

1 Day Itinerary

Loire Valley Châteaux and Wine (Option 1)

Day 1 Option 1: Loire Valley (two castles, one wine tasting) (9hr)

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9:00 AM

Start Time

6:00 PM

End Time

9hr

Duration

Meeting Point
Hotel Reception

Meet your driver/guide in the Reception area of your hotel for your private luxury transfer to the Loire Valley. *En route*, stop to visit the [Chateau de Chambord](#), a French Renaissance style chateau and the largest chateau in the Loire Valley. Built by King Francois I, it served as a hunting lodge but was also a pretext for maintaining proximity to his mistress Claude Rohan, the Comtesse de Thoury, who lived with her husband, Count Julien de Clermont, in the adjacent Chateau de Muides. *Please note that if a visit is not possible on this date, your guide may replace it with a visit to [Châteaux Amboise](#).* After your visit, take time for a pairing lunch at [La Cave](#) (subject to availability).

In the afternoon, enjoy a visit and wine-tasting at a vineyard recommended by your guide, according to availability and your preferences (see notes). After the tasting, continue to [Château de Chenonceau](#) for a private guided tour. The history of this stunning castle is defined by an almost uninterrupted succession of women who built, embellished, protected, restored and saved it. The first château was a medieval château dating from the 12th and 13th centuries, of which only the dungeon remains: the Tour des Marques. The château in its current form was built between 1513 and 1517, by Thomas Bohier and above all his wife, Catherine Briçonnet.

Return to Paris with your driver/guide at the end of your touring day.