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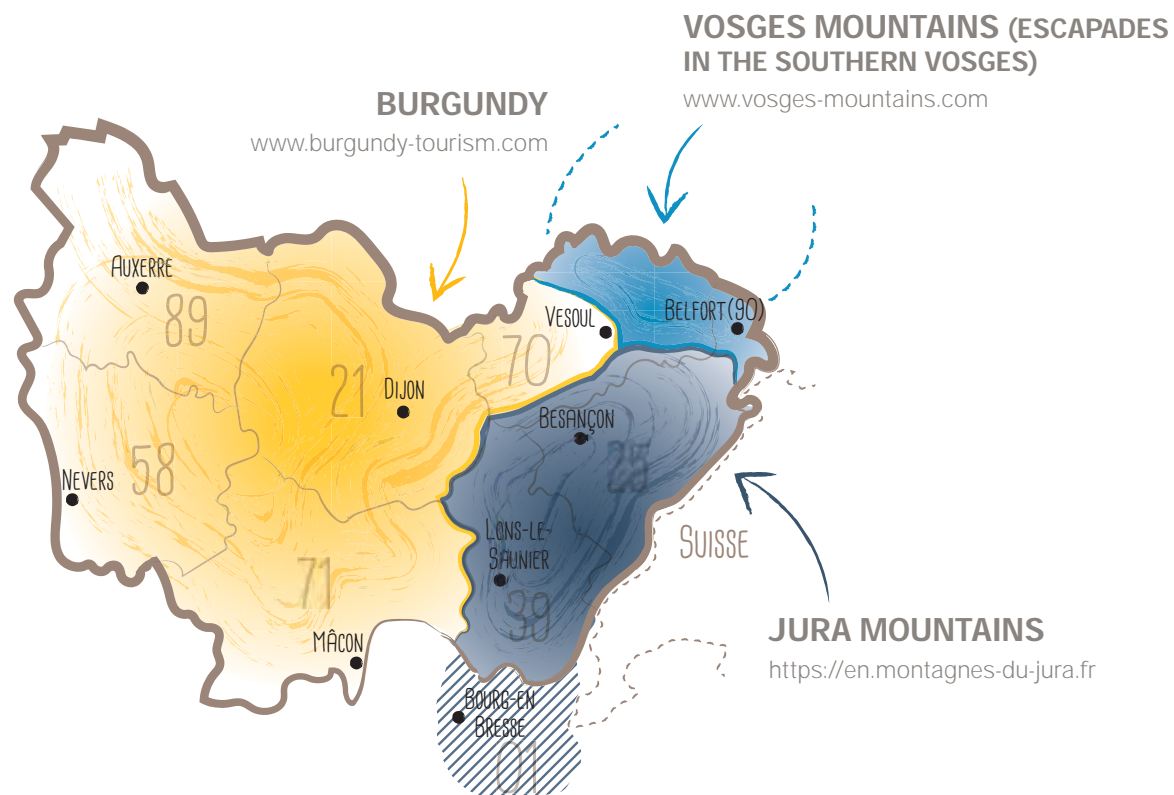
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3 destinations



1 region - 3 destinations: Burgundy, the Jura Mountains and the Vosges Mountains

The Bourgogne-Franche-Comté region is taking action towards responsible tourism that's mindful of both people and the environment. The region's diversity of landscape and culture is an invitation to travellers to reconnect with others and with their surroundings.

Its fascinating historical and cultural heritage is showcased in a responsible manner. Visitors can see Resistance memorials, writers' homes and museums that retrace the region's history. They can also join in with local cultural events and festivities, a great way for travellers to mingle and chat with local residents.

The region is also committed to preserving the environment. It offers tourists a range of nature-friendly activities such as hiking, cycling, canoeing and kayaking. In order to reduce its environmental impact, the region is also taking initiatives such as developing renewable energies and reducing waste.

Not only does the region care about the environment, **it also aims to develop people-oriented tourism.** Through initiatives such as the Route des POTES network, it encourages travellers and residents to mingle, with a view to promoting the local culture. It also offers activities that enable travellers to reconnect with nature and with their inner selves.

This press pack reveals what's new in the Region's three destinations, to give you a taste of the life-changing trip that awaits you...



Burgundy

A great place to reconnect

LA BOURGOGNE 

A change of scene, to listen to your inner emotions and reconnect in a sustainable and responsible way... More than a mere experience, **your travels in Burgundy** can change you forever. Just an hour away from Paris, this land of remarkable heritage features and nature spots, tangible pleasures and culinary delights, conceals behind **its chic French style and sophistication**, secret places that take you straight back to basics and encourage you to take time out.

Travelling in Burgundy is about gliding dreamily along the canals, listening to secrets whispered by stone and to the winegrowers' tales, and **getting together for a hearty meal that reminds you of the meaning of taste**. Strolling in villages of vintage charm or in surroundings that awaken our inner child. **A destination made for sharing life, it's as simple as that.**

www.burgundy-tourism.com

NATURE & NOMADIC SPIRIT

TOURING IN BURGUNDY

The Burgundy landscape seems to breathe an ancient wisdom, inviting us to meditate and reconnect with our inner self. Venturing into the depths of nature along the country lanes teaches you to soak up the soothing vibes of the vineyards, trickling streams and silent forests... The perfect recipe to rebalance the body and mind.

On foot

📍 'Tour du Morvan des Sommets': exploring protected areas of the Grand Site de France

In the heart of the Morvan Regional Nature Park, the Bibracte-Morvan des Sommets Grand Site de France has a new hiking itinerary along country paths. Accessible to all good walkers, this 140-km touring itinerary features the three main summits of the Morvan area: Haut-Folin (901 m), Préneley (855 m) and Beuvray (821 m). An opportunity to thoroughly explore the landscape and the fascinating cultural heritage of this Grand Site de France at your own pace.

rando.parcdumorvan.org



📍 A refreshed pilgrim trail from Vézelay to Autun

Pilgrims following the Way of St James in Burgundy are always happy to find themselves on the hiking trails leading from Vézelay to Autun. Thanks to the efforts of volunteers from a local association, 'Les Amis de la Cathédrale Saint-Lazare d'Autun', the itinerary has been refurbished and the signage completely updated.

www.cheminpelerin-vezelay-autun.fr



📍 Grande Boucle Chalonaise

This 85-km hiking itinerary leads through the famous vineyards and rolling countryside of South Burgundy, as well as its iconic villages: Givry, Mercurey and Rully. Starting at Givry, this loop takes 3 days with 2 overnight stops. Its appeal? The route offers accommodation along the way as well as good restaurants and opportunities to stop for tastings at wine estates or to visit museums.

www.achalon.com/a-voir-a-faire/itineraires/grande-boucle-de-la-cote-chalonnaise-3966306





📱 'Voie Verte 71' revisited

The 'Voie Verte 71' app regularly suggests new itineraries, such as the 'Voie Verte du Morvan aux Vignobles' between Autun and Santenay. This 47-km cycling route features some real gems located in the northern part of Saône-et-Loire.

'VOIE VERTE 71' app (on Google Play Store or App Store)

📱 New Dijon > Saint-Jean-de-Losne route via the Burgundy Canal

It's now possible to cycle from Saint-Jean-de-Losne to Dijon. There are 22 locks and 30 kilometres or so between France's leading river port and the Cité Internationale de la Gastronomie et du Vin in Dijon. This flat itinerary is easy enough even for those who are not regular cyclists.

www.af3v.org/les-voies-vertes



📱 Grande Traversée du Massif Central MTB itinerary, also suitable for gravel bikes

This route extends for nearly 1,400 km from the Morvan to the Mediterranean. Good news! From 2024, the GTMC will include a route suitable for gravel bikers.

www.la-gtmc.com

🚲 By bike 🚲

BIKE REPAIRS

Atelier & Son in Châtillon-sur-Seine.
www.latelier-and-son.fr



📱 Country lanes

Quiet lanes, the banks of the canal, Roman roads and wide, flat tracks through forests and unspoiled lands... From Dijon to the Auxerre area, Vélo Vitamine organises bucolic adventures with a guide, offering a pleasant way to explore the Burgundy countryside.

www.velovitamine.fr



On the water

🚣 Enjoy the peaceful river Saône

With or without a boat licence, with a skipper or independently, sailing on the Saône amid unspoilt natural surroundings is a soothing experience as the river is wide and has very few locks. Two new skippering experiences are available in two different settings:

- Climb aboard the Amazone for a 1½-hour trip on the Saône (leisure trip, picnic cruise or aperitif cruise) from the port of Saint-Jean-de-Losne, France's leading river port.

www.revesdesaone.fr

- From Gray, take a ride on the river Saône in an electric boat.

www.tourisme-valdegray.com

🚣 Sail silently along the lateral canal of the Loire

The Loire flows through an alternation of settings ranging from complete wilderness to typical vineyard scenes and the urban landscapes of beautiful towns such as Nevers and Digoin. Two new, more 'responsible' sailing experiences have been added in 2023:

- For a trip on the lateral canal of the Loire, there's nothing like an electric boat to travel silently and with total peace of mind, without polluting. Boat rentals at the Jonction port in Nevers.

www.nevers-tourisme.com/location-de-bateaux

- River tourism is even greener with Les Canalous and their very first hydrogen-powered boat made here in Burgundy.

www.canalous-plaisance.fr

🚣 Take the family for an electric catamaran trip

With its comfortable seats and central table, ideal for an improvised drink with the family or a barbecue with friends, choose your sailing experience on the river Yonne aboard the Obiboat, a small, unsinkable, electric-powered catamaran, or the BBQ-Boat, a doughnut-shaped vessel equipped with a barbecue. You don't even need a licence!

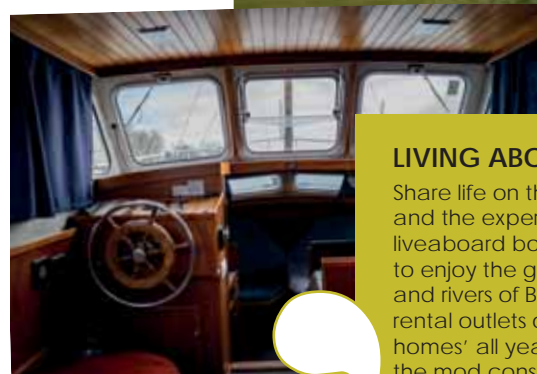
<https://flipper-nautic.wixsite.com/flippernautic>



Electric boats on the river Saône - Gray



Electric boats on the lateral canal of the Loire - Nevers



LIVING ABOARD A BOAT

Share life on the water with family or friends, and the experience of travelling on a liveaboard boat. You don't need a licence to enjoy the gentle pace of life on the canals and rivers of Burgundy. A number of boat rental outlets offer a range of these 'floating homes' all year round. They are fitted with all the mod cons and some can sleep up to 12 people!

www.bourgogne-tourisme.com/decouvrir/au-fil-des-canaux-et-rivieres/croisieres-en-bourgogne

Reconnecting in the great outdoors

🐾 Getting reacquainted with the animal world

A nature hike with Victor Morin, an animal behaviourist, is a chance to go in search of clues to the presence of wildlife: prints, excrement, tracks, traces of food... There's so much we can learn in the forest of south Morvan!

www.autun-tourisme.com/offres/rando-nature-presentation-du-monde-animal-victor-morin-comportementaliste-animalier-broye-fr-4338237/

🌿 Taming nature

As a trained forester and a nature lover, Isabelle Austernaud organises nature excursions in Nièvre. Suitable for all, her scientific activities and amusing, sometimes poetic experiences stimulate the senses and invite us to look at nature from a different angle.

Helping us to gain greater understanding of the forest and its secrets is also what led the École des Beaux Arbres to create an original family walk among the trees, in the forest of the Clunyois region. Solving riddles, observing, listening and brainstorming are great ways to learn without even realising it.

<https://natureaucoeur.com/>
www.acrobath.com/ecole-des-beaux-arbres

WHERE TO STAY OVERNIGHT?

At the Manoir de L'Hermitage in Cluny. These lovely guestrooms boasting the 'Accueil Vélo' seal of approval awarded to bike-friendly establishments lend out bicycles free of charge.

www.lemanoirhermitage-cluny.fr



WHERE TO GO FOR LUNCH IN LE CREUSOT?

At the new restaurant La Fleur de Sel.

www.lafleurdesel-restaurant.fr



🧗 A taste for adventure

The vast Morvan forests make the ideal playground for trekking enthusiasts. David Blondeau has a passion for hiking. This former banker who has walked across Europe, alone and totally self-sufficiently, now invites other trekkers to share his experience and skills. His trekking courses offer a chance to get to know the Morvan region through a mix of theory and practical approach. Another way to prepare the mind and body: join Jonathan Holtzwarth's Boot Camp for a military-style physical training experience.

<https://lebanquierryrandonneur.fr/morvan-stage-de-trekking/>
<https://fitrainercamp.com/bootcamp/>

🧘 Yoga in the forest or in the garden?

Julie is an artist and yoga teacher who organises forest-bathing courses in the heart of the Morvan. The aim? To reconnect with the mind and body, with nature and with art.

In the Forêts National Park, which straddles the Burgundy and Champagne regions, Annette invites you to try a yoga session to the humming of bees. Between the garden and the apiary, she shares with you her two passions, yoga and beekeeping.

<https://sagesse-de-la-foret.com/>
<https://rando.forets-parcnational.fr/service/2593-Yoga-au-son-des-abeilles>

🪁 Drifting through the sky wherever the wind takes you

In the wilderness above Le Creusot, the Parc des Combes has unveiled the Toucans, an attraction that's unique in Europe. The 8 toucan-shaped cars take to the air around a 23-metre tower! Visitors control their toucan's wings to guide the car as it rides up and down on the wind.

www.parcdescombes.com





Unusual racing cars



🚲 'Friendly Rosalie' quadricycle rentals

Take out a quadricycle or an off-road electric scooter for a ride along the Saône riverbank to enjoy a huge breath of fresh air. You won't need a guide to follow this safe and peaceful cycle path through the countryside. For those who intend to get the most out of their nature escapade, you can even spend the night in an Inuit tent. A just reward for your efforts!

<https://friendlyrosalie.jimdofree.com/>

🚲 The Morvan by quattrocycle

In the early 20th century, a number of railway lines criss-crossed the Morvan region. To renew with the spirit of the trains of yesteryear, E-trott-in-Morvan has come up with a fun family adventure in the Ternin valley, with the quattrocycle, an odd, four-wheeled electric bike.

<https://etrott-in-morvan.fr/quattrocycle/>

🚲 Return of the vintage moped

Head for La Bresse for an original tour along the country lanes on a vintage moped. Moped riders can choose the backdrop to their trip (Chevreaux caste, Cuiseaux, Louvarel lake or the Chanelet lookout point), download the itinerary on a GPS device and simply follow the guide.

www.roulemapoule71.fr





For an overnight stop (or longer!)



