

# 'La Belle Époque'

## BURGUNDY & CHABLIS

6 nights | Sunday departures | Hotel and charter sailings | Minimum of 2 passengers required to operate hotel sailings; 4 passengers on Mar and Nov departures | Children under 12: charters only | Departs from Hotel Ampère, Paris: Sunday, 1:30 pm



Elegant 'La Belle Époque' travels through Burgundy on an itinerary that begins in the enchanting town of Auxerre. Visit medieval castles and quaint villages – with many opportunities for wine tastings. The spa pool on deck is an ideal spot from which to take in the beautiful French countryside.

### SUNDAY

Meet at Hotel Ampère in Paris for transfer to the elegant 'La Belle Époque' at Auxerre. After a champagne welcome, enjoy a fine dinner on board.

### MONDAY

Cruise past the vineyard-clad hillsides this morning to a rural mooring at Vincelles. After lunch, an excursion to Chablis includes a tasting of the local wines at one of the town's renowned cellars.



### TUESDAY

Return to Auxerre, the original capital of Lower Burgundy, to explore the medieval town center and view its fine churches. This afternoon, cruise past rich pasturelands with grazing Charolais cattle to Maily-la-Ville.

### WEDNESDAY

A morning excursion brings you to the charming medieval village of Noyers, nestled in a loop of the River Serein, with its picturesque half-timbered houses and cobbled streets. In the afternoon, cruise past the Saussois Cliffs, home to an international rock-climbing center. There are wonderful opportunities for walking before dinner this evening.

### THURSDAY

After breakfast, visit Vézelay, one of Burgundy's most famous treasures, with its Roman Basilique Ste-Madeleine. There is time to browse in the craft shops and take

in the views before a special lunch at the acclaimed restaurant, L'Esperance, at Saint-Père-sous-Vézelay. Returning to 'La Belle Époque,' cruise to the evening mooring at Lucy-sur-Yonne.

**FRIDAY**

After breakfast, cruise through the beautiful countryside to Clamecy for a tour of the cathedral and a visit to the Logging and Barging Museum. The narrow streets are lined with ancient buildings, and there are ample shopping opportunities. In the afternoon, visit Château de Bazoches, home of Marquis de Vauban, one of the foremost military engineers of his age. The château's illustrious list of visitors includes King Philippe-Auguste and Richard the Lionheart. Return to the barge for a farewell dinner this evening.

**SATURDAY**

Disembark after breakfast to transfer back to Hotel Ampère in Paris, where your tour ends.

**Note:** This route is run in reverse on alternate weeks.

**A&K RECOMMENDS ...**

Extend your stay with pre- and post-cruise hotel nights. Contact A&K for details and pricing.

**FOR LARGER GROUPS**

'La Belle Époque' can travel in tandem with 'L'Art de Vivre' (pages 38 – 39) to accommodate a maximum of 21 charter passengers.



Cycling along a scenic towpath



Your comfortable 'La Belle Époque' cabin

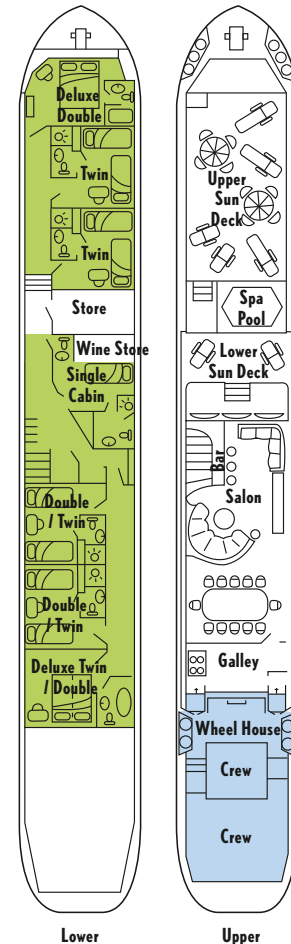


Relax with a book in the on-board lounge

**'LA BELLE ÉPOQUE'**  
Length: 126 feet | Width: 16.5 feet  
Passengers: 13 | Crew: 5

**CABINS**

- 1 deluxe double cabin, with en suite bathroom
  - 1 deluxe twin/double cabin, with en suite bathroom
  - 2 twin/double cabins, each with en suite bathroom
  - 2 twin cabins, each with en suite bathroom
  - 1 single cabin
- All outside facing



**PRICE PER PERSON**

**Cruise arrangements**

Mar 29 - May 16; Jul 26 - Aug 29; Oct 18 - Nov 14

Double occupancy	\$ 4,350
Single supplement	\$ 1,700
Deluxe double occupancy	\$ 4,590
Deluxe single supplement	\$ 1,700
Single cabin	\$ 4,750
Six-night charter*	\$ 50,800

May 17 - Jul 25; Aug 30 - Oct 17

Double occupancy	\$ 4,990
Single supplement	\$ 1,900
Deluxe double occupancy	\$ 5,290
Deluxe single supplement	\$ 1,900
Single cabin	\$ 5,450
Six-night charter*	\$ 59,000

\*Please ask about special prices for charters with 10 - 12 passengers.

March and November departures are available for charters only.

Children under 18 receive a \$300 price reduction.

Walking Departure: Oct 18

Family and other theme charters are available. Contact A&K for details.

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