



Along the waterways of Burgundy-Franche-Comté

To the south of Paris, head for the Yonne, whose waters have always generously fed the River Seine. Further east you will come across the River Doubs as it runs along its own fantastic, tortuous and wild course. Then you have the Saône, peaceful and majestic, which crosses the region from north to south. Here and there, criss-crossing these streams and rivers, canals also irrigate the landscape: the Canal de l'Est, the Rhône-Rhine Canal, the Canal du Centre, the Canal du Nivernais and even the Loire Lateral Canal; but also the Canal de Bourgogne and the Marne-Saône Canal. This is a dense network of waterways that opens up an incredibly diverse range of landscapes and different environments. A boat trip provides the perfect opportunity to explore all of these countless natural, cultural and heritage gems.

■ 2 NEW HOUSEBOATS ALONG THE RIVERS AND THE CANALS OF BURGUNDY

At the start of 2016, 2 new houseboats began operating along the canals and rivers of Burgundy... 2 more opportunities for you to become a Captain and set off in discovery of this rich Burgundian heritage.

Boat rental company « Le Boat » brings innovation with its brand new vessel « Horizon ».

This is a spacious boat with innovative design and boasting high-end facilities, a 5* vessel that gives river cruises a style and an allure that are decidedly modern. The boat is designed for a couple or a family of four, with an accent on on-board comfort and sailing style. From 2016, 16 « Horizon » boats will set sail around certain regions of France and Europe, most notably along the Canal de Bourgogne.

<http://www.leboat.co.uk/holidays>

La Péniche - that is the name of the very latest vessel by boat rental and design company « Les Canalous » - This boat, « made in Bourgogne » and marvellously combining the comfort of a houseboat with the charm of a barge, weighs anchor at the start of June!

Designed to welcome 12 people aboard, it includes 6 double cabins and 3 bathrooms – its modular design allows guests to move easily between the indoor and outdoor areas.

<http://goo.gl/Yevi1F>

■ BARGE-HOTEL

Let yourself be guided along the waterways, enjoy the landscapes and the heritage as you glide by, take advantage of relaxation areas aboard the barge...these are just some of the advantages of taking a cruise on a barge-hotel.

Between Burgundy and the Loire Valley... It is at Nevers and La Charité-sur-Loire that CroisiEurope offers travellers the chance to weigh anchor and set off on an original week-long cruise on the Loire Lateral Canal. Dedicated purely to this new itinerary, the barge Déborah has just joined the fleet and boasts 11 cabins with elegant contemporary decor. A bar-restaurant, spacious lounges, outdoor terrace and Jacuzzi set the tone for this chic escapade that takes its guests from beautiful Burgundy to the châteaux and enchanting gardens of the Loire.

<http://www.croisieurope.co.uk/>

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■ BOAT TRIPS ALONG THE CANAL DU NIVERNAIS AND THE RIVER YONNE

Are you staying near or just passing by Auxerre or the Etangs de Baye in the Nièvre? July and August is the perfect time for enjoying bucolic boat trips along the waterways aboard the « Hironnelle II » or the « Art du Temps ».

Jeudis du Goût tasting cruises aboard the « Hironnelle II »

Taste, share, discover, sail... Setting off from Auxerre every Thursday during July and August, the cruise boat « l'Hironnelle II », in partnership with the Tourist office and local producers, provides a cruise along the River Yonne and the Canal du Nivernais that is punctuated with tastings of regional products. You are guaranteed a convivial moment and an enjoyable shared experience!

http://www.ot-auxerre.fr/embark-aboard-the-boat-of-your-choice_en_67.html

L'Art du temps

Aboard the panoramic boat « L'Art du Temps », flagship of the company Aquafluvial, this trip along the waterways sets out from the Etangs de Baye and leads you to one of the most beautiful constructions along the Canal du Nivernais: the vaults of La Collancelle. This is a unique work of art, made up of three successive tunnels that open out onto a luxurious verdant landscape and stretch between the hamlet of Port Brûlé and the ponds at Baye and at Vaux.

<http://goo.gl/DAnqe6>

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