



TANGO IN BORDEAUX

Luxury River Cruises through
France's Legendary Wine Country



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"Thank you all so much for leading us on this great adventure through Languedoc. Your fine hospitality made this a vacation we will treasure always. The food, wine, history, wonderful scenery, great weather, and bike rides will all be missed. The trip has gone by in a flash and we can't believe we really must leave. Are you sure you don't need some more crew on board? Thank you again."

~Thomas and Julie Bozzell, Washington D.C.



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From the moment we were picked up in the the minivan and arrived on Tango, it has been the most magical vacation we have ever had! We're leaving you with heavy hearts and dream of returning someday!

~The Crosby Family

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A Cruise Aboard Tango...

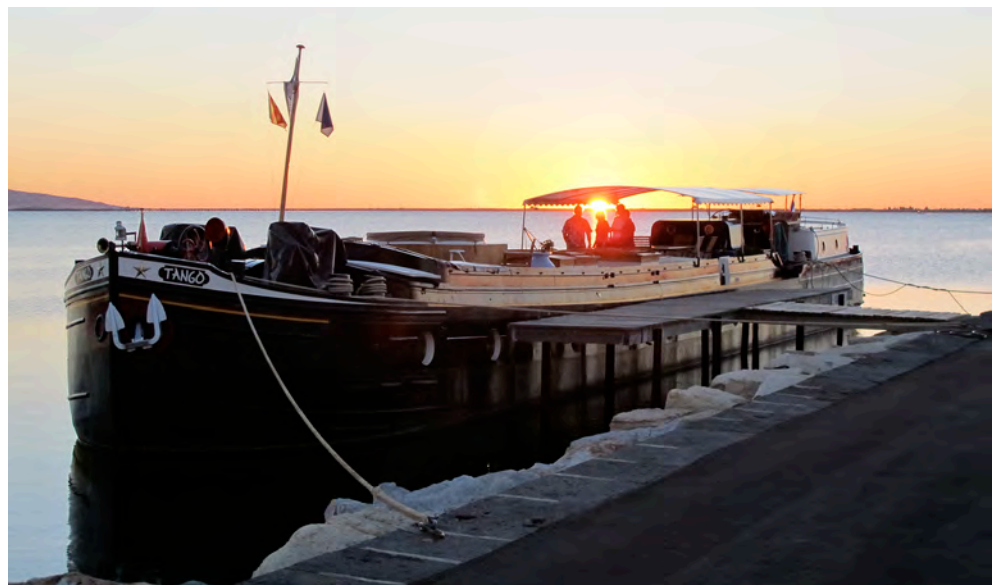
A barge cruise on Tango means relaxed luxury plus a chance for personal contact with a stimulating local culture. Each day will be a flowing experience of cruising for a few hours and sightseeing excursions in our air-conditioned mini-van, visiting historic sites, shopping at open air markets, and enjoying wine tastings.

While the barge cruises at a leisurely pace, take in the countryside from Tango's provencal-tiled deck, sip on a glass of locally produced wine, and relax while the chef prepares your next delicious meal. An English-speaking crew of four pampers you the week long.

Tango's décor is a delight in all its details. Large brass portholes and opening skylights throughout the vessel provide fresh circulating air and light. Up on deck, two terraces provide space for al fresco dining, and a sundeck with hot tub. Tango's large salon with soft leather sofas, fully-stocked bar, and dining room, provides the perfect space for congregating for after dinner drinks and conversation.

France's Bordeaux Region

The city of Bordeaux is a dynamic, newly revitalized urban area that proudly displays its restored neoclassic architecture alongside eye-catching new buildings designed by the world's leading architects. Features like pedestrianised boulevards, a high-tech public transportation system, and reclaimed riverfront docks at Bassin à Flots all make Bordeaux a perfect travel destination. Even with as much as the city has to offer, it would be a shame to miss out on the breath-taking scenery and fascinating opportunities in the surrounding countryside. Gorgeous chateaux, vineyards stretching across the rolling hills, and charming French villages appear around every bend in the river. Immerse yourself in the scenery and culture as Tango meanders through Bordeaux on the Garonne and Dordogne Rivers.



