Welcome to the Upper Rhine Valley
Gourmet Region

From gorgeous landscapes, friendly people, exquisite cuisine, and fine wines to diverse wellness and accommodation options, the Upper Rhine Valley is the perfect getaway for all the senses, and especially for connoisseurs. The three-country region shared by Germany, France, and Switzerland is protected by the Jura and Vosges Mountains, the Palatinate and Black Forests, and the Kaiserstuhl, making this area along the Rhine home to mild temperatures and lots of sunshine almost year-round.

Three picturesque wine routes lead through the Palatinate, Alsace, and Baden regions to historical sights and enchanting wine villages and taverns. Rustic taverns offer homemade snacks and the best wines from the Upper Rhine Valley: Riesling, Silvaner, Muscat, Gewurztraminer, Pinot Blanc, Pinot Gris, and Pinot Noir. Visitors can experience viticulture tradition at wine festivals or on wine-themed hikes through lovely orchards and vineyards.

Culinary temptations also abound, from farmers’ markets and shops to traditional cafés and mountain inns. The region also boasts over 60 Michelin stars and delicacies from each country, like France’s tarte flambée and foie gras; Germany’s venison and Black Forest cake; and Switzerland’s chocolates and cheeses.

www.winevalley.eu
Southern Palatinate Wine Region

Visitors and locals alike enjoy culinary delights in the world’s largest Riesling-growing area

Unabashed “Joie de vivre” characterizes the southernmost part of Palatinate. The friendly locals appreciate good food and wine, lively festivals, and are known for making guests feel right at home. This region has been shaped by viticulture and is spoiled with a Mediterranean climate. The Palatinate is the largest Riesling-growing area in the world and Germany’s largest red wine cultivation area. Lush vineyards, meadows, and the environmentally protected Palatinate Forest inspire long walks. The region’s beauty peaks in spring when the almond tree blossoms adorn the landscape with magnificent scents and colors.

Visitors can stop at wine taverns and cozy wineries where hearty, down-to-earth cuisine provides new energy, and numerous huts throughout the Palatinate Forest provide hikers with extra strength through simple dishes like “Saumagen” (pig stomach) or “weißer Käs” (curd) with boiled potatoes. The region’s chefs follow the motto “fresh and regional”; their creations feature asparagus, figs, and other seasonal products, most of which they grow themselves. Chestnuts are also a traditional highlight of the regional cuisine. Guests can choose from top hotels, cozy inns and wineries, or romantic castles along the Southern Wine Route, which leads through the region as part of the German Wine Route.

www.pfalz.de

Characteristics:

- **White wine region** – world’s largest Riesling-growing area covering 5,455 ha
- **In demand** – every third bottle of German wine comes from the Palatinate
- **Southernmost point of the German Wine Route** – Schweigen-Rechtenbach is the German Wine Gate
- **Sunny region** – more than 1,800 hours of sun a year
- **Pinot country** – the Southern Wine Route boasts ideal conditions for Pinot Blanc, Pinot Gris, and Pinot Noir production
- **Landau** – Germany’s largest winemaking community
- **Germersheim** – romantic fortress town on the Rhine
- “**Young Southern Palatinate – Something is Growing Here!**” – a unique competition for young, talented vintners along the Southern Wine Route
- **Almond blossoms** – almond trees bloom in March to welcome spring
Baden Wine Region

Pure nature: Germany’s gourmet region is characterized by endless hours of sunshine and a carefree lifestyle.

Mild temperatures and excellent soil make this one of the best wine cultivation areas in Europe. Pinot Noir, Pinot Blanc and Pinot Gris make up over 50% of the wines produced in this region, while Riesling and other specialties like Gutedel (Chasselas) and Auxerrois complete the selection.

The Baden Wine Route is a great way to discover the local landscape and bordering Black Forest and Kraichgau, as well as visit the many wine cooperatives, wineries, and wine festivals along the way. The region is characterized by charming wine villages with half-timbered houses perfectly balanced by modern viticulture architecture. Innovative winemakers have created a new face for their wineries by incorporating transparency and fresh approaches that result in behind-the-scenes looks at the winemaking process.