🌿 An eco-friendly bivouac site deep in the forest

Last summer, a bivouac site was created for hikers wishing to spend the night in the Morvan Regional Nature Park. Featuring two shelters, a dry toilet, a secured fire spot and net hammocks for stargazing, this eco-friendly bivouac site is free of charge and offers a unique experience for self-sufficient campers.

www.parcumorvan.org

🌿 A chalet by the water

Standing in a green haven on the banks of the Settons lake, this solid timber chalet is a clever illustration of contemporary architecture. Bright, spacious and modern, it accommodates up to 10 people.

www.chalets-marchand.com

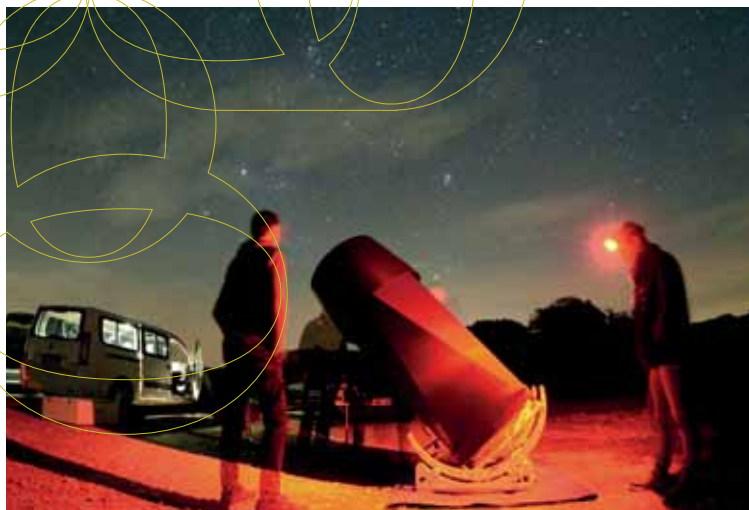


🌿 Maison du Canal, life in the slow lane

Five guestrooms, a stunning view of the Burgundy canal, a small grocery shop selling local products and an e-bike rental outlet invite you to slow things down and live at nature's pace.

www.lamaisonducanal.net

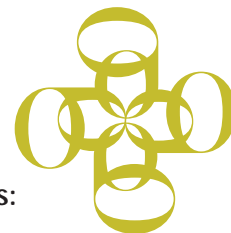
Eco-tourism recommendations



🌌 Du Ciel et des Hommes: astronomy for all

Gaze in wonder at the night sky for this emotional experience with Thibaud Marec, creator of 'Du Ciel et des Hommes'. In his company, try an original evening experience near Vézelay on themes such as 'Astro'raclette', 'Grandeur and mystery of the moon' or 'In Galileo's shoes'. After this, the Burgundy sky will never seem quite the same again!

www.ducieletdeshommes.com



🌱 Vaolo, the responsible booking platform

Committed hosts, local experiences, eco-friendly accommodation, travellers with a passion and memorable encounters... Welcome to Vaolo, the responsible booking platform that has joined forces with the Grand Autunois Morvan authority.

vaolo.com/partenaire/le-grand-autunois-morvan/



🌱 Le P'tit Monde du Morvan

A holiday at Le P'tit Monde du Morvan is a unique experience in the heart of the Morvan region, far from the daily grind. It's all about forgetting the world around us to spend a night living in a bubble. About getting away from routine by sleeping under the stars. And going back to the essentials in a safari tent.

leptitmondedumorvan.fr/



🌱 Tiny house and glamping at Les Ruats farm

At the eco-friendly, local and organic Les Ruats Farm, near Quarré-les-Tombes, nothing is done by half-measures. Between the Tiny House tucked amid the lush greenery, with a view over the river, and the glamping tents set between the orchards and meadows, you're instantly sent back to the essentials.

www.lafermedesruats.fr

A WHOLE WAY OF LIFE!

FOOD & WINE IN BURGUNDY

Living life to the full, appreciating the real taste of things, savouring good, locally-produced food and understanding the origins and history of wine or another local speciality... When an entire region revolves around its food and wine, you can be sure it offers some amazing experiences. Besides being delicious moments, these journeys through the senses anchor you in the here and now.

When wine takes the limelight...

🍷 New attraction at the Hameau Duboeuf

France's leading oenopark, Hameau Duboeuf, is celebrating its 30th anniversary. The station has been completely redesigned to mark the occasion and the Impérial takes spectators through a historical timeline. In this new show, the Emperor Napoleon and Empress Eugénie receive their prestigious guests for an unusual evening in which the collections come to life and history rubs shoulders with fiction and new technology.

www.duboeuf.com/fr/le-parc/#gare



🍷 Dramatised wine-tasting tour at Domaine Jean Loron

The ancient Jean Loron wine cellars are the fleeting stage for this tour and tasting session. This show entitled 'Jean and the Winery' is performed by a troupe of 5 comedy actors whose exuberant and disconcerting performance tells the story of winegrower Jean Loron, an inevitably original tale about one of the oldest and greatest wine estates in South Burgundy.

boutique.loron.fr/jean-winery/

🍷 Ampélopsis, behind the scenes of wine

Organised around fifteen themes, the Ampélopsis Oenocentre in the Châtillonnais region plunges you into the world of vines and wines. Its latest feature, the 'Theatre of the Living' takes visitors on a journey in the underground world to learn about the evolution of the soils and its unsuspected ecosystem. Ampélopsis also hosts special events like 'Les Nuits Bulleuses', an original tour with gourmet stops to learn about the Crémant de Bourgogne sparkling wines.

www.oenocentreampelopsis.com



Creator cuisine



☛ Takashi Kinoshita is the chef at 'La Cueillette'

After being head chef at the Château de Courban, Michelin-starred chef Takashi Kinoshita has joined 'La Cueillette', the gourmet restaurant of the Château de Citeaux hotel in Meursault. When Japanese technical expertise meets healthy dishes and the soils of Burgundy, the experience promises to be amazing...

www.lacueillette.com

☛ Maison Doucet, a festival of stars

With a 5th star for its hotel, a Michelin star for its restaurant, an outstanding spa and a gourmet bistro, the Maison Doucet invites epicureans to pop in during their visit to the Charolais region. In the kitchens, Frédéric Doucet expresses shamelessly his emotions and his love for local produce.

www.maison-doucet.com



☛ At the 'Sublime', Dijon has an Italian twist

Giovanni Spataro takes inspiration from Italian and French specialties to concoct a decidedly modern menu. A bold cuisine that's all about identity, drawing its singularity from the background and travels of the chef and his wife, pastry chef Salvina Buttaci. In a word, sublime!

www.sublimerestaurant.net

☛ L'Ataraxie, local inspiration

The aisles of the famous market of Toucy are where chef Yohann Rolland finds his inspiration. On a constant quest for fresh, seasonal products that respect the environment, he teams up with the farmers to put together his menu. Back in the kitchens of the Ataxarie, he puts his creativity into bringing out the best in his carefully selected products.

www.restaurantlataraxie.fr



Burgundy in a plate

☛ A 'Corner Bourguignon' at the Cité Internationale de la Gastronomie et du Vin

Eggs meurette, parsley ham, pâté en croûte or snails, the very best of the local gastronomy in delicious snacks prepared by chef Florent Colombo. His eatery at the Cité Internationale de la Gastronomie et du Vin in Dijon is the perfect place for a Burgundy-style snack.

www.citedelagastronomie-dijon.fr

TO VISIT ON SITE

Dramatised exhibition 'Et si on allait au resto ?' ('Shall we eat out?') open throughout the year 2024 at the 'Cité'.

www.citedelagastronomie-dijon.fr

☛ JK Restaurant: hand in hand with the farmers of the Charolais-Brionnais region

Market gardener, baker, miller, livestock farmer, fish farmer, snail farmer, beekeeper, cheesemaker, winegrower, brewer, fisherman... this long list of producers and friends of Jeanne-Louise Jondot and Kévin Pontoglio says a lot about their enthusiasm for local expertise and distribution channels. Their colourful, beautifully concocted dishes are also a worthy reflection of their experience gained alongside the region's great chefs.

www.jk-restaurant-chassy.fr

PLACES TO STAY LESS THAN AN HOUR AWAY

At the Clos Vercheron, a former farmhouse converted into an elegant guesthouse with spa, swimming pool and views of the beautiful Charolais-Brionnais countryside.

<https://leclosvercheron.fr/>





Delicious breaks



☛ 'Tea Time' at the Hostellerie de Levernois

Every Saturday afternoon, a stone's throw from Beaune, it is now possible to enjoy sweet pastries and savoury treats made with seasonal ingredients by Lucas Chambfort, the pastry chef at Hostellerie de Levernois. By the fire or out on the terrace, enjoy a hot drink, a glass of champagne or whatever takes your fancy! As for the hotel, it now has a 5-star rating and some newly-created 'prestige rooms' in the Pavillon de la Maison.

www.levernois.com

☛ Brunch at the Château de Sainte-Sabine

Every Saturday, the chef Benjamin Linard and his team bend over backwards to put together a brunch of excellent quality. The perfect excuse to organise a weekend at the Château de Sainte-Sabine, to stay in the beautiful 'Guardhouse' Suite - which opened last spring - and enjoy a relaxing break by the new swimming pool.

www.saintesabine.com



☛ Fancy a taste of nature?

The association 'L' Appel des Bois' organises 2½-hour walks on the theme of edible plants in the Morvan region. The aim? To learn how to recognise edible plants at a glance, and to harvest and cook them in entirely natural recipes.

www.autun-tourisme.com/offres/lappel-des-bois-autun-fr-4220359



☛ The Mistral biscuit factory in Semur-en-Auxois is celebrating its 50th anniversary!

Established in the 1950s, the Biscuiterie du Mistral arrived in Semur-en-Auxois in 1974. The factory shop is therefore a great place to visit for any sweet tooth, young or old. Before biting into the brand's famous 'Chocobeur' biscuits, take a tour of the medieval town of Semur-en-Auxois, well worth a visit for its collegiate church, its keep, its fortifications and its beautiful gîtes such as the Moulin de l'O.

www.biscuits-mistral.fr

www.moulindelelo.fr/bnb



A WHOLE WAY OF LIFE!

FOOD & WINE IN BURGUNDY

Just like home



La Table – Maison Lobies: a culinary oddity

Just 10 minutes from Auxerre, in the village of Chevannes, Jérémie and Sun decided to open a restaurant in their own home... Which doesn't mean they don't pull out all the stops in the kitchen. Before working at home, this duo of inseparable cooks earned their stripes in top establishments run by the likes of Joël Robuchon, Pierre Hermé, Yannick Alléno, Marc Meneau and Jacques Lameloise.

latable-lobies.fr



Intimate wine-tasting experience at the Jardin Clos

In the heart of Auxerre, in a character house dating from the early 19th century, Rachael greets her guests like friends for a tasting of Burgundy wines or a Cheese & Wine evening. In her tasting room, the watchwords are pleasure, sharing and togetherness.

www.aujardinclos.com



Aux Détours de Chitry, back to traditional family cooking

The restaurant of Burgundy-born Marie-Jan Givaudin-Michaud can be found midway between Chablis and Auxerre, in the small wine-growing village of Chitry. Her seasonal, generous and liberated cuisine showcases local produce. Eggs meurette, Crisenon trout, Chablis-style ham, andouillette and gougères feature on the menu alongside her latest inspirations. A special mention for the wine list featuring all the local wines of Chitry.

www.tourisme-yonne.com/sit/aux-detours-de-chitry



Wine bars and cellars

Enstase, organic wine and food cellar

Claire Leflaive and Pierre-Olivier Soares use biodynamic methods. At their wine and food cellar in Beaune town centre, come and find that gem you've been looking for and let these two experts, born into wine, guide you with their ton of knowledge. After all, Claire is the daughter of the famous winegrower Anne-Claude Leflaive, while Pierre-Olivier's work in the field of wine takes him from Chile to the United States and of course Burgundy. On Thursdays and Fridays, the venue becomes a food cellar serving exclusively dishes made in-house.

www.enstase.fr

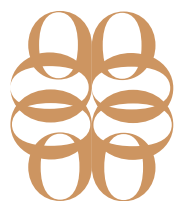
'Le Marsannay': 26 wine estates represented

The new Caveau des Vignerons de Marsannay conceals within its walls bottles from the appellation area's 26 wine estates. Every week, six different wines are placed under the spotlight during the tasting sessions. A chance to learn about the diversity of the Marsannay terroir, the only Burgundy appellation that produces wines in white, rosé and red. As for the bar and terrace area, this is open to visitors wishing to enjoy a glass of wine or share a bottle with friends.

www.destinationdijon.com/commerces-services/le-marsannay-caveau-de-vignerons/



Alcohol can damage your health. Please drink responsibly.



On the Route des Vins

A TOUR OF THE CÔTE DE NUITS...

... in a vintage car

Porsche fans and visitors who dream of riding around in a collector's car will be spoilt for choice at the Château de Saulon.

www.chateau-saulon.com



... by e-bike

Go and tackle the Côte de Nuits wine region with the help of the Richebourg Hotel & Spa, where the wine tourism manager has thought of everything, from cycle tours through the vineyards to picnics the French way, complete with wine tasting, in the hills above Vosne-Romanée.

www.hotel-lerichebourg.com



... on horseback

The still-unspoilt nature of the Hautes-Côtes de Nuits is the perfect setting for a peaceful ride out with the horses from Equifeeling. And for those who want to prolong the adventure, there are also options for bivouacking in a teepee.

equifeelingfr.wordpress.com/

... by e-scooter

Head for the Château du Clos de Vougeot on an electric scooter, across the Côte de Nuits area to see the region's most prestigious Grand Cru vineyards. Guided tour and wine tasting.

www.gevreynuitstourisme.com/produit/balade-commentee-en-trottinette-electrique-au-milieu-des-grands-crus

SOUTH BURGUNDY TOUR

The Mâconnais region by bike

With an electrically-assisted bike, anyone can tackle the lanes that wind up through the Mâconnais vineyards. After a short ride, the panoramic views unfurl, the relief comes into full view and the vineyard of Château de la Greffière beckons you. Your efforts are rewarded with a tour of the Château's vaulted wine cellars and perhaps even a picnic in the vineyard!

www.chateaudelagreffiere.com



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A WHOLE WAY OF LIFE!

FOOD & WINE IN BURGUNDY

Original tasting sessions

🍷 Burgundy and biodynamics

In the heart of the countryside, at unusual places or hidden away in secret spots, the 'Burgundy in Good Company' tours invite wine lovers to take a ride in a people-carrier and follow the guide. A meal accompanied by biodynamic wines will be served for a Burgundy-style snack or a lunch prepared from 100% local, organic produce.

www.bourgognecompagnie.com

🍷 The Climats as seen from the sky

They say that to understand the Climats of the Burgundy vineyard, you have to see them from above! During a hot-air balloon flight with Bourgogne Emotions, it becomes clear what a terroir patchwork this region is. Icing on the cake: you'll get to taste 3 Burgundy wines in full flight. Back on firm ground, if you're keen to learn more, the 'Wine-waiting Experience' reveals the secrets to appreciating wine like a professional.

www.bourgogne-emotions.fr

🍷 A laid-back 'Apéro Vignes' wine-tasting session, just for the pleasure

Discover just how diverse the wines of Burgundy are, and the magic of pairing them with food from your platter of appetizers! The Clos de Bourgogne organises sessions outside, in the lounge or in a tasting cellar, depending on your preferences and the weather conditions.

www.closdebourgogne.com



When the winegrowers invite us in

🍷 La Cuverie By Comte Liger-Belair, a whole living environment

Established since 1815 in Vosne-Romanée centre, the counts Liger-Belair created La Cuverie, a venue with everything a French village might need, including an organic grocery shop, a café, a post office, a wine bar and guestrooms, where people come together and mix. The bar has a selection of 1,700 wines at affordable prices, including 900 that can be purchased to take home.

lacuveriedevosne.fr



🍷 Maison Henri Gouges: bespoke wine tasting

Henri Gouges, whose wines are known across the world, invites you to visit the estate in the Nuits-Saint-Georges region. The 'Maison Henri Gouges' is a new venue offering wine-tasting sessions that have a mouthwatering story to tell. Prepare for a fabulous experience!

www.gouges.com/maison-henri-gouges

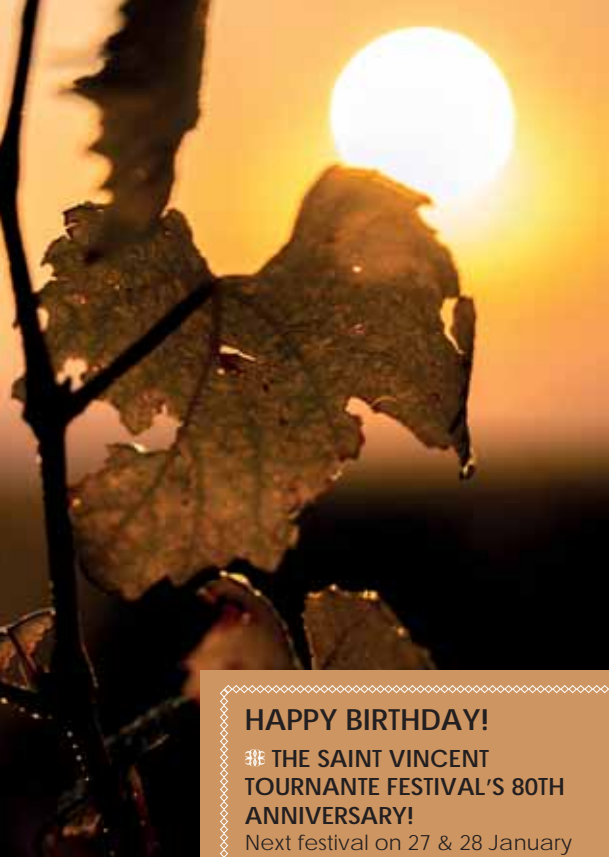


🍷 Château Moulin à Vent and its chapel's second life

In the courtyard of Château Moulin à Vent, a wine estate nestling in the Beaujolais vineyard of Burgundy, stands a 19th-century chapel that never fails to catch the eye. Converted into a wine shop, the chapel makes a beautiful showcase for the estate's best bottles. An opportunity to discover the nuances and the importance of selecting vineyard parcels and to experiment with the different terroirs of Moulin-à-Vent, all in a timeless setting.

www.chateaudumoulinavent.com

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Sleeping in the vineyard

Wine on every street corner

With its pastel tones and old furniture, this cottage oozes with peace and serenity. Its balcony offers views of the Saint-Denis-de-Vaux vineyards of the Côte Chalonnaise that change colour through the seasons.

www.lamaisondionysienne.fr



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

THE SAINT VINCENT TOURNANTE FESTIVAL'S 80TH ANNIVERSARY!

