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**£200**  
PER PERSON

# TREASURES OF BURGUNDY

An eight day river voyage along the Saone  
aboard the **Amadeus Provence**  
with Guest Speaker Dr Alan Borg  
10<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> September 2020

NOBLE CALEDONIA



Travelling by river offers a marvellous opportunity to slowly absorb the villages, towns and passing countryside; the subtle changes of landscape, lifestyles and architecture can be appreciated fully, and nowhere is this more relevant than along the scenic French waterways. Come with us and enjoy this enchanting region of France well known for the good things in life: delicious food, fine wine, idyllic scenery and historic towns and villages that all make for an appealing and rewarding journey. Leave the crowded roads behind and relax on board our elegant river vessel as she cruises through Burgundy on an eight day journey along the River Saone.

Starting in France's gastronomic capital, Lyon, this leisurely trip will concentrate on Burgundy and all its wonders. We will visit bucolic villages with well-preserved churches and monuments, discover the heritage of the Dukes of Burgundy, and explore historic castles and Medieval fortresses as well as the wine capital, Beaune, with its Hotel Dieu. Our programme combines excursions ashore with informative local guides as well as time at leisure, so you can truly relax and experience all that Burgundy has to offer.



**GUEST SPEAKER**



**Dr Alan Borg**  
 Alan began his career teaching history of art at Indiana and Princeton Universities. Returning to Britain in 1970, he became Assistant Keeper in the Royal Armouries in the Tower of London. In 1982 he became Director General of the Imperial War Museum, where he was responsible for the complete refurbishment and reinterpretation of the Museum, the opening of the Cabinet War Rooms, the preservation of HMS Belfast and the development of Duxford Airfield as a major aviation museum. Appointed Director of the V&A in 1996, he undertook the redisplay of the entire sequence of British Galleries. He retired in 2001 and is currently Vice President of the Foundling Museum, and Librarian of the Priory of England and the Islands, the Venerable Order of St John. Awarded the CBE in 1991, he is also a Knight of the Order of St John. His publications include books on Romanesque art, the history of Arms and Armour, War Memorials and A History of Vauxhall Gardens.



Temple of Augustus and Livia, Vienne



Lyon



Dijon



Eglise St Philibert, Tournus

## THE ITINERARY

**Day 1 London to Lyon, France.** Fly by scheduled flight to Lyon or travel by train from London St Pancras. Upon arrival transfer to the Amadeus Provence and embark. Meet your fellow travellers this evening during welcome drinks and dinner as we sail upstream along the River Saone.

**Day 2 Macon & Cluny.** Today we visit Cluny Abbey, once the most powerful Benedictine Abbey of the West. Built in the Romanesque style, it was founded by William I, Duke of Aquitaine in 910. The Abbey was renowned for its strict adherence to the Rule of St Benedict and is the place where the Benedictine Order was formed. Although most of the great Abbey of Cluny stands in ruins, the ruins still suggest the size and glory of the Abbey at its zenith, and imagining it as it once was is part of the attraction. Return to the ship for lunch and enjoy an afternoon sailing.

**Day 3 Beaune.** From Seurre we travel to the principal town of the Cote d'Or and here we visit the world-famous 15th century Hospices de Beaune, with its remarkably decorated roof, gallery, kitchen and a well-preserved idea of how the beds would have looked in the Grand Salle des Malades. Beaune is a blend of cobbled streets, Medieval half-timbered houses, flowered squares and gardens. After

some free time to stroll through the alleys and old streets we return to the ship for lunch and an afternoon at leisure. Sail this evening during dinner.

**Day 4 Dijon.** Today's excursion will take us to Burgundy's capital and one of the most attractive French cities. Filled with elegant Medieval and Renaissance buildings, Dijon served as the capital of the Duchy of Burgundy from the 11th to 15th centuries. Visit the old town including the Palais des Ducs de Bourgogne with its 18th century Neoclassical façade, and the Chateau du Clos de Vougeot, a former Cistercian abbey and now the headquarters of Chevalier du Tastevin brotherhood. Return to our mooring at St. Jean de Losne for an afternoon at leisure.

**Day 5 Tournus.** Today we visit the charming town of Tournus. On a morning walking tour we will visit the Eglise St Philibert; this magnificent Romanesque church has an austere façade dating from the 10th century. Explore the rest of the town with its wealth of old buildings, alleyways, antique shops and cafes. Set sail during lunch and enjoy a lecture on board.

**Day 6 Lyon.** Today begins with a guided tour of the old part of the city, including the amazingly decorated 19th century hilltop

Basilica of Notre Dame. Take a walk through the 'Halles de Lyon', a famous food market where renowned chefs are often spotted selecting their ingredients. The afternoon is free to wander past the shops and cafes on the banks of the Saone, or perhaps visit the marvellous fabric museum (Musee Historique des Tissus) or the equally fascinating Musee des Beaux-Arts housed in a 17th century Benedictine Abbey. Sail south during dinner to Vienne.