The region also prizes variety, offering rustic taverns in addition to traditional and world-class restaurants. Epicures can look forward to Baden specialties like asparagus, Black Forest ham, smoked trout, and venison, as well as traditional Black Forest cake or savory snacks. The award-winning Black Forest Nature Park Hosts also guarantee high-quality cuisine that makes use of mostly regional products.

www.blackforest-tourism.com

Characteristics:

- **Giant of the south** – the third largest and southernmost wine region in Germany
- **Germany’s pinot paradise** – home to more than half of Germany’s Pinot Noir
- **Wine and golf** – combine a visit to one of the 10 golf courses with a wine tasting or wine cellar tour
- **Award-winning cuisine** – 33 Michelin stars, 107 Gault Millau points, 159 Feinschmecker points, 407 Varta diamonds, and 707 Kochlöffel awards
- **“Baden Dreierlei”** – sausage salad, fried potatoes, and curd
- **Pure relaxation** – elegant resort and spa city of Baden-Baden
- **Multimedia adventure** – Karlsruhe’s ZKM | Center for Art and Media
- **Famous architecture** – the Freiburg Cathedral is considered one of the most important gothic churches in the world

Red Grape Varieties:
- Pinot Noir
- Schwarzriesling
- Regent

White Grape Varieties:
- Müller-Thurgau
- Pinot Gris
- Riesling
- Gutedel
- Pinot Blanc
Alsace Wine Region

Select star chefs and France’s oldest wine route promise the finest culinary experience à la française.

Wine and dine like royalty in France – nothing is easier when visiting Alsace, France’s smallest region. Protected by the Vosges Mountains, the region is characterized by a warm, dry climate that not only provides for pleasant temperatures while traveling, but also the best conditions for growing grapes. Here, connoisseurs can taste the finest wines paired with perfect culinary creations.

The regional cuisine is most famous for its sauerkraut, “tarte flambée”, “Bäckeoffe” and fried carp. Attractive menu options offer something for every palate, from traditional tavern food to gourmet cuisine in award-winning restaurants. The rustic mountain inns, or “fermes auberges”, are also very popular and offer their own homegrown, partly organic products.

Temptation waits in the form of sweet specialties in the patisseries, where baked goods like croissants and tarts beckon. A typical dessert in Alsace is the “Kougelhopf”, a cake made from sweet yeast dough. In addition to many culinary delights, Alsace also offers numerous cultural highlights. These include medieval castles, UNESCO-protected villages, the world-famous cathedral in Strasbourg, and the Issenheim altarpiece in the picturesque city of Colmar.

www.tourism-alsace.com

Characteristics:

- **Organic production** – 15% of Alsace’s wines are organically cultivated, making it one of the top regions in France
- **A run like no other** – every year athletes make their way through lush vineyards for the “Marathon du Vignoble d’Alsace”
- **Wine basics** – special wine courses turn amateurs into real connoisseurs
- **European metropolis** – Strasbourg attracts visitors to its famous cathedral in the heart of the enchanting Old City and is home to the world’s oldest barreled wine
- **“City of Wine”** – the half-timbered town of Colmar is considered Alsace’s wine capital
- **Market for epicures** – the market in Mulhouse is the largest in northeastern France and offers delicious regional specialties
- **Unique village** – the outdoor Alsace Heritage Museum (Ecomusée) in Ungersheim recreates the typical, everyday life of bygone days

White Grape Varieties:

- Silvaner
- Pinot Blanc
- Riesling
- Muscat
- Pinot Gris
- Gewurztraminer

Red Grape Variety:

- Pinot Noir

Riquewihr in Alsace
Basel Gourmet Region

Special dining concepts combine with an exquisite wine region to create a one-of-a-kind culinary experience.

From mesmerizing landscapes and cultural highlights to trips of culinary discovery, the northwestern part of Switzerland, which includes Basel, the Basel region, Aargau, and Jura, offers something for all the senses. The unspoiled countryside is particularly attractive for hikers, with paths stretching over 1,000 km to the hidden corners of the Basel region and Jura Mountains. The landscape features mountains, valleys, orchards, plains, and forests with views of the Alps.

The Aargau Jura Park promises a unique experience with its impressive sparse pine forests and orchid slopes. Lush vines climb the slopes of the Aargau, where Silvaner, Pinot Noir, and Riesling are cultivated across 400 ha. Although small, the Basel wine region is home to 30 grape varieties.

The region also boasts a rich culinary scene with fresh farm products, special gourmet tours, and Michelin-starred restaurants. Restaurants in castles, palaces, and villas also promise special dining experiences, and Basel also offers a variety of top locations, from taverns to an organic Bio-Bar. This city on the Rhine also entices visitors with its hip cultural scene, famous architecture, and numerous museums.