Next festival on 27 & 28 January 2024, in Chambolle-Musigny and Morey-Saint-Denis.
saintvincent2024.fr

THE MOULIN À VENT APPELLATION IS CELEBRATING ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY! The Jazz in Moulin-à-Vent festival promises to be an exceptional one. It takes place on 27 May 2024.



COMO le Montrachet, design and elegance

Since this hotel and restaurant in Puligny-Montrachet passed into the hands of designer Paola Navone, the magic has operated. The Montrachet restaurant and the 30 rooms and suites, decorated to showcase the region, have an appealingly contemporary and elegant style.

www.comohotels.com/burgundy/como-le-montrachet



Away from the world in your Tiny House

Julie, a winegrower at the Cave Nérot estate, is always keen to share her passion for the job and present you her wines. On one of her vineyard parcels, set between 3 legendary appellation areas - Coteaux du Gennois, Sancerre and Pouilly-Fumé -

she has installed an eco-friendly Tiny House which can be rented out for an immersive experience.

www.parceltinyhouse.com/location/cave-nerot/



The 'Maison d'Amis' guesthouse at Château de Pierreclos

The 'Maison d'Amis' can only appeal with its pleasant, contemporary style and its all-round view over the Château de Pierreclos, the swimming pool and the surrounding hills and vineyards. The vast living room, the spacious bedrooms and the swimming pool make it perfect for groups of up to 14 guests.

chateaudepierreclos.com/la-maison-damis

A WHOLE WAY OF LIFE!

FOOD & WINE IN BURGUNDY

Great taste for quality time with the family

🍪 A children' gingerbread workshop

Dijon isn't only the capital city of the Dukes of Burgundy, it's also the town of gingerbread. To try this local speciality, children (and their parents) can join a workshop at the Philippe Le Bon tower to learn the art of decorating gingerbread.

www.destinationdijon.com



🍷 A family tasting session at the Besancenot estate

Established in Beaune for 6 generations, the Besancenot estate has created a fun, family-friendly tasting session that children can enjoy as much as their parents. The grown-ups will taste 2 white wines, 2 red wines and 1 secret wine, while the kids sample various syrups, followed by an aroma game for the whole family.

www.domaine-besancenot.fr



🍷 Tasty riddles at the Fruirouge Farm in the Hautes-Côtes de Nuits region

Inspired by escape games, the Field Game at Fruirouge Farm invites families to try this deliciously fun activity. Their mission? To pierce the secrets behind the farm's alcohol-free beverages.

www.fruirouge.fr



SNEAK PREVIEW

In 2024, three new venues devoted to the art of living are to open in Burgundy:

🍷 The **Hôtel Bellevigne** in the centre of Chambolle-Musigny where the wine cellar and open-plan kitchen promise pleasant moments.
www.lhtp.fr/adresses



🍷 The **Saint-Anne**, a hotel, restaurant and spa within the Cité de la Gastronomie et du Vin, housed in a historic building in the city of Dijon.
naoshotel.com/sainte-anne-hotel-dijon

🍷 Right by Dijon station stands the **Nomad Hotel**, a new-generation, eco-friendly, super-connected, modular hotel
www.nomad-hotels.com



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BURGUNDY HERITAGE

Burgundy awakens a certain sensitivity in every traveller. Its subtle call resonates between the walls of its medieval castles and ancient church cloisters, around the rooms of its beautiful mansions and along the cobbled streets of its picturesque villages. Every walk has a story to tell... All you have to do is listen.

Follow the guide!

Autun between yesteryear and modern times

On the edge of the Morvan region, just a short bike ride from the greenway, Autun has inspired visionaries for centuries. From the invention of the cut-throat razor with interchangeable blades to the creation of the DIM underwear firm and the Neyrat umbrella factory, the Gallo-Roman town showcases its industrial expertise during a guided tour with a difference. Those who would prefer an unguided tour of Autun can simply download Whatizis, the first virtual app that recognises the sights and guides your visit.

www.autun-tourisme.com
whatizis.com/fr

FANCY STAYING

OVERNIGHT?

Try Augustodun'home, a character house converted into guestrooms.
www.augustodunhome.fr



The cultural impact of Saint-Germain Abbey

The Saint-Germain Abbey in Auxerre, a jewel of Burgundy's historical and cultural heritage, has become the Cité de la Parole. The abbey's walls breathe with new life, through an extraordinary cultural programme of lectures, concerts, eloquence contests, a festival and an exhibition linked with the Pompidou Centre.

www.abbayesaintgermain.fr/cite-de-la-parole-et-du-son

TO HAVE LUNCH IN AUXERRE

and savour delicious snails, eggs meurette, Charolais beef and other local specialities, head for the restaurant 'Un Air de Famille'.
www.unairdefamille-restaurant.fr



Don't judge a castle by its cover

In addition to its 9 Grand Cru wines, the wine-growing village of Gevrey-Chambertin is also renowned for its castle, where the Clunian monk, Odilon, on returning to his lands after centuries of absence, tells us the village's history...

www.gevreynuittourisme.com

WHEN STONE WHISPERS ITS SECRETS

BURGUNDY HERITAGE

Reconnecting at the château

A new beginning for the Domaine de la Trémellerie

In the heart of La Puisaye, the walls of La Trémellerie have a story to tell. The illustrious owner, Henri Harpignies, lived here for over 40 years. This famous naturalist painter took inspiration for his works from the natural surroundings. Nowadays, La Trémellerie places the focus on courses in wellness, personal development and country seminars.

www.latremellerie.fr

The 'Remarkable Gardens' of Château de Montigny

The Château de Montigny grounds with their orchards and kitchen gardens containing an impressive array of fruit, vegetables and herbs, including some rare varieties, offer an ideal setting for a bucolic experience. With the help of an audioguide that tells some amusing tales, visitors learn at their own pace about the site's architectural gems and amazing trees. In July 2023, the French Ministry for Culture added the Espalier Art of the Château de Montigny-sur-Aube to the Intangible Cultural Heritage register of France.

www.chateaudemontigny.com



Fountain of youth



SAVE THE DATE ...

'Fantasy at the Palace', from 24 November 2023 to 31 March 2024. An exhibition that mixes reality and fairy tales at the Château de Bussy-Rabutin.

Bussy-Rabutin, the Sarcus wing unveiled

Open to the public for the first time following a major restoration campaign, the Sarcus wing of Château de Bussy-Rabutin offers a glimpse of 19th-century life in Burgundy. The dining room, lounge, boudoir, kitchen, office, fruit store, bathroom, bedrooms and library have all been recreated with the same wall coverings, textiles, furnishings and decorative items from the era.

www.chateau-bussy-rabutin.fr

Cluny: stained-glass windows by Sarkis for the Jean de Bourbon chapel

Located in Cluny Abbey, the Jean de Bourbon chapel has found its former colour and light with the help of the artist, Sarkis. A trip through time between medieval architecture and contemporary stained-glass windows.

www.cluny-abbaye.fr



📍 Opening of the Dijon courthouse

The newly-renovated Courthouse of Dijon is open to curious visitors keen to learn about the old Burgundy Parliament (founded by Louis XI) and the great trials that took place there.

www.destinationdijon.com/pratique/visites-guidees



📍 Châteauneuf: rebirth of an iconic castle

After being exceptionally closed for 4 months of restoration work, Châteauneuf Castle has reopened to the public. One of the towers of the Philippe Pot gate, whose framework disappeared more than 200 years ago, has been renovated to finally restore the castle to its original appearance.

chateauneuf.bourgognefranche-comte.eu



📍 Ongoing renovation work at Molesme Abbey

Following the refurbishment of the south wing, it's now the turn of the gardens of Molesme Abbey to get a facelift. A meditation garden, a berry maze, a conversation garden, a vegetable and medicinal herb garden and, later, an orchard are soon to be recreated, featuring 'Benedictine' apple trees, among other varieties.

www.chatillonnais-tourisme.fr/fr/sites-remarquables/abbaye-de-molesme



📍 WHERE TO STAY IN THE CHÂTILLONNAIS REGION?

Le Nid d'Amour, a tree house perched in the middle of the forest.

chatillonnais-tourisme.fr/fr/gites-et-locations/le-nid-damour



📍 Two museums transformed

To mark its 40th anniversary, the **Morvan Resistance Museum** has been redesigned with a new tour layout. With updated content that reflects the latest science, redesigned displays and light effects, the museum offers a brand new tour.

In Château-Chinon, two museums created at the initiative of François Mitterrand, the **Septennat and Costume museums**, have merged to become the Cité des Présents, which will open in spring 2024.

An opportunity to see these collections again in an enriched, entirely reworked museum tour packed with innovations that should appeal to visitors.

www.museeresistancemorvan.fr

nievre.fr/cadre-de-vie/culture-et-patrimoine/musees/cite-des-presents/

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Places to stay... within a stone's throw of a cathedral

🏡 'Les Suites du Palais' in Nevers

A breathtaking 5-star suite concealed just 200 metres from Nevers Cathedral and 100 metres from the Dukes' Palace.

www.lessuitesdupalais.com

🏡 'Mama Shelter' in Dijon

With its stunning view of the Saint-Bénigne cathedral and its ever-explosive interior decoration, the Mama Shelter Dijon is enough to make you dizzy!

fr.mamashelter.com/dijon



Sleeping... in a monument!



🏡 'La Boule d'Or' in Clamecy

Founded by a foursome in a 12th-century chapel, La Boule d'Or is a lively venue where travellers meet artists and fans of natural wines.

www.labouledor.info

🏡 'Aloft Hotels' in Dijon

The Marriot group chose the former Posthouse with its iconic Art Deco style to house its new 4-star hotel.

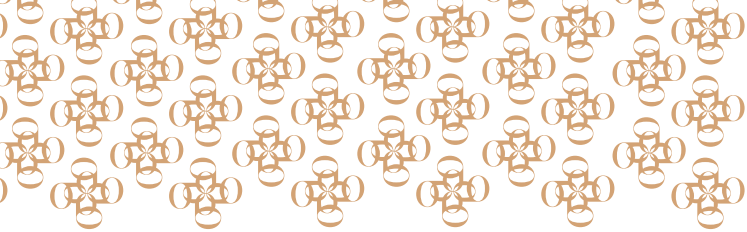
www.marriott.com/fr/hotels/lysda-aloft-dijon/overview/

🏡 'Château de Vaux-Morvan' in Étang-sur-Arroux

The Château de Vaux has been a family home since the 19th century, now converted into a gîte and guestrooms, perched on a hilltop and oozing with charm.

chateaudevauxmorvan.com





📍 'L'Auditoire Royal' in Châtillon-sur-Seine

The fascinating past of the Auditoire makes it stand out among gîtes and guestrooms. Indeed, the building housed the town hall in the 16th century, the presidial court and police station in the 18th century, the high court during the French Revolution, a prison from 1805 to 1926 and the municipal library between 1945 and 2022!

www.auditoireroyal.com

📍 WHERE TO RENT A BIKE?

At L'Atelier and Son in Châtillon-sur-Seine.
www.latelier-and-son.fr

📍 'Château de Villefargeau' near Auxerre

This amazing château, home to a succession of lords, now houses two gîtes and some function rooms.

www.chateaudevillfargeau.fr



Fascinating tours for children

Between a trip on a steam train from Le Creusot, gazing in awe at a collection of kites in the Châtillonnais region, visiting Nevers by the light of lanterns, solving magical medieval riddles in the fortress of Thil or plunging into a historical escape game, there's no shortage of family activities in Burgundy!



📍 Explore Burgundy on the 241-P-17, a train built in 1947: www.train-vapeur.fr

📍 Visit the kite museum: www.nasservolant.com

📍 Travel through time with Magic Wednesdays at the Thil fortress: www.forteresse-de-thil.fr

📍 Explore the lesser-known streets (Rue du Calvaire, Rue Casse-Cou, Place Mossé, etc.) of the historical district of Nevers by the light of lanterns: www.nevers-tourisme.com

3 HISTORICAL ESCAPE GAMES:

📍 A family investigation among the 25,000-piece collection, at the Ursulines Museum in Mâcon: www.macon.fr

📍 Challenges and the riddle of the Lords' Pardon at the medieval site of Brancion: www.tournus-tourisme.com

📍 2 amusement parks between Dijon and Beaune and 8 adventures to explore the forest and find the hidden treasure with the help of a geolocated tablet and various mysterious objects: www.parc-evasion.com

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Made in Burgundy

Nièvre, an inspiring land of handicrafts? To find out, you only have to step inside the 'Passage' arts & crafts shop at La Charité-sur-Loire, or the Bernard pottery works in Nevers.

www.boutiquelepassage58.fr

www.fayencerie-dart-de-nevers.com



A bird's-eye view of Burgundy

Hot-air balloon flight over the mining region, the central canal or the lush green wooded countryside of the Charolais area, for a truly memorable experience!

www.digoinmontgolfiere.fr



The Call of Autumn in Burgundy

As summer fades away, Burgundy reveals its autumn colours. The forests of the

Morvan turn red and orange, the vineyards display their gold and purple hues, the banks of the canals offer a kaleidoscope of flamboyant colours and the restaurants serve an abundance of seasonal dishes with wines to mark the occasion... The Call of Autumn in Burgundy invites you to take a breather after the September rush, enjoy the natural setting and truly switch off for a whole weekend.

#lautomnecestlabourgogne

www.bourgogne-tourisme.com/decouvrir/automne/



BURGUNDY THROUGH THE YEAR

KEY EVENTS - 2024 CALENDAR

ART IN SITU ON THE ROUTE DES GRANDS CRUS

November 2023 to November 2024
IN AND AROUND BEAUNE

This third Art in Situ itinerary invites art enthusiasts to follow the Route des Grands Crus de Bourgogne. For a whole year, around fifteen contemporary artists will be exhibited in the wine cellars, courtyards and gardens of various venues and selected wineries in Beaune and the surrounding area.

FÊTE DE LA SAINT-VINCENT TOURNANTE

27 & 28 January
MOREY-SAINT-DENIS
CHAMBOLLE-MUSIGNY

In 2024, the wine festival is celebrating its 80th anniversary with the theme 'Art and Wine'. For two days, art will take to the vineyard... and to the glass!

30TH INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL OF ASIAN CINEMA

6 to 13 February
VESOUL

Europe's longest-running Asian film festival is also the only one that takes an interest, geographically and cinematographically speaking, in Asia as a whole. More than 80 films will be screened, of which half for the very first time.

SAINT-VINCENT TOURNANTE DU CHABLISIEN

3 & 4 February
FYÉ

For 53 years now, the wine-growing villages of the Chablis region have taken it in turns to host this wine festival that attracts thousands of participants.

THE HOSPICES DE NUITS-SAINT- GEORGES WINE SALE

10 March
CHÂTEAU DU CLOS DE VOUGEOT

For its 63rd event, the Hospices de Nuits-Saint-Georges will present for the third year running a very special charity creation: a blend of the estate's nine premier cru wines.

FÊTE DU CRÉMANT ET TAPE-CHAUDRONS

16 March
CHÂTILLON-SUR-SEINE

A festive day to celebrate the arrival of spring, packed with entertainment, parades of floats and tastings of Burgundy crémant sparkling wines.

FAMILY'WEEK

23 & 24 March
LA GRANGE DE BEAUVAIS IN VENOUSE

Family'Week in the French department of Yonne is a favourite event among children, parents and grandparents who come together to put their team spirit to the test in various challenges.

'FAITES' DE LA NATIONALE 7

14 April
POUGUES-LES-EAUX

This key event for fans of vintage cars is back with its rally, concerts and activities galore. An opportunity to relive the glory days of the 'Nationale 7', the road that Charles Trenet sang about.

