



**BREAKS ANS GETAWAYS**

**DESTINATION LA CHAMPAGNE**





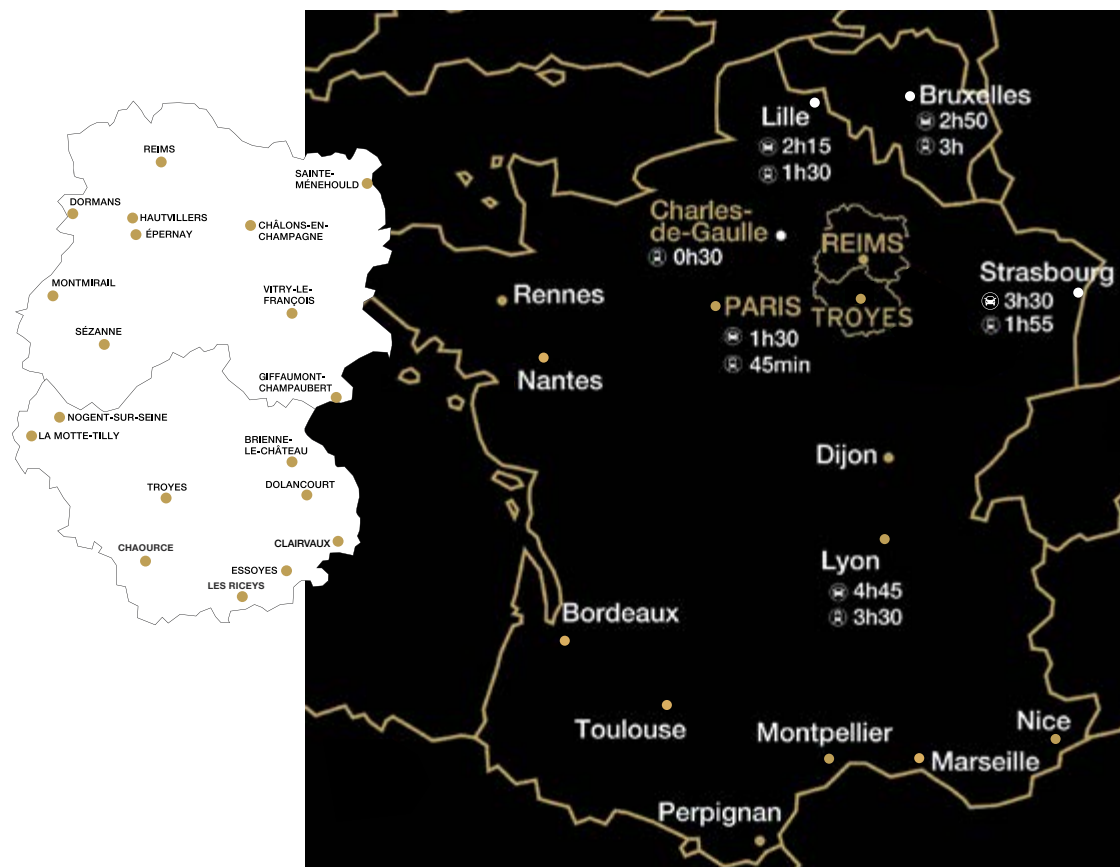
Located in the heart of Europe, the «Champagne» destination enjoys remarkable accessibility by road (3 motorways and 3 national roads), rail (TGV Est) and air (Paris-Roissy CDG and Paris-Orly). Thus the gates of La Champagne are 45 minutes from Paris and 2h30 from Brussels by motorway.

We have selected for you the best experiences to enjoy in order to discover our region, as well as one of its most precious treasures: champagne. This most famous sparkling wine in the world owes its name to the territory where it was born. It is undoubtedly our best ambassador. But it's not just Champagne in Champagne!

Through this brochure, we reveal our best ideas for activities to explore the gems of our region and its heritage. The «Champagne» destination turns out to be a real land of escape, where prestige, terroir and celebrations are combined.

“ **Champagne reveals itself as a veritable land of escape** ”

Let yourself be tempted by a getaway of rejuvenating pleasures and sweet sensations in incredibly unspoiled countryside. Discover the regional natural parks and the great lakes of Champagne, where nature outings abound in a leafy setting. Prepare your escape for a few days, on the tourist routes of Champagne, or to the gates of the towns of Art and History. Follow in the footsteps of illustrious people who have left their mark on Champagne: Dom Pérignon, Renoir, Napoléon ... Let's discover them together!



