

# Saroché

CRUISING THE BURGUNDY REGION OF FRANCE

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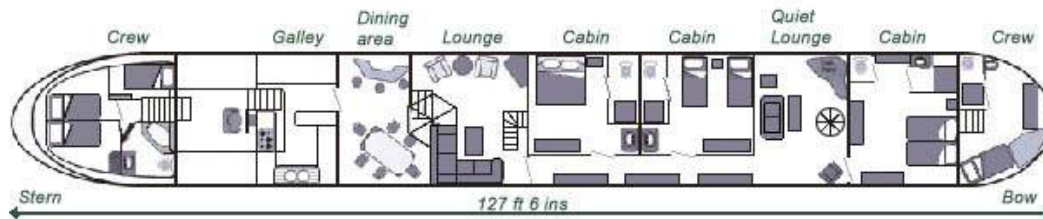
# TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

## Saroche

### SPECIFICATIONS

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| Size:               | 128"X16'5"   |
| Capacity:           | 6  |
| Crew:               | 4  |
| Cabins:             | 3  |
| Accommodations:     | 3 Double/Twins   |
| Heat & Air:         | Individual Heating and Air-Conditioning in Each Cabin  |
| Cruising Region:    | Burgundy   |
| Length of Cruise:   | 6 Nights   |
| Departure Day:      | Sunday   |
| Electricity:        | Electric Power 24 Hours A Day  |
| Meals:              | All Included   |
| Beverages:          | All Included   |
| Entrance Fees:      | All Included   |
| Hairdryers:         | Supplied   |
| Laundry Facilities: | Not available  |
| Transportation:     | Transfers to and from Dijon & Private Motorcoach for excursions  |
| Pick-Up Location:   | Hotel, Rail Station or Airport in Dijon  |
| Pick-Up Time:       | 4:00 PM  |
| Recreational Items: | Bicycles, woodburning fireplace, fully stocked bar, soundsystem with CD, Satellite TV with CNN, Jacuzzi, Video player, library of books & games, fish pond with waterfall and goldfish |
| Cruising Season:    | April until November   |

### BOAT DIAGRAM



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## SAMPLE ITINERARY

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DIJON TO VANDENESSE

### Sunday Afternoon - Dijon

Guests are greeted at the pre-designated meeting point and escorted to **Saroché** in Dijon. After settling in you are invited to join the Captain for a Champagne Reception and cruise safety briefing. Plenty of time for a stroll around Dijon or merely relax on board and enjoy the view.

### Monday - Cruising: Dijon to Fleurey sur Ouche

our first day cruising leaves behind the bustling centre of Dijon as we journey upwards to our evening halt in the village of Fleurey sur Ouche nestling in the Ouche valley. Climb to the top of the church of Notre Dame to view the marvelous panoramic view over the surrounding countryside. **Excursion: Tour** the Côte de Nuits vineyards known as the Champs Elysées of Burgundy. Visit the Château of Clos de Vougeot, established by the Cistercian monks and famous for its wines. The Chevaliers du Tastevin meet here to sample the wines and confer their medals on selected vintages.

### Tuesday - Cruising: Fleurey sur Ouche to Gisésey sur Ouche

This morning we continue upwards in the tranquility of the countryside and the lush scenery of the Ouche valley through Pont de Pany and Saint Marie sur Ouche to this evening's halt at Gisésey sur Ouche. Plenty of opportunities to stroll or cycle alongside the vessel as it slowly meanders along between locks to work up an appetite for this evening's meal ashore at a typical country restaurant. **Excursion: This** morning is set aside for a tour of Dijon which has many places of interest such as the Palace of the Dukes of Burgundy housing the Fine Arts Museum with its paintings from the 14th Century to the present day. Climb the 316 steps of Philip the Good's Tower to get a wonderful view of the region.

### Wednesday - Cruising: Gisésey sur Ouche to La Bussière

Today's cruise takes us through sloping tree laden reaches and the picturesque village of Saint Victor to La Bussière where you can visit the buildings and the grounds of the medieval abbey. **Excursion:** Visit the abbey of Fontenay which was founded in 1118 by Saint Bernard and built in the Romanesque style by the Cistercian monks in the 12th Century to the 15th Century. In 1906 it was turned into a paper mill by the Montgolfier brothers but was reinstated by their descendants in 1820.

