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Welcome to Bordeaux

An intoxicating cocktail of 18th-century savoir-faire, futuristic architecture and urban street life, France's sixth largest city is among Europe's most exciting and gutsy players. Bordeaux's elegant old town cradles the world's largest urban Unesco World Heritage Site; its riverside buzzes; and green, sun-drenched vineyards hem in a weekend destination that sits right at the heart of French wine culture.





Grand Théâtre (p68) on place de la Comédie
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Top Sights

La Cité du Vin

World-class wine museum **p116**



Cathédrale St-André

Centuries of worship and rooftop views **p42**



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Place de la Bourse

Bordeaux's most elegant square **p46**



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Musée d'Aquitaine

Bordelais history museum extraordinaire **p44**



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