Characteristics:

- **Tasty Basel tradition** – the famous “Basler Läckerli”: small, delicious gingerbread bites
- **Jura specialties** – tasty Tête de Moine cheese, traditionally scraped with a special Giroville cutter to form delicate rosettes
- **World-famous pastries** – “Rüblitorte”, or carrot cake, originates from Aargau
- **Breathtaking ridges** – awe-inspiring waterfalls are the starting point for alpine hikes and culinary forays through the Jura Mountain guest houses
- **Unique Roman festival** – gladiator fights, Roman games, and a Roman market in the Roman town of Augusta Raurica in Augst transport guests back in time
- **The world’s most important art fair** – the Art Basel has been attracting art enthusiasts to the city since 1970

www.basel.com
German Wine Route

The oldest wine route in Germany promises pure enjoyment.

This route runs for approximately 85 km through Palatine vineyards past storybook landscapes and charming wine villages. The impressive German Wine Gate in Schweigen-Rechtenbach on the border to Alsace marks the starting point of the route, which takes visitors all the way to Bockenheim on the border of Rhine-Hesse and ends at the House of the German Wine Route.

The panorama is shaped by picturesque vineyards and forms the backdrop for the many wine festivals that take place between spring and fall and invite guests to join in on the celebration. Although the region is especially famous for its Riesling, traditional wineries and innovative winemakers have also expanded their repertoire to include amazing red wines like the prize-winning Pinot Noir. Pinot varieties particularly thrive in the southern part of the region along the Southern Wine Route. The wine route can be easily discovered on foot or by bike and boasts 1,800 hours of sunshine a year. The mild, almost Mediterranean climate not only allows for the cultivation of crisp vegetables like the coveted white asparagus, but also kiwis, figs, and lemons.

www.german-wineroute.com

Information:
- Wine production: > 2.09 million hL/year
- Area under cultivation (Palatinate): approx. 23,400 ha
- 144 wine communities with 2,000 winemaking enterprises
- Length: approx. 85 km
Baden Wine Route

The Baden Wine Route has been welcoming visitors from all over the world for over 60 years.

This charming tourist route leads through one of the best wine regions in Europe and runs from Heidelberg to Baden-Baden in the northern Black Forest to Weil am Rhein on the Swiss border. With stations in the Kraichgau, Ortenau, Breisgau, Markgräflerland, Kaiserstuhl, and Tuniberg wine regions, this route offers scenic variety ranging from sunny valleys to dense Black Forest pines, as well as many wine tours and educational trails. In honor of its birthday in 2014, the wine route extended to include Kraichgau and Baden’s Bergstraße, thus leading all the way to Hesse.

From Pinot Noir to Müller Thurgau, visitors can try the region’s finest wines in the many enchanting wine villages or through modern viticulture architecture. Winemakers open their traditional, self-run taverns ("Besen" or "Straußenwirtschaften") temporarily each spring and fall so that guests can enjoy homemade wines and delicacies. Many Michelin-starred restaurants and traditional inns promise even more culinary delights. A “Vacation at the Winery” is also sure to be an unforgettable experience, offering travelers an up-close look at the Baden Wine Route and activities ranging from an overnight stay in a wine barrel to assisting with the harvest.

www.badische-weinstrasse.de
Alsace Wine Route

A golden grape and wine glass form the symbol that marks the way to the oldest and most famous wine route in France.

Since 1953, the Alsace Wine Route has led through the foothills of the Vosges Mountains past castles, abbeys, vineyards, and wine taverns. This idyllic, north-south route covers more than 170 km and leads from Marlenheim past Colmar all the way to Thann. 51 of Alsace’s distinguished Grand Cru wine areas attract visitors, a region that boasts seven wine varieties: Silvaner, Pinot Blanc, Riesling, Muscat, Pinot Gris, Gewurztraminer, and Pinot Noir. Visitors can taste these delicate wines – over 90% of which are white – at wine fairs, festivals, or wineries. In the fall, visitors can experience the vineyards’ high season as they open the very first bottles of the new wine. Wine connoisseurs can also discover fascinating wine facts at wine museums or through geocaching and cellar tours. Since 2013, active travelers can also enjoy the Alsace Wine Road cycle trail that leads through the vineyards and past wine cellars, farms, and half-timbered villages.

Here, in addition to excellent culinary creations, guests can enjoy other highlights like “foie gras”, onion tart, sauerkraut, and “tarte flambée” – accompanied, of course, by the best local wines.

www.alsace-wine-route.com
Visitors uncover the mystery surrounding the art of vinegar making on a guided tour of the estate’s vinegar cellar. Participants explore candlelit rooms where the vinegar ferments and matures in 100-year-old barrels.

