Time:**
12:00 pm

NOTE: DuVine provides group transfers to and from the tour from the pick-up and drop-off locations stated on the itinerary. In the event your train, flight, or other travel falls outside the arrival or departure times or locations, you may be responsible for extra costs incurred in arranging a separate transfer.

Emergency Assistance

For urgent assistance on your way to tour or while on tour, please always contact your guides first. You may also contact the Boston office during business hours at +1 617 776 4441 or emergency@duvine.com.



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Tour By Day

DAY
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Bienvenue en Burgundy

Your guides will greet you at the train station in Beaune where the adventure begins. Nestled inside massive 14th-century ramparts, this medieval town is the wine capital of Burgundy, and our first lunch of the week is right in Beaune's lively town square. Have your first taste of brasserie-style Burgundian dishes and crisp Chardonnays from the wine villages that surround us. Our first scenic spin through the Côte de Beaune takes us through classic villages like Pommard, Nantoux, and Savigny-lès-Beaune. Tonight, we'll join our friend, a private chef, for an intimate evening of food and wine.

Meals: Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Pommard, Volnay, Nantoux, Savigny-lès-Beaune, Beaune

Accomplished: 21 miles / 34km, elevation gain: 1,469 feet / 448 meters

Accommodations: [Le Cep](#)

DAY
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Explore the Hautes-Côtes and Côte de Beaune

Fuel up with a lovely breakfast at our hotel in Beaune then set out on a ride into the French countryside. Pedal through the charming hamlet of Orches and admire the Château de La Rochepot. Once in Nolay, take a quiet bike path to Santenay, the most southerly wine-producing village of the Côte de Beaune. Stop and taste Premier Crus in the 15th-century vaulted cellar of a biodynamic wine estate before riding to our lunch spot for a gourmet picnic prepared by the guides. From there, spin through iconic wine towns including Chassagne-Montrachet, Puligny-Montrachet, and Meursault back to our hotel. The afternoon is yours to explore Beaune—don't miss the famous Hôtel-Dieu, a charity hospital founded in 1443 and one of the finest examples of 15th-century French architecture. Tonight, enjoy dinner on your own at one of the many excellent restaurants in town.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch

Destinations: Beaune, Saint-Romain, Orches, La Rochepot, Saint-Aubin, Santenay, Chassagne-Montrachet, Puligny-Montrachet, Meursault, Volnay, Pommard

Accomplished: 33 miles / 54 km, elevation gain: 2,277 feet / 693 meters

Accommodations: [Le Cep](#)

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La Route des Grands Crus

Start your day with a typical French breakfast in the hotel's 16th-century courtyard before exploring the renowned Grand Crus vineyards. Pedal through Corton-Charlemagne, named after the French king who held a deep affection for the region's vineyards, then continue along peaceful roads toward the Côte de Nuits. Burgundy's beautiful tiled roofs lead the way to Aloxe-Corton and Comblanchien, two historic wine-producing villages that barely survived WWII. Continue cycling past the exclusive vineyards of Romanée-Conti, stopping to visit the famous Clos de Vougeot estate, the birthplace of winegrowing in Burgundy. Lunch in Gevrey-Chambertin consists of classic Burgundian dishes perfectly paired with local Pinots. From there, it's just a few miles back to our hotel. Spend the rest of the afternoon relaxing by the pool with a glass of Chardonnay. This evening we'll reunite for a delicious seasonal meal at the hotel restaurant.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch

Destinations: Savigny-lès-Beaune, Aloxe-Corton, Nuits-Saint-Georges, Vosne-Romanée, Vougeot, Gevrey Chambertin, Chambolle-Musigny

Accomplished: 26 miles / 42 km, elevation gain: 1,174 feet / 358 meters

Longer Option: 42 miles / 69 km, elevation gain: 1,768 feet / 539 meters

Accommodations: [Les Sources de Vougeot](#)

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The Magic of Blanc de Noir

Today we'll discover the vineyards of the Hautes Côtes de Nuits. After breakfast at the hotel, set out along quiet country roads past wineries and sleepy villages in the hills surrounding Nuits-Saint-Georges. A rewarding descent brings us to Savigny-lès-Beaune, where we join Greg, a friend and passionate vigneron, at his home. Here we'll enjoy a generous tasting of sparkling Crémant de Bourgogne before cycling to the town's historic center for lunch. From there, ride through farmland and forest to the 11th-century Cîteaux Abbey, the origin of the Cistercian Order. The abbey is also famous for its cheese—a creamy, washed-rind variety made from cow's milk. Enjoy some samples and stroll the grounds. Our ride ends back at the hotel. Spend some time poolside or enjoy the spa. Tonight's dinner is a true Burgundian affair at a stylish bistro in Gevrey-Chambertin.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Savigny-lès-Beaune, Aloxe-Corton, Chambolle-Musigny

