

**7D6N: Epernay – Sillery @ Coquelicot, Les Bateaux
Belmond**

**Price per person
from
MYR 254200**



Tour Description

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Tour Itinerary

Day 1 :- ÉPERNAY

Board Coquelicot in Épernay and prepare to see Champagne from a fresh perspective. Your effervescent cruise begins with a champagne reception, the perfect chance to meet your dedicated captain and crew. Unpack and explore your intimate sanctuary, noticing delightful details such as fluted walls, sparkling finishes and subtle red poppies – in reference to Coquelicot's namesake. On deck, discover a choice of spaces to unwind, softened by antique lighting, potted herbs and wildflowers. Soon, take your seat in the dining area for your first gourmet dinner of the week.

Day 2 :- MAREUIL-SUR-AÏ

The morning begins with a leisurely cruise towards Mareuil in the heart of the Champagne region. Relax into the rhythm of the water and perhaps alight from Coquelicot to walk along the towpath. The barge is equipped with bikes should you wish to opt for a gentle cycle ride. A delicious lunch is served on board, after which it's time for a visit to Hautvillers Abbey. It was here that the monk Dom Pérignon accidentally discovered how to make champagne through the process of secondary fermentation. His tomb can be seen in the abbey, which also boasts spellbinding views over the vineyards. Enjoy a private tasting at a local champagne house, before exploring Épernay, the jewel of Champagne. Discover its elegant avenue, stretching nearly a kilometre and lined on both sides with magnificent mansions and prestigious champagne houses. Return to the barge and unwind over an aperitif before dinner is served on board.

Day 3 :- CHÂLONS-EN-CHAMPAGNE

This morning brings a unique highlight. Visit Taissy, the home of Ruinart champagne, for a rare, one-off experience curated between Belmond and Ruinart. The oldest established champagne house, dating from 1729, Ruinart embodies the French spirit of savoir faire and art de vivre. Accompanied by your guide, enjoy an exclusive tour of the vineyard and sample some exquisite champagnes. Then return to the barge for a spectacular five-course lunch created by Ruinart's private chef and paired with specially selected vintages. Continue cruising to our evening mooring at Châlons-en-Champagne. Tonight, dinner is served on board.

Day 4 :- CONDÉ-SUR-MARNE

The day starts with a tour of Châlons-en-Champagne, whose rich heritage is evident in beautiful timber-framed buildings and splendid churches. Saint-Etienne Cathedral, a Gothic masterpiece, houses stunning stained-glass windows while the Cloister of Notre-Dame-en-Vaux is remarkable for its statuary. Head to the colourful market with your chef, who will talk you through the luscious produce. Choose some ingredients that catch your eye and Chef will transform them into a feast back on board. Continue cruising along the tranquil canal and admire the picturesque scenery before disembarking for an enchanting champagne tasting at a small local producer. Return to the barge for dinner and captivating conversation beneath the stars.

Day 5 :- VAUDEMANGE

Linger over breakfast as Coquelicot heads for Vaudemange, a quiet mooring at the junction between the Marne's Lateral Canal and the Marne-to-Aisne Canal. Alight for lunch at the elegant Brasserie Le Jardin bistro, where Chef Philippe Mille's renowned cuisine is inspired by the seasons and the Champagne region. Afterwards, continue to Reims (pronounced ranse), famous as a centre of champagne production but equally renowned for its soaring Gothic cathedral. It was here that, between 816 and 1825, some 34 French sovereigns were crowned. Immaculate, leafy boulevards, Roman remains and art deco cafés await exploration. Dinner tonight is served on board.

Day 6 :- SILLERY

After a relaxed morning cruise, with ample time to absorb the tranquil scenery from on deck, and lunch on board, alight for a thrilling visit to Veuve Clicquot. One of the most celebrated champagne houses in the world, it was named after the widow (veuve) who took over her husband's wine business at the tender age of 27 and rescued it from the brink of failure. She was to become one of the world's first international businesswomen. Plunge into the atmospheric underground cellars that stretch deep into the crayères, or chalk pits, for over 24km and glean fascinating facts about this most hallowed of marques. Back on board, Chef is busy preparing a sumptuous farewell gala dinner for you.

Day 7 :- SILLERY

Awake to enjoy an indulgent breakfast. After, the crew bids you a fond farewell as you disembark for your onward travel arrangements.

Tour Prices

Travel Date	Private Charter (Price Per Person)	-	Child (2-11 years)	-
7 April - 13 April 2024				
5 May - 11 May 2024				
16 Jun - 22 Jun 2024				

What's included

Destination	France
Departure Location	Epernay
Return Location	Sillery
Price includes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Meal and beverages● Excursions● Private guide● Return transfer● Private tour of Ruinart vineyard