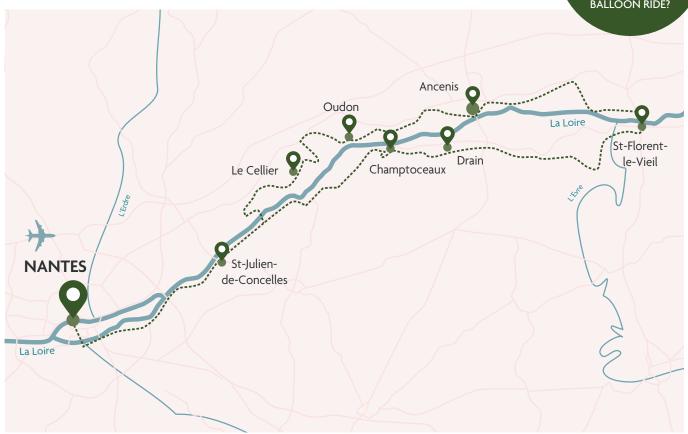


PANORAMIC VIEWS OF THE LOIRE RIVER

Loire, nothing but Loire!

Exploring this wine route, you will really feel the River Loire and its fabulous heritage. Every single stage has a direct link with the royal river. You will visit wine estates with an astonishing panoramic view over the river, have lunch on a terrace with a river view, discover the fabulous Oudon Tower which once guarded the river border or enjoy a peaceful cruise....

THE LOIRE VALLEY
FROM ABOVE: WHAT
ABOUT A HOT AIR
BALLOON RIDE?



Day 1











Morning

Wine tasting at wine estate **Domaine des Génaudières** in Le Cellier, with a breathtaking view over the Loire.

Visit of **Oudon's medieval castle** to discover the Loire across centuries through audiovisual display. On the rooftop, one of the most beautiful views over the river!

Lunch at **La Table du Pêcheur** in Ancenis, with a waterfront terrace. Fresh fish specialities, seafood platter and Loire delicacies from the sea.

Afternoon

Cycle ride on the **Loire by Bike** cycling itinerary, slowly enjoying the beauties of the royal river.

Visit of **Saint-Florent-le-Vieil**, a city of character! Its abbey-church marks the Loire landscape. A tour of the old town or a walk along the Julien Gracq promenade on the Loire banks will reveal its beauty and charm.

Dinner at restaurant **La Gabelle** in Saint-Florent-le-Vieil, its panoramic view over the Loire offers a spectacular sunset when night falls. It perpetuates the region's gourmet tradition and offers dishes prepared with flavoursome, locally-sourced produce.

Night at **Hostellerie de La Gabelle***** in Saint-Florent-le-Vieil. The hotel boasts a peaceful setting on the banks of the Loire River.

Day 2











Morning

Visit and wine tasting at **Domaine des Galloires** in Drain, with an exceptional view on the Loire. Here, Malvoisie, an aromatic white wine produced from Pinot Gris grapes, is an institution.

Lunch at **La Citadelle** restaurant in Champtoceaux. It offers traditional French cuisine in a setting made with stone and wooden beams.

Afternoon

Cruise on the Loire with **La Luce**. The tour introduces passengers to the river's wildlife, and also to the buildings along its banks. Along the way, passengers can enjoy some magnificent views, including fishing villages and a monumental garden built on a rocky outcrop.

Dinner at **Auberge du Val de Loire**, a gourmet restaurant on the banks of the Loire at Divatte-sur-Loire. Regional and creative cuisine using fresh local products. The spirit of Clémence, mother of the famous "beurre blanc" sauce, still reigns over the restaurant.

Night at **Radisson Blu Hotel****** in Nantes, Housed in a beautifully renovated neoclassical courthouse, the Radisson Blu Hotel in Nantes is ideally located for exploring the city.



ADDITIONAL SUGGESTIONS

WINE ESTATES

• 1 Vignobles Marchais – a night in a barrel – Thouaré-sur-Loire

VISITS & ACTIVITIES

- Ancenis local market on Thursday and Saturday mornings
- Nantes museums and 2 Le Voyage à Nantes green line for an endless journey
- 3 Les Machines de l'île extraordinary universe, Nantes

RESTAURANTS

- Les Terrasses de Bel-Air, Ancenis
- Brasserie La Cohue in Champtoceaux
- 4 Brasserie La Cigale, Nantes

HOTELS

- Château de la Turmeliere***, Orée-d'Anjou (groups)
- Le Champalud***, Champtoceaux
- L'Hôtel***, Nantes