### Thursday - Cruising: La Bussière to Pont d'Ouche

Cruising along the tree lined valley we pass through the canalside villages of La Forge and Veuve sur Ouche en route to Pont d'Ouche where Charollais cattle graze peacefully in the pastures alongside the canal. **Excursion :** Beaune, Burgundy's wine capital - tour the Hôtel Dieu with its honeycombed, colored tiled roof, built in 1443 as a Hospice for the sick and needy it is now famous for its collection of pottery jars and its annual wine auctions. Visit the cellars of Patriarche Pere et Fils, the largest cellars in Burgundy, for a tasting of some of its fine wines.

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DIJON TO VANDENESSE

### Friday - Cruising: Pont d'Ouche to Vandenesse

our final morning's cruise takes us ever upwards towards the summit level as the canal winds round past the hillside villages of Bouhey and Châteauneuf. The cruise culminates in the Captain's Farewell Dinner ashore at a Burgundian restaurant.

**Excursion:** Visit the magnificent Château of Commarin with its forbidding stone walls and towers, and the romantic 12th Century village of Châteauneuf, former seat of the Duke of Burgundy, prominent upon its hilltop overlooking the Canal.

### Saturday - Vandenesse

Time after breakfast for one last chance to sit on deck before your departure from **Saroche**.

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DIJON TO ST LEGER

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### Monday - Cruising : Dijon to Longecourt-en-Plaine

Leave behind the bustling centre of Dijon and journey through the countryside to the canal side village of Longecourt. Stroll between the locks or cycle alongside as the barge travels slowly through the pastoral countryside. Excursion : A tour through the Côte de Nuits vineyards known as the Champs Elysées of Burgundy; sample the famous wines at special tastings; visit the Château of Clos de Vougeot.

### Tuesday - Cruising : Longecourt-en-Plaine to Seurre

Travel along to the picturesque little town of Saint Jean de Losne, where the cruise joins the tranquil River Saône, the cruise continues on to the pretty village of Seurre with origins going back to the 5th Century BC. Excursion : A trip to Beaune, Burgundy's wine capital, for a tasting at Patriarche Pere et Fils the largest cellars in the Burgundy. Tour the Hotel Dieu with its honeycombed, coloured tiled roof - famous for its collection of pottery jars and its annual wine auctions.

### Wednesday - Cruising : Seurre to Chàlon-sur-Saône

Chàlon-sur-Saône is a bustling riverside town with good shopping and many picturesque riverside walks or cycle paths. The old city is a mesh of mediaeval cobbled streets with half-timbered houses, lively squares and historic churches and the cathedral. Excursion : Visit the Denon Museum and the Niépce Museum, tracing the history of photography, and named after Nicéphore Niépce (1765-1833) the inventor of photography and a native of Chàlon.

### Thursday - Cruising : Chàlon-sur-Saône to Chagny

The cruise route now enters the Canal du Centre at Chàlon and begins the climb through the cornfields and through tree lined reaches to the bustling town of Chagny. Excursion : The 13th Century Château Le Rochepot - built by crusading knight Régnier Pot, thrown to the lions for refusing the hand of the Sultan of Arabia's daughter, he miraculously came out the winner and was released for his bravery.

### Friday - Cruising : Chagny to Saint Leger sur Dheune

The final cruise borders the Côte d'Or wine region and meanders round the craggy slopes of the Maranges hills with their famous vineyards to Saint Leger. Captain's farewell dinner ashore in Santenay. Excursion : Visit Santenay for wine-tasting at one of the many picturesque caves, maybe a dip in the soothing thermal springs or perhaps a visit to the Casino.

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# CRUISE SCHEDULE

## Saroche 2007

| Cruise Route         | Season           |
|----------------------|------------------|
| April 1st-7th        | Sete/Beaucaire   |
| April 8th-14th       | Beaucaire/Sete   |
| April 15th-21st      | Sete/Beaucaire   |
| April 22nd-28th      | Beaucaire/Sete   |
| April 29th-May 5th   | Sete/Beaucaire   |
| May 6th-12th         | Beaucaire/Sete   |
| May 13th-19th        | Sete/Beaucaire   |
| May 20th-26th        | Beaucaire/Sete   |
| May 27th-June 2nd    | Sete/Avignon     |
| June 3rd-9th         | Through route    |
| June 10th-16th       | Through route    |
| June 17th-23rd       | Macon/Dijon      |
| June 24th-30th       | Dijon/Vandenesse |
| July 1st-7th         | Vandenesse/Dijon |
| July 8th-14th        | Dijon/Vandenesse |
| July 15th-21st       | Vandenesse/Dijon |
| July 22nd-28th       | Dijon/Vandenesse |
| July 29th-August 4th | Vandenesse/Dijon |
| August 5th-11th      | Dijon/Vandenesse |
| August 12th-18th     | Vandenesse/Dijon |
| August 19th-25th     | Dijon/Vandenesse |
| Aug 26th-Sept 1st    | Vandenesse/Dijon |
| Sept 2nd-8th         | Dijon/Vandenesse |
| Sept 9th-15th        | Vandenesse/Dijon |
| Sept 16th-22nd       | Dijon/Vandenesse |
| Sept 23rd-29th       | Vandenesse/Dijon |
| Sept 30th-Oct 6th    | Through route    |
| Oct 7th-13th         | Avignon/Sete     |
| Oct 14th-20th        | Sete/Beaucaire   |
| Oct 21st-27th        | Beaucaire/Sete   |
| Oct 28th-Nov 3rd     | Sete/Beaucaire   |
| Nov 4th-10th         | Beaucaire/Sete   |

