



FRANCE BY HOTEL BARGE **THE LUCIOLE**

Wine Tasting Cruise

24 - 30 September 2017

A French wine cruise

Luciole cruises through the heart of beautiful Burgundy, home to many wonderful wines and grape varieties.

The Wine Tasting week combines appreciation of wine with cruising the Nivernais Canal - the finest waterway in France.

Our cruise route is perfectly placed to visit wine makers in Burgundy and the Loire Valley - Including the wine growing regions of Chablis, Auxerre, Beaune, Sancerre and Pouilly-Fumé.

Our crew of six blends experience with enthusiasm, to create the warm and welcoming atmosphere with which the Luciole is renowned.





Wine cruise itinerary

Sunday

Rendezvous in Paris at a location of your choice. Captain Francisco welcomes you on board the Luciole, with Champagne reception and canapés.

Monday

Morning cruise to Vincelles and visit to the impressive Crément de Bourgogne wine caves at Bailly. Afternoon tasting in Chablis, famed for chardonnay wines, and the prestigious 'Grand Cru Hill'.

Tuesday

Breakfast cruise to Accolay before a departure to Beaune. The Pinot Noir grape is grown in this famous wine region of Haute Côte de Beaune. We visit the Marché aux Vins and then lunch in the esteemed town, before a drive home through the vineyards.

Wednesday

Visit to delightful Irancy, where Pinot Noir and César grapes are blended for the town's Appellation d'Origine Contrôlée (AOL) red wine. Wine tasting in St Bris, of the Sauvignon Blanc and Sauvignon Gris grape varieties. The cruise in the afternoon is to Mailly-le-Château.

Thursday

Morning cruise to Lucy-sur-Yonne. Afternoon visit to the Sauvignon Blanc grape region of Sancerre and Pouilly Fumé for tastings close to the banks of the River Loire.

Friday

Morning cruise to Clamecy. Afternoon visit to an organic wine producer, close to the magnificent hill top town of Vézelay with the imposing World Heritage Site basilica. In the evening the farewell 'Captain's Dinner'.

Saturday

Morning departure, arriving in Paris at lunchtime.

Included in the cruise price

All-inclusive six night cruise price for individuals or charter groups of 8 - 12 passengers.

Free return Paris to barge transfer from a location of your choice, in our air-conditioned bus.

Eight en-suite cabins: 3 doubles (can be converted to twin beds), 3 twins and 2 single cabins.

Gastronomic food and carefully chosen wines. Our well stocked 'open bar' is available to all.

Wine tastings through the week and lunch in Beaune.