



## TOUR ITINERARY

RIDING  
LEVEL

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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](mailto:emergency@duvine.com).



# TOUR ITINERARY

## Tour By 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:** 20 miles / 32 km, elevation gain: 1,417 feet / 435 meters

**Accommodations:** [Le Cep](#)

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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 / 694 meters

**Accommodations:** [Le Cep](#)

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### The Canal de Bourgogne

After a generous *petit déjeuner* within the old stone walls of our hotel, we will get back on our bikes and head further into the hills of the Hautes-Côtes de Beaune to reach the famous Canal de Bourgogne. In Savigny-lès-Beaune, we join Greg—a friend and passionate *vigneron*—at his home, where we'll enjoy a generous tasting of sparkling Crémant de Bourgogne. From there, continue cycling through the forest to the grand finale: a one-mile climb up 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, descend to Abbaye de la Bussière, the boutique hotel where we'll spend the next two nights. Tonight, we'll regroup for a short transfer to dinner at one of our favorite local restaurants.

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

**Destinations:** Chambolle-Musigny, Curley, Reulle-Vergy, L'Étang Vergy, Messanges, Chevannes, Bruant, Bécoup, Pont d'Ouche, La Bussière-sur-Ouche

**Accomplished:** 23 miles / 37 km, elevation gain: 1,804 feet / 550 meters

**Accommodations:** [Abbaye de la Bussière](#)

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### La Route des Grands Crus in the Côte d'Or

After breakfast at the hotel, cycle from the Canal de Bourgogne to the forest of the Hautes-Côtes de Nuits before descending into the heart of the world's most renowned vineyards. Our journey along the Route des Grands Crus will showcase the esteemed beginnings of some of history's most famous wines, taking us through wine villages and estates like Chambolle-Musigny, Échezeaux, Romanée-Conti, and Nuits-Saint-George, the birthplace of Chevaliers du Tastevin—a prestigious society of Burgundy wine connoisseurs. Explore one of the vineyards where Burgundy winemaking began in Clos de Vougeot before stopping in Gevrey-Chambertin to taste robust red wines (famously favored by Napoleon Bonaparte himself), paired with lunch prepared by our winemaking friends. After lunch, ride the rest of the way to the hotel, or opt for a lift back in the van. This evening we'll gather for dinner the hotel's gastronomic restaurant.

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

**Destinations:** Gevrey-Chambertin, Chambolle-Musigny, Morey-Saint-Denis, Vosne-Romanée, Nuits-Saint-George, La Bussière-sur-Ouche

**Accomplished:** 27 miles / 45 km, elevation gain: 1,975 feet / 602 meters

**Longer Option:** 49 miles / 79 km, elevation gain: 4,229 feet / 1,289 meters

**Accommodations:** [Abbaye de la Bussière](#)

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### The Green Heart of Burgundy

Start your day with a typical French breakfast before setting off on a ride into the rolling hills of the Morvan, a stunning regional park known for its lush forests. Stop for lunch in the village of Mont Saint Jean then spend some time strolling the medieval streets. Back on the bikes, continue cycling to Saulieu and our last hotel of the week. Relax with a massage in the hotel's luxurious spa or venture out to explore the charming town. Tonight, we celebrate our final evening in Burgundy with an unforgettable Michelin-starred meal at our hotel. *Bon appétit!*

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

**Destinations:** Châteauneuf, Mont Saint Jean, Thoisy-La-Berchère, Saulieu

**Accomplished:** 31 miles / 50 km, elevation gain: 2,801 feet / 854 meters

**Accommodations:** [Relais Bernard Loiseau](#)

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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

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## 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](mailto: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.