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# WHO ARE WE ?

For a tailor-made service, the **departmental tourism agencies of Aube and Marne** join forces with **local receptive travel agencies** and together form the “**Club des Réceptifs La Champagne**”, in order to develop more and more new ideas for groups and mini-groups.

**Fun days, excursions, tailor-made stays, short stays ... in groups, with family, with friends ... Find all of our offers.**

To help you and guide you in your projects, do not hesitate to enquire. We will be happy to organize your visit to Champagne.

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La Motte-Tilly château



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## FROM NORTH TO SOUTH, DISCOVER CHAMPAGNE AND ITS FINEST ATTRACTIONS

**Last :** 2 days

**Distance :** 250 km from Reims or Epernay  
**Valid :** all year round (except Saturdays and Sundays)

**Based on 2 to 12 people**

**From € 575 / person** (accommodation not included)

2 days with guide and private shuttle for couples, families or friends, it's possible with this 100% Champagne tour to discover all the secrets from the north near Reims and Chamery to the south of Champagne in Troyes and Montgueux. Start your first day **with a vineyard tour** with an expert, followed by a guided tour of the **Tonnellerie the Tonnellerie Artisanale de Champagne** and learn about the influence of ageing in wood. After lunch in a prestigious brasserie, you'll visit a **confidential estate** with an organic label. The winemaker will share his knowledge and his champagne culture.

Heading south, you'll discover the sumptuous Cellier St Pierre and its distillery producing the famous Prunelle de Troyes. You enjoy lunch at one of Troyes' most famous restaurants: **Chez Felix**.

To round off your stay in style, you'll discover one of Montgueux flagship estate : Champagne Jaillant.



Organic winegrower



## THE CHAMPAGNE OF GREAT MEN

**Last :** 1 day

**Distance :** 100 km from Troyes

**Valid :** all year round (except Saturdays and Sundays)

**Based on 2 to 12 people**

**From € 375 / person**

After a **guided tour of the vineyards**, you'll set off to discover the village of **Colombey-les-Deux-Eglises**, where General de Gaulle lived and where General de Gaulle lived, and visit his house. You'll then enjoy an all-inclusive all-inclusive lunch at a **typical brasserie in the heart of the village**.

The day ends with a visit to one of the great Champagne houses champagne house: **Champagne Drappier**. Discover of this incredible family, close to General de Gaulle (who was passionate about champagne), which has succeeded over three generations to create one of the best champagne houses in the region. You'll enjoy throughout the day with an **expert Champagne guide**, and travel will be in a **private shuttle** just for you.



Champagne cellar





## CHÂTEAU LIFE IN THE AUBE

**Last :** 2 days

**Distance :** 166 km

**Valid :** all year round

**Based on 6 people**

**From € 385 /person**

On your arrival in **Troyes**, you will have lunch in a gourmet restaurant in the heart of the medieval part of the city. The afternoon is devoted to a visit to the **Château de Vaux**, a chateau in full restoration. A few rooms on the ground floor and a major work-in-progress on the central part of the main building permits the appreciation of the extent of the restoration work underway and to come.

After dinner en route, you'll arrive at your accommodation, **Château de Montabert**.



Montabert château



## SLOW TOURISM IN AUBE EN CHAMPAGNE

**Last :** 3 days

**Distance :** 74 km

**Valid :** From May to September

**Based on 6 people**

**From € 455 / person**

Stay in the heart of the **Forêt d'Orient regional nature park**. You will be bed and breakfast at the **château**. Bicycles will be at your disposal, you can choose to travel by bike or car. After a participatory experience on **the park's biodiversity**, you'll discover **the Espace Faune de la Forêt d'Orient** and its animals, such as Tarpans, from the forests of yesteryear. You enjoy an **introduction to sailing** on the Lac d'Orient. After your lunch by the lake, you'll head off with your guide for a ride in the forest on an **electric scooter!** End the day in style with a guided **canoe-kayak** excursion in the «**Bayou Champenois**». The program ends on the last day with a visit to the **Dosches windmill** or a **Pan de Bois church**, followed by a local lunch.



