





# **OUR ACTIVITIES**



 $Bordeaux\ Nouvelle-Aquitaine$ 









## **Bordeaux guided tour**

Accompanied by an experienced guide, students will visit the center of Bordeaux, with historical and architectural explanations. This guided tour allows students to discover the city at the beginning of their stay, so they can find their way around more easily.



#### Pey Berland Tower and Saint-André Cathedral

Pev Berland Tower and Saint-André Cathedral are two of Bordeaux's most emblematic monuments. From its 66m height, the Pey Berland Tower offers an incomparable view over the city. The Cathedral boasts dazzling architecture. Students will have a tour of these monuments and the surrounding area.



## Grand Théâtre guided tour

200€ fee

Listed as a historical monument, the Grand Théâtre is one of the finest 18th-century theaters in the world! Being a cultural landmark not to be missed in the city. the guided tour includes an exterior presentation of the building, a visit to the vestibule, the grand staircase and the auditorium.



## **Espace Darwin guided tour**

250€ fee

A former barracks located on Bordeaux's right bank, the Espace Darwin has become the city's most famous alternative cultural place, with its many works of street art, bar, eco-responsible stores and musical events. An original visit that reveals a different side of Bordeaux.



#### **Garonne River Cruise**

The Garonne River Cruise offers students the chance to discover Bordeaux from the river. Participants will sail on the Garonne while sipping two glasses of wine, and enjoying the guide's explanations about the monuments visible along the docks and the city's maritime history.





#### Bassins des Lumières

13€ / pers.

Located in Bordeaux's former submarine base, the Bassins des Lumières offers an immersive audiovisual experience into the world of one or more artists, with projections of their works with music. Exhibitions change every 6 months or so, you can enjoy the one on the Dutch Masters until january 2025.



## **Aquitaine Museum**

200€ fee

Being one of the city's most important museums, the Aquitaine Museum lets you discover the history of Bordeaux and the region, from Antiquity to the present day. You can either follow a general tour or one focused on Bordeaux in the 18th century, a specific time of triangular trade.



## **Museum of Fine Arts**

200€ fee

Another notable museum, the Museum of Fine Arts, has a permanent collection of works from the Renaissance to the 20th century. With works by European, national and local artists, this museum offer visitors a fascinating immersion into French and European paintings.



## CAPC - Museum of Contemporary Art

200€ fee

Accompanied by one of the museum's cultural mediators, students will have the opportunity to discover the CAPC's contemporary art collection, in the historic buildings of the Entrepôt Lainé, which provide a beautiful setting for visitors to admire the works of art on display.



## Film screening at Utopia cinema

5€/pers. or 300€ fee

Specialized in auteur cinema, the Utopia cinema is an original place housed in the former Saint-Simeon church. You can attend one of the films on the program (available a month in advance) or reserve a room to see a French film of your choice from Utopia's selection.

## **GASTRONOMY**





#### Pastry workshop

60 € / pers.

Guided by passionate pastry chefs, discover the art of French pastry-making in 2-hour workshops, during which you can learn how to make typical French desserts such as macaroons, Paris-Brest, Dunes du Ferret or canneles.



## **Cheese tasting**

15€ / pers.

L'Accord Parfait cheese shop offers students a tasting of a dozen French cheeses, accompanied by glasses of wine. The establishment is run by a dynamic artisan cheesemaker who will share his passion and their knowledge of the tasted cheeses and wines.



## Oyster and shrimp tasting

18 € / pers.

Discover the maritime flavors of Bordeaux with a tasting of oysters and shrimp from the Bay of Arcachon, with a glass of white wine that goes perfectly with seafood. It's an opportunity to discover a dish that's very popular with the French, but often overlooked by students.



## Visit to the saunion chocolate factory

8€/pers.

Visit Saunion Establishmens, an artisan chocolate factory in Bordeaux, to see the workshops, learn about the production process, watch a demonstration by a master chocolatier, and of course sample delicious chocolates at the end of the activity!



#### **Gastronomic dinner**

40 € / pers.

