



French Wine EXPLORERS



3-DAY PRIVATE CHAMPAGNE SOJOURN

DAY 1

- Pick up at your Paris hotel by your English-speaking, wine expert guide/driver at 8am.
- Depart for Champagne, just a 1 ½ hour drive from Paris.
- Arrive in Reims, the “capital” of the Champagne region, where you’ll visit the spectacular Reims Cathedral, where the Kings of France were crowned for 800 years.
- Visit one of the best major Champagne houses in Reims: Veuve Clicquot, Pommery, Ruinart, Taittinger or Mumm. You’ll visit their majestic cellars, most dating back to Roman times with huge chalk pits and miles of galleries; then enjoy a tasting of their fine Champagnes and some time for shopping in their boutique.
- Enjoy a lovely welcome lunch at your choice of a casual local bistrot or one of Reims’ best restaurants (reservations only). Your guide will provide an overview of the region and its wines as you sample some fine Champagnes during lunch.
- This afternoon, you’ll travel into the beautiful Champagne vineyards to visit one of the top boutique Champagne houses, like Tarlant, Billecart Salmon or Gatinois (these visits are usually with the winemaker him or herself).
- Check in late afternoon to your luxury Relais and Chateau member 4-star hotel, Les Crayeres located in Reims.
- Enjoy a delicious dinner at your hotel’s excellent restaurant (reservations only).

DAY 2

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- Today you’ll explore the finest (and loveliest) winegrowing region of Champagne, the Côte des Blancs (“hillsides of the whites”), where the hillsides are covered with Chardonnay grapes.
- Visit and taste at two of the finest boutique producers of the Côtes des Blancs, like Champagnes DeSousa, Larmandier or Agrapart. A third visit and tasting can be added if you wish.
- Enjoy lunch along the way, casual or gourmet, your choice (reservations only)
- Dine once again at your hotel’s excellent restaurant (reservations only).

DAY 3

B

- Return to Reims to visit another of the major Champagne houses; or enjoy some free time for shopping or to visit one of the excellent museums in town.
- Enjoy lunch along the way, your choice of casual or gourmet, (reservations only)
- Explore the charming hilltop village of Hautvillers. Here you will visit the abbey and tomb of Dom Perignon, the famous monk so well-known for his contributions to the development of Champagne as we know it today.
- End the afternoon in Epernay with a tour of the legendary Champagne house of Moet et Chandon, with a tasting of three of their best Champagnes.
- Transfer back to Paris at the end of the afternoon, arriving between 7pm and 8pm.

LEGEND FOR MEALS INCLUDED IN YOUR TOUR: B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner



YOUR 3 DAY, 2 NIGHT PRIVATE CHAMPAGNE SOJOURN INCLUDES:

- The services of an English-speaking wine expert guide/driver throughout
- Transportation throughout, including transfers from and back to Paris, by deluxe, air conditioned vehicle
- 2 nights in a Deluxe Room at a 4-star luxury hotel in Champagne, double occupancy (subject to availability on your dates).
- 2 buffet breakfasts
- Your tours and tastings at the best Champagne houses, large and small
- Selection of fine restaurants and reservations for your lunches and dinners
- Information on the region and its wines sent to you in advance of your tour

Price based on 2 guests, double occupancy: US \$ 2900 per person

Price based on 4 guests, double occupancy: US \$ 1950 per person

Price based on 6 guests, double occupancy: US \$ 1700 per person

Single supplement: please inquire

Not included: any personal expenses, or any service not specifically mentioned above as included in the price of your tour.

WINE CHATEAUX AND ESTATES

We include only top-quality wine chateaux and estates in our programs. Chateau visits are scheduled by special arrangement, and some chateaux or estates, including any mentioned in the Itinerary, may not be available on your dates. Once you book your program with us, we will contact the estates to determine which are available. If there are specific chateaux or estates you would like to visit, please let us know, and we will contact your preferences first when arranging visits and tastings for you.

TO BOOK YOUR TOUR

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