Forêt d'Orient lake





## A HALF-DAY TO DISCOVER THE ART OF LIVING À LA RÉMOISE

**Last :** ½ day (morning or afternoon)

**Distance :** 15 km from Reims

**Valid :** All year round (except Sundays)

**Based on 2 to 12 people**

**From € 150 / person**

This half-day tour of the city of Reims is aimed at all those who want a short experience to understand champagne and its world. Thanks to a detailed roadmap to guide you around the various sites, you'll start the morning with an **expertly guided tasting** of local cheeses accompanied by with 2 glasses of champagne at an exceptional venue **in the heart of Reims**. You will then visit one of the most prestigious Maison de Champagne, Champagne Mumm. You'll take a guided tour of their majestic **cellar galleries** and finish with a tasting of 2 cuvées.



Champagne and cheese tasting at Trésors de Champagne



## A DAY IN THE TEMPLE OF PINOT NOIR

**Last :** 1 day

**Distance :** 100 km from Troyes

**Valid :** All year round (except Saturdays and Sundays)

**Based on 2 to 12 people**

**From € 250 / person**

This day will take you on a journey to discover the finest **crafts of the southern Champagne region**. You'll be provided with a detailed booklet to guide you throughout the day. Enjoy a visit to one of Champagne's most renowned houses **Champagne Drappier**. Discover their cellars, which date back nearly 9 centuries, their flagship grape variety Pinot Noir, but above all their family spirit.

You'll also enjoy lunch at a renowned Cote des Bar restaurant restaurant on the Cote des Bar, located in a **former railway depot** renovated by a group of winegrowers. The cuisine on offer is wholesome and tasty with organic garden vegetables and local meats. Then end your day with a visit to a pioneering **biodynamic estate**. An original day that will comfort or reconcile you with our beautiful nature.



Champagne Drappier







## GENTLE MOBILITY IN THE MARNE

**Last** : 2 days  
**Distance** : 50 km  
**Valid** : all year round

**Based on 10 people**  
**From € 285 / person**

You begin your stay in **Reims**, greeted by a guide at Reims-centre station for a guided walking tour, including the cathedral (UNESCO). After a visit to a **Champagne House** and a tasting of a cuvée, go by foot to the restaurant and check into your \*\*\* hotel in the city center. **Free time** in the «Cité des Sacres», followed by dinner on your own. On next day, departure by TER for **Epernay** through the vineyards and the Parc Naturel Régional de la Montagne de Reims. Arrival in Epernay, departure on foot to pick up the bikes, then a ride along the **Véloroute** de la Vallée de la Marne along the canal to Ay-Champagne (Unesco). Visit and tasting winemaker. After a quick champagne lunch, visit Pressoria and tasting of 2 champagnes. Return to Epernay and bike drop-off, then departure by train.



## A SPARKLING DAY AROUND ÉPERNAY

**Last** : 1 day  
**Distance** : 80 km (from and to Reims)

**Based on 10 people (from 10 to 30 people)**  
**From € 200 / person**

**Valid** : On request («captive balloon» stage) only if weather conditions are favorable) - every day (except Sunday) from April to October

Accompanied by a guide, discover the **picturesque** village of Hautvillers, where the famous monk Dom Pérignon lived and is buried. Stroll along the charming lanes to meet a **talented winemaker**, who will take you on a tour of his estate and offer you 2 flutes of champagne.

Lunch in **Épernay**.

In the afternoon, your guide will show you the rich architectural of the **Avenue de Champagne**, the heart of Épernay. You admire the city's rooftops from the air, 360° view of the vineyards from the tethered balloon. Then enjoy a flute of champagne in a **Champagne House** on the Avenue, before concluding your sparkling day with an educational and immersive tour of Champagne **Nicolas Feuillatte**, accompanied by a tasting session.



Pressoria



Vineyard





## HISTORICAL AND GOURMET ESCAPE IN REIMS

**Last :** 1 day

**Distance :** 10 km

**Valid :** On request all year round (except Saturdays and Sundays)

**Based on 10 people (from 10 to 30 people)**

**From € 232.50 / person**

The day gets off to a gentle start with a visit to the cookie factory that produces the famous **“Biscuit rose de Reims”**. The famous **Pommery Champagne House** then welcomes you for a guided tour of its cellars including magnificent «crayères» (impressive shafts dug into the chalk in Gallo-Roman times), followed by a tasting of 2 flutes of champagne.

Then, a pleasant lunch awaits you in a **friendly brasserie** in the center of Reims.