Enjoy an excellent gourmet dinner in the warm and friendly atmosphere of the restaurant La Table de l'Epicier, located close to our Alliance Française, which will offer students a complete menu with starter, main course, dessert and glass of wine.





#### Cité du Vin

20€ / pers.

The famous Cité du Vin takes students on an interactive tour to learn more about the vineyards of Bordeaux and the wine-making process. The tour ends with a glass of wine on the belvedere, where you can enjoy a beautiful view of Bordeaux.



#### Museum of Wine and Trade

[5€ / pers. + 100€ fee]

Less well known than the Cité du Vin, the Museum of Wine and Trade traces the rich history of Bordeaux's wine trade, in a building with vaulted cellars in the emblematic Chartrons district. The guided tour is followed by a tasting of two glasses of wine.



## Pape Clément winecastle

20€ / pers.

Pape Clément winecastle, a famous wine estate in Pessac, opens its doors to you for a guided tour of its vat room and barrel cellar in a superb setting. The tour ends with a tasting of three glasses of wine, including the excellent Château Pape Clément.



#### Taillan winecastle

12 € / pers.

A family estate since 1896, the Taillan Winecastle located in the Médoc region welcomes you for a guided tour of its cellars, listed as Historic Monuments, where you'll discover the age-old techniques of wine-making. The tour ends with a commented tasting of two of their fine wines.



## **Initiation to œnology**

20€ / pers.

Taking place at Cousin & Compagnie, one of Bordeaux's oldest independent wine cellars, this introductory session involves the tasting of three glasses of wine with cheese and charcuterie to share. The cellar master explains the wine-tasting process, as well as the terroirs and grape varieties.



## **SPORT ACTIVITIES**



## Introduction to sailing or paddling

18€ / pers.

Located in northern Bordeaux, the Bordeaux-Lac sailing centre organises an introduction to sailing or paddling for beginners. The course enables participants to learn more about the sport activities that are particularly appreciated by the Bordeaux population. This activity is available from May to September.



## Introduction to surfing and bodyboarding

Located between the Chartrons and Grand Parc districts, the Wave Surf Café welcomes you for an introduction to surfing and bodyboarding on an artificial wave. This one-hour activity gives students the chance to discover these two water sports, which are very popular in south-west France.



## **Introduction to climbing**

12€ / pers.

In the Arkose climbing gym, located in a former wine storehouse in the Chartrons neighbourhood, students can learn bouldering, an increasingly popular sport in France, from an enthusiastic instructor. After the session, they can relax with a drink in the warm atmosphere of the climbing gym's bar.



## **Bowling**

6€ / pers. / game

Located not far from the Alliance Française, the Mériadeck bowling allows participants to play one or more games in a friendly environment. It's the ideal way to test your skills, enjoy a nice moment together, and strengthen the group's team spirit.



#### **Petanque**

Free

The Alliance Française de Bordeaux offers you a session of petanque, a typical sport of southern France in spring and summer. Accessible to all, pétangue is a fun and friendly activity. A great time guaranteed!



## **EXCURSIONS**

## **Excursion to the Bay of Arcachon**

From 45€ / pers.







This excursion to the heart of the Bay of Arcachon begins with a visit to the Dune du Pyla, the highest sand dune in Europe. Participants then head to the port of Larros for a tasting of local oysters and shrimps, accompanied by a glass of white wine. The excursion ends in Arcachon, where students can visit the town and enjoy the beach.

## **Excursion to Saint-Émilion**

From 45€ / pers.







A visit to this magnificent medieval town, known all over the world for its wine, gives students the chance to discover the charm of a typical village at the heart of the Bordeaux vineyards. After visiting the town's underground monuments, including the impressive monolithic church, students will visit a wine château where they will enjoy two glasses of wine.

**Excursion to Paris** 

Prices according to activities







Let's make the most out of your stay in France by discovering the French capital! You can go to Paris after a 2 hour and a half train trip from Bordeaux. You stay at a hostel known for welcoming groups, and visit the most famous monuments, such as the Eiffel Tower, the Louvre Museum and the Château de Versailles.