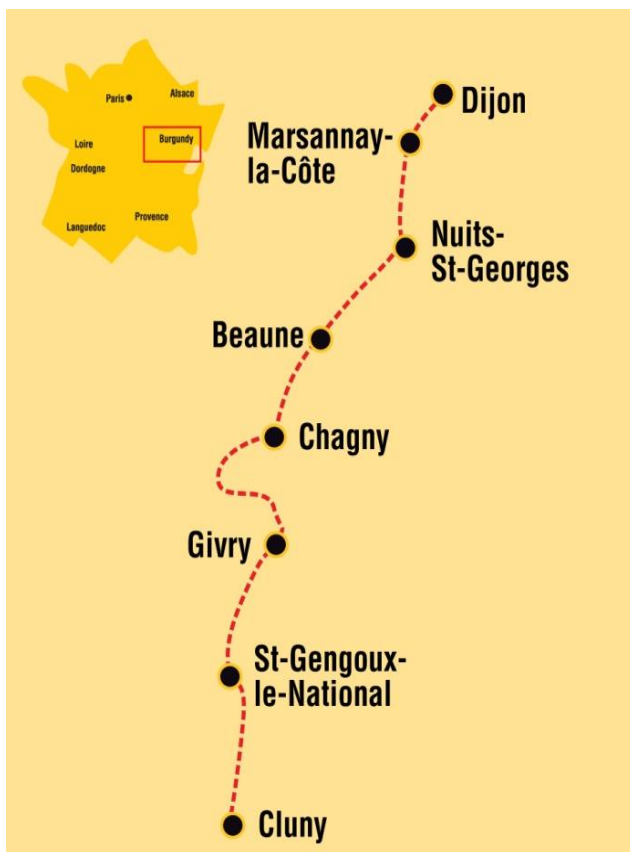


# Cycling Europe

## FRANCE 2020 WINE TRAILS OF BURGUNDY

Self Guided Cycle Tour - Dijon to Macon  
8 days / 7 nights - 167 kms



Burgundy is home to some of the most famous wines in the world. The landscape is slightly hilly and very picturesque, dotted with medieval villages and historic towns. Some say that Burgundy is a little bit like Provence without the crowds. You will start your tour in Dijon, capital of the Ducs of Burgundy (also famous for its mustard). Continue on through Beaune, the wine capital of Burgundy, and venture out from there to the South. Burgundy cuisine is famous – snails, Charolais beef, Bress chicken and wonderful cheeses. This includes two wine tasting lunches, with charcuterie and cheeses; and you also have the option to add a “Gastronomic Dinner” at a Michelin 1 star restaurant in Beaune and/or Mâcon.

### **GRADE: Moderate**

Biking in flat to hilly areas. You may encounter some climbs from time to time, sometimes short but steep. You cycle at least once a week, you are not afraid of hills. You are ready to cycle between 20 and 47 km per day.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1 Arrival in Dijon

Arrive in the afternoon in Dijon. Our local representative and Burgundy expert will meet you between 4pm – 6:30 pm for a tour briefing. Stay overnight in Dijon.

### DAY 2 Dijon – Nuits Saint Georges/Vougeot : 20km or 25km

Today you will be following the Route de Grands Crus to Nuits-Saint-Georges, you will cycle through Gevrey-Chambertin, Morey Saint Denis, Chambolle-Musigny and Vougeot, famous villages of the Côte de Nuits. Overnight stay in Nuits Saint Georges or Vougeot.

### DAY 3 Nuits Saint Georges/Vougeot – Beaune: 25km or 21km

You will leave Nuits Saint Georges heading for Beaune, known as the Burgundy Wine Capital. A visit to the Hospices is a must, and in Beaune discover cellars storing fantastic crus, stroll on the paved narrow roads which take you back into the past. Overnight stay in Beaune.

**(Optional gastronomic dinner at a Michelin 1\* restaurant)**

### DAY 4 Beaune – Chagny: ~ 25km

Today cross the Côte de Beaune cycling through the best known winemaking villages such as Pommard, Meursault, and Puligny-Montrachet. You can stop by the vineyards of Montrachet, considered to produce one of the greatest white wines of the world! Overnight stay near Chagny.

### DAY 5 Chagny – Dracy le Fort: ~ 22km

You will leave Chagny following the Voie Verte alongside the canal du Centre to Saint-Léger-sur-Dheune, and on through vineyards of the Côte Chalonnaise. It is possible to visit the medieval Château de Germolles (entrance not included).

Overnight stay in Dracy.

### DAY 6 Dracy le Fort – Cluny: ~ 47km

From Dracy to Cluny follow the "la Voie Verte" (Green Lane), a cycle path designed for leisure cyclists. You will enjoy varied landscapes of forest and traditional countryside houses: "cabottes" (small stone houses), wash houses, fountains. Visit the medieval town of Saint Gengoux Le National with its rich heritage and artistic dimension. On your way to Cluny, you pass through Cormatin, a village well-known for its château. The route will become hilly.







Arrive in Cluny, the spiritual centre of Europe in the Middle Ages which had a considerable influence on religion, intellect, art... Overnight stay in Cluny.