In the afternoon, accompanied by a tour guide, visit the **city center** and its **cathedral**, a **jewel of Gothic art listed as a World Heritage Site**.

End your day with a **tasting workshop** featuring 3 champagnes with a specialist who will reveal some of the secrets of the Wine of Kings.

Reims Cathedral



## NIGLOLAND: EXPLORE A SENSATIONAL UNIVERSE IN THE HEART OF NATURE

**Last :** 2 days

**Distance :** 0 km

**Valid :** All season, according to opening calendar

**Based on 20 people coming at the same date**

**From € 161 / person** (instead of 174.50€), rate based on 3 people in the same room at low season (according to calendar).

### DAY 1

**Champagne** reception for an evening at the Hôtel des Pirates\*\*\*\*.

All-you-can-eat gourmet **buffet dinner**, drinks included.

Overnight stay.

### DAY 2

Continental buffet breakfast at the hotel and a day at the **amusement park Nigloland**.

Immerse yourself in **4 breathtaking universes** and discover **43 attractions and shows** for young and old, and **8 themed restaurants**.

Krampus expedition, Nigloland







## ARTIST, CHAMPAGNE AND CRYSTAL

**Last :** 1 day  
**Distance :** 60 km  
**Valid :** All year round

**Based on** 20 people  
**From** € 63 / person

Morning: **Essoyes**, birthplace of **Pierre Auguste Renoir**, the famous painter. Discover part of the famous painter's life. This includes a visit to the **Centre Culturel Renoir**, his **house**, **studio** and **garden**.  
 Lunch at the restaurant.

Afternoon: Take a free tour of the **Musée du Cristal** in Bayel, which houses unique pieces (creations, tools...). This museum shows us the **manufacturing secrets**.

To round off your visit, watch a **glass-blowing demonstration**.  
 The day ends a few kilometers away with a guided tour of a **Champagne cellar** and a tasting session.



Champagne cellar



## CHATEAU AND CAMILLE CLAUDEL MUSEUM JUST OUTSIDE PARIS

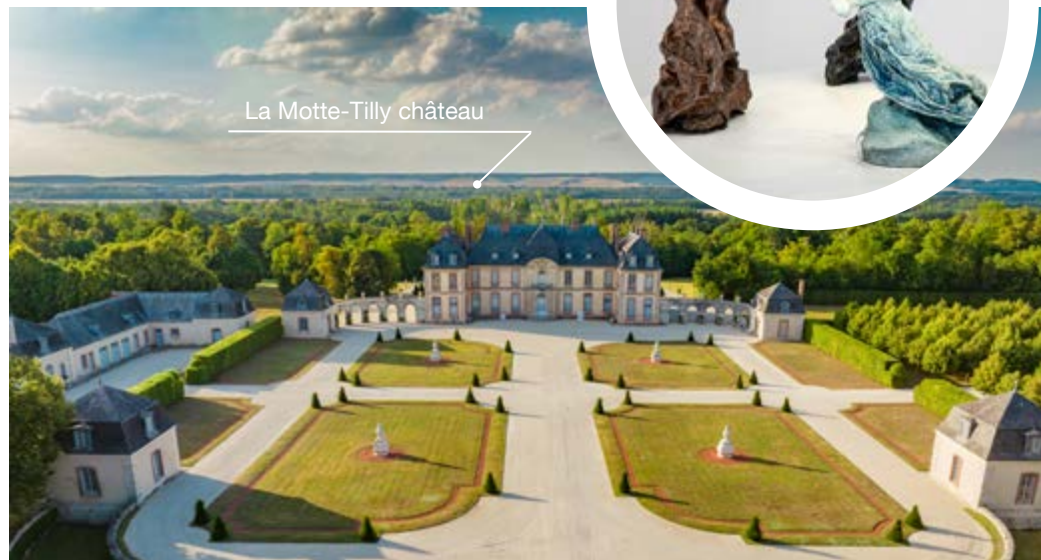
**Last :** 1 day  
**Distance :** 6 km  
**Valid :** from Wednesday to Sunday

**Based on** 40 people (20 people min.)  
**From** € 53 / person

Go back in time to the 18th century in the corridors of the fully furnished **Château de la Motte Tilly** and its 60-hectare park labeled «remarkable garden» before having **lunch in the historic center of Nogent-Sur-Seine**. Understand in what artistic context Camille Claudel was trained, evolved and became asserted, that is the challenge of this visit to the first **Camille Claudel museum** in the world, in Nogent-sur-Seine, the city where, as a teenager, the artist met the sculptor Alfred Boucher in 1874.



