



FRANCE

LILAS - CAPTIVATING VOYAGE OF BURGUNDY'S WATERWAYS FROM ST JEAN TO LYON

(TOUR CODE: 14930)

STARTS AND ENDS

St Jean de Losne to Lyon

TRAVEL PERIODS

7 May 26 - 18 Oct 26

EXPERIENCE

Cruising
Food & Wine
Luxury

TRAVEL STYLE

Barge Cruising

Embark on a captivating voyage aboard the luxurious Lilas, traversing the scenic Burgundy's waterways from St Jean to Lyon.

Highlights

- Enjoy a private tasting at the historic Joseph Drouhin cellar in Beaune, once home to the Duke of Burgundy's wine collection
- Visit the grand Abbaye de Cluny and admire panoramic views from the dramatic Roche de Solutré
- Wander through Château de Fléchères' frescoed halls, then explore Lyon's vibrant old town and cultural treasures

Embark on a personalised journey of carefree indulgence aboard Lilas, Belmond's elegant river barge. As you drift through the heart of Burgundy and Beaujolais, discover historic landmarks, world-famous châteaux, and charming riverside villages. From the moment you step aboard in St Jean, life slows to a serene pace—perfect for soaking in the region's beauty. Along the way to Lyon, savour fine cuisine, curated excursions and the relaxed rhythm of life on the water. This is slow travel at its most luxurious, where every detail is designed for your delight.

Kindly note: The Lilas is exclusively available for private charter for up to 8 guests & available in the reverse direction.

INCLUSIONS

- 6 nights onboard the Lilas in your own private sanctuary - with a capacity to welcome up to eight guests
- Table d'hote meals and complimentary beverages, daily breakfast and French fine dining experience served onboard
- All excursions including exclusive use of the onboard bicycles alongside the river
- Dedicated Host service
- A dedicated tour guide and an itinerary tailored to your preferences
- Roundtrip transfers to/from the luxury barge within France & Geneva

ITINERARY

Facilities Lilas onboard

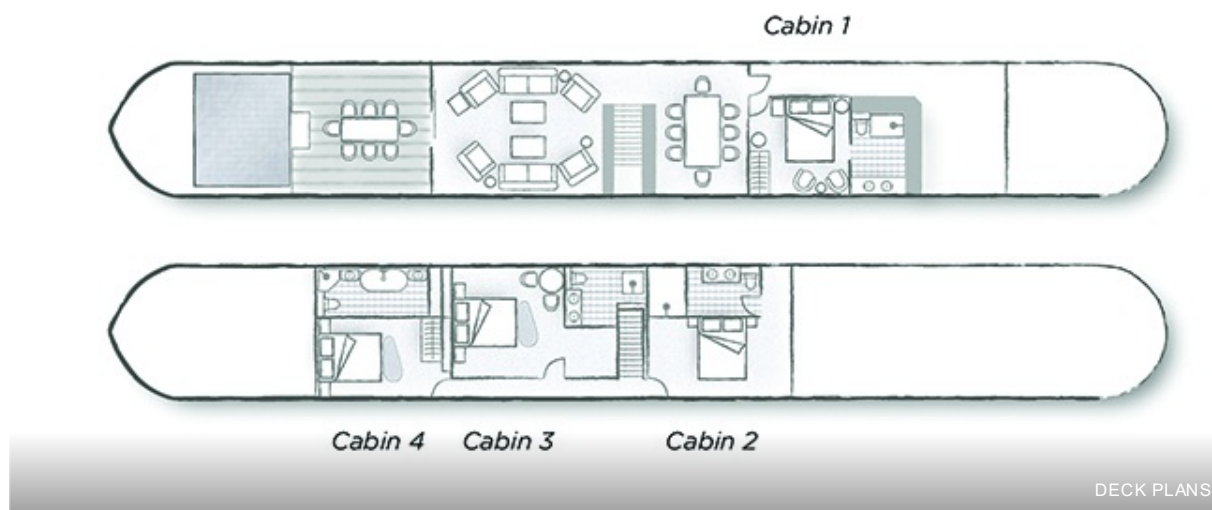
Lilas Cabins

An indulgent getaway aboard Lilas offers a haven of serenity, both inside and out. After a day spent savouring organic wines, discovering charming towns, or simply unwinding in the on-deck pool, retreat to one of four beautifully appointed cabins. Each features floral accents, elegant handcrafted ironwork, warm timber furnishings and soft natural linens, creating an atmosphere of pure relaxation and comfort. Designed for just eight guests, with two decks and a dedicated crew of six, Lilas ensures an intimate cruising experience. Cabins feature king-size or twin beds, en-suite bathrooms, Diptyque toiletries, generous storage and European plug sockets.

