



# Burgundy

POP 1.64 MILLION

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## Best Places to Stay

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## Why Go?

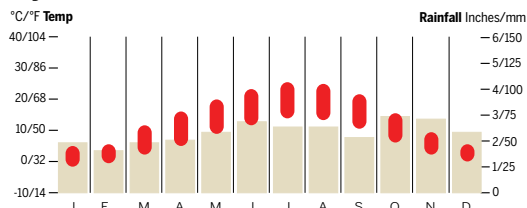
Burgundy (Bourgogne in French) offers some of France's most gorgeous countryside: rolling green hills dotted with mustard fields and medieval villages. The region's towns and its dashing handsome capital, Dijon, are heirs to a glorious architectural heritage that goes back to the Renaissance, the Middle Ages and into the mists of Gallo-Roman and Celtic antiquity.

Two great French passions, wine and food, come together here in a particularly rich and enticing form. Indeed, Burgundy's centuries-old history of viticulture, combined with the remarkable diversity of its wine-growing *terroir* (land), have made the region's vineyards a strong candidate for Unesco World Heritage status.

Burgundy is also a paradise for lovers of the great outdoors. You can cycle through the Côte d'Or vineyards, hike the wild reaches of the Parc Naturel Régional du Morvan, glide along the Yonne's waterways in a canal boat or float above it all in a hot-air balloon.

## When to Go

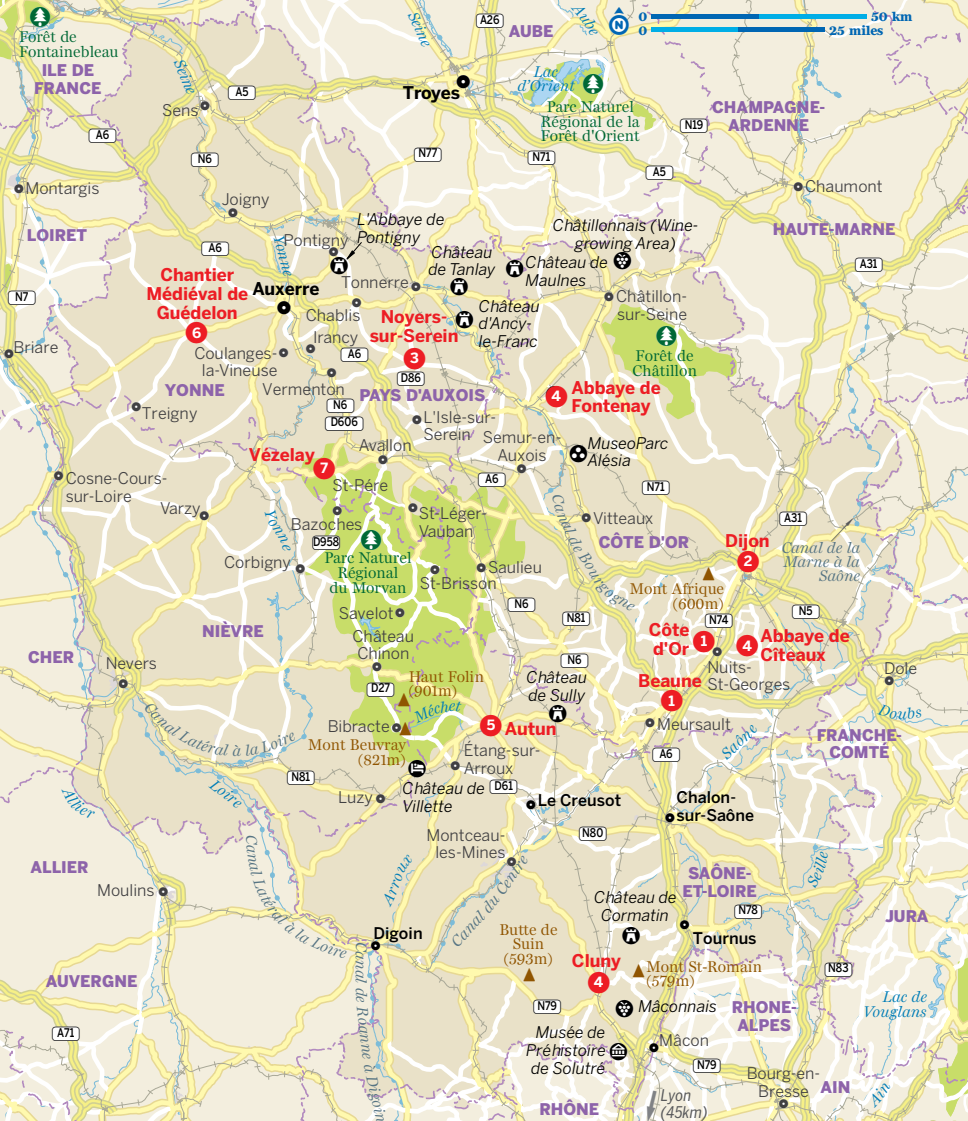
### Dijon



**May & Jun** Long, sunny days are ideal for boating on Burgundy's 1200km of placid waterways.

**Jul** Splendid weather makes summer a perfect time to cycle Burgundy's bike trails.

**Sep & Oct** Wine harvest season offers classic perspectives on Burgundy's vineyards



## Burgundy Highlights

- 1 Sampling Burgundy's most renowned vintages in **Beaune** (p422) and along the vine-carpeted slopes of the **Côte d'Or** (p418)
- 2 Basking in the reflected glory of the Burgundy dukes in **Dijon** (p411)
- 3 Watching the mist rise off the river and the sun emerge

- over the medieval battlements of picturesque **Noyers-sur-Serein** (p437)
- 4 Conjuring up medieval monastic life at the abbeys of **Cluny** (p449), **Fontenay** (p429) and **Cîteaux** (p428)
- 5 Marvelling at the sensual grace of Gislebertus' 12th-century carving of Eve at the

- Musée Rolin** (p446) in Autun
- 6 Seeing a château built using 13th-century technology at **Chantier Médiéval de Guédelon** (p434)
- 7 Climbing through idyllic green countryside and cobblestoned lanes to reach the hilltop basilica of **Vézelay** (p440)