

### Burgundy Hotel Barge Cruise ~ Auxerre to Chevroche on L'Art de Vivre

### 6 Nights | 2 Rounds | Parties of 8 or Less

PerryGolf is delighted to welcome the delightful 8 passenger hotel barge **L'Art de Vivre** to our golf cruising portfolio. L'Art de Vivre started life as a Scottish munitions carrier and survived long enough to be transformed by a team of skilled crafts-men into a floating celebration of the Burgundian 'good life'. Her facilities include a sun deck, spa pool and 8 bikes perfect for gentle tow path rides. The air conditioned interior includes a comfortable saloon, dining room and an always open inclusive bar.

Your air conditioned, en-suite cabin has either a twin or double configuration at your request. The crew of four comprises Captain, Tour guide, Master Chef and Housekeeper, all with a love for the region, and all secure in the knowledge that their vessel represents L'Art de Vivre itself. Our special itinerary combines great sightseeing plus three two fine golf courses, both within easy reach of your barging route, and each giving you the opportunity of enjoying a taste of golf in Burgundy.

## **Detailed** Itinerary

#### DAY 1 (SUNDAY): PARIS - AUXERRE

Guests are met in **Paris** in the early afternoon and transferred to the elegant L'Art de Vivre in Auxerre, Burgundy. Following a Champagne Welcome, you are free to explore the medieval town of **Auxerre** or take a stroll along the banks of the **River Yonne** before returning for dinner aboard.

Overnight: L'Art de Vivre at Auxerre.

#### DAY 2 (MONDAY): AUXERRE - VINCELLES

After breakfast we golf at **Roncemay Golf & Country Club**. This international standard course, designed by Jean Garaialde in 1991 has hosted many of France's famous competitions. It is overlooked by the Chateau in whose grounds the course has been developed. We then return to the barge for a cruise through some delightful locks and past vineyard-clad hillsides to our rural mooring at Vincelles.

NON-GOLFERS: After breakfast, our excursion is to the medieval town of **Auxerre**. Originally the capital of Lower Burgundy, the town prides itself on its lavish Renaissance houses, fine churches and particularly its magnificent cathedral situated close to the river. After lunch back on board, our cruise takes us through some delightful locks and past vineyard-clad hillsides to our rural mooring at Vincelles. Perhaps this is a good time to enjoy a walk or bicycle ride along the towpath.

Overnight: L'Art de Vivre at Vincelles.

DAY 3 (TUESDAY): MONTBOUY - VINCELLES - MAILLY LA VILLE





Our morning cruise is southwards through rich pasturelands past grazing Charolais cattle to the sleepy village of **Mailly-la-Ville**. The afternoon excursion is to Chablis, home of one of the most famous white wines in the world. A tasting in one of the town's aged cellars will introduce you to some of the local Petit Chablis and Chablis wines.

Dinner on board.

Overnight: L'Art de Vivre at Mailly la Ville.

#### DAY 4 (WEDNESDAY): MAILLY LA VILLE - LE SAUSSOIS

This morning, we visit the charming 14th century medieval market village of **Noyers**, one of the most beautiful villages in France, on an excursion through delightful countryside. In the afternoon we cruise past the Saussois cliffs where an international climbing centre creates a spectacular setting. There will also be the opportunity to enjoy spectacular walks before dinner ashore at La Beursaudière restaurant in Nitry.

Overnight: L'Art de Vivre at Le Saussois.

#### DAY 5 (THURSDAY): LE SAUSSOIS - LUCY SUR YONNE

This morning we transfer to **Château de Chailly** golf course which was designed by Thierry Sprecher and Géry Watine, professional champion of France in 1989. Around its 16th century chateau, the Chailly golf course offers a magnificent course marrying the classicism of a formal garden with modern golf course construction. We return to the barge for an afternoon cruise through the picturesque Yonne valley to arrive at Lucy-sur-Yonne.

NON-GOLFERS: This morning, we enjoy an excursion to the pilgrimage town of **Vézelay**, one of Burgundy's most famous treasures with the Romanesque Basilica of St Mary Magdalene, craft shops and fine views of the surrounding countryside. After lunch back on board, an afternoon cruise through the picturesque Yonne Valley to arrive at Lucy-sur-Yonne, again with excellent towpath cycling and walking opportunities.

Overnight: L'Art de Vivre at Lucy sur Yonne.

#### DAY 6 (FRIDAY): BRIARE – LUCY SUR YONNE - CHEVROCHE

A morning cruise through beautiful countryside then takes us to **Chevroche**. In the afternoon, we visit the Château de Bazoches, whose illustrious visitors included Richard the Lionheart and which was later remodelled by Maréchal Vauban.

Captain's Farewell Dinner on board.

Overnight: L'Art de Vivre at Chevroche.

#### DAY 7 (SATURDAY): CHEVROCHE TO PARIS

Disembark after breakfast and transfer back to **Paris** by midday.

\*On alternate weeks the cruise sails in the reverse direction. This is a sample itinerary and is subject to change.



## **Golf** Schedule

#### RONCEMAY GOLF & AMP; COUNTRY CLUB: AUXERRE, FRANCE

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### CHÂTEAU DE CHAILLY: DIJON, FRANCE

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