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FROM BIG TO SMALL...

MORNING

On your way to **Clochemerle**, well known because of the eponymous book by Gabriel Chevallier, admire from **Denicé** the impregnable view of the **Château de Montmelas**: initially a strong hold for the Squires of Beaujeu and redesigned in the XIXth century with crenelated walls, battlements, it is truly a fairy tale castle.

You will be able to admire an authentic 18th C wooden «squirrel press» in the **wine cellar of the Marquis de Montmelas**, a remarkable witness of Beaujolais wine heritage.

Go back in time by visiting the village of **Salles-Arbussonnas**, its Benedictine priory founded in the 10th century under the authority of Cluny Abbey : it is the last Roman cloister in this region. **The Priory museum** retraces the lives of the canonesses, between wordily sophistication and religious life, these powerful noblewomen profoundly influenced life in the village.



Lunch

Auberge de Clochemerle

Rue Gabriel Chevallier 69460 Vaux en Beaujolais
04 74 03 20 16

Gastronomic restaurant member of Toques Blanches Lyonnaises, 1 star in the Michelin guide

Or

La Benoite

108 rue de Voûte 69460 Salles-Arbussonnas
04 74 69 25 82

Regional dishes which offers a menu throughout the seasons

AFTERNOON

Stroll through the picturesque village of **Vaux en Beaujolais** alias "**Clochemerle**" with its talking flowerpots and the Gabriel Chevallier museum retracing juicy anecdotes from the novel, the theatrical round about and the infamous "pissotière" in the centre of the square of "petit tertre". Admire the large **fresco painting that received the "pinceau d'or" in 2012**.

Leaving the "Petit Tertre" square, follow the route of the famous figures through the village up to the highest point where you will get an exceptional view of the surrounding vineyards and the Saône valley.



Wine tasting domaine

Cave de Clochemerle: place du petit tertre - 69460 Vaux en Beaujolais - 04 74 03 26 58

The + : Beaujolais-villages wine boutique with illustrations relating Clochemerle's histories from the novel.



Musical evening

Voulez-Vous Grand Lyon:

181 avenue Général Leclerc - 69480 Anse
02 38 86 79 63

Dinner show, using modern multimedia technology, sound and light (on reservation).



Good Tips

- **Claude Bernard museum** in Saint Julien en Beaujolais to discover the works of this exceptional man of science: free entrance every first Sunday of the month.

- **The Priory Museum** in Salles-Arbussonnas: free entrance every first Sunday of the month.



Others activities

- Visit Tree adventure park at **Au Fil des Arbres** in Blacé,
- Discover the golden stone aera in a 2 CV or e.mehari with **the Domaine des Côteaux d'Or** in Pouilly le Monial /Porte des Pierres Dorées,
- Visit **Château de Pravins** in Blacé: one of the oldest vineyards in Beaujolais around a remarkable heritage with the manor house, the winery, the cellar and the outbuildings.

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