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- *A cruise on Tango offers an ever-changing scenery of vineyards, picturesque chateaux, ancient citadels,*
- *and spectacular views, with tranquil moorings for each evening.*
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2023 Six Night Full-Board Sample Itinerary 4-8 Person Private Charter Cruises

Aboard the Tango, soak in all the gourmet luxury, historic charms, and postcard-worthy scenery of the French countryside as you cruise the meandering waters of the Garonne and Dordogne in the fabled French wine region of Bordeaux. During your cruise week, a portion of each day is spent navigating aboard Tango, with the remainder of the day on a guided excursion ashore. Tango's experienced tour guide tailors the week's activities to match your interests. Follow the wine-focused itinerary described below, or opt for activities like shopping, antique hunting, museums, or even a visit to see prehistoric cave art during your enchanting week on the water.



Sunday: Bordeaux

Our tour guide meets you at 4:00 pm at a pre-arranged meeting point in Bordeaux and brings you to Tango where you'll be welcomed with a festive flute of Crémant de Bordeaux, and savory regional hors d'oeuvres. Get acquainted with the crew who will do their best to make every moment of your cruise a memorable one. Settle into your staterooms before a welcome candlelit dinner on board.

Monday: La Cité du Vin

Set off for a scenic cruise to the Cité du Vin where immersive, sensory exhibits housed in a space-age architectural complex will triple your understanding of this region's fabled wines. Celebrate your new expertise with a dégustation in the elegant Belvedere room on the 8th floor which offers a panoramic view of the city and the surrounding landscape. Head back to the barge for lunch, and sit back and admire the scenery as we cruise along the sparkling waters of the Gironde Estuary. Dinner onboard the barge.



Tuesday: Touring the Médoc

This is the land of the wonderful wines created in the mythic terrains of Pauillac, Saint-Julien and Margaux. Your guide will lead you through these renowned vineyards, extensively classified and reclassified by oenophiles, making a special stop at the exceptionally picturesque Château Beychevelle in the Saint-Julien commune. Look forward to a full day of touring and tasting, pausing only for a delicious lunch in the midst of these world-famous vineyards. Return to the barge for an evening cruise and dinner on board.



Wednesday: A UNESCO-listed Citadelle de Blaye

The Marquis de Vauban designed the Citadelle de Blaye for Louis XIV in the 1639. You'll have a guided tour of the site, followed by a visit to a lively street market. After lunch on the Tango, cruise past picturesque fishing huts and sumptuous mansions to your evening mooring in the delightful village of Libourne. You can stroll or cycle through the town before aperitifs and dinner on the barge.

Thursday: Saint-Emilion

Our air-conditioned minivan will whisk you past alluring chateaux to the medieval village of Saint-Emilion where wine-grapes have been cultivated since the Gallo-Roman era. Visit the 14th century Cloisters of the Collegiate Church and the shops before repairing to a noteworthy hillside domain for a tour of their wine-making facilities and a tasting. In the afternoon you will cruise towards the fairy-tale village of Bourg, once colonized by the Visigoths, and subsequently fortified under several royal reigns. Dinner on board.

Friday: Return to Bordeaux

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast before a guided walking tour of Bourg that will include the Gallo-Roman fountain, historic façades, the castle, antique shops, and a museum of horse-drawn carriages. After lunch on board, the Tango will cruise toward Bordeaux where, upon arrival, you'll board a water-taxi to the center of this dynamic town to admire the Water Mirror reflecting pool, the 11th century Cathedral, the Neo-Classic 18th century Opera house and/or the city's unlimited shopping opportunities. Farewell gala dinner on board.

Saturday - Departure for the continuation of your journey.

After breakfast the tourguide will take you to the pre-arranged departure point for the continuation of your journey.

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Tango's Accommodations

Tango's large salon, with soft leather sofas, fully-stocked bar, and dining table, is the perfect space for relaxing, meeting for morning coffee and croissants, or enjoying after-dinner drinks and conversation. Large brass portholes throughout the vessel provide fresh circulating air and light. Art Deco fixtures, and rich teak wall panelling recreate the atmosphere of a 1930's French passenger liner.



Desk-side, Tango has ample space to enjoy the outdoors. The main deck is the perfect spot to relax with a glass of wine as you glide past the enchanting countryside. There's a spa to melt your cares away while attaining a state of total relaxation. Lunch and dinner are served al fresco on the canopied dining terrace, where the picturesque surroundings provide the perfect atmosphere to enjoy the authentic French cuisine prepared by your on-board chef.