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## 2007 PRICES

# Saroche

### 6 Night Cruise

#### Sunday Departures

#### Per Person:

\$3,200 p/p Special Season

\$3,850 p/p Value Season

\$4,200 p/p Main Season

#### Single Supplement:

\$500 Special

\$750 Value

\$1,000 Main

#### Up to 6 Pass Charter:

\$17,500 Special

\$22,000 Value

\$25,000 Main

#### SPECIAL SEASON:

April 01-28, Oct 14-Nov 10 2007

#### VALUE SEASON:

April 29-June 02, July 29-Aug 25 2007

#### MAIN SEASON:

June 17-July 28, Aug 26-Oct 06 2007

#### Burgundy Departures:

June 17 - October 06 2007

#### Provence Departures:

April 01 - June 02 2007;

October 14 - 10 November 2007

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## 2008 PRICES

# Saroche

### 6 Night Cruise

#### Sunday Departures

#### Per Person:

\$3,500 p/p Special Season

\$4,000 p/p Value Season

\$4,500 p/p Main Season

#### Up to 6 Pass Charter:

\$18,500 Special

\$23,000 Value

\$26,000 Main

#### SPECIAL SEASON:

March 30-April 26; October 5- November 8

#### VALUE SEASON:

April 27- May 31; July 27- August 23

#### MAIN SEASON:

June 15- July 26; August 24- September 27

#### Burgundy Departures:

July 15-September 27

#### Provence Departures:

March 30-May 31

October 5- November 8

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## MENU TYPES

# Saroché

Foie Gras with Mango and Asparagus  
or  
Scallops sautéed in Cream and Irish Whiskey  
or  
Cassoulet of Wild Mushrooms with Muscat

Wine and Truffles Orange Sorbet with Grand Marnier Liqueur

Salmon in Flaky Pastry and Champagne Sauce  
or  
Stuffed Shoulder of Lamb Provençal with Apricots and Caramelised Baby Onions  
or  
Roast Breast of Duck with Pears Poached in Red Wine and Green Peppercorns

Selection of Regional French Cheeses

Selection of Desserts, Ice Creams or Sorbets

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# Saroché

Potage de Poitron au Moules  
*Cream of Pumpkin Soup with Fresh Mussels*

ou

Salade au Brique de Fromage  
*Green Salad with a Hot Cheese Pastry Parcel*

ou

Salade du Avocat et Saumon Fume  
*Smoked Salmon & Avocado Salad*

Sorbet au Citron Vert

Roti du Lotte au Coulis de Tomates et Basilic  
*Roasted Monkfish with a Fresh Tomato and Basil Sauce*

ou

Filet de Charolais au Champignon du Bois  
*Fillet Steak with a Wild Mushroom Sauce*

ou

Magret de Canard au Sauce Rouge  
*Pan-Fried Duck Breast with a Red Berry Sauce*

Plateau des Fromages  
*Selection of French Cheeses*

Tarte au Citron  
*Lemon tart*

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Salade au Composee

*Mixed Leaf Salad with Crisp Bacon, Poached Egg & Croutons*

ou

Foie Gras Poele au Confit du Pomme

*Fresh Duck Liver, pan-fried and served with Caramelized Apple*

ou

Soupe de Cresson

*Watercress Soup with Crème Fraiche*

Orange Ceviche

Filet de Rascasse en Croute

*Scorpion Fish with a Herb & Cheese Sauce Baked in Puff Pastry*

ou

Confit de Canard

*Slow Cooked Duck with Savoury Lentils*

ou

Porc au Poirve Vert

*Pork Fillet with a Green Peppercorn Sauce*

Plateau de Fromages

*Selection of French Cheeses*

Poire Poche

*Pears Poached in Red Wine with a White Chocolate Sauce*

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