**The Doktorenhof Vinegar Farm**

- Weinessiggut Doktorenhof
  - Raiffeisenstraße 5, 67482 Venningen, Germany
  - +49 6323 5505
  - www.doktorenhof.de

**Die Mehlmanufaktur – The Flour Manufactory**

- Die Mehlmanufaktur / Hofgut Holzmühle
  - 67368 Westheim, Germany
  - +49 7274 703204
  - www.die-mehlmanufaktur.de

Enjoy romantic moments for two or the good company of close friends.

This bright and elegant restaurant offers seating for 80. The head chef, Timo Küspert, combines modern and traditional ideas while following proven house recipes to prepare specialties from the Palatinate. Guests can stay in one of the 36 rooms with views of the surrounding meadows and fields.

**Zeiskamer Mühle Hotel and Restaurant**

- Hotel-Restaurant Zeiskamer Mühle
  - Hauptstraße 87, 67378 Zeiskam, Germany
  - +49 6347 97400
  - www.zeiskamermuehle.de

**Nußdorf Wine Adventure Trail**

- Southwest city limits (direction of Landau/B10) 76829 Landau-Nußdorf, Germany
  - +49 6341 131176
  - www.landau-nussdorf.de

Inspired by the idea of integrating the topics art and sound into the vineyard landscape...

...the Nußdorf Quality Viticulture Association created an amazing Wine Adventure Trail. Visitors learn important facts about wine in a fun way and can explore the trail with all their senses.
Inspired by sun, vines, and wine, the Hofschänke creates the perfect stage for enjoying culinary delicacies.
Here, those who value good food and a nice glass of wine will find their heart’s desire. Three spacious apartments are available and integrated with the old and lovingly restored and decorated farmhouse with authentic half-timbering. Guests can enjoy a cozy atmosphere and moments worth remembering.

7 Days on the German Wine Route – hardly any other hiking trail offers so many delights.
The trail leads through diverse vineyard locations and landscapes graced with as many places to stop as there are magnificent views. Hike along the Palatinate Forest, through many vineyards and romantic wine villages, and past palaces and castles all the way to Alsace. More information online.

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5 Vinothek Par Terre

Vinothek Par Terre Landau
Georg-Friedrich-Dentzel-Str. 117
76829 Landau, Germany
+49 6341 9690890
www.par-terre.de

Design meets wine on the Southern Wine Route at the Vinothek Par Terre, designed by fashion designer Michael Michalsky. The former military building redesigned by Michalsky offers excellent wines from the Southern Wine Route. As the center of the Southern Palatinate’s fantastic wine culture, it also invites wine enthusiasts to linger and enjoy. Visitors can expect a balanced mix of wine, enjoyment, art, and culture.

7 Bruchsal – Asparagus City

Touristinformation Bruchsal
Am Alten Schloss 22, 76646 Bruchsal
Germany
+49 7251 5059460
www.bruchsal-erleben.de

Visit an asparagus field and tour an asparagus farm, including a short city tour.
Visitors learn everything about cultivating this popular seasonal vegetable, both on the field and at the farm. An especially exciting part of the tour is helping with the asparagus harvest! A city tour or short walk through Bruchsal is included. Only available in asparagus season [end of April until mid-June].

6 Zur Hofschänke

Zur Hofschänke
Hauptstraße 52, 76827 Winden i. d. Pfalz
Germany
+49 6349 8474
www.hofschaenke.de

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8 Hiking Tour on the German Wine Route

Südliche Weinstrasse e.V.
An der Kreuzmühle 2, 76829 Landau
Germany
+49 6341 940406
www.suedlicheweinstrasse.de

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Visitors revel in the healthy taste of nature found in regional specialties, asparagus, strawberries, apples, and more. Hofmark Zapf offers pure nature in the form of its self-grown asparagus, fruit, and bread and baked goods from their in-house bakery. In the Hofcafé or on the terrace, guests can enjoy coffee specialties, homemade cakes, and regional dishes, all freshly prepared and according to the season.

The Stromberg-Heuchelberg Nature Park’s winegrowing community of Oberderdingen offers two wine growing regions at the same time. Derdinger Horn and its famous lookout point is a top attraction for hikers and sightseers. The panoramic view includes the Ravensburg and Steinsburg castles and reaches all the way to the Odenwald. An adventure trail and “Walk&Wine” course bring visitors even closer to the viticulture tradition.

Cleebourg Winemakers’ Cooperative in the Park of the Northern Vosges and the “Confréries des Vins des Quatres Bans” brotherhood. Visitors are welcome to discover the extraordinary diversity of the four villages’ wines of Cleebourg, Rott, Oberhoffen and Steinseltz, in Cleebourg’s atmospheric wine cellar. Direct sales of the wine and an adventure trail through the vineyards complete the perfect wine experience.
The Marlenheim Wine School offers courses in wine tasting as well as original, wine-themed activities.

