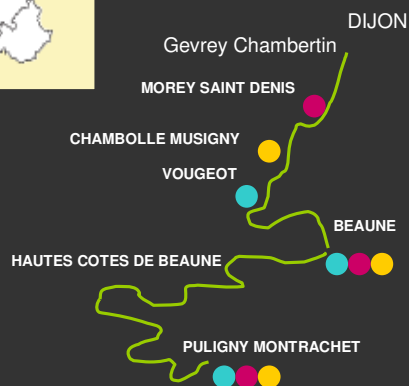


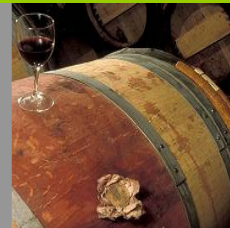


MAP OF FRANCE

## BURGUNDY REGION



## THE BEST OF BURGUNDY- 6 NIGHTS / 7 DAYS



## CLASSIC TOUR

B&B Domaines des Anges in Puligny Montrachet  
<http://www.domainedesangespulgny.com>

\*\* Hotel le Grand Saint Jean in Beaune  
<http://www.hotel-au-grand-st-jean.com>

\*\* Hotel Clos de la Vouge in Vougeot  
<http://www.hotel-closdelavouge.com>

## CLASSIC+ TOUR

\*\*\* Hotel de la Chouette in Puligny Montrachet  
<http://www.la-chouette.fr>

\*\*\* Hotel Athanor in Beaune  
<http://www.hotel-athanor.com>

\*\*\* Hotel Castel de Très Girard in Morey Saint Denis  
<http://www.castel-tres-girard.com>

## DELUXE TOUR

\*\*\*\* Maison d'Olivier Leflaive in Puligny Montrachet  
<http://www.maison-olivierleflaive.fr>

\*\*\*\* Hotel le Cep in Beaune  
<http://www.hotel-cep-beaune.com>

\*\*\*\* Château Ziltener in Chambolle Musigny  
<http://www.chateau-ziltener.com>

## Day 1 : Arrival in Burgundy

Upon your arrival at Beaune train station, we will transfer you to your first hotel, in the heart of the vineyards of the Cote de Beaune - the Chardonnay Kingdom! Our Trip Manager will go over your trip package with you and answer any questions. This evening, you have a treat - a wine tasting dinner at the estate of Olivier Leflaive, where your delicious home-made meal will be paired with the ten different wines you will try! The sommelier will explain the appellations and *terroirs* to you - helping you learn as you enjoy. Welcome to Burgundy!

## Day 2 : Nolay to Puligny via La Rochepot 16 km

From this pretty village, with its Medieval covered market hall and antique shops, you start one of the prettiest walks of the trip, though there are a couple of climbs to make you earn the spectacular views! Your route takes you past the beautifully restored 14th century Chateau de la Rochepot, perched on a cliff-side above the village of the same name. You can visit the castle if you like, before stopping for some lunch in the village just below. Then continue your walk, returning into vineyards for the end of the day, through St. Aubin, Gamay, Blagny and finally back into Puligny-Montrachet. Stop just before returning to your hotel, to take a photo of the Grand Crus, like Batard-Montrachet and Le Montrachet that you'll be walking by.

## Day 3 : St Romain to Beaune 15.5 Km

This morning we transfer you up to the tiny village of St Romain le Haut. Before starting your walk proper, you may like to explore the ruins of the chateau from this village, perched high with a beautiful panorama, or the charming 12th century church, with its sculpted pulpit. When you start the walk, you'll get a great view onto the coopers (barrel-makers) of the village spread out below you - with the impressive yard of stacked oak being dried by the sun. Other panoramas await as you meander through the forest and then downwards towards the vineyards. Pass on beautiful small paths and dirt roads through the pretty village of Petit Auxey (an 11th century church this time!) and Auxey-Duresses, and perhaps stop for a tasting at a family-run winery, before continuing on through Volnay and Pommard and finally into Beaune itself. We'll help with recommendations for restaurants in Beaune for dinner - it will be hard to choose!

## Day 4 : The Hautes Cotes de Beaune 12 km

A short transfer after breakfast this morning leaves you again up high. Your first view opportunity on today's walk is a stunner: the "Pas St. Martin, was apparently where Saint Martin took a leap off the cliff-side as he was fleeing a dragon; legend has it that you can see his footprint in the stony path, but you may not notice it as you soak in the view down into the valley below. Continue via a 14th century Benedictine rest home before arriving in the vineyards just above Beaune. This walk is a little shorter, to give you some time to enjoy Beaune itself; be sure to use our self-guided historic tour to explore the Medieval ramparts, the Collegial Church, and the shaded cobble-stoned streets and squares, with charming boutiques and cafes. Then meet at the end of the afternoon for your private tour of the incredible Hospices de Beaune, a spectacular hospital, built in the 15th century, and THE site to see in Beaune

## Day 5 : The Hautes Cotes and Romanee Conti 16.5 km

You will be transferred north this morning, high above the small town of Nuits St Georges, in the heart of the Hautes Cotes forests. The first half of your walk is beautiful, surrounding the small villages of Curtil Vergy and Etang Vergy, passing by a ruined abbey, and walking on paths used by the monks centuries ago! Continue on, then heading eventually back down into the vineyards. For the end of your day, you follow the Route des Grands Crus, which, as its name suggests, runs parallel to the great vineyards of the cote de Nuits. You pass right by the most expensive of them all, Romanee Conti, and her "little" brothers and sisters: Richebourg, La Tache, Romanee St Vivant... and then pass the impressive 15th century Chateau de Clos de Vougeot (stop to see the monumental antique wine presses!) before arriving at your hotel in the heart of the Cote de Nuits vineyards. An excellent dinner tonight is included.

## Day 6 : Gevrey Chambertin and the Route des Grands Crus 13 km

You will be transferred north this morning, to the top end of the Route des Grands Crus that you touched briefly at the end of the day before. You have a beautiful, not too difficult walk today, allowing a final day to meander a little: enjoy the views, and of course stop along the way for photos and some wine tasting if you feel like it! This walk is a "village hopper", as the villages parallel to the vineyards are all close together... You'll pass by the 12th century castle of Gevrey Chambertin, and perhaps stop in the centre of this pretty town to find some lunch, before walking amidst the village's nine grand cru vineyards, including the Grand Cru Chambertin Clos de Beze - the earliest recorded vineyard to have been planted here, in the year 608!

**Day 7 : Departure - Bon Voyage!** Transfer by taxi after breakfast to the Dijon railway station for your continued travels. There are easy connections from here to Paris.

CLASSIC+ itinerary described here