#### **DAY 7 Cluny – Mâcon: ~ 28km**

Continue on the easy and flat "Green Lane" winding for about 23 km through the Val Lamartinien. Cross the landscape dominated by rocks of Solutre Vergisson, Mont Pouilly-classified one of the most beautiful natural sites in France. Pass through the area where the poet Lamartine has left many memories.

Overnight stay in Macon.

**(Optional gastronomic dinner at a Michelin 1\* restaurant can be booked in Macon)**

#### **DAY 8 Tour ends in Mâcon.**

Arrangements end after breakfast. Leave your bike at the hotel. The hotel is usually located within a short walk to Macon Centre station. A transfer can be arranged to Macon Loche TGV station (for additional cost- price on request), from here there is a high speed train from there to Paris (approx. 1.5 hrs).

**Alternative: Extend your stay and visit the Beaujolais region on a 4 Day/3 Night bike tour. Ask us for details.**

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#### **2 Wine Tastings & Cold Lunches are included:**

Wine tasting at a domaine/winery with cold "tasting lunch" of charcuterie and cheeses:

- DAY 2: (1<sup>st</sup> day of cycling) on the way from Dijon to Vougeot/Nuit St Georges, or in Gevrey Chambertin.
- DAY 4: between Beaune and Chassey le Camp, at Domaine de Moulin aux Moines in Auxey Duresses,

**Please note: "Domaines" are closed on Sundays, so we will have to work your wine tastings around that.**

#### **OPTIONAL GASTRONOMIC DINNER IN MICHELIN 1\* RESTAURANT - BEAUNE or MACON**

Highly recommended by our past clients, this four course meal includes: Entre, Main, Cheeses & Dessert (drinks are not included). Dinner must be booked in advance - subject to availability from **€85 per person** (some restaurants are closed on Sunday & Monday).

If you book this option, the half board supplement will be a reduced cost for 6 dinners.

#### **OPTIONAL TRADITIONAL HOT LUNCH WITH WINE TASTING:**

**Available Days 2, 3, 4 or 5, (not available Sundays) - €65 to €120**

- DAY 2: in Gevrey Chambertin, Domaine Pierre Bourée; traditional meal with a selection of wines to taste
- DAY 3: in Aloxe Corton, Domaine Comte Senard, traditional meal with a selection of wines to taste
- DAY 4: in Puligny Montrachet, Domaine Olivier Leflaive, traditional meal with a selection of wines to taste
- DAY 5: in Mercurey, Chateau de Chamirey, traditional meal with a selection of wines to taste

**Please note:** Price varies depending on the number & classification of wines tasted. Price will also vary with the Domaine/chateau.

## OPTIONAL WINE TASTING

Book a visit to a wine estate and a wine tasting (without a meal) from €25 per person. Details on request, we will need to fit this into your cycling itinerary – these tours are tailored especially to suit your dates, so we need to request prices, on dates that suit.

## 2020 SCHEDULE

**March – November:** Start on any day

## 2020 COST PER PERSON IN EURO - minimum 2 people

Double/Twin share	€1155	
- without wine tasting/lunch (2)	€ 999	
Single room supplement*	€ 435	
Dinner Supplement (7 x 3 course dinners)	€ 320	
Rental Bike: Hybrid 21-speed	€ 140	
Electric Bike	€ 250	
Michelin 1* 4 course dinner from:	€ 85	
Extra nights in Dijon share twin/double	€ 78	Single room - price on request
Extra nights in Beaune share twin/double	€ 78	Single room- price on request

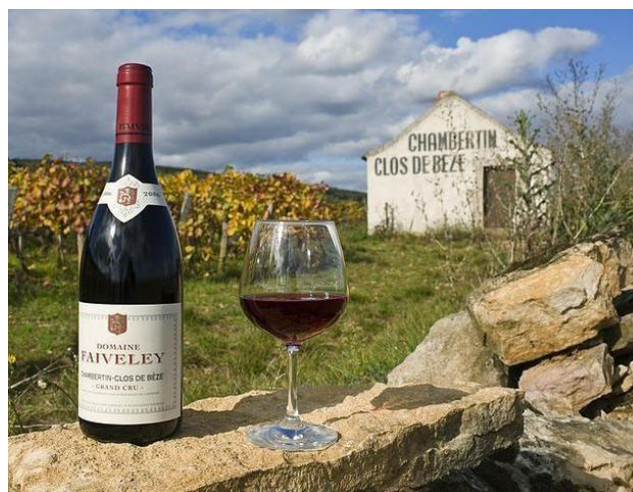
**\*For solo travellers there will be a surcharge for luggage transportation - price on request.**

## 2020 COST INCLUDES

- 7 nights bed & breakfast accommodation in 3-star hotels, with private facilities
- 2 wine tasting lunches (cold lunch with charcuterie and cheeses)
- Luggage transfers
- Detailed cycling notes, route maps and tourist information (1 pack per room).
- Welcome briefing on arrival
- Local contact – Help Line

## 2020 COST DOES NOT INCLUDE

- Drinks with meals, extras, bar expenses
- Visits or activities suggested on the tour
- Arrival and departure transfers



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