

Beaune, Burgundy, France

The undisputed capital of Burgundy wines, Beaune rewards cruisers with a perfectly preserved medieval old town, magnificent Gothic architecture, and some of the world's most celebrated wine cellars — all within easy walking distance of the coach drop-off.

Coach transfer from dock (~30-45 min) Typical call: 6-8 hrs Euro (€) French Wine country

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____	Arrive: _____	All aboard: _____
Excursion: _____	Notes: _____	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: No direct berth — ships dock at Chalon-sur-Saône or Tournus; coach transfer to Beaune

Best For: Wine tasting, medieval architecture, Burgundy gastronomy

Walk to center: Town center is compact and walkable once the coach drops you at Place Carnot

Don't Miss: Hospices de Beaune (Hôtel-Dieu) — the multicolored tiled roof is iconic

Getting around: Taxi €8–€20 · Rideshare Uber

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Hospices de Beaune — Hôtel-Dieu Museum** — The crown jewel of Beaune: a 15th-century Gothic charity hospital with a breathtaking polychrome tiled roof, preserved apothecary, and Van der... vineyard system.
- **Burgundy Wine Cellar Tour & Tasting** — Beaune is lined with historic wine houses.
- **Cité des Climats & Vins de Bourgogne** — A modern wine interpretation center celebrating Burgundy's UNESCO-listed 'Climats'
- **Cycling the Voie des Vignes** — Pedal a flat, well-marked cycle path through the famous Côte de Beaune vineyards, passing villages like Pommard and Meursault.
- **Ramparts Walk** — A 2.5 km circuit around Beaune's intact medieval walls, passing towers, bastions, and historic gates.

BEST WALKS

- **Old Town & Hôtel-Dieu Loop** 1.5 km · 40 min · Easy — From Place Carnot, stroll to the Hospices de Beaune, then wind through Rue Carnot and Rue de Lorraine past wine merchants and boutiques to the Basilique Notre-Dame...
- **Ramparts Circuit** 2.5 km · 50 min · Easy — Circumnavigate the medieval town walls for a peaceful walk past towers, vine-covered bastions, and the old town gates.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				DAYLIGHT & MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 6:52AM–8:29PM · Jun 5:45AM–9:37PM · Aug 6:38AM–8:51PM · Sep 7:18AM–7:52PM · Oct 7:59AM–6:52PM	
Apr	60°	43°	9d	Euro (€)	
Jun	76°	59°	11d		
Aug	79°	61°	9d		
Sep	72°	55°	8d		
Oct	62°	48°	11d		

