## Immerse Yourself in the Wine Wonderland of Bordeaux, France (Europe) for Six Days & Five Nights at Hotel de Seze in a Superior Double Room with Economy Class Air for Two, Including a Tour of Merlot Wines of Saint-Emilion and Pomerol and a Great Cabernets of the Medoc Tour

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You'll enjoy your stay at the four-star Hotel de Seze, which is set among the shops and restaurants along Allées de Tourny, a Mecca for shopping, luxury goods, and gastronomy. This upscale hotel in an 18thcentury building features a private 11-acre golf course, located a 15-minute drive away, for which a shuttle service is available, and puts you within minutes of Saint-Catherine Street, the lake, and Bordeaux City-Centre. You can also walk from the lovely hotel to both Grand Théâtre de Bordeaux and the historic riverfront square, La Place des Quinconces. The refined, traditional accommodations come with flat-screen TVs, minibars and free Wi-Fi, and as a guest you'll have access to other amenities including a posh bar with a cigar lounge, and a spa with a whirlpool tub, a sauna and massage services.

The crown jewel of your stay will be your two full-day wine tours to the regions of Saint-Emilion, Pomerol and the Medoc, where you'll be treated to exceptional wines and classic blends, all while visiting beautiful chateaus and villages. Saint Emilion is known for vineyards that date back to Roman times, and one of the most prolific appellations in all of Bordeaux. It is also responsible for some of the most prestigious, long-lived and expensive wines in the world, such as Chateaux Cheval Blanc, Ausone, Angelus, Figeac and Pavie, which sell for hundreds of dollars per bottle. During your visit to the classified growth chateau, you'll learn how the vinification process works. Next you'll visit Pomerol, home of world renowned Petrus. Here, the predominant grape variety is Merlot, often blended with Cabernet Franc and smaller quantities of Cabernet Sauvignon. Unlike other Bordeaux regions, Pomerol has no official wine ranking or classification. Your second tour will take you to Medoc, where you'll love three wine tastings at three classified growth or Cru Bourgeois estates. Learn all there is to know about the history of the estates, the wine making process as well as the techniques used during the wine making. Then, follow the castle road to admire some of the most famous chateaus such as Chateau Margaux, Chateau Palmer or Chateau Pichon Longueville.

## Your trip for two includes:

- Round trip Economy Class air
- 6 days/5 nights accommodations at Hotel de Seze in a Superior Double Room
- Daily breakfast
- Full-day small group Merlot Wines of Saint-Emilion & Pomerol Tour
- Full-day small group Great Cabernets of the Medoc Tour
- All room-related taxes (including VAT)
- Free concierge reservation service