RARE PLANTS FAIR AT CHÂTEAU DE LA FERTÉ

20 & 21 April
SAINT-AMBREUIL

The Château de la Ferté provides the backdrop to this plant fair that draws the crowds (150,000 people for the 20th fair in 2023).

CLASSIC DAYS

27 & 28 April
MAGNY-COURS CIRCUIT

Attracting 30,000 attendees and more than 2,000 cars over the 2 days, the Classic Days festival is a key event for fans of legendary automobiles.

ROLLING SAÔNE FESTIVAL

18 to 20 May
GRAY

In Gray, on the banks of the Saône and in the heart of the town, local artists and national stars perform for what has grown from a small event to a major festival in barely 16 years.



JAZZ IN MOULIN À VENT

23 May
ROMANÈCHE-THORINS

2024 marks the 100th anniversary of the Moulin-à-Vent appellation. The 14 flagship wineries of Moulin-à-Vent will benefit from this year's exceptional festival with a focus on gastronomy, sharing and togetherness.

COUPES MOTO LÉGENDE

25 & 26 May
DIJON-PRENOIS CIRCUIT

For this 30th occasion of Europe's largest gathering of vintage motorcycles, some 1,300 bikers will put on a show around the Dijon-Prenois circuit.

KEY EVENTS - 2024 CALENDAR

BURGUNDY THROUGH THE YEAR

FLEURS DE VIGNES

25 & 26 May
AUXERRE

Along the river Yonne, wine growers and merchants will present their wines for tasting from the dozen or so appellations of the department of Yonne.

MEDIEVAL FESTIVAL OF SEMUR-EN-AUXOIS

May
SEMUR-EN-AUXOIS

Les Fêtes de la Bague is a medieval festival and funfair that turns Semur-en-Auxois into an open-air stage where acrobats and musicians bring the streets to life. A two-yearly traditional festival that dates back to the 16th century.

GRANDS CRUS DE BOURGOGNE- FRANCHE-COMTÉ MUSIC FESTIVAL

from May to October

Some 60 concerts organised at prestigious venues: music from the baroque and classical eras, world music, jazz and choirs, as well as guided tastings, lectures, dinner with the artists and much more.

MUSICANCY

from June to September
CHÂTEAU D'ANCY-LE-FRANC

For 21 years now, the renaissance Château of Ancy-le-Franc has been rolling out the red carpet to music, with concerts and musical walkabouts in the grounds.

LE PARDON DES MARINIERS

15 & 16 June
SAINT-JEAN-DE-LOSNE

Since 1970, the small town of Saint-Jean-de-Losne on the banks of the Saône has honoured its boatmen by hosting this big traditional festival.

MUSIC AND WINE FESTIVAL

from 22 to 30 June
CHÂTEAU DU CLOS DE VOUGEOT

Ten days of exclusive tastings and exceptional concerts organised in an outstanding setting.

CATALPA FESTIVAL

from 28 to 30 June
AUXERRE

For these three free evening concerts, reggae, electro-pop and rap music will draw tens of thousands of festival-goers from across France.

42ND INTERNATIONAL BAROQUE & ROMANTIC OPERA FESTIVAL

July weekends
BEAUNE

This pioneering festival from the 80s is now considered the benchmark for baroque opera performances with period instruments much like those from the court of the Dukes of Burgundy.

LES ZACCROS D'MA RUE

from 30 June to 7 July
NEVERS

Every summer, circuses, shows and concerts take the streets of Nevers by storm. During this unusual festival celebrating street performances, nothing makes sense and the artists bend over backwards to amaze spectators.

CHALON DANS LA RUE

from 10 to 14 July
CHALON-SUR-SAÔNE

Street theatre, circus, dance, music, walkabout performances, clowns... nearly 160 French and international troupes take over the town.

SOUND AND LIGHT SHOW AT CHÂTEAU DE SAINT-FARGEAU

from 12 July to 24 August
on Friday & Saturday evenings
SAINT-FARGEAU

With more than 600 actors and 50 riders on horseback, this impressive show at Château de Saint-Fargeau accurately retraces 1,000 years of the history of France.

AUGUSTODUNUM, GRAND HISTORICAL SHOW

24 July to 10 August
AUTUN

This sound and light show of a new kind brings back to life the region's incredible history at the ancient amphitheatre of Autun. Dance, performing horses and unprecedented light effects for this show that takes your breath away.

Exhibitions you must not miss

'Maitre et merveilles, peintures germaniques des collections françaises 1380-1550' at Dijon Fine Arts Museum from 2 May to 23 September 2024.



'Les abbés du roi' from 1 June to 29 September, and 'Cluny, #tousconnectés' from 29 June to 3 November 2024 at Cluny Abbey



KEY EVENTS - 2024 CALENDAR

BURGUNDY THROUGH THE YEAR

THE FRENCH VW BUS MEETING

23, 24 & 25 August
CHÉRIZET

As the symbol of a whole era, the iconic Volkswagen minibus is the star of this 3-day festival! Over 1,500 Combi and Transporter vans come together in a festive atmosphere with concerts and food trucks.

LES RENCONTRES MUSICALES DE VÉZELAY

from 22 to 25 August
VÉZELAY

The most beautiful sites in Vézelay, Avallon, Asquins and Saint-Père echo to the sound of sacred music for four days.

FANTASTIC PICNIC

September
ALL OVER THE REGION

A gourmet event in September with novel, bucolic picnics by the dozen.

LIVRES EN VIGNES book festival

28 & 29 September
CHÂTEAU DU CLOS DE VOUGEOT

Devoted to literature in general and to books about wines, vines and the art of living, this wine tourism and cultural event is the first of its kind, bringing together authors, publishers, readers and visitors at the heart of the Burgundy vineyard.

OEUF EN MEURETTE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

12 and 13 October
CHÂTEAU DU CLOS DE VOUGEOT

The best national and international chefs battle it out for the 6th œuf en meurette® world championship.

LA POUILLY-SANCERRE / COURSE ÉPICURIENNE

19 October
BETWEEN POUILLY AND SANCERRE

A 20 km race combining regional specialities for those who like running and celebrating.

CHABLIS WINE FESTIVAL

26 & 27 October
CHABLIS

This 76th event features the baptism of the new vintage, tastings, inaugurations, local food stalls, a vineyard walkabout and activities for the children.

DIJON INTERNATIONAL FOOD FAIR

from 31 October to 11 November
DIJON

Since its beginnings in 1921, this has become the biggest international fair held in France, with 160,000 visitors and 600 exhibitors.



◇ Augustodunum, a historical show in Autun

NOYERS TRUFFLE MARKET

27 October and 24 November
NOYERS-SUR-SEREIN

Two dates for a major gastronomic event for all Burgundy truffle lovers.

D'JAZZ NEVERS FESTIVAL

from 9 to 16 November
NEVERS

30 concerts, two exhibitions, residences and encounters in Nevers' iconic cultural locations.

HOSPICES DE BEAUNE WINE SALE

from 15 to 17 November
BEAUNE

This prestigious charity sale promotes Burgundy wines throughout the world. It is also a weekend of festivities in the heart of Beaune, on the third weekend of November.

LES GLORIEUSES DE BRESSE

14 December
LOUHANS

Among the 4 towns hosting the Glorieuses de Bresse festival, one is in Saône-et-Loire: Louhans! The world's first poultry to obtain a PDO label is under the spotlight for this contest which is also a perfect opportunity to stock up at the market for Christmas.

Montagnes du Jura

TOUT UN MONDE DEHORS

ADVENTURES GREAT AND SMALL

To travel, you don't necessarily have to go anywhere... Sometimes it's enough to unleash that desire to explore, to experience new things, however quirky, to open up to unexpected, authentic encounters, to taste simple, local dishes and to be bold enough to go off the beaten track in the confidence that you're safe...

The Jura Mountains are a land of peaks and lakes, outdoor leisure activities, great food, handicrafts, vines and tales of old, all in one region.

A diverse destination where you can alternate quickly between plateaus and summits, and from one French department to another, for original experiences and micro-adventures all within the region... This may be France but it feels like a whole new world.

en.montagnes-du-jura.fr



WHEN SPRING ARRIVES

ODE TO SPRING IN THE JURA MOUNTAINS

Renew with the joys of the great outdoors, of vegetation in bud, of milder days and longer evenings to satisfy your curiosity and reach out to others... In spring, the Jura Mountains offer a huge array of colours as the countryside bursts back into life and lifts our spirits. The Jura Mountains are different, vast yet with a human dimension that welcomes everyone and matches every mood. An immersive experience in a region with 50 shades of green.

FAMILY-FRIENDLY CITY

VISITING BESANÇON: CYCLING OR PLAYING?

Group guide Alexandre Cailler offers original guided tours of Besançon and the surrounding area. His new cycling tour entitled '**La grande boucle à vélo**' takes cycling and culture fans on a 5-km trip through the city's history, featuring the Vauban fortifications and a section that offers stunning views of the Citadel, a UNESCO World Heritage site.

www.visite-besancon.com

It isn't always easy to take the whole family on a historical tour, but this one feels a lot like an Escape Game. Armed with a mission booklet that also provides a little tourist information, participants in this **Artefact** tour take to the streets of the beautiful historic town for a 4-km trip to solve the riddles with the help of the local architecture.

www.besancon-tourisme.com/fr/fiche-sit/F101999_lartefact-escape-game-besancon



ANOTHER VISION OF MONTBÉLIARD: FRENCH CAPITAL OF CULTURE IN 2024

Make the most of the enthusiasm generated by this nomination to see the City of Princes from a new angle. A crazy cultural season lies ahead... Watch this space!



LUNCH IN TOWN AT LOISEAU DU TEMPS

Like her famous father, Blanche Loiseau took to the kitchen stove at a very early age. In 2023, the young chef rose to the new challenge of opening the Bernard Loiseau group's fifth restaurant, where she is alone in charge. All the restaurants of this group are based in Burgundy, but Blanche Loiseau has chosen Besançon in the Franche-Comté part of the region. In April 2023, she opened her restaurant, Loiseau du Temps, in a history-steeped building that has previously been a grainstore, a clockmaking school and a regional conservatory. To concoct her menu, she never hesitates to take inspiration from her father's local recipes and add her own personal twist. Local, bistro-style cuisine with a typically French touch, just the way we like it!

www.bernard-loiseau.com



WHERE TO STAY NEAR BESANÇON?

Try '**le terrier**', a top-rated guesthouse serving table d'hôtes meals, housed in an old, tastefully converted Jura Mountains-style barn.

Or for fans of romantic nights in quirky places, '**la caravane green**', a vintage caravan installed in a bucolic setting on the EuroVelo6 and Via Francigena cycling routes, a stone's throw from Besançon.

www.leterriermaisondhotes.fr

www.greengo.voyage/hote/la-caravane-green



WHEN SPRING ARRIVES

ODE TO SPRING IN THE JURA MOUNTAINS

INSPIRING NATURE WALKS



🌿 BOTANY WALK AND HARVESTING WORKSHOPS

Many of the edible plants and medicinal herbs found along the paths have magical properties. To learn to recognise them and take advantage of their benefits like an ancient sorceress, Serpe & Chaudron have put together a fabulous programme of botany walks and workshops to learn to harvest and use these plants in cooking, remedies and cosmetics. Guaranteed to get you back to nature!

serpeetchaudron.wixsite.com/plantes



🌿 BACK TO THE JURASSIC ERA

Some 150 million years ago, an enormous herbivorous dinosaur took a stroll in the Bugey region. It left behind the longest trail of sauropod footprints ever found on the planet, 110 in all, now on public display at Dinoplagne. This 8-hectare site features a trail created to take us through 3 minutes of the dinosaur's life, in a visitor experience that's continually enhanced with new activities. The latest addition? 'L'herbier du jour', an activity organised around the local fauna and flora, and a tour by night to observe the dinosaur tracks under a different light.

On the subject of dinosaurs, there's another amusement park in Doubs. The Dino-Zoo theme park is celebrating its 30th anniversary by ringing the changes with new installations and the arrival of about a dozen more dinosaurs, including the Seismosaurus, the biggest creation of its kind in France, and the famous Raptor that starred in the film 'Jurassic Park'... The youngest members of the family will love this!

www.dinoplagne.fr

www.dino-zoo.com



🌿 BRINGING YOUR DOG TO THE JURA MOUNTAINS

Our furry friends also need a holiday with their humans for company, and finding the sites, restaurants and accommodation where pets are allowed can be a gloomy task. But not in Haut-Bugey! Lakes where you can take your dog (kept on a lead), recommended nature trails, a list of dog-friendly establishments, places that provide dog bowls or holiday booklets for pet owners... This destination boasting the QUALIDOG seal of approval campaigns to prevent the mass abandonment of animals seen each year in France as the holiday season approaches.

www.hautbugey-tourisme.com/sejourner/emmenez-votre-chien-en-vacances-dans-le-haut-bugey

THE DOG-FRIENDLY DESTINATION



🌿 A NEW CHEESE DAIRY TO VISIT IN THE PAYS DE COURBET REGION

The cheesemaker himself invites you behind the scenes of his dairy, for a tour of a different kind. This new Pays de Courbet cheese dairy, which opened its doors in Amancey in 2023, reveals the secrets of cheesemaking to visitors... All in a setting that offers a real change of scene.

www.destinationlouelison.com/produits-du-terroir/fruitiere-du-pays-de-courbet

◇ Chevaux de la Combe gîte



◇ Les Cabanes des Fées



FOR FAMILIES

≡ LES CHEVAUX DE LA COMBE GÎTE

A modern wood decor for this gîte adjoining some stables.

www.montagnes-du-jura.fr/locations-de-vacances/gite-des-chevaux-de-la-combe

≡ LES CABANES DES FÉES

A unique concept in the Dole area, the Domaine des Fées offers accommodation in luxury cabins with panoramic views over the Jura plain, Mont Poupet and the Alps.

www.cabanesdesfees.fr

PLACES TO STAY



◇ Les Logettes de Caroline



◇ Le Moulin de la Cuse

FOR COUPLES

ECO-FRIENDLY FAVOURITES

≡ LES LOGETTES DE CAROLINE

In the heart of nature, a beautiful eco-lodge built of wood from Jura. A novel concept in Haut-Jura, responsible and sustainable from start to finish.

www.leslogettesdecaroline.fr

≡ CHEZ LBB, LOCAL, BEAU & BON

A hotel, a restaurant, a lounge bar and a shop selling local products, all rolled into one with the 'LBB' guarantee (local, beautiful and tasty)!

lbb-jura.fr



◇ Chez LBB

FOR COUPLES

≡ LE MOULIN DE LA CUSE

An old mill converted into guestrooms on the bank of the Source Verte in the Cusance valley.

www.montagnes-du-jura.fr/chambres-d-hotes/le-moulin-de-la-cuse

AN ELEVATED SUMMER

A BREATH OF FRESH AIR IN THE JURA MOUNTAINS

As the days pull out and sensations are enhanced... Far from the clichés of mass tourism, the Jura Mountains are a great place for short walks and hiking adventures, between remote plateaus, picturesque villages, perfect temperatures and lakeside spots that offer a change of scene!