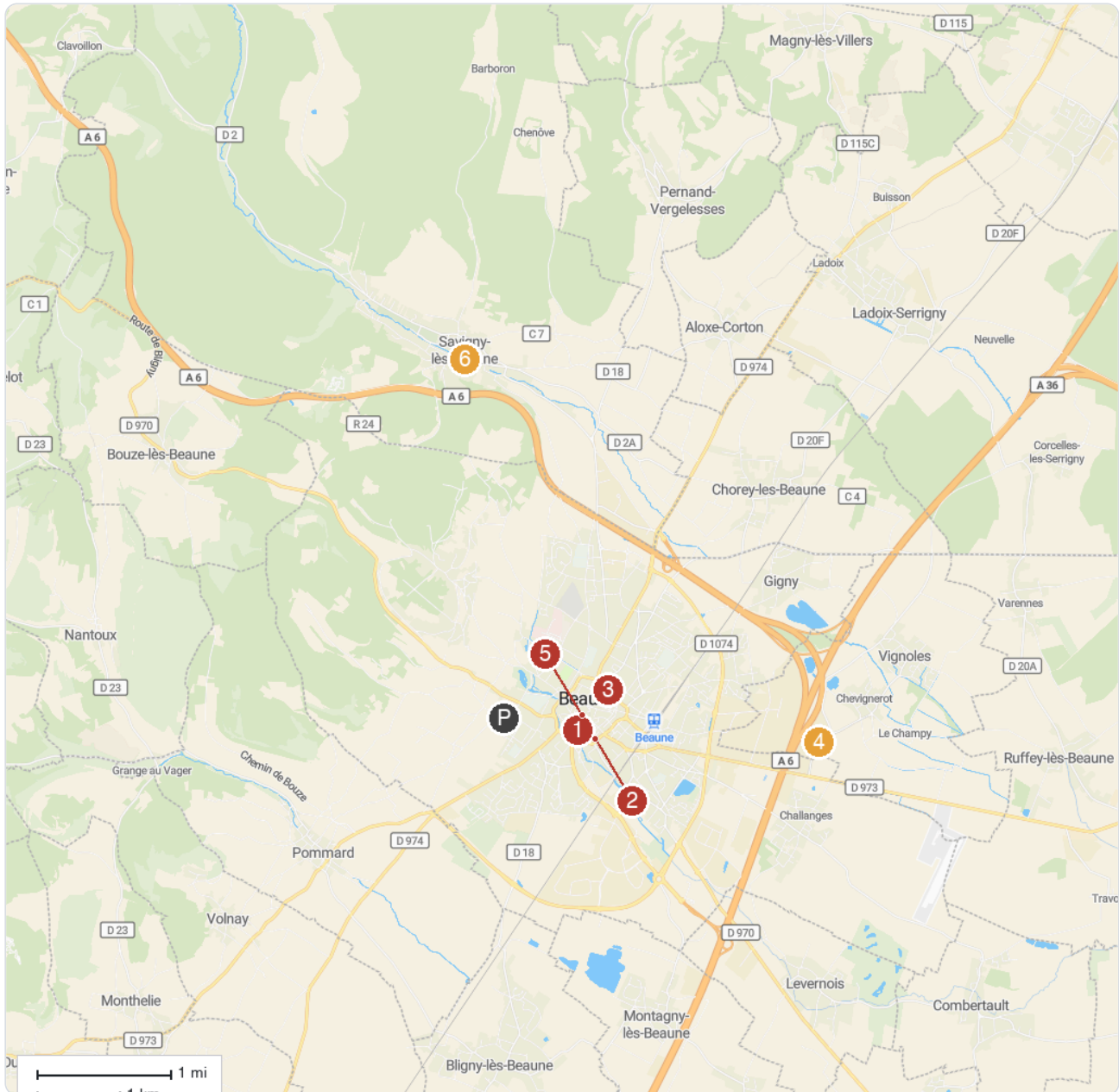
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Don't miss the coach back. Confirm pick-up time and location the moment you step off. Missing it means a €60+ taxi to the ship.
- Marché aux Vins is a great self-guided tasting. The Découverte cellar tour + 5 wines runs about €25 online — cheaper and quicker than a private cellar tour.
- Wear comfortable shoes. Beaune's cobblestone streets are beautiful but uneven; heels are impractical.
- Book Hôtel-Dieu entry in advance. This is Beaune's #1 sight and queues build quickly — pre-purchase tickets online or via your ship.
- Grab a gourmet picnic. Fromagerie Alain Hess on Place Carnot has local cheeses and can recommend a wine to match — perfect for lunch on the ramparts.
- Saturday morning is Beaune's big market (~150 stalls around Place de la Halle and near the Hospices); Wednesday morning has a smaller one — a lively local scene if your call day lines up.

Beaune, Burgundy, France — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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| 1 | Hôtel-Dieu Museum - Hospices de Beaune | Historic medieval hospital and museum with iconic patterned roof. |
| 3 | Théâtre de Verdure | An open-air theatre set within a beautiful park. |
| 5 | Musée du Vin - Hôtel des Ducs de Bourgogne | Museum dedicated to Burgundy's rich history of winemaking. |
| P | Cruise port / terminal | |
| 2 | Beaune Museum of Fine Arts | City museum showcasing regional and European fine art collections. |
| 4 | Art du Tonneau | Discover the traditional art of making wine barrels. |
| 6 | Chateau de Savigny-lès-Beaune | Historic castle housing unique museums of cars, planes, and motorcycles. |