

Aliza Green Celestial Voyagers

Culinary & Cultural Tours



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit the **Mulot Petit Jean** to learn about the famous “pain d’épice de Dijon,” (spice bread), a time-honored recipe dating back to the 14th century.
- In Beaune, the **1443 hospital** with its exquisite decorative glazed roof tiles.
- Visit a family farm which cultivates the famous **cassis (black currants)** of Burgundy.
- **Hands-on cooking class** at the Salt & Pepper cooking atelier in Dijon.
- **Wine tasting** with the Rion Family and their Côtes de Beaune and Côtes de Nuits.
- Discover the **fine art of barrel making**, critical to the famed wines of this region.
- Lunch at the world famous **George Blanc Restaurant in Vonnas**, Michelin-starred since 1929 where Chef Blanc pays tribute to the Bresse region in his cuisine.
- Learn the history of Lyon’s **canuts** (silk weavers) and how Lyon became the European Capital of Silk Weaving followed by a **demo of silk screening** at a silk workshop.
- See the **Musée des Confluences** in Lyon, a modern glass structure which offers exceptional exhibits related to natural history and anthropology.
- Farewell gala dinner at the legendary **Brasserie Georges**, founded in 1836 by Alsatian brewer Georges Hoffher, serving traditional Lyonnaise fare and beer.

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Vallée de la Gastronomie: Dijon to Lyon, France

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 TO
MONDAY OCTOBER 5

\$8,895 per person, sharing a double room
Single Room + \$1,575 Deposit \$750



DAY 1: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 | DEPARTURE: OVERNIGHT FLIGHT TO CHARLES DE GAULLE & TRAIN

Departure from the US for an overnight flight to Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport where you can take the **TGV fast train** to Dijon. Airfare is not included but Celestial Voyagers can help you choose the best route and schedule. You may wish to arrive earlier and spend time in Paris.

DAY 2: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2026 | WELCOME TO BURGUNDY'S CAPITAL | MEALS: D

Arrival in **Dijon** with the TGV high speed train. Transfer is not included but can be arranged. Check in at the **Hotel du Chapeau Rouge** (or similar) for 2 nights. Meet the group for dinner at the 2 Michelin-starred restaurant of **Chef William Frachot**.

DAY 3: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2026 | DIJON: CAPITAL OF THE DUKES OF BURGUNDY | MEALS: B, D

Morning guided tour across the “city of a hundred steeples” with its medieval architecture and the majestic **Palace of the Dukes**. Visit **Les Halles Gourmandes** for a degustation. Then visit **Mulot Petit Jean** to learn about the famous “pain d’épice de Dijon” (spice bread), a 14th century recipe. Evening master **cooking class** to prepare your dinner.

DAY 4: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2026 | MUSTARD, CASSIS AND FROMAGE IN BURGUNDY | MEALS: B, L

Depart for **Beaune**, a drive of just 25 miles. Check-in at your hotel for 2 nights. Visit the famous **hospital dating from 1443** with its exquisite decorative glazed roof tiles. Proceed to the **Fallot Mustard Mill**, a family owned company since 1840, then on to a cassis farm and a cheesemaker.

DAY 5: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2026 | BEAUNE: CAPITAL OF BURGUNDY WINES | MEALS: B, D

Morning guided excursion to **Côte de Nuits** following the **Route des Grands Crus**, passing world famous Burgundian villages. Wine tasting of Côte de Beaune and Côte de Nuits with the Rion family. Free time for lunch, then discover the art of **barrel making**, and **Burgundian dinner**.

DAY 6: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2026 | BTHE BEAUTY OF THE BRESSE REGION | MEALS: B, L

We will drive towards **Bourg-en Bresse** stopping to visit the Royal Monastery of Brou, built 5 centuries ago by Marguerite of Austria. Lunch at the world famous **George Blanc** in Vonnas. Next we visit a farm and learn about the **Poulet de Bresse**, a luxury chicken beloved by chefs. Stop at **Les Gaudelices** bakery to taste “les gaudrioles” biscuits. Continue to **Blace** in Beaujolais where we’ll spend the night.

DAY 7: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2026 | BEAUTIFUL VILLAGES | MEALS: B, L

En route to Lyon, we will see the **Beaujolais villages des Pierres Dorées** (gilded stones) where the streets change color as the day progresses due to the special limestone that takes on a golden color. Traditional lunch in an authentic decor. A guided walking tour of **Perouges**, a lively medieval small city. Sample **Galette Perougiennne** with local cider. Check-in for 4 nights at the **Sofitel Hotel** in the heart of Lyon.

DAY 8: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2026 | VIEUX LYON (OLD LYON) | MEALS: B, D

Walk through **Vieux Lyon** (Old Lyon) between the Hill of Fourvieres and the River Saone and through more than 1,000 years of history, tasting local food products along the way. Free time for lunch before visiting the **Croix Rousse** district and learning the history of the **canuts** (silk weavers). Dinner at a traditional **bouchon**. These restaurants unique to Lyon were run by **Les Meres Lyonnaises** (the mothers of Lyon) who cooked simple dishes made of fresh local products for the canuts.

DAY 9: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2026 | HALLES DE PAUL BOCUSE & COOKING CLASS | MEALS: B, D

If gastronomy were a religion, Lyon would be a pilgrimage site, **Les Halles** would be the temple, and its 60-or-so shopkeepers would be the preachers.” This is a not-to-be-missed place for **lovers of French cuisine**. Afternoon at leisure then meet again for our **cooking class** and dinner.

DAY 10: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026 | HOURVIÈRES & THE CONFLUENCE DISTRICTS | MEALS: B, D

Visit **Fourvières** where the basilica overlooks the city. The panorama from the esplanade is breathtaking. Continue to the tip of the Peninsula where the Rhone and Saone Rivers meet. Visit the **Musée des Confluences**, which offers natural history and anthropology exhibits. Farewell gala dinner will be at the famous 1836 **Brasserie Georges**.

DAY 11: MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2026 | FAREWELL TO LA BELLE FRANCE & LYON | MEALS: B

Breakfast at your hotel and check out. End of services. We can arrange transfers in accordance with your schedule (service is not included).