Marlenheim Wine School
Learn more about Alsace’s wines and participate in various thematic seminars. Participants are also taught the proper way to taste wine and can visit the Arthur Metz Wine Cellar and Vinothek. Here, there’s something for everyone.

Arthur Metz
102 rue du Général de Gaulle
67520 Marlenheim, France
+33 388 599060
www.alecoledesvins.fr

Enjoy a one-of-a-kind, unforgettable experience during an overnight stay in a wine barrel in “Alde Gott”.

These 8,000-liter-large wine barrels were lovingly converted into livable spaces at the heart of the vineyards. The comfortably furnished barrels invite guests to nights of relaxation, offering a breathtaking view of Sasbachwalden, the Rhine Valley, and the Vosges Mountains.

Ferienhof Wild
Bergstraße 7, 77887 Sasbachwalden
Germany
+49 162 6493274
www.schlafen-im-weinfass.de

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Röttele’s Restaurant and Residence in Neuwieder Palace

The place to be for foodies, epicures, and lovers of the good things in life in the vineyards of Baden-Baden.

The palace restaurant enchants guests with inspired, Michelin-star cuisine, while the residence in the palace mesmerizes with its lovingly decorated rooms and breathtaking view of the vineyards below. Visitors can taste and buy the finest Rieslings at the palace winery.

Röttele’s Restaurant im Schloss Neuwieder
Mauerbergstraße 21, 76534 Baden-Baden
Germany
+49 7223 800870
www.armin-roettele.de

Discover Eberstein Castle

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Restaurant & Hotel Schloss Eberstein
Schloss Eberstein, 76593 Gernsbach
Germany
+49 7224 995950
www.schlosseberstein.com

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17 **Roi Dagobert Winemakers’ Cooperative**

- Route de Scharrachbergheim
- 67310 Traenheim
- France
- Phone: +33 388 506900
- Website: www.cave-dagobert.com

This cooperative in the heart of Strasbourg’s vineyards offers vineyard tours and wine tastings in their wine cellar. The Roi Dagobert Winemakers’ Cooperative has a very diverse selection of wines ranging from traditional wines, late harvests, and Grand Crus (particularly fine wines) to wines from especially old vines, organic wines, and, of course, Crémants d’Alsace.

18 **Hospices de Strasbourg Historical Wine Cellar**

- Cave Historique des Hospices de Strasbourg
- 1 place de l’Hôpital, 67000 Strasbourg
- France
- Phone: +33 388 116450
- Website: www.vins-des-hospices-de-strasbourg.fr

This wine cellar was founded in 1395 and attests to the Hospices’ important history and wine culture. Visitors will find special treasures, fine and elite wines, late harvests, artistic wine barrels, and even a wine dating back 1472 in the wine store and cellar.

19 **Péniche Bacchus in Strasbourg – The Floating Wine Bar**

- Péniche Bacchus
- Quai des Pêcheurs, 67000 Strasbourg
- France
- Phone: +33 388 366578
- Website: www.vinostrada.com

A totally new way to discover wine in all its many facets, e.g. as an aperitif. The floating wine bar at the heart of Strasbourg boasts a menu with over 30 open wines, as well as aperitifs for dinner, wine tastings with real winemakers, and theme nights.

20 **Wine Bar at Schloss Staufenberg**

- Weinstube Schloss Staufenberg
- 77770 Durbach
- Germany
- Phone: +49 781 92465838
- Website: www.schloss-staufenberg.de

This famous wine village landmark sits enthroned above Durbach and attracts visitors from around the world. Enjoy a panoramic view from the 383-meter-high Schloss terrace and gaze upon the forested peaks of the Black Forest, rolling vineyards, and the wine village of Durbach below. The view reaches all the way to the Upper Rhine Valley and the Strasbourg Cathedral in neighboring Alsace.
Evening Atmosphere in Strasbourg

This true-to-the-original museum is dedicated to wine and its cultivation. Visitors are welcome to experience an interesting restaurant and wine bar rolled into one.

The Museum of the Vineyards and Wines of Alsace

Musée du vignoble et des vins d'Alsace
Château de la Confrérie St Etienne 1b
68240 Kientzheim, France
+33 389 782136

Visitors discover the work of vintners and other skilled workers (coopers and glass blowers) on the over 300-m²-large grounds of the palace of the Saint-Etienne brotherhood. The museum covers 3 levels, and a large tool collection shows the development of viticulture in Alsace over the centuries.

