



FRANCE

L'IMPRESSIONNISTE - BURGUNDY CRUISE (CANAL DU CENTRE)

(TOUR CODE: 16586)

STARTS AND ENDS

Paris/Dijon to
Paris or Dijon

TRAVEL PERIODS

03 May 26 - 25 Oct 26

EXPERIENCE

Cruising
Food & Wine
Cultural

TRAVEL STYLE

Barge Cruising

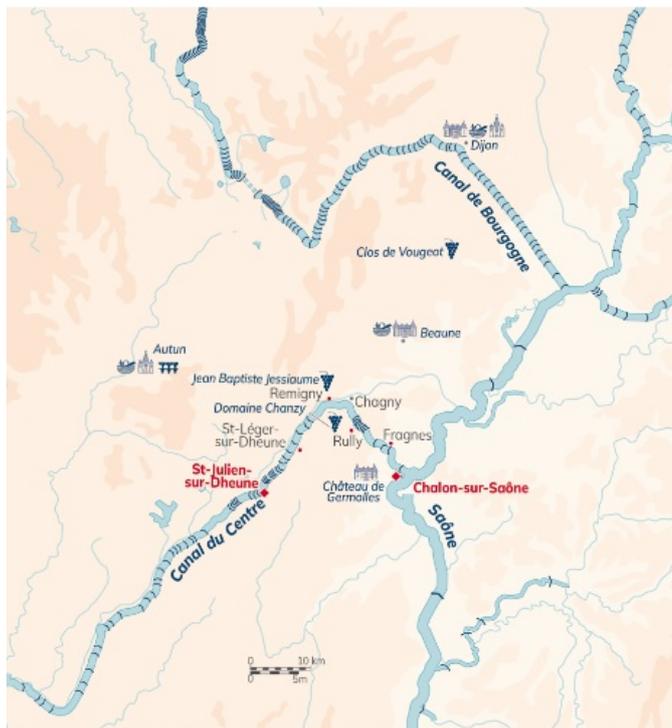
A 12-passenger luxury barge combining traditional and French influences to give you the coziest holiday in the Burgundy countryside.

Highlights

- Tour of **Dijon** and its markets
- Tour of Domaine Chanson including a **private wine tasting** and exclusive gastronomic lunch
- Private Falconry Display & Tour at the **Château de Commarin**
- Visit 14th-century **Château de Germolles**
- Excellent towpath for walking and cycling
- Visit **Clos de Vougeot**, home of the Chevaliers du Tastevin

From early May 2026, for the remainder of the 2026 season, due to engineering work on her usual itinerary, L'Impressionniste will cruise on the Canal du Centre, approximately 25 miles to the south. A supremely refined vessel, L'Impressionniste offers an onboard ambience that combines traditional and modern French influences to ensure that you cruise in style and comfort. Her light and airy interior features picture windows and prints reminiscent of the era after which she has been named. In the spacious saloon with its rich-coloured teak flooring and soft lighting, there are balloon-backed dining chairs and comfortable leather sofas that complete the effect.

The cabins, each one bearing the name of a renowned Impressionist painter, offer a choice of accommodation in two junior suites or four staterooms, complemented by modern en-suite shower rooms. Twin or double bed configurations are also available.



INCLUSIONS

- 6 nights onboard the Hotel Barge L'Impressionniste in a Stateroom
- Crew of 6 (Captain, tour guide, chef and hostesses)
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily prepared by your chef
- Captains farewell dinner on your last night
- Selection of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages
- Excursions as per itinerary
- Transfers by an air-conditioned minivan
- Use of barge facilities

ITINERARY

Deck Hotel Barge L'Impressionniste

Deluxe | 12 Passengers | 6 Crew

- 126 Feet Long
- 2 Twin/Double Junior Suites (152-156sq ft incl. en suite)
- 4 Twin/Double Staterooms (110-124sq ft incl. en suite)
- Spa Pool
- Air-Conditioned / Centrally Heated



Day 2 Chalons-sur-Saône Fragnes

This morning, begin your voyage through Southern Burgundy along the peaceful River Saône, before joining the Canal du Centre at Chalons-sur-Saône to arrive at your mooring in Fragnes. After lunch, visit **Clos de Vougeot**, headquarters of the esteemed Chevaliers du Tastevin (translates as “Fraternity of Knights of the Wine-Tasting Cup”), who award a special prized label to the finest Côte d’Or vintages every year. On the way back to the barge, stop at the prestigious vineyard of **Romanée Conti** for a brief history on the significance of its wines. Dinner on board.