La Motte-Tilly château





## CULTURE AND HERITAGE

**Last :** 1 day

**Distance :** 0 km (whole program is based in Troyes)

**Based on** 30 people

**Valid :** May to October  
**From** € 55 / person

Guided tour of the new **Musée d'Art Moderne de Troyes**. Nearly 2,000 paintings, sculptures, drawings, ceramics... offer a complete panorama of art from the second half of the 19th century to the 1960s, as well as a collection of primitive art from Africa and Oceania.

**Local lunch with drinks** in the heart of the city

Afternoon **guided tour of the historic center**. Immerse yourself in the historic capital of Champagne and discover the Saint-Jean-au Marché district, with its remarkable 16th-century timber-framed houses, medieval alleyways including the picturesque ruelle des chats, its secret courtyards and the church of Sainte-Madeleine, with its remarkable Renaissance rood screen of stone.

**Optional** visit to the **Marché des Halles** to buy local produce or sample Pascal Caffet chocolates, or stop off at the factory outlets of **Mc Arthur Glen** factory outlets. A hundred or so stores on nearly 30,000 m<sup>2</sup> of floor space laid out like a village, with architecture inspired by the half-timbered houses in the historic heart of Troyes.



City centre of Troyes



## GASTRONOMY OF THE AUBE

**Last :** 1 day

**Distance :** 51 km

**Valid :** May to October

**Based on** 30 people

**From** € 63 / person

Guided tour of the **cider museum** with tasting of farm products and videorama retracing the making of cider, **discovery of orchards by a little train**.

Departure for **Chaource** for a typical lunch with drinks at the restaurant.

You'll continue with a visit to a **cheese dairy** to discover the traditional artisanal production (ladle molding) or the discovery of a **mushroom farm** with product tasting.

The day ends with a visit to a **champagne cellar** in Les Riceys, the only Champagne village to boast 3 AOCs (Champagne, Coteau champenois and Rosé des Riceys) to discover Louis XIV's favorite wine, **Rosé des Riceys**.



Cider from Hotte farm





## PRESTIGE OF CHAMPAGNE AND CRISTAL

**Last :** 1 day

**Distance :** 30 km

**Valid :** All year round

**Based on 20 people**

**From € 52 / person**

Morning: Start the day with a guided tour of the **Abbaye de Clairvaux**, founded in the 12th century by Saint-Bernard.

Lunch at Clairvaux Abbey or in a partner restaurant. (Menu includes aperitif, starter, main course, dessert, wine and coffee).

Afternoon: Take a self-guided tour of the **Musée du Cristal** in Bayel, which houses unique pieces (creations, tools...). This museum shows us the **manufacturing secrets**.

To round off your visit, watch a **glass-blowing demonstration**.

The day ends a few kilometers away with a guided tour of a **Champagne cellar** and a **tasting** session.



Champagne



## REIMS, CULTURE AND GASTRONOMY

**Last :** 1 day (optional extension)

**Distance :** 0 km (whole program is based in Reims)

**Based on 20 people**

**Valid :** 2023 / 2024

**From € 45 / person** (with extension : € 245 / person)

Visit the **Biscuiterie Fossier**, taste and buy in the shop. Created in 1691, Biscuit Rose de Reims is one of the jewels of the city. Always associated with champagne in the past, it is a symbol of the festivities. Lunch in a restaurant, followed by a **guided tour of the city** with a visit of **Notre Dame de Reims Cathedral**, a Gothic masterpiece built in 1211. Heavily damaged during the First World War, it features an architectural feat : a reinforced concrete framework designed by architect Henri Deneux, and a rich array of contemporary stained-glass windows.

### **Optional extension available:**

Overnight in a 3\* hotel and dinner, day 2: Embark on a 3-hour **cruise** with **lunch** on the Champagne Vallée boat, along the Marne river, another vision of Champagne



Reims Cathedral





## SCENTS AND DELIGHTS IN THE SEINE VALLEY

**Last :** 1 day

**Distance :** 33 km

**Valid :** From Wednesday to Thursday

**Based on 40 people (20 people min.)**

**From € 56 / person**

You'll start the day with a visit to the **Petite Biscuiterie Artisanale** in Maizières-la-Grande-Paroisse. You'll be able to taste the Maizièrons orange blossom, rum or even carrés d'Othe... to be eaten without moderation! Head for Romilly-Sur-Seine to discover the **Espace Vivant de la Bonneterie**, winding machines, elastic knitting, «Cachou» socks and the world's largest sock!