AN ADVENTURE IS AN ADVENTURE: TOURING

🏔️ LE GRAND TOUR DU DOUBS CYCLING ITINERARY

Between key UNESCO sites, characterful towns, typical sites, forests, mountains, alpine pastures, rivers and lakes, the 384-km Grand Tour du Doubs promises a whole cycling adventure and fabulous encounters.

www.doubs.travel/sejours-individuels/le-grand-tour-du-doubs-a-velo

🏔️ TRY GRAVEL BIKING ON THE GTJ

The Gravel bike, a cross between a road bike and a mountain bike, enables cyclists to leave the main roads and take to the gravel tracks, dirt tracks or other paths to explore the great outdoors. From spring 2024, the Grandes Traversées du Jura itinerary will include a 380-km route suitable for Gravel bikers eager to leave the beaten track. A great place to rent out Gravel bikes and get expert advice from a team of professionals is the new BC Shop and café where you'll also find charging terminals.

www.gtj.asso.fr/itineraires-et-activites/gtj-a-vtt/

www.bc-shop.fr



🏔️ WHERE TO STAY OVERNIGHT

• LA HALTE BIVOUAC CAMP

A brand new bivouac area installed at Les Gras (Doubs) on the initiative of the Grandes Traversées du Jura and the Espace Nordique Jurassien to compensate for the lack of overnight accommodation and spread awareness on the protection of natural habitats. The first bivouac camp among many to come. Details on the website:

www.gtj.asso.fr

• GÎTE LA MICHAILLE BIVOUAC CAMP

Surrounded by hiking trails, this stopping place – also a gîte and guestrooms with table d'hôtes meals – is an authentic little haven of human warmth. The bivouac deal includes half board and use of the sanitary facilities.

www.gite-lamichaille.fr





THE ESSENTIALS TO AVOID GETTING LOST

• **THE HIKE PLANNER**, an essential item when planning your route before starting out, to determine the distance and elevation range between each overnight stop, availability of public transport services, etc. Available free of charge until 1 May 2024.

www.gtj.asso.fr/calculateur-detapes

• The **'ESCAPADES BELVÉDÈRES'** app, to see a selection of 14 panoramic viewpoints in Jura: a 360° immersion, identification of peaks, historical and cultural details, a medal system to earn gifts... This fluid, intuitive app is already very popular among tourists... As well as the locals! App available for download on Google Play and Apple Store.

www.haut-jura.com



IMMERSIVE NATURE COURSES

Julien Abbate, AKA 'Kaio', is a true adventurer who specialises in bushcraft, a passion he enjoys in the Jura Mountains among other places. This survival specialist organises two types of 2-day immersive nature courses for would-be explorers: a 'canyon, cliffs and wildlife' course involving canyoning, via ferrata, learning about wildlife and camping in a bivouac; and a 'bushcraft' course in which participants learn a host of handy tips for survival in the great outdoors. For example, how to light a fire without matches or a lighter, how to carve a spoon from wood, how to make soap, glue or a natural rope, how to recognise edible and medicinal plants, how to make water suitable for drinking and so on. An experience that really makes you switch off!

kaio-experiences.com

TAKING TO THE TREES

Here's a new high-ropes adventure park designed by real experts! Pascal Barrier and his son, Léo, have built Montciel Adventure in a beautiful park populated with ancient pines and overlooking Lons-le-Saunier. It features: 7 progressive high-ropes trails, 72 activities and over 700 metres of zipwires including 2 giant zipwires of 130 metres.

www.montciel-aventure.com

OUTDOOR EXPERIENCES FOR TRUE ADVENTURERS



BIKE HANDLING AND JUMPS ON THE CHILL TRAIL IN MÉTABIEF

The Chill Trail is a new concept born of a partnership between Bike Vision and professional rider

Vincent Tupin. This downhill MTB slope is a succession of huge jumps and bends requiring a certain degree of handling skill. Created at the site of Métabief's old rail luge with a view to keeping its environmental impact to a minimum, this trail suitable for expert mountain bikers is the second of its kind in France.

www.station-metabief.com/fr/chill-trail

TESTING YOUR SKILL ON THE SINGLETRACK AND PUMPTRACK OF LES FOURGS

Created by riders and for riders, the Singletrack park of Les Fourgs invites MTB fans to try the three narrow forest trails of 2, 4 and 5 km, as well as the Pumptrack. This winding trail with hairpin bends, bumps and dips, is an ideal, safe spot to try your first jumps.

www.les-fourgs.com/randonner-en-vtt/espace-singletrack.html



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ONCE UPON A TIME I DID MY VERY FIRST HIKE



SAFARI COMTOIS: A GENTLE INTRODUCTION TO ELECTRIC BIKES

By creating her e-bike Safari Comtois, Marion, a creator from the eco-responsible tourism agency Happy's Expérience, promises groups they'll enjoy new experiences and share quality time together, visiting the llama farm, fishing for trout, exploring a cave or discovering other curiosities between the Loue and Lison valleys.

www.happys-experience.fr

FAMILY HIKES OFF THE BEATEN TRACK

Damien Lambert, a mountain leader who has recently arrived in Haut-Bugey, fully understands that to take the whole family walking requires fun and original ideas. So he took inspiration from nature and the region's origins and history to come up with hiking itineraries that both children and adults will find motivating. The programme includes hikes on the themes of chamois, geology with a picnic in a cave, night-time hiking, yoga and hiking, and much more.

www.tracesauvage.com

CHALETS WITH A VIEW

Six brand-new designer wood chalets standing on the banks of Saint-Point lake to accommodate groups of up to 12 people. Added bonus? An on-site medical complex and a latest-generation fitness centre.

www.chaletscoeurdulac.fr



DRINKS AND NIBBLES ON THE LAKE

This concept has taken Paris by storm and the aperitif cruise can now be enjoyed on Saint-Point lake. Aboard a solar-powered catamaran, the participants sail peacefully, drink in hand, on France's third-biggest natural lake. One of the most beautiful places to spend a happy hour of about 1¼ hours!

www.lesbateauxdulacsaintpoint.com

GREAT WAYS TO COOL OFF



IN THE COOL ATMOSPHERE OF THE CHASM

At just 7 degrees Celsius all year round, the Poudrey Chasm offers a solution against heat waves. France's largest chasm equipped for visitors has just launched a new dramatised tour for an amazing 360° immersive experience.

www.gouffredepoudrey.com

LA RAND'EAU KAYAK IN TOWN

In the water, or nearly! Tour of the Doubs loop in Besançon, every Friday evening from 6pm to 8pm (crossing of the Micaud dam and the tunnel beneath the Citadel).

[www.snb-canoekayak.jimdo.com/
rand-eau-kayak](http://www.snb-canoekayak.jimdo.com/rand-eau-kayak)



SUSTAINABLE, RESPONSIBLE INSTINCTS

SELF-SUFFICIENCY TRAINING AT THE FERME DES ŒUFS BLEUS

Training in permaculture, breeding hens, homemade cosmetics, goat cheese, the world of bees or the farm ecosystem. Manon is a nature lover who invites curious visitors to come to her farm, or anyone else interested in becoming self-sufficient, a way of life that so many people would fancy trying.

www.lafermeauxoeufsbleus.fr

TROUT FISHING WITH THE CHILDREN

Trout is tasty, but it's even more delicious when you've caught it yourself! By the cold, fresh waters of the Source du Cusancin, David Bouhelier, a freshwater fish-farming specialist, invites visitors to come and try fishing the responsible way.

www.pisciculturebouhelier.fr



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SUSTAINABLE AND RESPONSIBLE INSTINCTS

ECOLOGICAL AND RESPONSIBLE ENCOUNTERS ON THE ROUTE DES POTES

A number of tourism players and businesses in the Jura Mountains are taking action in favour of the ecology transition. To prove it, they have created the Route des POTES, a network of 'Ordinary Pioneers of the Ecology Transition' who have created an alternative form of tourism. Between practical workshops, sports activities, country walks and culinary encounters, there are now 48 suggestions online of activities for local residents and tourists... And that's just the beginning!

routedespotes-bfc.fr

RE-ENERGISING IN THE CONSOLATION VALLEY

The remarkable natural site of the Consolation valley can be found at the entrance to the Dessoubre steephead valley. Deep in this valley hides a monastery, a cloister, a chapel and their gardens. In this unspoilt ecosystem with a slightly spiritual feel, people come to explore along the multiple hiking trails, admire the views and waterfalls, or to enjoy a rich programme of responsible events: concerts with drinks, music festivals, local markets, storytelling walks, yoga with brunch, etc.

www.valdeconsolation.fr



RESPONSIBLE DINING

The eco-friendly, socially responsible restaurant **LOUE À LA BOUCHE**, is about common sense from start to finish. A favourite address with an approach that puts people and the environment first.

www.louealabouche.fr



ECO-FRIENDLY NIGHTS

Between mountains, forests, marshes and valleys, the Bugey region is full of unspoilt nature spots. You'll be spoilt for choice here if you fancy spending a night in the trees or in an odd little cabin in the middle of nowhere. This year, two new places have been added to the list: **the self-sufficient, eco-designed perched cabin at the Bugey Adventure Park**, and the **Refuge Insolite en Bugey** where you'll not only sleep in a Tiny House or an eco-designed lodge, but also recharge your batteries on a peaceful retreat with massage, sound bath, mindful walking, speaking groups, etc.

www.aventureubugey.fr

www.refugeinsoliteenbugey.fr



At the **Maison La Tourelle** in Baume-les-Dames, a beautiful gîte created with eco-friendly materials occupies an ancient dwelling. Just a stone's throw away: **quadricycle rides** along the banks of the river Doubs.

www.ot-paysbaumois.fr/maison-de-la-tourelle.html

www.ot-paysbaumois.fr/rosalies.html





🏡 JUR' AVENTURES: A FUN WAY TO EXPLORE THE REGION

Cultural tours suddenly become adventures with Jur'Aventures, the playful app for all generations. You'll be going with the flow before you know it as you follow Lucas, Léo and Léa through a succession of amusing games and riddles that test your knowledge. Two new itineraries available:

- **The delicious recipe of Les Moussières.** Your mission is to explore the village of Les Moussières in search of ingredients and utensils to create delicious new recipes.

www.haut-jura-saint-claude.com/sit/juraventures-la-recette-gourmande-des-moussieres

- **Exploring Saint-Claude.** Stories of old are waiting to be told in the pipe capital. To discover them, the group must find the mystery word by solving riddles that guard the letters hidden around the town.

www.haut-jura-saint-claude.com/sit/juraventure-2

GENERATION 3.0



🏡 AVENTURE JEUX®: TREASURE HUNT IN SAINT-CLAUDE

Narrow streets, secret passageways, iconic sites... Saint-Claude unveils its riches to explorers aged 4 to 14 years when they join this immersive adventure entitled 'The mysterious red squares'.

www.haut-jura-saint-claude.com/sit/aventure-jeux-les-mysterieux-carres-rouges

🏡 THE LOUE AND LISON VALLEYS WITH EXPLOR GAME

Mother Nature has been generous in the Loue and Lison Valleys! Rare wildlife, dense flora, interesting rocks, daunting rivers, villages full of character... So many unique places and fascinating features to explore from a new angle thanks to 4 new Explor Games® introduced in 2023:

- **'Save Louise and the land':** a responsible Explor Game across the Sensitive Natural Area of Montrond-le-Château to help players become aware of the site's incredible biodiversity.
- **'A destiny off the rails':** this dramatised adventure game takes participants on a fantasy quest in the lovely village of Mont-sous-Vaudrey.
- **'Heritage in peril':** a sense of direction, clever thinking and teamwork will help budding archaeologists unveil the secrets concealed in the Vaulgrenant castle ruins in Pagnoz. Beware, even a place left to abandon can be teeming with life...
- **'Othylie and black magic':** a trip through time back to 1912 to save the school of magic from the black sorcerers' booby traps. Elected the most beautiful village of Doubs in 2021, Cléron joins the fantasy world...

www.destinationlouelison.com/les-explor-games-de-la-vallee-de-la-loue



A CANADIAN FEEL

INDIAN SUMMER IN THE JURA MOUNTAINS

As summer fades away, nature proudly displays her most beautiful colours as the forests burst with reddish brown, the vineyards turn to shades of honey and glowing mountainsides surround the lakes and waterfalls. Because the Jura Mountains look so good in this season!



SECRET TOURS

🏡 STAINED-GLASS WINDOWS WITH A STORY TO TELL

In Poligny, the stained-glass artists Gwenola Hatet and Charles Forzinetti invite the public to visit their creation and restoration workshop. Stained-glass art is not just about church windows and religious art. If you look closely and listen carefully, you'll see it has so many stories to tell.

www.atelier-630.com



🏡 WINE TASTING AT THE FORT SAINT-ANDRÉ

Hidden rooms, military buildings, ramparts and gardens... Like all of Vauban's forts, Saint-André reveals a fascinating military and historical heritage. A new guided tour explains its entire history in a rather pleasant experience that ends with... A tasting of the region's wines and other local products!

www.coeurdujura-tourisme.com/patrimoine-culturel/fort-saint-andre

🏡 THE MUSÉE DE LA BOISSELERIE REJUVENATED!

In Haut-Jura, wood is part and parcel of the history of an entire region. And what better way to learn about this traditional craftsmanship than by visiting an ancient sawmill, converted into a woodcraft museum, the Musée de la Boissellerie in Bois d'Amont? The icing on the cake: thanks to modern technology, visitors are plunged into the past of the village craftspeople on a magical, immersive tour that makes you feel as if you're really there!

www.museedelaboissellerie.com



ENJOY THE LATE AUTUMN THE ENERGETIC WAY

🏡 FOREST ADVENTURES AT THE FOOT OF THE MOUNTAINS

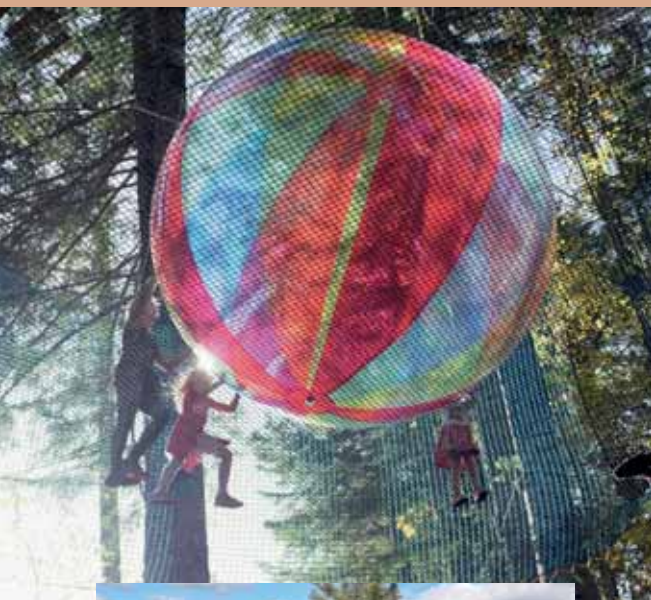
In the bewitching depths of the 'Forêt des Contrebandiers', the Métabief Adventure Park is preparing some new features for the 2024 season. Wooden walkways, net trampolines for a weightlessness experience, tube slides, giant balls and much more. Le Bois des Chats Gris, a brand new park within the park, promises a host of surprises. With a panoramic view over the Haut-Doubs landscape into the bargain!

www.metabiefaventures.fr



◇ Musée de la Boissellerie





🏞️ FRESH AIR BY MOUNTAIN BIKE

Right in the heart of the Arbois vineyard, mountain bike excursions are even better in the autumn season. To get you into the atmosphere, **Jura Ride** has put together an electric mountain bike tour rounded off with a tasting of organic wines. A multi-faceted programme with a ride through the vineyard, across the steephead valley of Les Planches, along a riverbank and past some amazing viewpoints.

