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# INSIDERTIPS

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## BORDEAUX, FRANCE

Elegant Bordeaux, restored to a glow, is the best example of a classic Apollonian 18th-century city in Europe. A stroll through the center will take you through the Place de la Bourse and the Place du Parlement. But Bordeaux is also synonymous with wine. The region boasts some of the world's best vineyards, and some are even in the town itself. Whether your tastes run to the artistic or the culinary, Bordeaux is sure to delight.

Your Seabourn Tour Office has many shore excursions available that visit the better known highlights. Should you have visited those attractions already, the staff will be pleased to assist you with private arrangements to visit a few of the lesser known places we recommend here.

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### "To Eat" Expense Key

\$ Inexpensive

\$\$ Moderate

\$\$\$ Expensive

\$\$\$\$ Very Expensive



### TO SEE & DO

For excellent views, the city's oldest bridge, the Pont de Pierre, is a must. Here are a few other artistic and cultural venues you might want to check out.

#### Maison du Vin

Free information about local wines in the heart of the city.  
3 cours du 30-Juillet  
Mon-Fri 9-5  
00-22-88

#### Grand Théâtre

One of the last remaining theaters of its kind, epitomizing the city's 18th-century style.  
Place de la Comédie  
Mon-Sat 11-6  
00-85-95

#### Tribunal de Grande Instance

Legal complex encompassing a thousand-year-old Norman wall.  
30 rue de Frère Bonie  
Daily 9-6  
01-34-00

#### Museum of Decorative Arts

18th-century life in Bordeaux, with furniture, glassware, ceramics, and more.  
39 rue Bouffard  
Sun-Mon, Wed-Sat 2-6  
(11-5:45 for special exhibitions)  
00-72-50

#### Jardin de Gambetta

This majestic garden is a local favorite.  
Place Gambetta

#### Musée des Beaux Arts

Outstanding collection of paintings from the 15th-20th centuries.  
20 cours d'Albret  
Daily 11-6; Closed Tues  
10-25-13

#### Cathedral of St. Andre

The largest and most ostentatious church in Bordeaux.  
Place Pey-Berland  
Daily 7:30AM-6:30PM  
00-66-00



### TO EAT

With some of the world's best vineyards so close at hand (some even in town), Bordeaux's wealth is built on wine, and the local expertise in the pleasures of the table comes naturally.

#### Les Plaisirs d'Ausone

Well thought-out, inventive food.  
10 rue Ausone  
\$\$  
Lunch Tues-Fri 12-2  
79-30-30

#### La Tupina

Country food from one of Bordeaux's best chefs.  
6 rue de la Porte de la Monnaie  
\$\$\$  
Lunch daily 12-2  
91-56-37

#### Le Vieux Bordeaux

A neighborhood institution.  
27 rue Buhau  
\$\$  
Lunch Tues-Sat 12-2  
52-94-36

#### L'O de l'Hâ

Creative cuisine inspired by New York's Bouley.  
5 rue de L'Hâ  
\$\$\$  
Lunch Tues-Sat 12-2  
81-42-21

#### Cassolette Café

For great French family-style food.  
20 place de la Victoire  
\$  
Daily 12-12  
92-94-96

#### Le Bistrot d'Edouard

Fabulous value for a good three-course menu.  
16 place du Parlement  
\$  
Lunch daily 12-2  
81-48-87



### TO BUY

Head to rue St. Catherine, the longest pedestrian street in all of Europe, and don't miss the Galerie Bordelaise shopping center. Wander through the city's shopping district, known as the Golden Triangle, bordered by 2 Allée de Tourny, Cours Georges Clemenceau, and Cours de L'Intendance.

#### Marché Saint-Michel

A popular multi-ethnic market every Tues and Sat morning along Saint Michel Cathedral.  
Pl Cantelop, Saint Michel

#### Bordeaux Magnum

Bordeaux wine of all kinds and all prices.  
3 rue Gobineau  
Mon-Sat 9-8; Sun 10-5  
Closed Sun, Open May-Sept  
48-00-06

#### L'Intendant

Another good specialty wine shop.  
2 Allées de Tourny  
Mon 2:30-7; Tues-Sat 10-7:30  
48-01-29

#### Dourthe Jacqueline

Innovative fashion designs by a local designer.  
18 rue Lafaurie-de-Monbadon  
Tues-Sat 10-6  
52-35-78

#### La Soierie (Chantal Olivier)

Silk garments of all kinds for women.  
54 cours Georges-Clemenceau  
Mon-Sat 10:30-7  
51-23-75

#### Galerie Condillac

Art showcase, with an emphasis on local artists.  
24 rue Condillac  
Tues-Sat 9:30-1, 2:30-7  
79-04-31

#### Galerie Bordelaise

A 19th-century shopping arcade.  
cnr R de la Porte Dijaux &  
R Ste-Catherine  
Open daily