

## My Route du Bonheur... - Suggestions of itineraries to discover the world...



# ROUTES DU BONHEUR From Bordeaux to Catalonia: vineyards, the Canal du Midi and the Mediterranean

Revel amidst the ramparts of Carcassonne, lose yourself in a starry sky or navigate the locks on the Canal du Midi... this road to the south will take you through city escapes, stylish aperitifs, rural vineyard retreats and exhilarating road trips. When in Bordeaux, an exploration of its illustrious listed châteaux is a must, before heading for Occitanie and Cathar Country. After a stop-off in the famous medieval citadel, it's off to the coast to find some great diving spots! Take a short trip around the magnificent Castellet de Perpignan for some shopping set to sing-song accents, before escaping to the nearby summits of the Pyrenees.



7 NIGHTS
from
US\$ 2,089.57\*

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\* Prix Total communiqué à titre indicatif au 05/02/2024, calculé sur la base de 2 personnes en chambre double pour un séjour du nombrede nuits indiqué sur cette page par établissement, hors activités conseillées, hors établissements non réservables en ligne et hors restaurants.

\*\* Prix d'un appel local.







# Château Cordeillan-Bages

**Restaurant and hotel in a vineyard.** Located between the estuary and the beaches of the Atlantic, this classic Gironde charterhouse is a lively place where the Cazes family cultivates the discreet charm and warm elegance of a home surrounded by vineyards and adorned with the works of contemporary artists. The wine list, with more than 1,800 vintages, includes Bordeaux Grands Crus such as the renowned Château Lynch-Bages, which has been with the family since 1939. During a winemaking session, assemble your own wine and start tasting. A few steps away, the village of Bages is an essential stop on the Bordeaux wine route, where you can wander at your leisure and truly experience art de vivre!



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Food and drink hotspots of Bordeaux



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# 2 BOMMES — 1 NIGHT

(1 property available)

## Château Lafaurie-Peyraguey Hôtel & Restaurant LALIQUE

**Hotel and restaurant in a vineyard.** It is in Bommes, in southwestern France, where the Hôtel & Restaurant LALIQUE at Château Lafaurie-Peyraguey upholds an art de vivre of unparalleled refinement. In harmony with the Gironde, a region enriched with a terroir of infinite treasures, this exceptional hotel reveals itself through an unprecedented symbiosis of worlds: Sauternes wine, crystal, gastronomy and hospitality. Located less than an hour from Bordeaux, the hotel boasts ten luxurious rooms and three suites of rare elegance that offer spectacular views over the estate's vineyards. Enthusiasts and wine lovers alike flock here to celebrate the wonders of oenology with family and friends, pampered by the house's wine specialists. These same connoisseurs welcome you to the gastronomic restaurant, where the decorative splendour and brilliance of the setting and service are matched only by the bewitching cuisine of renowned chef Jérôme Schilling. Hallmarks of the Hôtel & Restaurant LALIQUE at Château Lafaurie-Peyraguey, a stay here is one of peacefulness, intimacy, epicureanism and a sense of sharing.

#### Weekly closing:

Tuesday and Wednesday.



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#### Close to the property

- The prestigious Sauternes AOC
- Canoeing and kayaking on the Ciron River in Bommes





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## La Bastide en Gascogne

**Hotel and restaurant in the country.** Protected by the village's medieval church and in the shade of old plane trees, stands this beautiful 18th century charterhouse. The stone arcades of its sand colored frontage invite you to discover an elegant succession of living and dining rooms. An afternoon by the fireplace in the library, a summer night dining under the lime-tree, tasting Armagnac from its vineyards, nestled in its soft sofas: all this generous joy, real hymn to the delicious products of Gascony, matches the harmony of its luminous simplicity. In the gardens, benefit from the expert treatments provided at the Thermal Spa.



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#### Close to the property

- · Cocktail lounge in Gascony
- The assault has launched!