Tourist Train through Obernai

S.A.A.T.
4 rue Saint-Morand, 68150 Ribeauvillé
France
+33 389 737424
www.petit-train.com

Discover the legendary birthplace of Saint Odile on the small tourist train.

Enjoy a multi-lingual tour through the Old Town of Obernai, a medieval city with two impressive city walls, fortified towers, half-timbered houses, and tiny alleyways. The tour also goes through a vineyard with a wonderful, panoramic view of the Rhine Valley.

Les Ateliers de la Seigneurie

Les Ateliers de la Seigneurie
Place de la Mairie, 67140 Andlau
France
+33 388 086524
www.lesateliersdelaseigneurie.eu

The residence of the Lords of Andlau was built in 1582 and houses a center for cultural interpretation.

The building is kept in Renaissance style and located at the center of the city. The center sheds special light on outstanding pieces of local and regional cultural heritage, from architecture and religious traditions to viticulture.

VitisBar®
Wine Bar and Restaurant

Domaine Viticole Halbeisen
3, route du Vin, 68750 Bergheim
France
+33 389 223192
www.cour-bailli.com

Visitors are welcome to experience an interesting restaurant and wine bar rolled into one.

The VitisBar® offers a monthly rotating menu with seasonal products that are prepared with the utmost finesse. Guests can choose from 4 appetizers, 4 main dishes, and 4 desserts or be surprised by the special of the day. Of course, all items are paired with just the right wine.
The Fine Wine Trail connects various winemaking communities in the heart of the Alsace vineyards. The trail invites visitors on an adventurous hike with informative signs about vineyard work and wine production. It leads guests through the slopes of 6 municipalities within the region, including Ribeauvillé and Riquewihr, which are classified as Grand Crus (fine wine) areas.

Wine Tasting on the Historic “Rebenbummler” Train

Enjoy a day full of adventure on the Kaiserstuhl with a ride on the historical “Rebenbummler” train. The wonderful Kaiserstuhl landscape sweeps by as passengers enjoy the local wines. The train passes by gorgeous vineyards on its way from Riegel to Breisach.

The Corkscrew Museum Kaiserstuhl

The only corkscrew museum in Germany displays over 1,000 corkscrews. The museum’s Kaiserstuhl Shop is located in the former wine cellar of a historical winery building and offers a unique kind of shopping experience across several floors. Epicures and lovers of wine can find a one-of-a-kind selection of excellent wine, kitchen, and bar products.

A Day of Kaysersberg Wine

Enjoy unforgettable moments in Kaysersberg Valley discovering the vineyards and Alsace cuisine. The winemakers in Kaysersberg offer exclusive wine tastings followed by a delicious meal with authentic, hearty specialties from Alsace cuisine paired with the perfect wine. The experience concludes with an overnight stay in a charming hotel.
Prepare and enjoy exotic dishes together under the qualified guidance of experts.
Isabelle Sipp, a passionate cook and wine connoisseur, offers cooking classes with various topics. Workshops are limited to 8 people so that each person can receive special attention. This is perfect for foodies, epicures, and those curious to discover the wonderful world of foreign cuisine.

Impressive wooden barrels are stored in the opulent cellar vaults of one of Europe’s largest wineries.
During a visit to the Badischer Winzerkeller, visitors are given a tour of the rooms before riding the “Besucherbähnle” through the cellar passageways to the wooden barrel cellar and back to the main building for a wine or sparkling wine tasting.

This winery in Eguisheim, the Wolfberger brand’s hometown, invites guests to discover the Wolfberger history and brand.
Visitors can discover the winery’s history (1902 – today) with the aid of films, paintings, and photo exhibits. Visitors also learn a bit about the history of viticulture in Alsace, e.g. geological conditions, soil quality, the influence of the sun, and interesting facts about the grape varieties.

The heart of Baden wine can be found in the Alte Wache on Münsterplatz.
Many of Baden winemakers’ cooperatives and wineries come together to present bottled treasures from Baden’s wine and sparkling wine cellars. Exciting and expertly led wine tastings in historical rooms become an unforgettable experience for guests from near and far.
Staufen Castle

View over the Rhine in Basel

Famous for its one-of-a-kind Beschle Ring, St. Honoré Cake, and internationally award-winning chocolate creations.

Beschle is proud of its 115-year-old company history that spans across four family generations. All products are made and refined by hand in the shop in Basel. In addition to proven classics, Beschle continually experiments with new flavor combinations based on traditional family recipes.