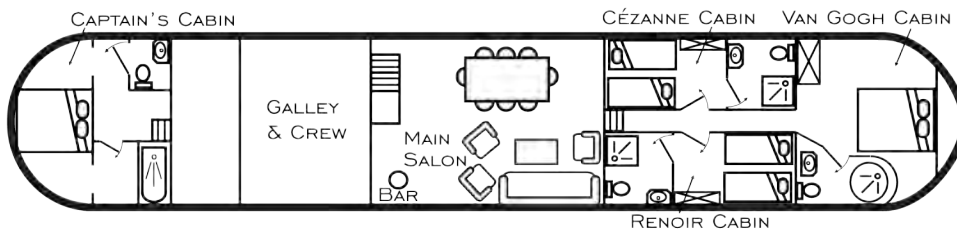
Top-quality touring bicycles are available should you wish to peddle around one of the picturesque villages.

The Van Gogh Cabin is nestled in Tango's bow. The room can be made up with twin or queen beds. The ensuite bathroom features glazed lava vanity and sink and hand made Provençal tiles in sunny, warm colors.



The Renoir and Cezanne Cabins sit opposite each other, on Tango's port and starboard. The rooms can be made up with twin or queen beds. The ensuite bathrooms are tiled in cool blues and greens.

The Captain's cabin features original mahogany panelling, a king-size bed, separated by a partition from the dressing area with a classic claw-foot tub and ensuite WC. Access from the salon and deck areas may be restricted while Tango is underway. The Captain's cabin is available only for 8 person private charters.



• “It has been fabulous. We’ve dreamed of this trip for a long time and
• it has lived up to our dreams. Each day on the Tango has brought
• memorable experiences: the wine chateau “dans son jus” with moules,
• and Narbonne’s market.”

• ~Barbara and Bob Kelley, Australia





Cuisine & Wine Aboard Tango

Cuisine served aboard Tango focuses on the rich culinary tradition of the Bordeaux area. Tango's owner, Daniel Sak, graduate of the French National Cooking School in Beaune, designs all menus and oversees sourcing of ingredients, and selection of the excellent regional Bordeaux wines. Tango's onboard chef welcomes passengers with an interest in cooking and are happy to share recipes, techniques and philosophy on fine dining. All meals prepared aboard Tango are made with garden market produce bought daily, the best quality meats and poultry from area farms, and fresh Atlantic seafood and fish.



Sample Dinner Menu

Terrine de coquilles St. Jacques aux herbes

Fresh Atlantic scallops and garden herb terrine on bed of frisee salad greens with Roquefort dressing

Ravioli farci au ricotta et épinards

*Sauce au beurre de sauge
Freshly made ravioli filled with ricotta and spinach with a sage butter sauce*

Tango Entrecote Bordelaise au foie gras

rib steak seared with a flavourful sauce of red wine and shallots, garnished with a decadent slice of seared foie gras

Ratatouille en pyramide

A pyramid of roasted eggplant, zucchini, bellpepper, sweet garden tomato sauce

Plateau de fromage

Cheese platter

Fondant au chocolat

Crème anglaise, coulis au fruits rouges

Rich and warm moist chocolate cake with red berry coulis and crème anglaise custard

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Tango's on-board chef specializes in cuisine de terroir, using only the freshest locally sourced meats, seafood, fish, and produce prepared using traditional methods and recipes unique to the region. This is the true cooking of the French people.
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2023 Cruise Rates

LUXURY SIX-NIGHT FULL-BOARD OR FIVE-NIGHT HALF-BOARD PRIVATE CHARTER CRUISES

Cruises include accommodations in your own private twin or queen-bedded cabin with elegant en suite bath, on-board chef, fine regional wines, open bar, chauffeur-guided daily excursions, transfers between Bordeaux and the barge, and use of barge amenities including bicycles and spa.

6 Night Full-Board Private Charter Rates

(4-8 passengers, double occupancy)

4 passengers:

US\$27,200.00*

6 passengers:

US\$37,800.00*

8 passengers:

US\$50,400.00*

* For passengers outside the US, please inquire for rates in Euros.

INCLUDED IN FARE:

- Six nights accommodation.
All meals, wines, bar, and refreshment drinks aboard.
- Transfers to and from the barge from the Bordeaux train station, airport, or local hotel.
- Guided excursions to historical sites, museums, entrance fees, vineyards for wine-tastings, and markets in our air-conditioned minivan.
- Use of on-board bicycles, deck-side spa, library, CD/DVD collection and player.

(Not included: The wines and alcoholic beverages on shore, personal purchases, telephone.

TERMS:

- A 30% deposit is required to confirm reservation
- Payment balance is due 90 days prior to departure date
- For cruises booked less than 90 days prior to departure, 100% payment is required to confirm reservation
- No refunds, either following deposit or full payment
- Procuring 'cancel for any reason' trip insurance is strongly advised.

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