Wining & Dining

Each epicurean feast prepared by Chef is tailored to your personal tastes and preferences, elegantly paired with Beaujolais wines. Delve deeper into Burgundy's culinary scene during meals and tastings at local restaurants, bistros and vineyards included in your itinerary.

DECK PLANS



Day 1 & 2 St-Jean-de-Losne Chalon-sur-Saône

A champagne reception awaits your arrival at St-Jean-de-Losne at 5:00pm approximately. Meet your dedicated crew, guide and chef, before settling into your plush cabin. Discover Lilas' sun-drenched decks and communal areas before heading to the bar for cocktails and aperitifs. Later, sit down to your first gourmet experience on board, a timely blend of seasonal delicacies served with flavourful Burgundy wines.

On your second morning, cruise towards Chalon-sur-Saône. You might take the opportunity to visit Beaune, the capital of Burgundy's wine region. Enjoy an intimate tour and tasting at the Joseph Drouhin cellar, an establishment that previously housed the Duke of Burgundy's precious wine collection. Return to Lilas for a delightful dinner onboard.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day 3 & 4 Tournus Mâcon

Absorb the beautiful landscapes of Southern Burgundy as you glide along the River Saône. Your guide may suggest an afternoon visit to Abbaye de Cluny, once considered the largest religious building in the West. Tonight, dinner is hosted at an enchanting local restaurant.

The next day, continue cruising to Mâcon, a thriving market town bordering the Mâconnais and Beaujolais vineyards. After lunch, you may wish to visit the Roche de Solutré, a limestone ridge that offers picturesque views of the River Saône and its verdant surroundings. Along the way, stop for tastings at a local wine producer. Return to your buoyant luxury villa in time for a delicious dinner onboard.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 5 & 6 Montmerle Lyon

In the morning, Lilas makes her way to the riverside town of Montmerle. Your chef serves up another exquisite lunch before today's inland adventure. Visit Château de Fléchères, renowned for its exceptional restored frescos and trompe l'oeil art by Tuscan artist Pietro Ricchi. Enjoy a private tour and time to stroll around the grounds. Back on board, aperitifs and gastronomic delights await.

On your final day, you'll arrive in Lyon in time for lunch. Embark on a fascinating tour of the city, known for its outstanding cultural scene, adventurous gastronomy and fantastic shopping. Enjoy a walking tour of the old town, then discover hidden gems at your own leisure. Back on board, share highlights and favourite moments over refreshing cocktails and a final epicurean feast.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day **7**

Disembark in Lyon

Your check-out time is scheduled for 09:00am. Your luxury river cruise concludes with a hearty breakfast. Our teams will be more than happy to arrange your transfers to the airport – get in touch to discuss your travel requirements with us.

Please note, in exceptional circumstances it may be necessary to alter the route without prior notice.

Breakfast

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

French

LOCAL CURRENCY

EUR

- This itinerary may be subject to change. On alternate weeks, the cruise will be in the reverse direction.

Supplier Booking Conditions Apply

Due to the boutique nature and limited capacity of this travel experience, under our Bookings Conditions this package classifies as “Booking Type 2 – Travel Experience where we act as agent only”. Your contract for the delivery of travel arrangements will be with the principal supplier and will be subject to their Booking Conditions. We will advise you prior to confirming your booking the full details and Booking Conditions of the principal supplier. Our responsibility to you where we sell travel arrangements as agent for the supplier is specified in the ‘Responsibility’ section of our Booking Conditions.

Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Drinks from the premium list, or drinks ordered during excursions
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.)
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package