Vineyards and orchards alternate with paths through sunny forests and picturesque wine villages on the “Wiiwegli”.

The “Wiiwegli” is a spectacular hiking trail for nature and wine fans. It runs for 80 marvelous kilometers through rolling hills to where the landscape of the Markgräflerland region fades into the Upper Rhine Valley, the “wine and fruit region” between Weil am Rhein and Freiburg.

A special museum still unique in all of Germany dedicated solely to wine labels.

The Wine Label Museum is located at the Dr. Schneider Winery in Müllheim-Zunzingen in the Markgräflerland region. It encompasses a vast, international collection and boasts several rooms displaying around 1,200 exhibits dating back two centuries.

Experience the beauty of Baden’s vineyards on a Segway.

A Segway tour through the vineyards is an unforgettable experience for all wine enthusiasts. Tours lead through various vineyards in the Baden region and feature a sparkling wine reception along the way. The tour usually concludes with a wine tasting.

Markgräfler “Wiiwegli” Long Distance Trail

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Falstaff – Archaeological Wine Cellar

Der Teufelhof Basel AG
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The Falstaff Wine Store gets every wine connoisseur’s pulse racing with its 450 different wines. Falstaff is located between old city walls dating back to the 11th and 13th centuries. The wine store merges seamlessly with an archaeological wine cellar that can also be used for special occasions. The best part? The Falstaff Wine Store never closes! Guests can visit any time, just ask reception.

Tandem Gourmet Tour – Enjoyment to the Nth Degree

Landgasthof Krone
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Speed across the green hills of the Jurapark in pairs including a picnic, farm visit, and delectable 4-course meal. Speed across the green hills of the Jurapark in pairs. Participants can enjoy a surprise picnic with regional treats, visit the Adventure Farm in Wittnau, and end the day with a delectable 4-course meal.

Roman Vineyards

Vindonissa-Winzer, c/o Vindonissa-Museum
Museumsstrasse 1, 5200 Brugg
Switzerland
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www.vindonissa-winzer.ch

Learn more about the ancient art of viticulture in four Roman vineyards.

Even the ancient Romans made wine in the Vindonissa region. In four museum vineyards in Oberflachs, Schinznach-Dorf, Villigen, and Remigen, visitors can see exactly which ingenious methods the antique vintners used.

Siebe Dupf Kellerei AG

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Siebe Dupf Kellerei is Baselland’s largest wine producer and also carries over 500 quality wines from around the world. Character – Quality – Enjoyment. Experience quality wine from around the world. Expertly guided tours of the facility, wine tastings, aperitifs, and other events enjoy great popularity.
The Basel region’s largest cohesive vineyard acreage is in the idyllic Klustal near Aesch, a wealthy Basel suburb. A wine-themed hiking trail with a total of 24 informational signs leads through the Klusberg to the Tschäpperli and explains vine vegetation, vineyard work, and the winemaking process with words and pictures in an easily understandable way.

The Château de Pleujouse is perched atop jagged rocks and surrounded by damson plum trees. The view from here is simply breathtaking. The cuisine is characterized by ingredients from regional markets and combines traditional cuisine with modern influences.

Visit the Kasteln Organic Farm, a woolly pig breeder, and enjoy an epicurean 4-course meal in Landhotel Hirschen. Visit with “Genuss-Strasse” host and “Premio Slow Food” award winner Albi von Felten the Kasteln Organic Farm, where the charismatic woolly pigs are bred and raised. The experience is made complete with a fine 4-course meal with woolly pig in the Landhotel Hirschen.
Tour 1 – Pure Enjoyment in northern Upper Rhine Valley
Landau / Karlsruhe / Baden-Baden

Beginning in the northern part of the Upper Rhine Valley in Southern Palatinate, the first tour then leads past Karlsruhe and Baden-Baden through the Baden wine region into Alsace.

Day 1
• Breakfast at Hofmarkt Zapf in Kandel, DE 9
• Tip: make a detour to the fortress town of Germersheim (city tour)
• Visit the Doktorenhof Vinegar Farm in Venningen, DE 1
• Visit the Vinothek Par Terre in Landau, DE 5
• Tip: the Art Nouveau Festival Hall in Landau is definitely worth a visit
• Tip: visit one of the more than 200 wine festivals (free app at www.pfalz.de/app)
• Overnight stay in the Southern Palatinate

Day 2
• Insider’s tip between April and June: an asparagus tour in Bruchsal, DE 7
• Tip: make a detour to a “Besen”, or tavern, in Kraichgau [free “Besen-App”] or to the Wine Plateau at Derdinger Horn, DE 10
• Visit the Karlsruhe-Durlach State Winery on the Turmberg, DE 11
• Dinner at the “LetscheBacchus” wine tavern in Durlach, DE
• Overnight stay in Durlach’s Old Town