After your **local lunch in Nogent-sur-Seine**, you'll head to the **botanical garden** at Marnay-Sur-Seine for a digestive stroll. You stroll through the different parts of the garden: evolution path, rose gardens, medicinal plants, condiment plants, vegetable garden, shade garden, conservatory garden, ornamental garden, green wall...



Espace vivant de la Bonneterie



## TROYES, EUROPEAN CAPITAL OF STAINED GLASS

**Last :** 1 day

**Distance :** All day by foot

**Valid :** All year round

**Based on 30 people**

**From € 65 / person**

**Guided tour of Troyes** to discover 9 centuries of **stained glass history**, from the Middle Ages to the present day, from the majesty of the cathedral to the astonishing stained-glass windows of the Basilique St Urbain. Then, at the foot of the Cathedral, visit the **Cellier St Pierre** for a guided tour of the **Prunelle de Troyes** distillery and tasting session.

**Lunch** at the restaurant.

Guided tour of the **Cité du Vitrail**, located at Hôtel-Dieu-le-Comte, to discover the exceptional wealth of stained glass in all its dimensions: historical, technical, aesthetic... and many masterpieces both ancient and contemporary. You'll finish with a free visit of the **Apothecary**, one of the most beautiful in France, in its original 18th-century setting.



Cité du Vitrail





## THE TEMPLAR TREASURE

**Last :** 1 day (optional extension)

**Distance :** 15 km

**Valid :** All year round

**Based on 30 people**

**From € 45 / person**

**(with extension : € 175 / person)**

Guided tour of the **Musée Hugues de Payns**. Discover the forgotten history of the founder of the Order of the Temple, archaeological discoveries, the treasure of the Payns Knights Templar and their fabulous legends. Lunch in Old Troyes, followed by a guided tour of **Troyes, birthplace of the Knights Templar**. Discover Troyes **Cathedral**, the emblematic site where Bernard de Clairvaux had the Templar Order approved at the Council of 1128. Departure to Avalléur to visit the **Templar Commandery**, one of the few remaining in France.

### **Optional extension:**

Overnight in a 3\* hotel and dinner, day 2: Guided tour of the **Maison de l'Outil et de la Pensée Ouvrière** which houses a collection of 18th- and 19th-century hand tools.



