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Discover the wine of the Loire Valley with Grape Escapes' new exclusive tour

Relax in the heart of the Loire Valley with a crisp Chenin Blanc in hand and sample fresh local fouée bread served in a restaurant cave with Grape Escapes' new tour.

Based in Tours, Grape Escapes' new Premium Loire Valley Weekend from 30 June to 3 July welcomes the wine beginner and expert.

The region offers a broader range of wine than any other small French wine-growing region, with a history of wine making dating back to the first century.

Over the weekend, wine enthusiasts will be led by local English speaking guides to four prestigious wine houses. These include the Langlois Château whose vines are grown on a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a top Vouvray producer. These are followed by the producer of arguably the best red wine in the region and one of the premium white wine producers in the town of Montlouis-sur-Loire.

Grape Escapes consider fine dining an essential accompaniment to wine and offer a taste of the Loire between wine samplings. This involves lunch in a troglodytic cave, where guests can taste the ancient French fouée bread cooked in open air ovens and a four-course gourmet lunch at a premium restaurant in Amboise.

For a slice of European culture, guests can also visit Château du Clos Lucé, the former home of Leonardo da Vinci.

The tour costs between £505 and £567 per person depending on the grade of accommodation and includes return Dover to Calais ferry crossings for a car and two passengers, three nights bed and breakfast and two days of tours in a mini coach with a Grape Escapes tour guide.

Accommodation ranges from a three star hotel or a luxury hotel in central Tours to the elegant Château de Beaulieu tucked away in the depths of the Loire Valley.

For more information or to book call 08456 430 860 or visit www.grapeescapes.net

About Grape Escapes

Grape Escapes is a specialist in travel to the French wine regions offering a selection of gourmet wine-tasting weekends in Champagne, Burgundy, Bordeaux, the Loire and the Rhone. Catering for all food and wine lovers from the serious connoisseur to enthusiastic beginner, Grape Escapes' small group tours average just 16 guests and blend tastings at prestigious chateaux and Champagne houses with more intimate invitations as the guests of smaller family-run estates. Grape Escapes also offers longer tailor-made self-drive itineraries, private group tours for friends or social groups such as hen weekends and weddings.

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