

## **Cruise Details**

Name: Taste of Bordeaux (Wine Cruise)

Reference: AMAFD250814BBW

Operator: Ama Waterways

Cruise Type: River

Cruise Rating: Luxury

Ship: AmaDolce

Regions: Garonne and Gironde

Departs On: 14 Aug 25

Departs From: Bordeaux

Arrives On: 21 Aug 25

Arrives At: Bordeaux

Cruise Nights: 7

Total Vacation Days: 8

# **Itinerary**

Day 1: Bordeaux (France)

BORDEAUX - EMBARKATION. Embark the ship for your <i>Taste of Bordeaux</i> cruise. (D)

Arrives On: 14 Aug 25

#### Day 2: Libourne (France)

LIBOURNE, FRANCE. Welcome to Libourne, a gateway to one of Bordeaux's most elite wine regions. Join an excursion to Saint Émilion, known for its celebrated vineyards, and while here, explore the monolithic church carved out of one piece of limestone rock, and then go under the church to discover its catacombs and caves. Afterwards, enjoy a Grand Cru Classé wine tasting at either Château de Ferrand or Château de Pressac. Alternately, you can enjoy an excursion to Saint-Émilion solely to discover more of the small historic town. If you prefer a more active adventure, pedal through the vineyard-rich countryside to Saint-Émilion. (B,L,D)

Arrives On: 15 Aug 25

#### Day 3: Libourne (France)

LIBOURNE. Stroll through the colorful, open-air market, tasting some of the region's specialties. As a unique alternative, travel back in time to visit an ancient watermill and learn the tradition of breadmaking. Or, you can get your heart pumping by venturing deeper into town by hiking through one of Libourne's renowned vineyards, accompanied by a tasting of local wine and tapas. (B,L,D)

Arrives On: 16 Aug 25

#### Day 4: Bourg (France)

Arrives On: 17 Aug 25

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BLAYE – BOURG, FRANCE. Once in Blaye, you can join a tour of its 17th-century citadel, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. For a more active excursion, take a bike ride around Blaye along a former railway. Later in the day, you can choose to bike from Blaye through the idyllic French countryside to Bourg. Or, while in the ancient village of Bourg, take a walking tour and visit the Carriage Museum, which houses a wonderful collection of horse-drawn vehicles vehicles, and the World War II Petrol Cistern. Towards the evening, experience the hospitality of this charming medieval village with an exclusive wine festival. Meet the local wine growers and taste the fruits of their labors as well as enjoy live French music and dancing. (B,L,D)

Arrives On: 17 Aug 25

### Day 5: Cussac-Fort-Médoc (France)

CUSSAC-FORT MEDOC. Cussac-Fort-Medoc is a peaceful commune in southwestern France and your gateway to the famed Médoc region, renowned for producing some of the world's finest Bordeaux wines. You will see some of the most beautiful and famous wine estates, including Château Latour, Château Mouton Rothschild, Château Lafite Rothschild and Château Pichon Longueville. You'll then visit either Château Léoville Barton or Château Léoville Poyferré for a tasting of Grand Cru wines. More active guests can hike through the vineyards of Château Margaux and taste local specialties. Alternatively, or you may enjoy a drive along the coast to Soulac-sur-Mer where you'll see unique sights, such as the Statue of Liberty and the Cordouan lighthouse known to be the oldest in France. (B,L,D)

Arrives On: 18 Aug 25

#### Day 6: Cadillac (France)

CADILLAC – BORDEAUX, FRANCE. Visit the impressive Castle of Roquetaillade, an amazingly preserved masterpiece of medieval military architecture owned by the same noble family for 700

years and travel to the Sauternes wine region to either Chateau de Rayne Vigneau or Chateau Guiraud to taste the highly prized golden-hued sweet wines produced here. For those wishing to explore more of the history on the decadent castles, you can enjoy a visit to the Roquetaillade castle and Cadillac castle. Or, pedal through the charming town of Cadillac for a guided bike tour. (B,L,D)

Arrives On: 19 Aug 25

#### Day 7: Bordeaux (France)

BORDEAUX. The breathtaking capital of the wine world, Bordeaux is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and classified as a "City of Art and History." You'll have an opportunity to experience much of the rich culture and architecture on a city tour followed by a visit to the famed indoor Les Halles de Bacalan market for a tasting of local specialties to please the palate. Bike enthusiasts will wish to join a tour along the city's amazing network of bicycle paths. Depending on your interests, you have a choice from three excursions in the afternoon. Enjoy a visit to the immersive and interactive Bordeaux Wine Museum, housed in an awe-inspiring building. Alternately, be treated to a spectacular sound and light show, Les Bassins des Lumières. (B,L,D)

Arrives On: 20 Aug 25

#### Day 8: Bordeaux (France)

BORDEAUX – DISEMBARKATION. Disembark the ship and prepare for your flight home. (B)

Arrives On: 21 Aug 25

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