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Flavors Of Burgundy

Morning excursion to Dijon followed by afternoon excursion to Beaune

This daytrip will allow you to explore the two emblematic cities of Burgundy: In the morning, You will be guided through the lively food market of Dijon and be impressed by the wide variety of produces that are being presented and visit the Palais des Ducs converted into the Fine Arts Museum. In the afternoon, drive to Beaune and become expert in the history of mustard-making with a visit to a mustard mill!

Make it Wine-tasting!

DECOUVERTES ADVICE for a special optional venue: you visit a private domain under the guidance of the countess and enjoy a wine-tasting.

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Make it Gingerbread!

DECOUVERTES ADVICE for an optional venue: Learn about the techniques of gingerbread making and taste the delicious biscuit.

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Dijon & Beaune

9:00 am: Meet your driver-guide at your hotel either in Dijon or in Beaune

Spend the full morning in Dijon, a real gourmet town, famous for its mustard, the **Kir** – white wine, especially Bourgogne aligoté, with blackcurrant liqueur, named after former mayor of Dijon canon Félix Kir – and its “**pains d’épice**”, a type of gingerbread cake.

Explore the fantastic daily food market, as big an attraction as the Palais des Ducs, and only a few minutes’ walk from the ancient home of the Dukes.

The market takes place in a **19th-century covered market**. The covered market building, Les Halles was built by Gustave Eiffel who also built the Eiffel tower in Paris.

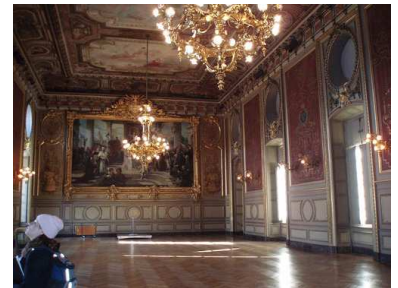
Fruit and vegetable merchants lay out their staggering array outside around the Halles. Inside, one can find every foodstuff known to man or woman - from a very good choice of fish from 4 different fish merchants to Spanish produce, snails stuffed with parsley and the famous liqueur de cassis.

You may wish visit the **Fine Arts Museum of Dijon** which contains one of the most important collections of France, housed, with the city hall, in the former palace of the Dukes of Burgundy.

Your guide will accompany you among paintings illustrating all **European schools**, sculpture from the end of the Middle Ages to the present, and the remarkable tombs of the Burgundian rulers, carved by the Flemish sculptor Claus Slater in the 14th century.

Lunch at a gourmet restaurant located within walking distance from the Museum. We suggest the Michelin starred restaurant the Pré aux Clercs. Enjoy the tasty cuisine of chef Jean-Pierre Billoux in an elegant dining-room in a contemporary atmosphere. Take advantage of the picture windows viewing on the beautiful square (place de la liberation) designed by Hardouin-Mansart.

Afternoon drive to Beaune to visit **the Fallot Mustard Mill**, the last independent Burgundy ‘Moutarderie (mustard mill). Fallot has been an independent Burgundian family business since 1840, and is **the only one still housed on its original premises**, a few steps away from the Hospice of Beaune.



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The Falloit Mustard Mill continues to prepare its mustard using recipes that have been jealously guarded over several generations, milling the mustard seed with stone grinders, thus conserving all the gustatory qualities of the grain in the paste. You will be introduced to the **private aspects** of its craft with mustard enthusiasts.

During this journey of discovery, you will find, hidden away in the Napoleonic building which housed the original mustard factory, jars, table mounted sieves, old drive belts, winnowing machines, and above all mill stones, all of which bear witness to the skill and know-how of the 19th Century craftsman.

After a short walking tour of Beaune. Time permitting, you may wish to visit the Hospices. This hospital turned into a museum in 1971 will show you how it was run in the 15th century. Do not miss the famous Polyptic by Roger Van Der Weyden representing the Last Judgement and the glazed colored tiles of the building.

Return to your hotel at the end of the afternoon.





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*NB: Please note that some sites mentioned in the itinerary might not be available every day or all year long.
We suggest you to check with our Production Managers*

This package includes

- Deluxe minivan which can carry up to 6 passengers
- Professional English speaking guide-driver who will chauffeur you on your sightseeing tour and is licensed to guide and accompany you on walking tours, as well as into museums and monuments
- Découvertes fees
- 24 hour assistance available during your stay
- All taxes

This package does not include

- Entrance fees
- Tips
- Lunch or dinner

Découvertes can also provide:

- Pre-payment of all entrance fees to museums and other sites
- Lunch reservations



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Make it Optional

Make it Wine-tasting!

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Visit the **domaine de Loisy** under the guidance of the countess who is such a figure! She has spent her entire professional life as a Wine trader, meeting with wine lovers all over the world.

The Countess will escort you for an amazing visit that could even be called a journey through the largest Burgundy wine cellar. You will be surrounded by hundreds of barrels of the finest Burgundy wines and by thousands of bottles some of which are more than one hundred years old. **An unforgettable visit!**



Please contact us for more information and price. Upon request and availability.

Make it Gingerbread!

DECOUVERTES ADVICE for an optional venue

Gingerbread has been part of Dijon life for over 500 years. Techniques may change and fashions may come and go but the authentic Dijon Gingerbread remains as popular as ever! Visit a biscuit factory that makes traditional products from carefully selected ingredients. It is located in the heart of the antique dealers' district, occupying a remarkable 15th Century listed house very close to the "little owl" (Dijon's good luck charm) the church of Notre-Dame and the Ducal Palace. Enjoy a tasting of Dijon and traditional gingerbread, butter and jam, accompanied by a little cocktail of local fruit, while learning about the history of gingerbread and how it is made.



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