Accomplished: 18 miles / 29 km, elevation gain: 1,177 feet / 420 meters

Longer Option: 36 miles / 59 km, elevation gain: 2,030 feet / 619 meters

Accommodations: [Les Sources de Vougeot](#)

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The Canal de Bourgogne

After a generous *petit déjeuner*, we'll set off across rolling fields of wheat and canola, passing grazing Charolais cows and charming villages en route to the famed Canal de Bourgogne. The grand finale is a one-mile climb to the perched medieval village of Châteauneuf. Celebrate your success with a fashionably late lunch at our favorite auberge and discover the town's 15th-century fortress with a panoramic view of the canal and valley below. After lunch, we'll hop in the van for a 40-minute transfer to our final hotel in Saulieu. Relax with a massage in the hotel's luxurious spa or venture out to explore the charming town. We celebrate our final evening in Burgundy with an unforgettable Michelin-starred meal at our hotel. *Bon appétit!*

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Pont d'Ouche, Châteauneuf, Saulieu

Accomplished: 29 miles / 48 km, elevation gain: 2,883 feet / 879 meters

Longer Option: 57 miles / 92 km, elevation gain: 5,239 feet / 1,597 meters

Accommodations: [Relais Bernard Loiseau](#)

DAY
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Au Revoir

After breakfast, say goodbye to Burgundy however you see fit. Take advantage of our last few luxurious hours on hotel grounds or go for a final spin around the lakes of Morvan's protected nature park. Your guides will see you off at the Dijon train station.

Meals: Breakfast

Destinations: Saulieu, Champeau-en-Morvan

Accomplished: 12 miles / 19 km, elevation gain: 1,079 feet / 329 meters

YOUR TOUR DETAILS

Preparing for Your Tour

Travel Services

DuVine can assist with extended reservations at the first and final hotels on your scheduled itinerary, or with private transfers to and from your bike tour. DuVine's travel advisor partners are happy to assist with flight reservations. If you are not already working with an agent, please request a referral from your **Tour Coordinator**.

Travel Protection

DuVine offers a **Travel Protection Plan** to help protect your travel investment, your belongings, and most importantly, you. The offered Travel Protection Plan is non-refundable, but it is strongly recommended in the unfortunate event that you have to cancel or leave your trip.

NOTE: Plan benefits, limits, and provisions may vary by state or jurisdiction. In order to receive full benefits, Travel Protection must be purchased within 21 days of initial tour deposit. This plan is available to citizens of the U.S. and Canada only.

Gratuity

Gratuities are much appreciated to thank DuVine guides for exceptional service, support, and expertise. The industry standard is for each guest to tip 10-15% (U.S. tours and Cycle + Sail tours) or 7.5-10% (all other tours) of their trip price. The recommended per-traveler amount is an appropriate gratuity for your guide team as a whole. (It is not necessary to tip this amount *per* guide.) Tips are customary at the end of your tour, and local currency is always preferred. We recommend bringing extra cash or visiting the ATM at the beginning of your trip.



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YOUR TOUR DETAILS

Bikes

DuVine's top-of-the-line bikes are tuned to perfection and fit specifically to you. Our performance bikes from premier manufacturers feature light frames, smooth-rolling tires, comfortable seats, and wide gear ranges for the best ride possible. Please [see our website](#) for the exact bike models offered on tour. E-bikes are available in most destinations on a first-come, first-served basis. Electric assist provides an extra boost to your own pedal power, so you can ride longer distances, tackle tougher climbs, and maintain a faster pace. Contact your Tour Coordinator if you are interested.

Electrical Overseas

If you're traveling abroad, you will most likely need an [adapter](#), which allows your device's plug to fit into foreign outlets. North American devices run on 110/125V electricity while the majority of the world runs on 220/240V. Converters and transformers change the voltage of electricity to match your device.