Overnight stay onboard **Hotel Barge L'impressionniste** in a Stateroom.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



BURGUNDY VINEYARDS

Day 3 Fragnes Rully

After breakfast, enjoy a **walking tour of Old Dijon**, including a visit to the vivid produce markets, mustard shops and the

impressive Notre-Dame de Dijon church, or enjoy some excellent shopping time. Return to the hotel barge for lunch and a leisurely afternoon cruise with perfect opportunities to walk or cycle along the towpath en route, to the next mooring location near the village of Rully. Dinner on board.

Overnight stay onboard **Hotel Barge L'impressionniste** in a Stateroom.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day 1 Paris/Dijon Chalon-sur-Saône

Guests are met in Paris or Dijon** and transferred by air-conditioned minibus to L'Impressionniste. A champagne welcome and the opportunity to meet the crew, followed by dinner on board.

Overnight stay onboard **Hotel Barge L'impressionniste** in a Stateroom.

Dinner



Day 5 Remigny St-Léger-sur-Dheune

This morning's leisurely cruise takes you past picturesque **Burgundian villages** such as the famous wine-producing village of **Santenay**. You might wish to cycle along the towpath en route before mooring at the pretty little port of **St-Léger-sur-Dheune**. This afternoon, visit the moat-encircled **Château de Commarin** where you'll get to enjoy a private tour with a majestic falconry display (weather dependent), and the opportunity to meet Count Bertrand de Vogüé – the current resident and 26th generation of the de Vogüé family to maintain continuous residence since the 13th century. Guests can then explore the regal interior, rustic stables, and surrounding gardens. Dinner on board.

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Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day **4**

Rully Remigny

After a short morning cruise, set off on a drive through the slopes of the UNESCO-listed vineyards of the **Côte de Beaune**. Here, your expert guide will offer an insight into the production of the region's finest premier and grand cru wines. Continue to Beaune – the capital of the Burgundy wine country, for a **private tour and tasting at the renowned Domaine Chanson**. The tour includes its medieval Bastion de l'Oratoire, a 15th century defence tower whose 25-foot-thick walls now maintain the perfect temperature for ageing wine. This is followed by a private **gastronomic lunch in the domaine's chateau**. Afterwards, visit the fascinating **Hôtel-Dieu Hospice** with time to explore the town, before returning to the barge for an afternoon cruise to **Remigny**. Dinner on board.

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Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day **6**

St-Léger-sur-Dheune St-Julien-sur-Dheune

This morning, the barge cruises along the **Canal du Centre** through undulating countryside to moor at the little village of **St-Julien-sur-Dheune**. Here, the barge will ascend a series of 11 locks while cruising past the villages along the way. After lunch on board, visit the 14th century **Château de Germolles**, the best preserved of the residences of the Dukes of Burgundy, with its ducal chapel, medieval wall paintings and romantic gardens. **Captain's Farewell Dinner** on board.

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Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day **7**

St-Julien-sur-Dheune Paris/Dijon

After breakfast, guests are transferred by private chauffeured minibus to their choice of location in Paris or Dijon.

Breakfast

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

French

LOCAL CURRENCY

EUR

- This is a sample itinerary and is subject to change. On alternate weeks, the cruise will be in the reverse direction.
- Approximate transfer duration between Paris & L'Impressionniste is 4.5 hours.
- This barge is available for charter bookings and theme cruises. Contact us for more details.

Pick-up Point

- Cabin bookings - The Hotel Westminster, Paris at 1:15pm
OR Dijon - Grand Hotel La Cloche Dijon MGallery by Sofitel at 4:30pm,
OR Gare de Dijon Ville TGV station at 4:45pm - meet at the Café Paul just outside at the front of the station
- Charter bookings - One location of the group's choice in Paris at 1pm or Geneva at 2pm OR Lyon at 3pm OR Dijon at 4:15pm OR a local TGV station close to the barge after 4pm

Drop-off Point

- Cabin bookings - The Hotel Westminster Paris by 1.30pm
OR Gare de Dijon Ville TGV station OR the Grand Hotel La Cloche Dijon MGallery by Sofitel by 11am
- Charter bookings - One location of the group's choice in Paris by 1:30pm OR Dijon by 11am OR Geneva or Lyon by 12pm OR a local TGV station by 10am

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.

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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
- 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