

Alsace

The vineyards, villages and people
behind the wine and culinary scene

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Day 1

A soft landing

After a direct flight to Zurich Airport, a short drive will take us west to the heart of the Alsace Wine Region in neighboring France.

We will start with a visit to Maison Cattin, the largest family winery in Alsace, in the picturesque village of Voegtlinshoffen.

The owner of the winery will welcome us for an experiential visit combining a wine tasting and a light lunch, including some delicious sparkling wines of the region - Crémant d'Alsace.

We will continue to an elegant and family hotel located in the heart of the vineyards. After a light rest and the opportunity to relax in the hotel's spa, we will have our first dinner together in a traditional Alsatian restaurant. During our meal, we will taste wines from the different grape varieties of Alsace and learn to identify and recognize their character.





Day 2

Organic, Natural, Biodynamic

The Alsace region is located east of the Vosges Mountains. This range produce a rain shadow that makes Alsace the driest wine region in France and, consequently, home to many organic and biodynamic wineries.

Today we will visit two leading wineries that adhere to this philosophy. The first is a small family concern that has been growing grapes and producing wine for many years, is now training the next generation, and modestly producing quality wines that are faithful to the grape varieties and the local terroir.

We will have lunch at La Grappe d'Or restaurant, located in a beautiful historic house from 1554 in the center of the village of Riquewhir.

In the afternoon we will arrive at another organic winery and meet the winemaker and the owner for a fascinating philosophical conversation combined with a wide tasting in the winery's cellar.

Dinner will be at an innovative restaurant with an unconventional wine menu, focusing on natural and biodynamic wines from small producers.

Day 3

Wine & Gourmet in Strasbourg

Strasbourg, the capital of the Alsace region, is one of the most important, famous and beautiful cities in Europe, and serves as the seat of the European Parliament.

We will embark on a cultural and culinary tour in the old city with an experienced guide who will share their intimate knowledge of the city with us. We will taste the best regional cuisine and discover the city's beautiful and hidden corners. In the afternoon, we will have some free time in the center of the old town.

Meeting again, we will go together to a cooking class at the home of a local winemaker who will tell us more about the local cuisine and her work as a winemaker. At the end of the cooking class, we will enjoy the delicacies we prepared and have a hearty dinner.

Expect a night full of experiences, excellent food, fine wine and good company!





Day 4

Jams, Michelin & Colmar

After a leisurely breakfast and check out from the hotel, we will start the day with a jam workshop at La Maison Ferber, where Christine Ferber, who is known as “*La fée des confitures*” (the jam fairy), makes some of the best jams in the world.

We will continue to a celebratory and sensational lunch at a Michelin starred restaurant.

From there we will visit a large and esteemed winery whose wines represent Alsace around the world. We will conducted through an impressive tasting and meet the professional team.

In the afternoon we will make our way to our hotel in Colmar to check in and rest. The evening will be dedicated to some free time to walk along the canals between the traditional houses and explore the charms of this beautiful town.

Day 5

Diamonds and Pearls

After breakfast, we will visit an esteemed and organic family winery for more insights into this unique region and a wide tasting of their best wines.

Lunchtime will take us to a local restaurant to enjoy some of the regional delicacies that Alsace has to offer, and in the afternoon we will visit a small, high-quality winery, where we will see the ancient barrels and hear about their unique growing methods.

Driving back to the hotel, there will be some time for a light rest before our celebratory gala dinner, the last of this trip, will be held at one of the best restaurants in Colmar.





Day 6

City Time

Today will be dedicated to our base of the past few days, the beautiful city of Colmar.

We will visit the markets and the old town, and will be able to walk around the city independently, taste, smell, buy and discover what this great city has to offer.

In the afternoon we will go to Ribeauvillé, one of the most beautiful villages in Alsace and in France as a whole. In the heart of the commune is a small, high-quality distillery that produces close to 100 different types of distillates, where we will taste and learn about the distillation process.

Finally, we will continue to a local wine and chocolate experience at a quality local chocolate manufacturer, and from there head directly to the airport for our flights back home.

Thank You!



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