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JUNE 15 - 22, 2025



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Let art historian Dr. Elizabeth Lev and husband theologian, Thomas Williams, — both certified sommeliers — guide you through this unique sensory and spiritual journey to France.



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Itinerary

Day 1 Saturday, June 15

Depart USA

Depart on independently scheduled flights to Dijon, France.

Day 2 Sunday, June 16 🏠

Dijon

Arrive in France and transfer on your own to the hotel in Dijon. Celebrate Mass at the Chartreuse of Champmol. Then, visit Claus Sluter's famous statues at the Well of Moses. Learn about Burgundy during an introductory talk from Liz Lev and Thomas Williams, followed by a group dinner. Overnight in Dijon.

Day 3 Monday, June 17 ☕

Dijon

Start your day with Mass at Notre Dame de Dijon. Afterward, embark on a walking tour through the historic sites of Dijon. Begin at Église St-Michel, where you can admire its architectural beauty and soak in the local atmosphere. Stroll through the vibrant Les Halles Market, to experience flavors of the region and shop for souvenirs. Continue to Place de la Libération, a central square that exudes charm and history. Next, visit the Palais des Ducs, and explore the treasures housed in the Musée des Beaux Arts, featuring the Dukes of Burgundy tombs. Visit the Château de Marsannay for a wine tasting experience, where you can savor the renowned Burgundy wines. Enjoy the afternoon and evening at your leisure to further immerse yourself in the local culture. Overnight in Dijon.

Day 4 Tuesday, June 18 ☕ 🍽️

Dijon | Vezelay | Fontenay

Depart for the celebration of Mass at Vezelay Abbey followed by a tour and a group lunch at one of the finest restaurants in the region. Next, your journey continues to Fontenay Abbey, where you'll explore the charms of this quaint city through a guided city tour. Finally, return to Dijon, where you can spend the remainder of the day at your leisure. Overnight in Dijon.

Day 5 Wednesday, June 19 ☕ 🍽️ 🍷

Autun | Beaune

Journey to Autun and celebrate Mass at the Cathedral of St. Lazarus, considered one of the greatest churches of the Romanesque era. Tour the Cathedral and neighboring Roman ruins with Liz & Thomas before lunch and wine tasting at Maison Chanzy. Depart for Beaune and check into your hotel. The afternoon and evening are yours to enjoy. Overnight in Beaune.

Day 6 Thursday, June 20 ☕

Beaune

Set out on a walking tour of Beaune, including the venerable Hospice de Beaune. Celebrate Mass at the Romanesque collegiate church of Notre Dame de Beaune. For lunch, enjoy some free time to savor local cuisine at your leisure. Later, depart for Meursault, where you'll indulge in a tour and tasting at the prestigious Château de Meursault. Unwind with some spa time at the hotel, and in the evening, explore Beaune at your own pace. Overnight in Beaune.

Day 7 Friday, June 21 ☕ 🍽️ 🏠

Beaune | Paray-Le-Monial | Cluny

This morning, depart for Paray-le-Monial and celebrate Mass at Apparitions Chapel, followed by a tour of Paray-le-Monial. Gather for a group lunch and then head to Cluny. Enjoy a guided tour of Cluny Abbey and learn the history of St. Hugh, one of the most influential leaders of the monastic orders from the Middle Ages and a major figure in the much-needed church reform a millennium ago. Return to Beaune for a special group farewell dinner and overnight in Beaune.

Day 8 Saturday, June 22 ☕

Return to USA

Transfer to the airport for return flights home.

☕ = Breakfast | 🍽️ = Lunch | 🍷 = Wine Tasting | 🏠 = Dinner

*Itinerary is tentative and subject to change; specified Masses pending confirmation



TOUR INCLUSIONS

- Tours and special presentations by Dr. Elizabeth Lev and Thomas Williams
- Six nights' accommodations at four-star & five-star hotels
 - Three nights in Dijon
 - Three nights in Beaune
- Meals
 - Continental breakfast daily at hotel
 - Three lunches
 - Two dinners
- Arrangements of daily Mass including donations in unique and historical churches
- Luxury motor coach in France for specified sightseeing
- Local tour manager while in France
- Local guides according to the itinerary
- Hotel & city taxes and portorage for 1 piece of luggage
- Gratuities payable to tour manager, guides, and motorcoach drivers
- Whisper sets

YOUR TOUR DOES NOT INCLUDE

- Airfare; this package is sold land only
- Airport transfers
- Meals unless specifically identified
- Beverages with meals unless specified
- Other personal expenses
- Travel insurance

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- Final Travel Document Mailing | Sent 10 days prior to departure

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What to expect

While the Burgundy region of France is renowned for its glorious wines, the Catholic origins of these exquisite terroirs are almost forgotten. From the age of Charlemagne, the Benedictine order tended this special soil, learning how to coax the finest flavors from the Chardonnay and Pinot Noir grapes, harnessing the perfect balance of sun, wind, earth, and water to produce exquisite wines.

During this eight-day trip, we will follow the footsteps of the Benedictines at Cluny, the Cistercians of Citeaux, and visit the shrine at Paray-le-Monial where Jesus appeared to Margaret Mary Alacoque, igniting a worldwide devotion to the Sacred Heart. This very special pilgrimage explores the deep Christian roots of wine, fruit of Christ's first miracle, drawing together art, spirituality, and a mini-course in learning to taste and appreciate some of the finest wines on earth. We will visit spectacular churches and monasteries of the Romanesque era, the Cathedral of Autun, and Vezelay, the site of Mary Magdalen's burial. This extraordinary architectural period, with its virtuoso stone carving and powerful presence, was the Catholic Church's earliest expression of a global style. Join art historian Liz Lev and theologian Thomas Williams, a certified sommelier duo, on this unique journey and benefit from their expertise and love of art, wine, and the Catholic faith!



What you'll explore

- The realm of St. Bernard of Clairvaux and St. Hugh of Cluny, pivotal figures in a crucial church reform a millennium ago, whose challenges echo today's as they restored the church.
- The birthplace of Romanesque art, an early "global" style influenced by crusades, pilgrimage, tradition, and Rome.
- Significant spiritual developments, such as the Sacred Heart apparition at Paray le Monial.