Troyes Cathedral



## CHAMPAGNE BY BIKE

**Last :** 3 days

**Distance :** 110 km

**Valid :** All year round

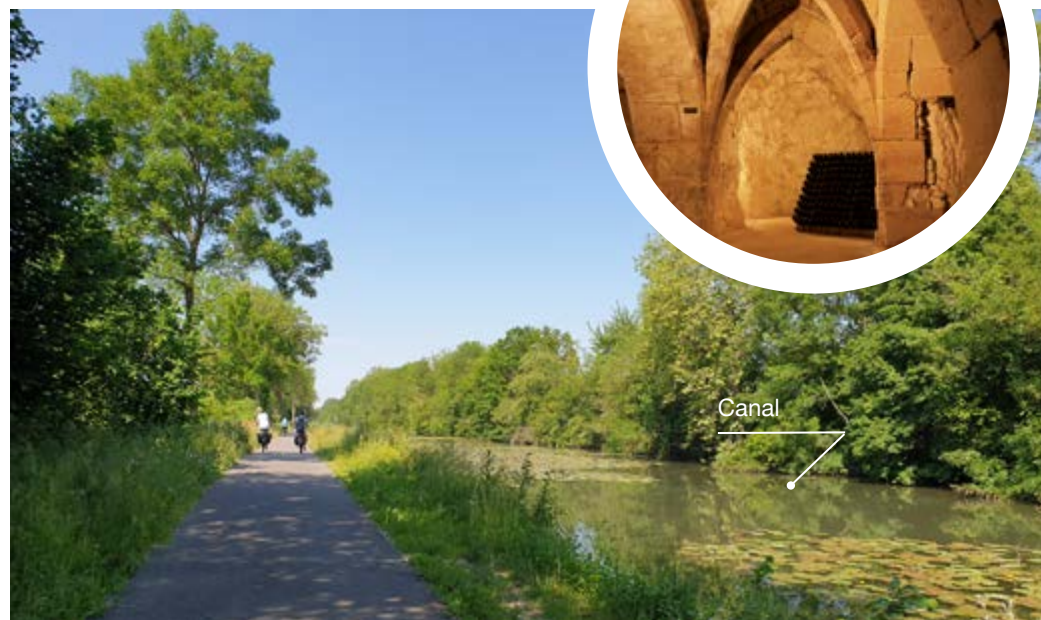
**Based on 20 people**

**From € 430 / person**

Star tour from **Epernay**. You'll arrive by car or train and settle into your hotel\*\*\* before walking to the **Mercier cellars**, crossing the Avenue de Champagne (Unesco).

**On day 2**, depart by bike for **Condé sur Marne** along the Véloroute de la Vallée de la Marne, along the canal, then return for a quick champagne lunch before a visit to **Pressoria**, followed by a tasting of 2 champagnes and return to Epernay.

**Day 3:** Cycle to **Dormans** on the Véloroute de la Vallée de la Marne then on to **Hautvillers** for a snack in a champagne bar. Free visit of the village where **Dom Pérignon** lived, then return to Epernay. End of program at 4:30pm. Bike rental, including helmet and lock, is included in the price.



Canal



## “GASTRONOMY & HISTORY» STAY IN THE AUBE

**Last :** 2 days  
**Distance :** 104 km  
**Valid :** All year round

**Based on 25 people**  
**From € 212 / person**

Arrive in **Troyes** in the late morning, and enjoy lunch in a bistronomic restaurant. Guided tour of the **Cité du Vitrail**, a large-scale scientific, cultural, educational and tourist project, a place of discovery, emotion and experimentation, then free time in the city or at your hotel 3\*.

The following day, guided tour of the **Musée de la Résistance de l'Aube**, initially created in 1967 by members of the Mussy-Grancey F.F.I. maquis, the museum recalls the occupation of the département during the Second World War and the careers of Aube Resistance fighters. Lunch in a restaurant before a visit to the **Hennequière champagne cellar**, followed by a tasting of 2 champagne vintages, in the heart of the Vallée de la Sarce.



Cité du Vitrail



## “HERITAGE AND GASTRONOMY» STAY IN CHAMPAGNE

**Last :** 3 days  
**Distance :** 152 km  
**Valid :** All year round

**Based on 25 people**  
**From € 368 / person**

On arrival in **Troyes**, you'll enjoy lunch in a **bistronomic restaurant** before discovering the fabulous city of Troyes on the theme of «**stained glass masterpieces**». Check-in, dinner and overnight at your hotel\*\*\*.

The following day visit to the **Dosches windmill** before lunch by the lake, followed by a guided tour aboard the "Bateau Ivre" boat. Return to Troyes for enjoy some free time, the **Halles market** is ideal for buying local chaource, andouillettes and Pascal Caffet chocolates! On last day you'll enjoy a guided tour of the **Musée du Vauluisant** (Musée Renaissance en Champagne and Musée de la Bonneterie), lunch in the heart of the historic area, then off to Montgueux to visit a Champagne cellar, followed by a tasting session.



Vauluisant museum





## FROM THE CÔTE DES BAR TO LAC D'ORIENT

**Last :** 2 days

**Distance :** 115 km

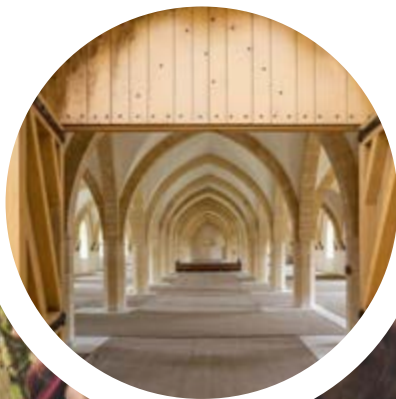
**Valid :** From mid-march  
to mid-September

**Based on 30 people**

**From € 260 / person**

This break combines nature and heritage. Discover the history of glass and crystal at the **Musée du Cristal** and watch a glass-blowing demonstration. Lunch at Clairvaux Abbey, followed by a guided tour. Before leaving for the **hotel** and its **spa area**, you'll make a stop at a winegrower's for a **champagne tasting**.