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# 4 PUYMIROL — 1 NIGHT

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### Michel Trama

Restaurant and hotel in a village. Contemporary interior designer Jacques Garcia has worked wonders with the décor of this 13th century bastide, that was once home to the Counts of Toulouse. The mood is theatrical and luxurious. Sofas with feet that look like lion paws sit beside ancient floor tiles and velvety wall hangings. There is a touch of the artist Jean Cocteau here too, with an avant-garde chandelier that appears out of a wall. Your itinerary should include visiting the region which is one of the most beautiful parts of France, and sampling the recipes dreamt up by Chef Michel Trama, this extraordinary self-taught starred Chef, who strolls through the Lot-et-Garonne farmer markets looking for the best and the unexpected. His cuisine reveals his love of wholesome food and of life in general. You'll sample notably his potato papillote and his lobster lasagna, a few reasons the restaurant is not to be missed.

#### Weekly closing:

Hotel: Monday, Tuesday noon, Sunday evening (from mid-September to mid-June) (off season). Gourmet restaurant: Monday, Tuesday noon, Sunday evening (off season), Monday noon and Tuesday noon (high season). "L'Auberge de la Poule d'Or": Monday, Tuesday noon, Sunday evening.



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### Close to the property

• Budding Astronomer



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## Hôtel Restaurant En Marge

**Hotel and restaurant in the country.** On the hillsides of Aureville, in the Toulouse countryside, Isabelle and Frank Renimel have designed a welcoming and authentic home with a touch of whimsy. The brick and pebble walls of the old building have been preserved and stand in exquisite harmony with the new additions of sleek geometric lines. The decor is simple and warm, embellished with splashes of bright colours here and there. As for the five rooms, they each evoke an emotion: fun, indulgence and so on. The magic continues with the cuisine. Composed like paintings, the dishes are each signed with a flower from the garden. Highlighting the best of the region, enjoy such specialities as suckling pig or caviar from the Pyrenees.

#### Weekly closing:

Hotel: Sunday evening (from January 1st to December 31st), lunch and dinner from Sunday to Tuesday (from February 3rd to 28th). Restaurant: Monday and Sunday (from January 1st to December 31st), lunch and dinner from Sunday to Tuesday (from February 1st to 28th).



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### Close to the property

• Canal du Midi in Toulouse



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#### Domaine d'Auriac

**Hotel and restaurant on a golf course.** The Domaine d'Auriac is built on the ancient Carsac oppidum, where the story of Carcassonne, a Unesco World Heritage site, begins. For three generations, the Rigaudis Family has reinvented this 19th-century townhouse, built over the cellars of a Carolingian Abbey – ruled over by calm and fine dining in the shade of the 300-year-old surrounding park. The restaurant at the Domaine serves the original recipe for the typical local "Dieu le Fils" cassoulet. In a region where history, mysteries and legends, such as the story of Abbot Saunière's treasure in Rennes-le-Château, abound, discover Cathare abbeys and castles whose ruins rise from cliff tops and rocky promontories.

#### Weekly closing:

Hotel: Sunday and Monday from February 3rd to April 30th included and from September 30th to December 17th included (except bank holidays). Main restaurant: Sunday evening and Monday from February 3rd to April 30th included and from September 30th to December 17th included (except bank holidays), Monday noon, Tuesday noon and Wednesday noon from May 2nd to September 30th included (except bank holidays). "Le Bistrot d'Auriac": Monday, Tuesday evening, Wednesday evening, Thursday evening and Sunday evening from January 2nd to April 30th and from October 1st to December 31st (except bank holidays), Sunday evening from May 1st to September 30th (except bank holidays)



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- Let's drink wine and dance
- Carcassonne, in wide angle
- Nautical Picnic on the Canal
- Slow Road in Cathar Country





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# 7 PRADES — 1 NIGHT

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### Château de Riell

**Hotel and restaurant on a river.** In an unspoilt valley in French Catalonia, looking out at the snow-topped mount Canigou, you will find the Château de Riell, perched among parasol pines and oleander trees. This hotel is made for hedonists, with its baroque interiors and a restaurant whose highlights are local and respectful of nature. Sports enthusiasts can choose from the huge range of outdoor activities against a backdrop of breathtaking scenery and the open-air pool set on the castle's ramparts. Discerning gentlemen travellers will be impressed by the ambiance of the Out of Africa bar and the dacha, where you can sit and read or enjoy breakfast. A splendid escape in Romanesque Roussillon.



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#### Close to the property

- Shopping Trends in the Grand Sud
- Snorkelling on the Catalan Coast
- The Yellow Train
- It's the factory!





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