In a more urban setting, **Doobike** will take your group on an electric mountain bike trip around Besançon. And contrary to popular belief, the landscape here has nothing to envy of more remote lands...

www.juraride.com/randonnees-en-velo-dans-le-jura/#oenologique

www.doo-bike.fr

RESPONSIBLE STOPOVERS



🏞️ TREE CABINS AND MORE

How could anyone not fall in love with these 4 luxury cabins installed on the Grandes Traversées du Jura route, right in the heart of the Haut-Jura Regional Nature Reserve. Decorated like luxury hotel rooms and fitted out like apartments, the quirky accommodation units of the **Écrins du Val de Mouthe** each have their own private sauna and a spa bath filled with collected rainwater.

www.nuit-insolite-jura.com

🏞️ ECOLOGES AMONG THE PINES

Through major improvement work in the traditional Jura Mountains farmhouse style, Luce and Guy Henriët have created this charming mountain inn with a friendly atmosphere and an eco-responsible approach that reflects who they are. With its wood from Jura, dry toilets, collected rainwater, self-sufficient water treatment system, local products and the absence of Wifi, the **Auberge des Enguenelles** and its 3 beautiful ecolodges located nearby among the spruce trees offer the promise of a peaceful and healthy night's sleep.

www.aubergelesenguenelles.com/hebergement

🏞️ TINY HOUSE AMONG THE VINES

Eco-designed in wood and totally at one with nature, this comfortable, fully equipped Tiny House stands in the heart of the Bugey AOC vineyard. Aurélien Beyeklian, the owner of this 3-hectare estate, works with rare grape varieties and biodynamic methods. Try his Cerdon natural wine made the ancestral way.

www.parceltinyhouse.com/location/la-cuverie/



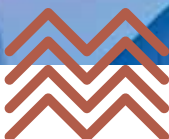
🏞️ A 100% ORGANIC CUISINE OF TYPICAL DISHES FROM THE JURA MOUNTAINS

Gabriel Guinebault (formerly at L'Agapé) and Léa Lobry (from the Carte des Vins in Paris) have opened their restaurant, **Autour de l'Âtre** in an old hay barn in Grusse. Here, everything revolves around a centrepiece, the hearth, which serves both as a fireplace and to cook dishes made for sharing from organic, locally-sourced ingredients.

www.autourdelatre.fr



◇ A Tiny House among the vines



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ELEGANT BUT NOT UNNATURAL

CHÂTEAU LIFE FOR TWO

A palace, an English-style garden with ancient trees, a view of the Monts d'Ain and 5 artfully renovated period rooms... The Château de Maillat offers a romantic getaway that makes time stand still amid the old-fashioned but sophisticated charm. Since 2023, the site has been extended with the opening of 2 new furnished studio flats, an apartment, a family suite and a spacious spa with an indoor pool.

www.chateau-de-maillat.com

SLEEPING IN A LUMIPOD

What's the concept? A circular room in natural surroundings and away from prying eyes. At the LumiPod, a new haven created by the Maison Zugno, the boundary between indoors and outdoors fades to offer a truly original experience. This luxury room with a difference is like an observatory, standing at the Monts de Vaux lookout point to offer what is surely one of the region's most beautiful panoramic views.

www.maison-zugno.com

LE CLOS D'ALICE: FABULOUS NIGHTS IN A COUNTESS'S RESIDENCE

The former residence of the Countess of Broissia is gradually building itself a new life on the banks of the river Cuisance in Arbois. For the beginning of 2024, this beautiful 400 m² mansion is being converted into a luxury 5-star hotel with 5 exclusive suites, a gourmet restaurant, a spa and a piano bar. An outstanding future venue to add to the bucket list!

leclosalice.fr

TAKE YOUR FAMILY TO SLEEP IN A LOFT

Just 15 minutes away from the resort of Métabief, in Pontarlier town centre, the 1860 is a superb loft conversion in an old manor house with a mix of contemporary and Haussmannian styles. Its exceptional, tastefully-designed spaces can sleep up to 8 people, offering the perfect solution for families or groups of friends.

www.destination-haut-doubs.com/le-1860-loft-dans-maison-de-maitre.html

LE JIVA HILL RESORT GETS A REVAMP

This 5-star Relais & Châteaux establishment set in the Haut-Jura Regional Nature Reserve needs no introduction, in its 50-hectare estate with views of Mont Blanc. In 2023, the hotel was equipped with new systems to showcase its beautiful gardens and reduce its energy impact. Geothermal energy, plants in the entrance, local products... In a responsible approach to luxury!

www.jivahill.com



◇ At the Bistrot Le Lokal

EATING OUT IN PONTARLIER

AT THE RESTAURANT VERSION ORIGINALE

We love the casual-chic vintage decor and the modern, local cuisine.

www.versionoriginalepontarlier.fr

AT THE BISTROT LE LOKAL

The breakfast treats, lunch menu and buffet dinner with drinks are based on ingredients from the region's local producers.

www.bistrotlelokal.com



◇ Restaurant
Version Originale



NORDIC ATMOSPHERE

THE FAR NORTH SPIRIT IN THE JURA MOUNTAINS

In winter, there's skiing but that's not all. Alternative ways to escape amid the invisible silence invite us off the beaten track to explore the mountains through a whole new dimension. Because today's experiences make tomorrow's memories, the Jura Mountains promise to bring you emotional moments galore.

HEADLAM ADVENTURES

🏔️ NIGHT-TIME EXPERIENCES IN THE RESORT OF MONTS JURA

Forget the crowded slopes and head into the silence of the mountains for a truly extraordinary experience... The Monts Jura resort was spot on when it introduced this new skiing activity, available after the ski slopes have officially closed. What's the concept? An ascent of the Petit Mont Rond (1,533 m) by gondola lift before sunrise, followed by breakfast at the top and a private skiing session.

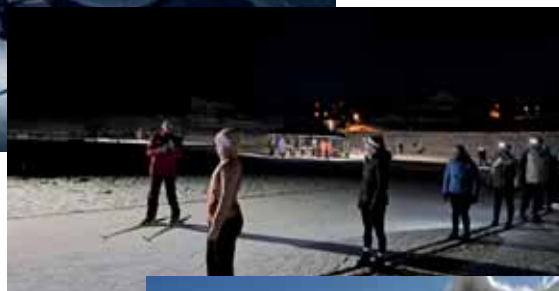
For late risers, the resort's Faucille and Lélex sectors remain open after 5pm, for fun and togetherness on a traditional sledge or - the latest way to whiz down the slopes - a snooc, a cross between skiing and sledging that anyone can try. Younger fans of night skiing, like the adults, can perfect their technique on the green Campanules slope in Lélex.

www.paysdegex-montsjura.com

🏔️ CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING FOR BEGINNERS, UNDER THE STARS

Far from the noise and agitation, these turnkey night-time adventures are ideal for beginners keen to take to the Nordic trails of the Jura Mountains even after a day's work. In the light of their headlamps, participants benefit from the instructor's expert advice before rounding off their adventure in a friendly atmosphere sharing a fondue. 7 of these 'Jura Nordic Nights' are planned on weekdays in January 2024.

www.espacenordiquejurassien.com



🏔️ DOG-SLED RIDES AT NIGHT

Sumptuous Nordic landscapes adorned by the dusk, dense forests brightened by the blue-white snow and only the moon to light your way... Just picture it! Then all you have to do is make yourself comfortable on the sled and let the musher do the work as you sit back and admire the landscape. Added bonus? Baked Mont d'Or cheese when you arrive.

jurachiens.com/activites-neige

THE DOG-FRIENDLY
DESTINATION

NORDIC ATMOSPHERE

THE FAR NORTH SPIRIT IN THE JURA MOUNTAINS

GETTING SPORTY IN THE JURA MOUNTAINS



IMPROVE YOUR STAMINA WITH XAVIER THÉVENARD

There's no better way to train and push your limits than in the company of an ultra-trail champion! In the sector of La Vattay, a Nordic skiing Mecca, Xavier Thévenard shares all his secrets with the participants of his three-day course. The aim is to perfect their trail-running technique and endurance with the help of cross-country skiing.

www.esi-lavattay.com



A SKI TOURING CHALLENGE

For the first time, the resorts of Les Rousses and Monts-Jura are joining forces to launch the Haut-Jura ski touring challenge. The event features three night-time heats: the highly popular Dôlapô race from Les Jouvencelles to the top of Dôle; the Nocturne de la Faucille, a loop race with a 200-metre elevation range in which skiers have exactly one hour to do as many laps as possible; the Nocturne de Lélex, a steep uphill race to cover a 700-metre elevation gain in minimum time. Original routes for 'sealskin' challenges in the spectacular surroundings of Haut-Jura.

www.paysdegex-montsjura.com



PRACTICAL TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL NORDIC ADVENTURE

📱 **PURCHASE YOUR NORDIC PASS** with your smartphone: by downloading the 'Mon Pass Nordic ENJ' app.

pass.espacenordiquejurassien.com

🧺 Opt for the **FONDUE KIT** in a backpack, for which Romain Vaudin has thought of everything: fondue pot, plates, glasses, cutlery, camping stove and even a corkscrew, not forgetting the fondue forks! The perfect turnkey option for your outdoor adventures.

www.jura-tourism.com/activite/la-besace-a-fondue

📖 **CROSS VILLAGES** along the Transju' trail to relive the history of the most legendary of all cross-country ski races, with the help of a succession of illustrated interpretative panels.

www.latransju.com/evenements/la-transju/la-piste-permanente-de-la-transju

ATTEMPTING NEW JUMPS AT THE BIG AIR BAG EVENT IN CROZET-LÉLEX

For a huge adrenalin thrill without the risk, there's nothing quite like the Big Air Bag. This enormous inflatable mattress generally used by stunt people has been recently installed on the Monthoise slope in Lélex, to offer riders of all levels a soft landing when they try out new stunts.

www.paysdegex-montsjura.com



A SANCTUARY FOR THE NIGHT

Five places in the mountains for a warm and cosy winter holiday:

🏡 **LE GRAND CŒUR CHAUX**, a 5-star gîte in a traditional farmhouse renovated in typical Franche-Comté style. 5 rooms with bathroom, sauna and a 'carnotzet', a small wine cellar equipped for wine-tasting sessions with friends. www.montagnes-du-jura.fr/locations-de-vacances/au-grand-coeur-chaux

🏡 **GÉRANIUMS ET NEIGE FRAÎCHE**, a very recent guesthouse located virtually at the foot of the slopes of Métabief. www.geraniumsetneigefraiche-metabief.com

🏡 In the new **LE SOMMET APARTMENT BUILDING**, this aparthotel offers all the modern comforts including a swimming pool and a restaurant, all at the bottom of the ski tow leading to the resort of Métabief (a 2-km drive away). www.lesommet-hebergement-jura.com

🏡 **L'ANNEXE DU HAUT-DOUBS**, a splendid Jura Mountains farmhouse with a view of the Mont-d'Or, located right near the cross-country ski and snowshoe trails, and just a few minutes away from the slopes of Métabief. www.lannexe-aparthotel.com/l-annexe-du-haut-doubs.htm

🏡 In a holiday village that's recently been renovated in an eco-responsible approach, **LE DUCHET** nestles at an elevation of 950 metres and just a 30-minute trip from the resort of Les Rousses. With all the activities available here (skiing, snowshoeing, dog-sledding, sledging, yoga, heated swimming pool, stretching classes, archery, etc.), you'll find something to keep every member of the family happy during their holiday! www.le-duchet.com



🏡 VINTAGE VIDEO GAMES AT THE TOY MUSEUM

Much more than a retrospective on how video games have evolved through the generations, the semi-permanent 'Game Story' exhibition is also a 150 m² gaming room with around fifteen consoles from different eras for visitors to try.

www.musee-du-jouet.com/en/exhibitions-current.htm



THE JURA MOUNTAINS ARE FOR HAVING FUN TOO

🏡 RESPONSIBLE AND FUN: THE 4-SEASONS TUBING SLOPE

This form of sledging knows how to adapt to climate change! Introduced during the summer of 2023 at the Terre Ronde site on the Hauteville Plateau, the tubing slope is open whether there's snow or not, for 52 metres of sliding around banked turns. Sitting in a giant tube, children (aged 4 years and up) and adults can enjoy the sensation of sliding down a slope, be it summer or winter.

www.hautbugey-tourisme.com/equipement/piste-de-tubing-de-terre-ronde



◇ Festival de la Paille (Métabief)



◇ Extrême sur Loue

A YEAR IN THE JURA MOUNTAINS

KEY EVENTS - 2024 CALENDAR

JAZZ IN FORT L'ECLUSE

18 January / 16 May
CHÂTEAU DE FERNEY-VOLTAIRE

For the last 10 years, the biggest free jazz festival has attracted world-famous artists for the benefit of jazz fans from the local region and beyond. The event also includes an outreach programme to take jazz to other key venues in the Pays de Gex region.

PRESSÉE DU VIN DE PAILLE

28 January
ARLAY

For this celebration of the famous wine from Jura, the Pressée du Vin de Paille festival is offering even more activities and entertainment in a party atmosphere.

PERCÉE DU VIN JAUNE

3 & 4 February
ARBOIS

The festive highpoint of the wine year, the Percée du Vin Jaune is an event worthy of this famous Jura wine... In a word: UNIQUE!

LA TRANSJURASSIENNE

10 & 11 February
BETWEEN LAMOURA AND MOUTHE

This legendary and eco-friendly cross-country ski race, the biggest held in France, is coming back to the Jura Mountains. More than 4,000 participants will battle it out freestyle on the 70-km route.

LA JURA SICK RACE

6 & 7 April
CROZET

Come and see the Jura Sick Race, for a different vision of the mountains in winter, with beautiful views of the Alps into the bargain. On the programme of this festive weekend: MTB enduro races, a mass start in the snow and freewheeling sections...

40TH INTERNATIONAL RACE UP MONT POUPET

19 May
SALINS-LES-BAINS

In a warm and friendly atmosphere, hundreds of competitors will be on the start line at Salins-les-Bains to tackle a giant, Mont Poupet.

JURA BAROQUE MUSIC FESTIVAL

from 31 May to 9 June
VARIOUS SITES IN HAUT-JURA

Every summer for over 30 years, this festival has celebrated the richness of baroque music with a procession of internationally renowned performers.

PANORAMA SONORE

11, 12 & 13 July
BESANÇON CITADEL

Well-known local and international artists come together on an immense outdoor musical stage against the backdrop of an exceptional panoramic view over the city lights. An unmissable event!

IDÉLIC

from 10 to 13 July
MOIRANS-EN-MONTAGNE

When the children become players, spectators and creators all at the same time... This international childhood and youth festival in Moirans-en-Montagne, the French capital of toys, stimulates the mind and brings a smile to the face of kids of all ages.

FESTIVAL DE LA PAILLE

26, 27 & 28 July
MÉTABIEF

In 20 years, this festival held at the foot of the slopes in Métabief has decidedly become a key event with a programme that has nothing to envy of the most famous festivals in France.

COULÉE DU MONT D'OR

September
PONTARLIER

This iconic local festival is an opportunity to try the 2024 take on this seasonal cheese, to learn about how it's made and the trade of producing the spruce strips that are wound around Mont d'Or cheese.

FANTASTIC PICNIC

September
ALL OVER THE REGION

A gourmet event in September with novel, bucolic picnics by the dozen.



◊ Livres dans la Boucle (Besançon)

BESANÇON INTERNATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

13 to 22 September
BESANÇON

Held this year for the 77th time, this is one of the oldest and most famous classical music festivals in France, thanks to its international competition for young conductors. 16 days of music and a line-up of more than 30 concerts.

LA FORESTIÈRE MTB AND GRAVEL BIKE RACE

14 & 15 September
FROM ARBENT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AIN

The ultimate MTB event in the heart of the Mountains of Ain and Jura! The programme includes the Randos d'Or MTB, E-MTB and gravel bike races (15 to 90 km), MTB Marathons and races for children aged 2-12 years.



◊ Ultra Trail

LIVRES DANS LA BOUCLE BOOK FAIR

20 to 22 September
BESANÇON

This book fair held in the historical centre of Besançon marks the beginning of the literature season with a guest of honour and more than 200 authors who will be there to talk about and autograph their books.

CHAT PERCHÉ GOURMET WEEKEND

28 & 29 September
DOLE

A true celebration of good food, this 10th event offers a chance to discover both local produce and exotic flavours.

5TH JURA MOUNTAINS ULTRA TRAIL RUN

from 4 to 6 October
FROM LACRANS (IN AIN) TO MÉTABIEF (IN DOUBS)

Now a reference among ultra trail races in the Jura Mountains, this 170 km run covers a 7,500-metre total elevation gain, straddling 2 countries, 2 regions and 3 French departments, all in a heavenly setting.



◊ Christmas Lights in Montbéliard

LES ABSINTHIADES

from 5 to 6 October
PONTARLIER

Head for the absinthe capital to celebrate this legendary drink nicknamed 'green fairy'! Tastings, lectures, exhibitions and other activities have been restoring the image of this once controversial alcoholic beverage for several years now.

EXTRÊME SUR LOUE

5 & 6 October
ORNANS

MTB fans, world-elite riders, occasional cyclists and leisure bikers, both children and adults... You're all invited to straddle your mountain bike and meet on the banks of the river Loue. An event with a sustainable, responsible approach.

THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS IN MONTBÉLIARD

from 23 November to 24 December
MONTBÉLIARD

Each year, the magic of Christmas operates under the famous illuminations of Montbéliard. The historic centre of the City of Princes comes to life with the Christkindelmarket in the purest of Germanic traditions.

EXHIBITION: 'BECOMING COURBET'

from 14 December to 20 April 2025
ORNANS

An exhibition on Gustave Courbet in his youth: his early years in Ornans until 1844, when his first painting was admitted to the Salon, his time in Besançon and in Paris, his training, his social circles and so on.



ESCAPADES EN
VOSGES DU SUD

INSPIRATION FOR ESCAPE

The multi-faceted influence of Southern Vosges reflects the region's uniqueness. Somewhere between discretion and exuberance, nature flourishes at this crossroads that she has turned to her advantage.

Everything changes within just a short distance. Meadows grazed by Vosgienne cattle, plateaus dotted with lakes, protected forests, waterfalls and finally rock faces, pine trees and mountain pastures... Welcome to the mountainous landscapes of Southern Vosges.