**Day 7 Vienne.** On our morning walking tour of the town of Vienne, we will learn about its Roman era with

a visit to the Temple of Augustus & Livia and the Roman theatre located in the centre of town. Also visit the Romanesque- Gothic Cathedral St Maurice. Relax on board this afternoon, or enjoy some free time in this delightful spot before joining your fellow travellers for the farewell dinner this evening. Sail to Lyon and moor overnight.

**Day 8 Lyon to London.** Disembark this morning and transfer to the airport for the return scheduled flight to London, or travel by train to London St Pancras.

### PRICES PER PERSON

Based on double occupancy

#### SPECIAL OFFER – SAVE £200 PER PERSON FOR A LIMITED TIME ONLY

Cat	Cabin Description	Brochure Price	Special Offer Price
C	Haydn Deck Twin	£2445	£2245
B	Strauss Deck Twin	£2645	£2445
A	Mozart Deck Twin	£2845	£2645
S	Mozart Deck Suite	SOLD OUT	SOLD OUT
C	Haydn Deck Twin for sole use	£2995	£2795

**PRICE INCLUDES:** Economy class scheduled air or train travel  
 • Seven nights aboard the Amadeus Provence on full board basis  
 • House wine, draught beer and soft drinks with lunch and dinner on board  
 • Shore excursions as described with use of Quietvox headphones  
 • Cruise Director • Tour Manager • Guest Speaker  
 • Gratuities • Transfers • Port taxes • Airport taxes.  
**Not Included:** Travel insurance.



# AMADEUS PROVENCE

We are delighted to have chartered the elegant Amadeus Provence for this French river cruise in 2020. Launched in April 2017, she accommodates a maximum of 140 passengers and offers modern and spacious public areas and comfortable, well-appointed cabins. Joining you on board will be a Noble Caledonia team including a Cruise Director, Tour Manager and Guest Speaker.

### Your Cabin/Suite

The accommodation on board is arranged over three of the vessel's four decks and all cabins are outside facing. Cabins all feature an en-suite bathroom and are fitted with individual climate control, flat screen television, direct dial telephone, safe, generous closet space and a choice of bed configuration. Cabins measure 17.5m<sup>2</sup> and those on the Mozart and Strauss Deck feature floor to ceiling glass doors which have an automatic drop-down system that can be opened half way. Cabins on the Haydn Deck have smaller panoramic windows that cannot be opened. The eight suites measure 26.4m<sup>2</sup> and feature a mini-bar and walk out exterior balcony.

### Your Space

Full of elegance and charm, the vessel offers plenty of space to unwind and watch the world go by. Spread over four decks, the ship's public spaces include the stylish restaurant which accommodates all guests in one sitting. The Panorama Bar and Lounge is an excellent area for relaxation and socialising with your fellow travellers. The vessel also features a gift shop, massage room, hair salon, fitness room and a lift services the Haydn, Strauss and Mozart Decks. There is a Sun Deck with comfortable deck furniture and an outdoor plunge pool.

### Your Dining

Meals are taken in the restaurant which seats all passengers in one sitting in an open seating

arrangement. Experienced chefs will serve fresh, local ingredients, focusing on both international and local specialties. Mornings feature a full buffet breakfast, including a good choice of continental and hot and cold options. Lunches are a selection of buffet and served items

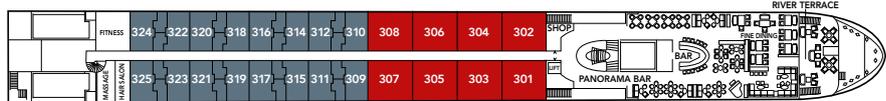
and dinners are a waiter service affair which will include a choice of fresh fish and meats. Vegetarian dishes are of course available and special dietary needs can be met with advance notice. Complimentary wine, draught beer and soft drinks are included at lunch and dinner.

## DECK PLAN

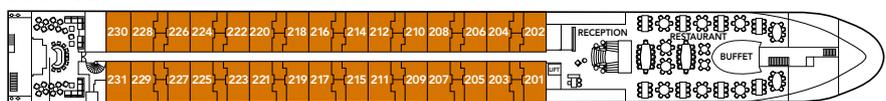
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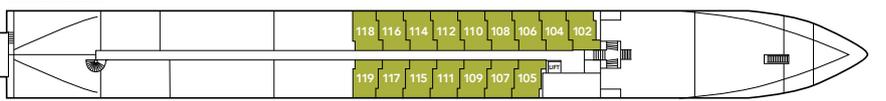
### MOZART DECK



### STRAUSS DECK



### HAYDN DECK



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