The next day, you'll embark on a **cruise** aboard the "bateau Ivre" boat which will reveal all the secrets of this artificial lake. You'll have **lunch on the shores of Lac d'Orient**, then head off for a walk in the Orient Forest to discover its myths and legends (or visit a **half-timbered church**).



Nature outing



## ON THE ROADS OF AUBE EN CHAMPAGNE

**Last :** 4 days

**Distance :** 126 km

**Valid :** All year round

**Based on 25 people**

**From € 508 / person**

Rendez-vous in the heart of the **Forêt d'Orient Regional Nature Park** for a lunch overlooking the lake, then off to the **timber-framed church** of Longsols. Dinner and overnight in a 4\* hotel near Troyes.

The 2nd day will be devoted to visiting the city of **Troyes** and its main museums, the Cité du Vitrail and the Maison de l'Outil et de la Pensée Ouvrière, after a stroll through the Montgueux vineyards.

On the penultimate day, you'll discover the **Côte des Bar** and its champagne vineyards, **lunch in a champagne cellar** and a visit to the village of Essoyes, where the painter **Pierre-Auguste Renoir** lived. Finally, you'll round off your stay with a guided tour of the **Cistercian abbey of Clairvaux** and leave after a final lunch on site.



Saint-Julien-l'Hospitalier-et-Saint-Blaise Church in Longsols





Last : 6 days  
Distance : 361 km  
Valid : 2023/2024

Based on 25 people  
From € 877 / person

**DAY 1:** Arrival in **Reims** in the morning for a tour of the **Cathedral and the city center**. You'll discover the city closely linked to the coronation of the kings of France. After lunch in a typical Reims brasserie, you'll discover the **Gallo-Roman Crayères**, listed as a Unesco World Heritage Site, during a visit to a famous Champagne house. In the late afternoon, head for the **Montagne de Reims vineyards** to meet a **winemaker** who will explain all about the work in the vines. Dinner in the city center, overnight in a 3\* hotel.

**DAY 2:** Meet in **Châlons-en-Champagne** for a lunch in the city center before setting off to discover the Gallo-Roman cellars of **Joseph PERRIER champagne**. After a tasting of the king of wines, you'll take a **boat trip** and admire many sites and Chalonnais monuments from an unusual angle. Dinner downtown, overnight in 3\* hotel.

**DAY 3:** Off to Lac du Der for a visit to the **Musée du Der**, retracing the history of three villages that have disappeared and plunges you into the heart of an authentic Der village! After a local lunch, you'll discover the lake on board the «**au fil de l'eau**» boat. On your way to Troyes, you'll stop at Longsols to admire its **half-timbered church**. Dinner in downtown Troyes, overnight in a 3\* hotel.

**DAY 4:** Guided tour of **Troyes**, a city of art and history, which invites you to stroll around in a medieval atmosphere. Before lunch in the heart of the city, visit the Cellier St Pierre for a tour and tasting of **Prunelle de Troyes**! The afternoon is devoted to a visit to the **Maison de l'Outil et de la Pensée Ouvrière**, which houses a collection of tools from the 17th and 18th centuries. After free time, dinner in the city center and overnight at your 3\* hotel.

**DAY 5:** Follow in the footsteps of **Pierre-Auguste Renoir** at Essoyes. Visit the Du Côté des Renoir center, the painter's studio, his home and the cemetery where he rests. Lunch, followed by a visit to the cellar, to discover one of **Renoir's champagnes**! Then on to the brand-new **Musée de la Résistance de l'Aube**, which recalls occupation of the département during the Second World War the Aube Resistance fighters, before returning to Troyes for dinner and your 3\* hotel.

**DAY 6:** Head for **Nogent-sur-Seine** for a «Walk with Gustave Flaubert». A guided tour of the town to discover the 19th-century Nogent that Gustave Flaubert knew when he visited his cousins, and which he used as the main setting of his novel L'Éducation sentimentale. Lunch in the heart of the city and guided tour of the **Camille Claudel Museum**. It was in Nogent-sur-Seine that Camille Claudel, as a teenager, affirmed her vocation as a sculptor when she lived there with her family. Today, some forty of her works are on display, making it the world's largest collection, enabling visitors to discover her artistic career.









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