



Cruise France by hotel barge  
**LUCIOLE**

## The Walking Cruise

20 – 26 May 2018

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### Exploring beautiful Burgundy

For the fourth consecutive season we have teamed up with 'The Walking Party' to offer passengers a Walking Cruise on the Luciole.

The itinerary blends walks through beautiful Burgundy countryside, daily excursions, cruising on the glorious Nivernais Canal with plenty of opportunities to swim.

Guided walks through woods and vineyards, along rivers, vary between 3 – 6 miles. Those choosing not to walk are most welcome to relax on board or take a meander closer to the mooring.

The Luciole's varied daily excursions throughout the week include: wine tasting, history, culture and opportunities to visit boutique shops.

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



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## Itinerary

### Sunday

Rendezvous in Paris and transfer to the Luciole, moored in Clamecy for a Champagne reception.

### Monday

Morning cruise to Lucy-sur-Yonne, with time to find ones walking feet strolling beside the barge. The walk in the afternoon is from Vézelay's basilica through woods and vines. Non-walkers can take time to explore the town.

### Tuesday

Cruising is to Mailly-le-Château. The walk takes us away from the canal, over the hills to Châtel-Censoir for a coffee, returning to the Luciole for lunch. The Château of Bazoches, home to the Marquis of Vauban is our afternoon visit.

### Wednesday

Morning visit to delightful Noyers for market day, with time to stroll up to the castle or visit the enticing boutique art and craft shops. The afternoon cruise is to Accolay from Mailly-le-Château. An optional walk is offered over the dramatic Rochers du Saussois cliffs for panoramic views.

### Thursday

A riverside walk from Arcy-sur-Cure to Bessy, along the River Cure, before joining the Luciole to cruise to Vincelles. In the afternoon we visit Chablis for wine tasting.

### Friday

The walkers leave Vincelles following a track through vineyards to Irancy, Our final cruise is into Auxerre. In the evening we celebrate the end of the cruise with 'Captain's Dinner' hosted by James and the Captain, Francisco.

### Saturday

Morning departure, arriving in Paris at lunchtime.

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## Included in the cruise price

All-inclusive six night cruise price for individuals.

Free return Paris to barge transfer from the Hotel Mansart in our air-conditioned bus.

Daily walks led by James of 'The Walking Party'.

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

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There are bicycles on board for those wishing to cycle the tow path or bike into nearby villages.

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