

CHAMPAGNE

Champagne, the very symbol of sophistication, graceful living and celebration, is produced nowhere else in the world. All champagnes are made within a few miles of each other outside Reims and Epernay, near the Abbey of Saint-Pierre where the legendary Benedictine monk, Dom Pérignon, supposedly invented the bubbly by accident in the early 18th Century. Just as still wines have different characteristics and tastes, so do champagnes, and the great houses of Mumm, Piper-Heidsieck, Taittinger, Veuve Clicquot and Moët & Chandon, among more than 100 others, want to prove this with guided tours (in English) of their cellars and tasting of the current vintage.



Sightseeing centers around Reims and its Notre-Dame Cathedral, the heart of France's royal history where twenty-five kings were crowned

South of the Champagne vineyards is Troyes, once one of Europe's most magnificent cities. This capital of the Counts of Champagne, who ruled the region before there was a France, is lined with beautifully-preserved half-timbered houses built during the 16th Century. North of Reims are the French Ardennes where Europe's sometimes bloody history has been decided on the fields of Sedan, Argonne and Châlons-sur-Marne, along the rivers Meuse and Marne.

Situated at 01h30 from Paris by car and 45 minutes by TGV, Champagne is the perfect place for a full day tour outside of Paris



SITUATION & ACCESS/HOW TO GET THERE

Main Town: Reims /Epernay

- Reims : 01h30

- Epernay: 01h45

High speed train station from Paris: TGV Station Champagne /Ardennes (45 minutes)

National Airport: Paris CDG Airport (01h45 Drive)

WEATHER

The Champagne-Ardenne climate is unforeseeable. Usually, winters are cold and clear while summers are dry and warm.

ACCOMODATION



Les Crayères - Reims 5*
 20 rooms



Le Royal Champagne 5*
 28 rooms



La Briqueterie 4*
 36 rooms



L'Assiette Champenoise 4*
 39 rooms

ACTIVITIES

For Children and Family: Open the doors of a wonderful factory of “Pink Biscuits”, discover the secret of a regional and famous skilled chocolate maker

Flying Over: With a hot-air balloon or a helicopter, learn how to distinguish the different grape varieties

Discover the vineyard: in a sumptuous horse-drawn carriage, discover the wine – producer work spending a day with a winemaker, enjoy a luxury picnic in the vineyard heart, discover the marvelous property of a famous French wine – proprietary, enjoy private champagne tasting in the most famous Champagne cellar or smaller houses of Champagne

Relax and practice: play golf or enjoy a spa, experience a 4*4 rally through the forest

Culture: enjoy a private visit of Reims Cathedral or spend a full day in Ardennes on the WWI sites

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