In summer or winter, explorers take to alternative routes leading across varying terrain and through the forests. Lovers of unspoilt nature, slow tourism enthusiasts and fans of simple cuisine or outdoor sports will find what they're looking for in the local way of life.

www.vosges-mountains.com

NOT WITHOUT THE CHILDREN

THE SOUTHERN VOSGES FOR FAMILIES

Need to drop everything and take time out in the country with your loved ones, off the beaten track? The Southern Vosges, a land of water, forests, tales and legends, beckon to families with a taste for adventure. Don't be fooled by the region's 'virgin territory' appearance. These mountains that invite you to leave the beaten track are above all inviting, lively and packed with culture. The ideal destination to spend quality time with the family and make lots of fabulous memories.



4 CULTURE WALKS FOR FAMILIES

IN THE UNIQUE AND FRAGILE WORLD OF THE PEAT BOG

Peat bogs are an amazing breeding ground made up of unique ecosystems that are home to species found only in this habitat. The '1000 Temps' walk takes you to the heart of this natural gem and explores the Grande Pile peat bog which is the biggest regional nature reserve in Southern Vosges!

cen-franche-comte.org/nos-sites-proteges/reserve-naturelle/rnr-tourbiere-de-la-grande-pile

TACKLING THE FORTS

In the late 19th century, 21 forts were built by the General Séré de Rivières to protect the 'Belfort Gap'. A website, a Z-Card and an app are available to guide your visit to this amazing fortified belt and the events held here.

www.franchementforts.fr

THE INFORMATIVE REIGNE TRAIL

On this shady 5-km path, the colour of the water, the peacefulness, the wildlife and the vegetation offer a real change of scene and a beautiful experience for all. Information panels present the different tree species and explain what is meant by 'remarkable oak' or 'resurgence', for example. The walkways allow you to get close up to the river to admire its unusual turquoise colour.

www.pays-de-lure.fr/loisirs/promotion-patrimoine.htm#reigne

THE ABOLITION OF SLAVERY REMEMBRANCE WALK

Did you know that the residents of Southern Vosges played a part in the abolition of slavery? Learn more on the Liberté Trail, a new historical trail tracing the story of the local people from the village of Champagny who collectively spoke out against slavery in 1789. Eight memorable information points including the Maison de la Négritude on the Route des Abolitions de l'Esclavage.

maisondelanegritude.fr

◇ Reigne Trail



NOT WITHOUT THE CHILDREN THE SOUTHERN VOSGES FOR FAMILIES



FOR FAMILIES WHO ENJOY A CHALLENGE

Take your pick from two new fictional tales in two towns:

🌲 **THE CORRIDORS OF TIME IN THE MAZE OF STREETS OF THE BELFORT CITADEL**, a trip back in time for children aged 6 to 12 years. Their mission: to correct their mistake that has changed the course of the town's history.

🌲 **IN LURE**, a hidden threat looms. It all begins with a bag abandoned in the town centre and some troubling discoveries. This outdoor Escape Game leads children and adults into a whole jumble of riddles. The perfect way to learn about the local heritage and collect discount vouchers to spend in the shop.

www.lacledubastion.com

www.pays-de-lure.fr/escape-game.htm



ANIMAL EXPERIENCES

🌲 **FROM KIDS TO WOOL: A PLEASANT 24-HOUR EXPERIENCE AT THE P'TITS SENTIERS FARM**

In the heart of nature, Pierrot and Perrine have created a poetic, fairytale world. Because this Angora goat farm does a lot more than producing the famous Mohair wool available in the on-site shop. It also organises nature walks, concerts, theatre performances with meals at the water's edge, bivouacking with a donkey, and even a chance to sleep in a gypsy caravan fitted with a Nordic hot tub... A 100% eco-friendly experience in a natural setting.

www.luxeuil-vosges-sud.fr/sit/les-ptits-sentiers-animes



🌲 DOG-HIKING OR DOG-SLEDDING?

In winter, sleds and pulks are towed by teams of dogs. You might not expect this in summer, but the Dog Friendly Southern Vosges have developed a whole range of year-round activities in the company of man's best friend: dog-hiking, dog-karting, your first dog-sledding experience... To be enjoyed with your own dog or with sled dogs who are familiar with these roaming experiences, all on the Ballon d'Alsace mountain or the 1000 Étangs plateau.

chiens-de-traineau-vosges.com

www.les1000etangs.com/bouger/nos-animations.htm

NIGHTS TO ESCAPE FOR ADVENTUROUS FAMILIES

🌲 PEACEFUL NIGHTS IN LITTLE FINLAND

As far as the eye can see, lakes create a unique landscape nicknamed 'Little Finland'. Amid the picture-postcard scenery, the **Domaine des Epaisselets** offers two quirky accommodation solutions in the heart of nature. Overlooking a peaceful lake, a Tiny House seems to beckon you to share its tranquillity. Further away, a gypsy caravan promises a Bohemian experience in the vintage country spirit.

www.massif-des-vosges.fr/sit/hlobfc000v523fv2



🌲 FISHING HUTS

Fans of pole and predator fishing now have a new spot at which to enjoy their hobby with the whole family. The **Domaine de Chatebier**, is an 8-hectare natural site with a 4-hectare lake of excellent quality, a fish farm, huts equipped with fishing pontoons, float tubes and all-in packages for a plunge into the world of fishing. Added bonus? Adapted facilities for disabled fishers.

domaine-de-chatebier.fr



🌲 BIVOUAC EXPERIENCE AT THE BALLON D'ALSACE

Sleep beneath the stars and wake up with the sun, 'alone in the world'. To overcome any mental blockages and dare to try this experience, nothing beats the help of an experienced guide who knows the region like the back of his hand. Olivier Pohl, a mountain leader, will introduce you to bivouacking. The programme includes hiking, setting up camp in a beautiful mountain pasture, lighting a wood fire (without paper or matches) and sharing a Franche-Comté-style fondue before your night under a tarpaulin shelter... A great way to spend quality time with the family and create a souvenir album of your extraordinary experience.

www.olivierpohl.fr



ROMANTIC GETAWAYS

THE SOUTHERN VOSGES FOR COUPLES

The joy of sharing an eco-friendly, gourmet experience of a different kind with your partner... By the water or in the mountains, the Southern Vosges have made the most of their riches to offer unique romantic moments that bring you together.



NATURE THERAPY FOR TWO



FOREST BATHING AT 1000 ÉTANGS

For centuries, the forest has been key to the heritage of Southern Vosges. Recognised for its benefits, forest bathing has found a choice site here. Wellbeing, awakening of the senses, letting go... In the dreamy atmosphere of the 1000 Étangs plateau or the Ballon d'Alsace mountainside, these de-stress walks are a great way to recharge your batteries.

www.les1000etangs.com

SUMMER AT THE TOP OF THE BALLON D'ALSACE

In the Southern Vosges, we awaken our senses by listening to nature, observing it and immersing ourselves in it. Nature yoga, forest yoga, discovery walks, forest bathing, sensory walks, scenery immersion through drawing, immersive photography and much more. The Ballon d'Alsace forests make the perfect backdrop to all these feel-good experiences.

www.territoiredebelfort.fr/la-maison-departementale-de-lenvironnement/ete-nature-au-sommet-immersion-dans-une-foret-du-ballon



A STRAIGHTFORWARD INTRODUCTION TO GOLF

There are hundreds of ways to start playing golf, although some may not seem easy... To put everyone at ease, try the 18-hole golf course of Rougemont. You'll love the stunning view over the Vosges Massif, the friendly feel of the site, the new, more eco-friendly course, the on-site accommodation and the unbeatable beginner rates. (€30!)

www.golf-rougemont.com





IN THE LAND OF FRUIT

🌲 CHERRY BLOSSOM IN FOUGEROLLES

Every spring, Fougérolles is festooned with the white blossom of cherry trees by the thousand. For about a fortnight, the Kirsch capital becomes a stunning landscape of fleeting beauty. Some recommended photo spots: Blanzey, Croslières, Prémourey, Grand Fahys, Sarcennot and the ecomuseum orchard which has recently been equipped for fascinating audio tours. The Fête des Cerises (cherry festival) is worth a visit on 29 June.

www.massif-des-vosges.fr/sit/pcubfc070327004482
ecomusee-fougerolles.fr

🌲 BLUEBERRIES FROM SOUTHERN VOSGES IN A BOTTLE (DISTILLERIE DEVOILLE)

Birtille revisits a traditional bitter liqueur that tastes good in beer, combining the power of gentian with the delicate flavour of blueberries, the iconic fruit of the Vosges mountains. A new beverage created by the Paul Devoille Distillery

www.devoille.com

PLACES TO STAY

🌲 ROMANTIC NIGHT IN A FORMER DISTILLERY

You'll love the French-style elegance of the **Manoir La Cerise**. Housed in a building dating from 1833 which distilled kirsch and absinthe from 1866 to 1923, the three guestrooms combine vintage charm and modern comfort for a peaceful stay in the Pays de la Cerise. 'Table d'hôte' meals on prior reservation.

www.manoirlacerise.com



SECRET NIGHTS FOR TWO

🌲 LUXURY BUBBLE FOR A HEAVENLY NIGHT

At the Domaine de l'**Angle du Bonheur** there are cabins as well as bubble-like domes installed at the lakeside. Opened in 2023 as part of an eco-design approach, these transparent domes offer all the magic of the setting sun, the song of birds and the melodic sound of the rain.

www.langledubonheur.fr



🌲 NIGHT-TIME ESCAPE AT THE CABANES DES GRANDS REFLETS

Located on the banks of **Verchat Lake**, the new Spa Céleste and Spa Étincelle cabins are two eco-friendly nests perched on stilts. Rooftop area, Nordic tub, swing seat, wide patio doors facing the lake, beautiful rooms, eco-friendly design and locally-sourced products... These quirky little havens have some convincing arguments.

www.cabanesdesgrandsreflets.com



EATING OUT

🌲 'BIB GOURMAND' AND 'MAÎTRE CUISINIER DE FRANCE' AWARDS FOR THE SAISONNIER

A winner in Haute-Saône! The gourmet restaurant **Le Saisonnier** in Roye obtained the Michelin Guide's 'Bib Gourmand' award in 2023. The talented young chef also won the title of 'Maître Cuisinier de France' during the same year. A deliciously intimate restaurant near Ronchamp Chapel on the Route des 1000 Étangs.

restaurant-lesaisonnier.com





◇ Belfort flea market

A YEAR IN THE SOUTHERN VOSGES

KEY EVENTS - 2024 CALENDAR

BELFORT FLEA MARKET

On the first Sunday morning of each month from March to December
BELFORT

In the picturesque little streets of the old Belfort, the largest flea market in the East of France beckons bric-a-brac enthusiasts and fans of car-boot sales.

MILLE PAS FESTIVAL

from 7 April to 7 July
1000 ÉTANGS

Created in 2003, the oldest hiking festival in France offers a golden opportunity to explore places that are usually out of bounds to visitors, including unmarked trails and private footpaths and ponds. New for 2024, a partnership to encourage the donation of organs.

INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY MUSIC FESTIVAL (FIMU)

from 16 to 19 May
BELFORT

The city of the Lion becomes a musical stage with free outdoor performances by around a thousand student and amateur musicians from around the world.

BELFORT TRIATHLON

1 & 2 June
BELFORT

From Malsaucy Lake to the Ballon d'Alsace mountain, the Triathlon of Belfort is an environmentally friendly sporting event. As an added bonus, there's triathlon for beginners, a women-only triathlon and a children's triathlon.

ROAFF FESTIVAL (RONCHAMP OPEN AIR FILATURE FESTIVAL)

7 & 8 June
FILATURE DE RONCHAMP

This recent outdoor music festival takes place in the courtyard of La Filature. Its fresh, eclectic programme shines the spotlight on artists from the local region.

LES EUROCKÉENNES DE BELFORT

from 4 to 7 July
BELFORT

Some fifty concerts, 4 days and nights of music outdoors, a campsite, and 4 stages installed on the Malsaucy peninsula... As one of the biggest rock festivals in France, this event needs no introduction.

MUSIQUE ET MÉMOIRE FESTIVAL

from 18 July to 4 August
VARIOUS SITES ACROSS THE SOUTHERN VOSGES

For a whole fortnight, the best performers from the French Baroque music scene will take to the spotlight for this unique festival held at the region's culture and heritage sites.

LES PLURALIES

from 3 to 6 July
LUXEUIL-LES-BAINS

For three days, a music festival enlivens the town with an eclectic programme in this historic setting.

FANTASTIC PICNIC

September
ALL OVER THE REGION

A gourmet event with original, bucolic picnics by the dozen.

LES BIO JOURS

14 & 15 September
FAUCOGNEY-ET-LA-MER

120 exhibitors, eateries, activities, film screenings and debates, but also folk dances and music.



FONTENAY ABBEY

Famous for its key roles in cinema films, the abbey of Fontenay watches over a remote little valley. This Cistercian abbey - probably the best-preserved in the world - appeals by its pure architecture and its remarkable gardens.

Since 2022, the site has been undergoing vast **renovation works** to restore the ensemble to its former glory. The work should continue until 2047!

Fontenay Abbey is one of the first buildings to have received a **Hydrangea Aspera Villosa**, a hardy and very rare species that produces beautiful mauve and white flowers.



UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SPECIAL

THE 8 WONDERS OF BOURGOGNE-FRANCHE-COMTÉ



Organisation
des Nations Unies
pour l'éducation,
la science et la culture



Le patrimoine
mondial
en France

Bourgogne-Franche-Comté is the second most distinguished region in terms of outstanding cultural and natural heritage features listed by UNESCO. Eight features (but nine sites!) here feature among the prestigious institution's 'Wonders of the World'. A fabulous performance in a country that boasts 52 in total. Here's a brief list of these unique sites, sentinels of the past and architects of our future.

www.bourgognefranchecomte.com/nos-bijoux-unesco/

NOTRE DAME DE LA CHARITÉ

Standing on the banks of the river Loire on the Way of St James, the charming town of La Charité-sur-Loire has built up around its priory church. A Clunian architectural gem to be explored with the heart as well as the eyes!



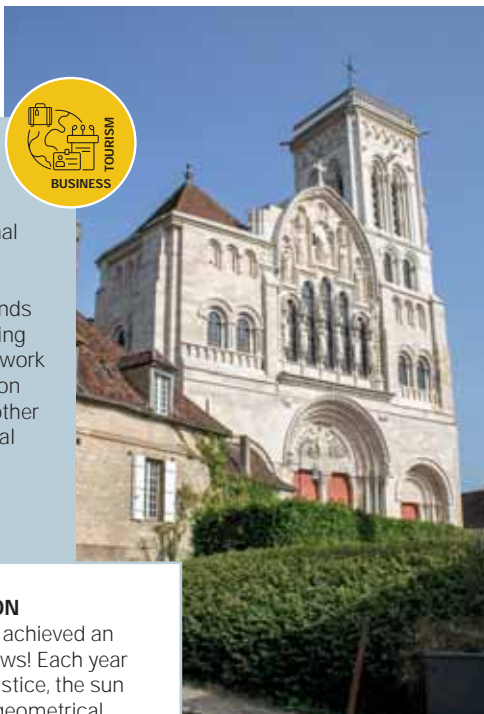
SAVE THE DATE

The **Aux Quatre Coins du Mot** festival from 8 to 12 May. A key event on Ascension weekend, this famous festival celebrates words in all their forms. Five days to discover and enjoy a range of shows, readings, exhibitions and games, all to be found at the Priory itself and at various sites across the town.

UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SPECIAL

SAINTE-MARIE-MADELEINE BASILICA OF VÉZELAY

Vézelay Abbey stands on top of the eternal hill, as it is known, as a symbol of human devotion through the ages. Each year, its spiritual luminosity is admired by thousands of awestruck visitors and pilgrims following the Way of St James. This Romanesque work of art houses an abundance of carvings on its tympanums, capitals, doorways and other features... a remarkable and highly original ensemble!



A WORLD-UNIQUE PHENOMENON

Some 900 years ago, the builders achieved an amazing feat with all those windows! Each year during the summer and winter solstice, the sun creates sublime paths of light of geometrical perfection in the nave.

The basilica's restoration began in 2014 and is ongoing. After the radiating chapel, the chancel, the transepts, the Saint-Antoine tower, the west façade and the narthex, it is now the turn of the nave and the side aisles to be renovated. This work is due to end in 2025-26. But don't worry, the basilica remains open to visitors throughout the duration of the work!