Training

First and foremost, get out on your bike and start logging some miles. Experience with the elements and terrain will help with your comfort level (balance, unexpected conditions, etc.) on tour. Nothing compares to the real thing, but if you can't cycle outside, consider spin classes. Always remember, training is a gradual process—don't try to overdo it or push yourself when you aren't ready. However, the most important part of training is to enjoy your ride! [Download a training guide](#) based on your Tour Level.

Travel Sustainably

DuVine is committed to sustainable travel and has been a 100% carbon neutral company since 2022. While cycling is an inherently eco-conscious mode of travel, we continuously seek ways to lessen our footprint, whether it be biodegradable water bottles or compostable gear mailers. [Read more](#) about sustainability at DuVine.



YOUR PACKING LIST

On The Bike

Cycling jerseys or athletic shirts
Cycling shorts
Cycling shoes (if you bring your own pedals)
Sneakers (if you don't bring your own pedals)
Cycling sunglasses
Athletic socks
Arm/leg warmers
Lightweight, waterproof, wind-resistant jacket or vest
Bike gloves
Bike saddle/cover (if you prefer your own)

Off The Bike

Walking shoes
Hiking shoes (if required)
Long + short-sleeved shirts
Sweater/jacket for evenings
Dinner attire (dressy casual) + dress shoes
Swimsuit

Travel Items*

Travel confirmations + tickets for air, rail, etc.
Passport, including photocopy
Local currency
DuVine Tour Itinerary (with meeting + departing info)
Health insurance information
Medications
Cycling gear (+ pedals) if riding on Day 1

*We recommend keeping these items in your carry-on

Additional Items

Cell phone + charger
Photography gear + charger
Power/plug adapter
Toiletries
Sunscreen, hat, + other sun protection gear
Insect repellent

What We Provide

- Bike saddle
- GPS (where available)
- Flat pedals
- DuVine t-shirt and jersey
- Helmet
- Water bottle
- Snacks/nutrition
- Drawstring bag

Order DuVine Gear

Want DuVine bike shorts to match your complimentary jersey? To order, contact tourcoordinators@duvine.com. Gear is shipped free of charge to DuVine guests in the U.S. and Canada. For expedited shipping and guests outside of the U.S. and Canada, additional shipping fees will apply.

Do I need to bring special gear?

- Cycling shorts are designed to provide extra padding when spending the whole day in the saddle. Don't forget the chamois cream!
- If you bring your own cycling shoes, you must bring your own pedals. If you've never used clip-in pedals before, we don't recommend using them on tour.
- Arm and leg warmers are essential for cooler weather. Wear them with your short-sleeve jersey and shorts for lightweight, easy-to-pack, and effective warmth.
- Bike gloves are a preference, but are recommended for Level 3 and 4 tours. The padding in gloves can ease arm, shoulder, and joint fatigue.

Dressing for the Weather

- The location and time of year of your tour can bring all kinds of weather, from extreme heat to relentless rain. Check extended forecasts before your trip and pack accordingly.

Before You Go

- Ensure your passport is valid for 3-6 months after return date.
- Call your bank/credit cards to notify them of upcoming travel.
- Please limit your luggage to one medium-sized suitcase and one carry-on.

BIKE SAFETY

We strongly suggest you read these simple safety instructions and watch our [brief safety video](#). They will help you bike safely before and during your tour!

- Wear a helmet—this is mandatory on tour!
- Familiarize yourself with traffic laws and obey them. Bikes do not have the right of way, but most drivers are respectful to cyclists on the road. Always ride in the direction of traffic.
- Be aware of your surroundings at all times. Knowing what is in front of and behind you may help prevent an accident.
- Alert other riders around you by announcing the presence of traffic (“car up”) or pot holes (“pot hole”).
- When riding as a group, maintain distance between yourself and other cyclists
- Learn the hand signals to indicate when you are stopping or turning.
- Operate your bike consistently and predictably—avoiding erratic movements.
- Keep at least one hand on the handlebars at all times.
- Primarily use your rear brake.
- Always be aware of weather and road conditions and how they may affect your ability to brake.
- Never wear headphones or use speakers during rides.
- Always listen to additional instructions from your guides on tour.

If you have chosen an e-bike, be aware that it is slightly heavier, faster, and more powerful than a non-electric bike. Therefore, you should anticipate a different reaction when riding downhill, braking, or dismounting from an e-bike. Your guides can offer further instruction during your bike fitting and safety review.