Day 3
• Wine-themed hike at Eberstein Castle in Gernsbach, DE 14
• Lunch at Röttele’s Restaurant and Residence in Baden-Baden Neuweier, DE 13
• City tour and possible visit to the Museum Frieder Burda in Baden-Baden
• Visit the Cleebourg Winemakers’ Cooperative, FR 12
• Tip: visit the medieval town of Wissembourg
• Overnight stay in Wissembourg, FR or at the “Zur Hofschänke” wine tavern in Winden, DE 6
Tour 2 – Active enjoyment to the fullest
Durbach / Strasbourg / Colmar

This tour first goes from Strasbourg to Durbach for a unique overnight stay in a wine barrel before following the Alsace Wine Route all the way to Kaiserstuhl, Baden’s wine area.

Day 1
• Tip for an overnight stay before the tour begins: sleep in a wine barrel in Sasbachwalden, DE
• Begin in Durbach, DE with a tour of Schloss Staufenberg and lunch
• Visit the Hospices de Strasbourg Historical Wine Cellar Strasbourg, FR
• Suggested location for an aperitif before dinner: Péniche Bacchus floating wine bar
• Dinner in a typical Alsace wine tavern

Day 2
• Travel down the Alsace Wine Route from Molsheim, FR to Obernai, FR
• Ride the tourist train through the vineyards in Obernai, FR
• Lunch in a rustic wine tavern in Obernai
• Visit the Museum of the Vineyards and Wines of Alsace in Kientzheim, FR
• End the day at the VitisBar in Bergheim, FR
• Overnight stay in Bergheim, FR or the surrounding area

Day 3
• Begin in Riquewihr, FR on the Fine Wine Trail
• Visit the Alsace wine village of Riquewihr and lunch
• Travel to Colmar, FR and go on a city tour through the picturesque Old Town
• Possibility to book a cooking class with Cardamome in Colmar, FR
• Overnight stay in Colmar, FR
Tour 3 – A short visit to the heart of the Upper Rhine Valley
Colmar / Breisach / Freiburg

Discover the area of Alsace surrounding Colmar, Breisach am Rhein, the Kaiserstuhl, and Freiburg on this 2-day tour.

Day 1
• Begin in Colmar, FR with a city tour and wine tasting
• Visit the Fortifications of Vauban in Neuf-Brisach, FR
• Alternative: Visit the Maison du Munster in Munster, FR – the House of Munster Cheese
• Enjoy a coffee on the Münsterberg in Breisach, DE with a view of the Rhine panorama below
• End the day in the Badischer Winzerkeller in Breisach, DE
• Dinner in Kapuzinergarten in Breisach, DE and overnight stay

Day 2
• Drive to the Kaiserstuhl and visit the Corkscrew Museum in Vogtsburg-Burkheim, DE
• Alternative: ride the historic “Rebenbummler” train from Riegel, DE to Breisach, DE
• Lunch in a tavern on the Kaiserstuhl
• Visit the city of Freiburg, DE with time for shopping
• Wine tasting in the Alte Wache – House of Baden Wines in Freiburg, DE
• Dinner and overnight stay in Freiburg
Tour 4 – On the road in southern Upper Rhine Valley
Müllheim / Mulhouse / Basel / Liestal

Three countries in three days. This tour goes from Baden’s Müllheim to Alsace’s Mulhouse before crossing the Rhine near Basel for a 2-day gourmet tour through Basel and the Baselland region.

Day 1
• Begin at the Wine Label Museum in Müllheim, DE 35
• Travel to Mulhouse, FR and city tour
• Tip: visit the Automobile Museum (for technology enthusiasts) or La Kunsthalle (for art enthusiasts)
• Dinner in a Michelin-star restaurant or a typical wine tavern in Mulhouse, FR and overnight stay

Day 2
• Arrive in Basel, CH
• City tour through Basel, CH and a trip on the Rhine Ferry
• Visit the Beschle Chocolatier in Basel, CH 36
• Relaxed end to the day at the Teufelhof and a tour of the Falstaff – Archeological Wine Cellar 37
• Overnight stay in Basel, CH

Day 3
• Wine-themed hike through the Klus wine region near Aesch, CH 42
• Tour of the Siebe Dupf Kellerei in Liestal, CH 40
• End the day at the Landgasthof Farnsburg in Ormalingen, CH 41