



# French Wine EXPLORERS



## 2005 Wine and Culinary Programs in France

### Best of Burgundy

The complex appellations of the Côte d'Or come rapidly into focus as you taste at great estates of Meursault, Gevrey Chambertin, Clos de Vougeot and more. Enjoy gourmet dining, luxury lodgings at historic Le Cep in charming Beaune, and guided tours of the Hôtel Dieu and Clos de Vougeot. A perfect add-on to a trip to Paris!

### Bordeaux Prestige

Our most exclusive tour of Bordeaux, with tastings at all five First Growths, Chateau Petrus, a fabulous surprise tasting in Sauternes, and more. Meet cellar masters and chateau owners, and enjoy gala dinners and luxury lodgings at private 2nd Growth Chateau Pichon Longueville Baron.

### Cooking & Wine in Provence (private groups)

Join us for a custom-designed week of Provençal cooking classes, wine tasting classes and winery tastings at the luxurious 18th-century Chateau Talaud near Avignon. Antiquing at Isle sur la Sorgue, olive oil and cheese tastings, and the romance of medieval perched villages add to the fun of this gastronomic adventure for groups of 8-12 guests.

### Paris, Champagne & Loire Valley

The perfect combination of Paris sightseeing and wine country touring! You'll enjoy a fabulous wine tasting dinner in Paris, tours of Versailles and Giverny, tastings at the great Champagne houses, and the best wineries and most beautiful chateaux of the Loire Valley. Includes four-star hotel in Paris and luxury chateau lodgings in the Loire Valley, a dinner cruise on the Seine, and gourmet dining.

### Best of Bordeaux

Get to know Bordeaux's best vineyards, as you taste at First Growths like Latour, Mouton Rothschild and Margaux, plus many other Grand Cru chateaux in the Médoc and Saint Emilion/Pomerol. Visit the beautiful medieval village of Saint Emilion, enjoy gourmet dining and luxury hotels or exclusive lodgings at 4th Growth Chateau Beychevelle.

### Burgundy & Champagne Prestige

Experience the prestige of the Côte d'Or best estates, plus special VIP tastings at top Champagne houses, large and small. Enjoy guided tours of the Hospices de Beaune & Clos de Vougeot, first-class hotels. A true gastronomic feast, with many wonderful Michelin-starred restaurants.

### Northern & Southern Rhône Valley

Co-led this year by Robin Garr of WineLoversPage.com. Experience the beauty of Provence as you taste the superb wines of Chateauneuf-du-Pape, Côte Rôtie, Hermitage and much more. Gourmet *al fresco* dining, extensive and unique tastings, and a black-tie dinner dance with the winemakers of Chateauneuf-du-Pape make this an unforgettable week.

### Great Wines of Tuscany, Italy - NEW!

Explore Southern Tuscany, ancient home of legendary Brunello di Montalcino and Vino Nobile di Montepulciano; and coastal Maremma, known for its "Super Tuscan" wines. Enjoy barrel tastings, comparisons between local and international grape varieties, and in-depth tours. Gregorian chants in a medieval abbey, pecorino cheese tastings, and a dip in the Mediterranean round out this Tuscan adventure.

### WINE & WAR - a one-time-only event, EXCLUSIVE to French Wine Explorers

Petie and Don Kladstrup, authors of the best-selling book *Wine & War*, join us for a very special tour in honor of the 60th anniversary of VE-Day. We'll be welcomed by famous chateau owners in Champagne, Burgundy, Loire and Bordeaux, who will recount their moving struggle to keep the Nazis from France's greatest treasure: its wine. Enjoy luxury accommodations and Michelin-starred dining as you relive some of the greatest moments of history and taste some of the world's best wines.

April 5-13, 2005	<b>Wine &amp; War (8 nights)</b>	US\$ 6595 per person*	14 guests max.
May 9-14	<b>Great Wines of Tuscany (5 nights)</b>	US\$ 3695 per person*	14 guests max.
May 23-28	<b>Bordeaux Prestige (5 nights)</b>	US\$ 4995 per person*	12 guests max.
May 30-June 5	<b>Burgundy &amp; Champagne Prestige (6 nights)</b>	US\$ 4695 per person*	14 guests max.
June 6-12	<b>Northern &amp; Southern Rhône (6 nights)</b>	US\$ 4395 per person*	14 guests max.
June 13-17	<b>Best of Bordeaux w/Beychevelle (4 nights)</b>	US\$ 3395 per person*	14 guests max.
August 29-Sept. 2	<b>Best of Burgundy (4 nights)</b>	US\$ 3495 per person*	14 guests max.
Sept. 5-10	<b>Best of Bordeaux (5 nights)</b>	US\$ 4495 per person*	14 guests max.
Sept. 11-17	<b>Paris, Champagne &amp; Loire (6 nights)</b>	US\$ 4195 per person*	14 guests max.

\* double occupancy

Can't make these dates? Ask us to create a **customized, private wine vacation** just for you.  
For **Cooking & Wine in Provence**, dates are available throughout the year.

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All tours are fully-escorted by a wine expert guide and include luxury hotels, all breakfasts, most gourmet lunches and dinners with premium wines, deluxe transportation, all wine estate tours & tastings, and all admissions fees.