SORTIE 2024

The **collector booklet of 8 special stamps featuring the 'UNESCO sites of Bourgogne-Franche-Comté'**. Available from early 2024.

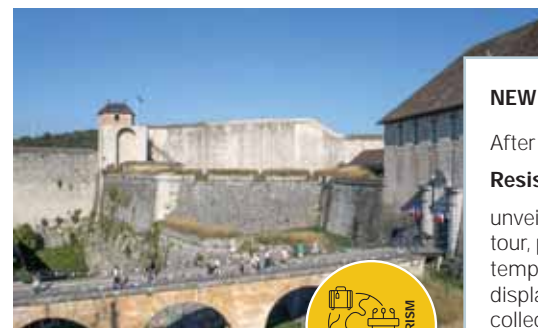
NOTRE-DAME-DU-HAUT CHAPEL IN RONCHAMP

As an icon of 20th-century sacred art, this chapel is more than a mere site of pilgrimage to the Virgin Mary. Le Corbusier's work of architectural art transcends religion to become an inspirational and moving symbol of innovation. Two other architects of international fame have since displayed their talents on Ronchamp hill: Jean Prouvé in 1975 and Renzo Piano in 2011.



THE CHAPEL'S SECOND YOUTH

The site of Ronchamp Hill has been extremely busy since the first renovation work began here in 2022. The chapel will look like new again by the end of 2024!



THE VAUBAN CITADEL AND FORTIFICATIONS IN BESANÇON

Power incarnate... This impressive fortress towering above the city of Besançon and blending into the relief, is an outstanding example of 17th-century military architecture. It is the showpiece of the Vauban fortifications, deemed to be one of the most beautiful in France.



NEW

After 15 years of discussion and 3 years of work, the **Resistance and Deportation Museum** has finally unveiled its new, completely redesigned permanent tour, packed with new star items. It also features a temporary exhibition area and at last puts on public display one of its treasures, one of Europe's richest collections of deportation art.

Le Jardin de Vauban, is a new exhibition area, the first in a fabulous series, that visitors approach like a history book. A place where nature, biodiversity and the past come magnificently together.

New name, new decor and a new concept for the Citadelle restaurant: Open daily, the **Momentum** serves a seasonal menu that gives pride of place to fresh produce.

SAVE THE DATE

A trip through time on 22 & 23 June 2024, for the **Grand Siècle weekend** organised this year around the theme of food.



FROM THE GREAT SALTWORKS OF SALINS-LES-BAINS TO THE ROYAL SALTWORKS OF ARC-ET-SENANS,

two outstandingly valuable structures that bear witness to the glory days of salt... An ancient story that takes its roots in the subsoil of Salins-les-Bains where the Great Saltworks exploited the white gold from the Middle ages until 1962. Bearing witness to this unique activity is a 13th-century underground passage of 165 metres in length, featuring a wheel with a huge 19th-century wooden pendulum, still in operation, and the last salt stove still existing in France. With the Age of Enlightenment in full swing, its bigger neighbour, the Royal Saltworks, started up to increase salt production and make up for the lack of wood required by the sector. The project came to fruition on the edge of the Chaux forest, with the architect Claude-Nicolas Ledoux tasked with building a palace of a factory. The rest is a fascinating story, waiting to be discovered at this majestic, illuminated site that continues, even today, to captivate and inspire the modern world.

3D EXPERIENCE AT THE ROYAL SALTWORKS!

Unique in Bourgogne-Franche-Comté, the Centre de Lumières is a new, immersive 3D facility offering an interactive voyage to the four corners of the world. The sphinxes of Egypt, the ancient city of Palmyra, Leptis Magna in Roman Libya, and Venice are among the eight UNESCO-listed sites to be seen here like you've never seen them before!

SAVE THE DATE

It's all happening at the Royal Saltworks in **July & August, in a mix of sound, light and drama...** Three arts staged together in a historical show entitled Lux Salina. A more intimate event, Les Nuits de la Saline, involves a crazy walkabout in the 2nd semi-circle gardens, followed by dinner and a screening of the film 'Mapping' with photographs taken by Vincent Munier.



THE PREHISTORIC PILE DWELLINGS OF THE LAKES OF CHALAIN AND CLAIRVAUX

Of life in these very first fishing and farming villages dating from 5000 to 500 BC, nothing would remain were it not for the incredible conservation properties of the water. Invisible but fascinating evidence of Neolithic life.



'CLIMATS' OF THE BURGUNDY VINEYARD

In this context, a 'climat' is not a weather phenomenon but a wine terroir! Since the 17th century, this term has been applied to specifically named parcels with precise boundaries from which the grapes are harvested and vinified separately to retain their full character. More than 1,500 of these Climats have appeared along the Côte de Beaune and Côte de Nuits hillsides between Dijon and Les Maranges. A fascinating culture of world-unique expertise and remarkable heritage.



A NEW PLACE TO VISIT

In Beaune, the main visitor centre among the **3 devoted to the Climats and wines of Burgundy** has finally opened its doors. Through a scenographic tour enriched with unprecedented multimedia features, the immersion in the history, expertise and heritage of the wines of Burgundy is instant and highly effective. It has an area devoted specifically to the World Heritage site and its components. Naturally, the tour ends with a tasting session. The good news is, there's a tour for children as well!

6 KM OF STONE WALLS RESTORED!

For the past 5 years, a sponsorship programme has made it possible to restore more than 200 wine heritage features: walls, huts, gates, steps... Some amazing ancient structures that in many cases have determined the Climat boundaries and turned the landscape into this highly iconic patchwork.

SAVE THE DATE

Le Mois des Climats The summer festival with an alternative approach to the Climats. 60 unprecedented events organised between June and mid-July, ranging from vineyard walks and guided tours to landscape readings, shows, family workshops, themed tastings and pre-dinner drinks with a VIEW!

2024: THE SPORTY YEAR!

This summer, Bourgogne-Franche-Comté is hosting two prestigious events: the passing of the Olympic torch and the Tour de France cycle race. Buzzing with excitement, this land of champions is ready to turn these events into memorable sporting moments. Save the dates!



Olympic flame itinerary

DOUBS, YONNE & THE CÔTE-D'OR, 2024 OLYMPIC LANDS

After departing from Marseille on 9 May to travel around France for several weeks, the flame will cross 3 departments of the Bourgogne-Franche-Comté region. The world's most iconic relay run will cross 20 towns and villages, of which 3 will stage the lighting of the Olympic cauldron and the torch relay closing ceremony. A chance for everyone to unite and be part of this celebration of Olympic values.



DOUBS

Tuesday 25 June: heat and closing ceremony host town: **Besançon** (Olympic Training Centre (OTC) for 20 disciplines), the Gare d'Eau park.

Crossing 3 iconic sites: the Olympic ski jump in Chaux-Neuve, the Poudrey chasm and the cliffs of Baume-les-Dames.

Crossing 3 towns: Pontarlier, Maïche and Montbéliard.

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YONNE

Thursday 11 July: heat and closing ceremony host town: **Auxerre** (football and rugby OTC), Roscoff park.

Crossing 3 iconic sites: Saint-Fargeau via La Puisaye near Guédelon Castle, the town and abbey of Vézelay, the town and vineyard of Chablis.

Crossing 3 towns: Sens (OTCs for tennis, volley-ball, archery and general fitness) Migennes and Avallon.

www.yonne24.com

CÔTES-D'OR

Friday 12 July: heat & closing ceremony host town: **Dijon** (OTC for 17 disciplines), Palace of the Dukes of Burgundy.

Crossing 2 iconic sites: Château du Clos de Vougeot and the Alésia archaeological site in Alise-Sainte-Reine

Crossing 4 towns: Semur-en-Auxois (OTC for road cycling), Saulieu, Beaune (OTC for triathlon) and Saint-Jean-de-Losne.

www.tousauxjeux-encotedor.fr



◇ Auxerre



◇ Besançon



◇ Dijon



THE GAMES SEEN FROM SAÔNE-ET-LOIRE

The Olympic flame won't be passing through Saône-et-Loire, but this French department will nevertheless be buzzing with the excitement of the Games. As a town of outdoor sports in the southern Morvan, Autun is an accredited '2024 Olympic Training Centre' for the triathlon, para-triathlon and cross-country MTB competitions, the latter being held at a new training site, the XCO MTB stadium. In the months ahead, the Vallon lake will welcome some of this sport's greatest athletes.

www.autun.com/sortez-bougez/le-sport/centre-de-preparation-aux-jeux

A MUST-SEE EXHIBITION

A 'Sport & Science' exhibition at Lab71 in Dompierre-les-Ormes in Saône-et-Loire. An exhibition in connection with the 2024 Olympics, to have fun while learning.
www.lab71.fr

Exhibition entitled 'Giants: wrestlers, bodybuilders and strongmen' at the Courbet Museum in Ornans from 3 June to 15 October 2024.
www.musee-courbet.fr



The Tour de France is coming to Burgundy!

THE CÔTE-D'OR AND SAÔNE-ET-LOIRE IN THE SPOTLIGHT

This summer, the whole world will have its eyes fixed on Burgundy!

It's been 7 years since the Tour de France cycle race last came to the Côte-d'Or area. In 2024, the world's greatest cycling event will spend 3 days here, its longest ever visit to a single department! But cycling enthusiasts, take note: you can also cheer on your favourite champions in Saône-et-Loire on 4 July when the start line will be in Mâcon.



MÂCON & DIJON

Thursday 4 July: sprint after sprint in the Côte Chalonnaise vineyards for this 6th stage of 163 km between Mâcon and Dijon. Images of the itinerary shot from above, including views of the abbey of Cluny, should also appeal to fans of medieval architecture. The City of the Dukes is to host the finish line of the 6th stage on the Park pathways.

GEVREY-CHAMBERTIN & NUIITS-SAINT-GEORGES

Friday 5 July: all the spotlights will be on this exciting 25-km individual time trial between Gevrey-Chambertin and Nuits-Saint-Georges. A 7th stage entirely in the Côte d'Or area will be held between the most famous vineyards in the world, along the Route des Grands Crus.

SEMUR-EN-AUXOIS

Saturday 6 July: during this 8th stage of 176 km from Semur-en-Auxois to Colombey-les-Deux-Églises (Haute-Marne), the 5 uphill sections should be quite a challenge for the sprinters! Semur-en-Auxois, the town hosting the start line, is without a doubt THE cycling hotspot of the Côte d'Or and will be keen to prove it once again on Saturday 6 July 2024. The cyclists will then go past the Alésia MuséoParc in Alise-Sainte-Reine, before leaving the department.

BUSINESS TOURISM, CONFERENCES, SEMINARS, TEAM BUILDING EVENTS

For business leaders looking to broaden their horizons, strengthen links between employees or bring a team together to discuss innovating visions... Seminar venues become idea laboratories and landscapes become experimentation grounds. Bourgogne-Franche-Comté is a central region that's easy to reach, offering its hospitality and taking special care to provide a conducive environment for corporate events. Here's an overview of the latest new venues.



◇ The Royal Saltworks in Arc-et-Senans

Burgundy, Jura
Mountains and
Southern Vosges:
3 destinations,
3 times more choice
for hosting events!



FINDING TOP DESTINATIONS FOR CORPORATE EVENTS

The 'Bourgogne-Franche-Comté Seminars & Events' website

To make it easier to organise corporate events, Bourgogne-Franche-Comté Tourisme has launched a business tourism website. Designed like a veritable business facilitator, this portal meets the specific needs and demands of business clients in search of a venue for a congress, seminar or just a meeting, as well as more original ideas for team-building events.

Whatever the requirements in terms of style, atmosphere, facilities, budget, location (city or countryside, etc.) or activities, this smart, interactive tool adapts to even the most unusual obligations and requests. With around 140 partners selected on the basis of a quality charter, this free platform allows you to request an estimate online and has become a key asset of this region that takes care of those who are creating the world of tomorrow.

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A NEW VENUE TO HOST YOUR SEMINAR

At a UNESCO site, the **Royal Saltworks in Arc-et-Senans**, the Claude-Nicolas Ledoux room is a modular facility with cutting-edge technology and capacity for up to 1,500 people!

At the **Cité des Climats et Vins de Bourgogne in Mâcon**: function rooms, tasting rooms and an auditorium accommodating up to 138 participants, for a complete immersion in the wine-growing culture of the Mâconnais and Côte Chalonnaise regions.

At the **Demeure Les Arbillons**, 20 minutes from Mâcon: this character gîte occupying an old mill offers corporate clients a setting conducive to reflection. With its 3 gîtes, 4 modular meeting rooms, a nearby restaurant and on-site leisure facilities (heated pool, jacuzzi, gymnasium, etc.), this exceptional venue is the perfect place for discussions in an atmosphere that makes you feel at home.



Throughout the press kit pages you'll find seminar/conference venues and service providers for team-building events with the Bourgogne-Franche-Comté Seminars & Events club:
www.seminaires.bourgognefranchecomte.com



TEAM BUILDING SPECIAL

BEER EXPERIENCE(S): BREWING WORKSHOPS TO CHALLENGE YOUR STAFF

In Beaune they have wine but they also do zythology, which means they make beer. The idea is simple: your employees spend between 2 and 4 hours making their own beer. 3 weeks later, each team collects their production and compares it with the other teams' beverages in a comparative tasting session. Choice of ingredients, beer-making techniques, the diversity of brews and more, in a team-building session that really takes the pressure off!

SKY CIRCUS: A FREEFALL FLIGHT SIMULATOR THAT BRINGS OUT THEIR TRUE PERSONALITY

By recreating the sensations of freefall skydiving, this open-air vertical wind tunnel installed in Saône-et-Loire reveals the true personality of participants. Unique in Bourgogne-Franche-Comté, this sensational activity can be tried by anyone who's willing to confront their fears or demonstrate their self-control. A truly enriching experience.

EMULSION AGENCY: THE CRAZIEST IDEAS FOR A FABULOUS TEAM-BUILDING EVENT

Whether it's to build cohesion, develop collective intelligence, encourage teamwork or for any other reason, Emulsion organises a whole array of energetic and amusing activities. These include: adventure treks, vineyard Olympics, orienteering, soapbox racing, paper chases or urban scavenger hunts... Challenges that develop team spirit and reveal many a hidden talent.

'TERROR IN THE WINE BARRELS': THE WINE INVESTIGATION LAUNCHED BY ACTIVE TOURS

As specialists in wine tourism, Active Tours has no lack of inspiration when it comes to organising bespoke seminars and team-building events in the vineyards. 'Terror in the wine barrels' is a brand new dynamic and interactive police investigation team game. The mission? To find out who killed the famous Burgundy oenologist found dead in his wine cellar. An immersive activity that puts your employees' grey matter to the test.



◇ Demeure Les Arbillons (Bourgvilain)



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An area devoted to the press, with annual or themed press releases (slow tourism, business tourism, wine tourism, finding out more, food and drink, culture, leisure activities) and the contact details for Bourgogne-Franche-Comté Tourisme press contacts.

<https://pros.bourgognefranchecomte.com/presse/>



A media library

to enhance your work

A treasure trove of resources, photos and videos to showcase Bourgogne-Franche-Comté and the destination's brands, promoting tourism on all types of communication media (publications, Internet, press, social media, etc.).

<https://mediatheque.bourgognefranchecomte.com/>



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<https://pass.bourgognefranchecomte.com>



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This online learning platform is free and accessible to all using a smartphone or computer.

<https://bourgognefranchecomte.artips.fr/>

Information and key figures

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departments:

Côte-d'Or, Doubs, Jura, Nièvre, Haute-Saône, Saône-et-Loire, Yonne and Territoire de Belfort

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Forêts National Park

Regional Nature Parks

(Morvan, Doubs Horloger, Haut-Jura, Ballons des Vosges)

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places recognised by UNESCO:

Fontenay Abbey, Basilica of Vézelay, La Charité-sur-Loire priory, prehistoric pile dwellings, the Saline Royale at Arc-et-Senans, the Grande Saline in Salins-les-Bains, the Vauban fortifications and Citadel, the 'Climats' of the Burgundy vineyard, Ronchamp chapel.

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'Most Beautiful Villages in France':

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Michelin-starred chefs in 2023

1,350 km

of cycling itineraries, along roads and greenways including the EuroVelo6, the Tour de Bourgogne à Vélo®, the Voie Bleue Moselle Saône à Vélo, etc.

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