



Caves & Cellars of the Loire



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This tour of caves, wine cellars and châteaux explores the best of the western Loire Valley, home to habitations troglodytiques (cave dwellings) and some of France's finest food and wine.

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

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Saumur

Home to triple sec, fine dining and France's most acrobatic horses

Brissac

FINISH
St-Hilaire-
St-Florent

Doue-la-
Fontaine

Brézé

START

Fontevraud-
l'Abbaye

39 km

Chinon

Stroll medieval streets in Joan of Arc's footsteps

98 km

Rochemenier
Explore 1930s cave-dwelling traditions

9 km

Turquant

Cave-riddled cliffs converted to restaurants and galleries

3 DAYS

160KM / 100 MILES

GREAT FOR...



BEST TIME TO GO

May for greenery;
September and
October for harvest.



ESSENTIAL PHOTO

Turquant's cliff face, with converted cave dwellings and windmill.



BEST FOR WINE-TASTING

The 15km stretch between St-Hilaire-St-Florent and Montsoreau.