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**WINE , NATURE , GASTRONOMY**

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| type : | Electric bike option Self-guided Linear cycle routes Family Cycling Easy cycling Classic Cycle Routes of France |
| hybrid : | ●●○○○ |
| e-bike : | ●◐○○○ |
| duration : | 7 days |
| comfort : | ●●●◐○ |
| period: | Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct |
| code: | FRSB115 |

# Cycling Burgundy - From Dijon's flavors to Tournus' wines

7 days, *€ 750*

## Introduction




- A peaceful itinerary along the "**Burgundy Wine Route**"
- Explore the fortified city of Beaune: visit its **famous Hospices and the Musée du Vin de Bourgogne**
- Visit the **mustard capital of France**: Dijon
- Discover the **world-renowned vineyards** of Côte de Nuits, Côte de Beaune and Mâconnais
- Savor **Burgundy's culinary specialties**

## Day to Day

Day 1 **Arrival in Dijon**

After check-in at the hotel, enjoy the rest of the day wandering around the city center of Dijon and discovering the capital of the Dukes of Burgundy. The small streets will take you from monument to monument from the Dukes' palace to the famous owl which can bring good luck (if we touch it correctly), from the halls where the market is located to Lake Kir for a green walk.

Day 2 **Dijon - Beaune**

This stage of the Burgundy Vineyard Way by bike links the region's elegant capital, Dijon, and the winemaking villages of the famed Côte to the south. Although this stretch is provisional and as yet unofficial, it is of intense interest to wine-lovers, taking small roads through villages that carry prestigious appellation names, like Le Clos de Vougeot.

This route crosses the well-known wine region 'Côte de Nuits'. Here the dominant grape in the vineyards is the Pinot Noir, from which the splendid red Burgundy is made. You pass the world-famous Chateau Clos du Vougeot and will overlook the rolling vineyards producing one of the most expensive wines of the world: Romanée Conti.

At the end of your day, arrive in Beaune, the unmistakable wine capital of Burgundy. Have you got some time left after your check-in then visit the artistic and historic heritage of the town, such as the impressive "Hospices de Beaune". Be sure to pay a visit to the wine museum.

*Challenge : 50.3 km, 228m ascent, 260m descent*

Day 3 **Beaune - Chassey-le-Camp**

A nice relaxed trip through the "Côte de Beaune" where prestigious, white wines like Meursault and Montrachet are made from the white Chardonnay grapes.

Today we propose an itinerary which traverses the famous wine villages of Pommard, Meursault and Chassagne-Montrachet on an easy route with many changes of scenery, to the small town of Nolay, and its impressive market building next to church. From Nolay, you will follow a pleasant cycling path using a former railway. Arrival at Chassey-le-Camp at the heart of the small valley.

*Challenge : 43.6 km, 489m ascent, 395m descent*

Day 4 **Chassey-le-Camp – Saint-Boil**

Today on the "Voie Verte" – a former railway track - you cycle among undulating vineyards of the considerably less prestigious wine region "Côte Chalonnaise". Visit, on your way, the castle of Rully, and maybe take a break at a local winegrower to taste some red Mercurey. Before the end of your cycling day, pedal through the vineyards via Buxy, a typical medieval town.

*Challenge : 42.7 km, 290m ascent, 367m descent*

Day 5 **Saint-Boil – Cluny**

Continuing along the "Voie Verte" today you can admire the beautiful landscapes of southern Burgundy. The treasures you will find along the route include the Chateau de Cormatin and its gardens, unique in France for its exceptionally well-preserved interiors from the reign of Louis 13th (1628).

You end the day in the beautiful town of Cluny, known for its prominent town ramparts and Roman Abbey founded in the 10th century.

*Challenge : 27.4 km, 102m ascent, 94m descent*

Day 6 **Cluny – Tournus**

Rather quickly the terrain becomes somewhat hillier and you reach Europe's longest underpass(disused railway tunnel). On the other side is the majestic fortress Berzé-le-Châtel, surrounded by "Mâconnais" vineyards. In Mâcon you cross the beautiful bridge Saint Laurent and you follow the route on the "Voie Bleue" along the banks of the Sâone. You pass charming villages built around typical Roman churches and eventually you reach medieval Tournus.

*Challenge : 59.5 km, 169m ascent, 231m descent*

Day 7 **Departure from Tournus**

After breakfast, end of your cycling trip. Some time left? Walk through the historic centre of Tournus before taking the train back to Beaune.

## Prices, Data, Booking

## Practical Info

6 nights included

3/4 Star Hotels

Breakfast included. Dinner is included on day 3.

Maps and tourist information on all the places of interest

24/7 Bilingual Emergency hotline

Luggage transport to your next accommodations. Luggage accepted per person: 1 suitcase or travel bag (20 kg maximum)

For time tables and further information check the **website of SNCF** or **rome2rio** for all French National trains (SNCF).
We strongly advise you to **download the sncf mobile app** prior to departure.

If you want to travel on a train with your bike, you can find more information **via this link**.

Parking information on request

We will supply the directions of this trip with a personalized code which gives you access to our travel App.