

# IGFR – REIMS, the Capital of Champagne

Wednesday the 21st of July

Within a few minutes of Paris by the high speed train called the TGV (world train speed record of 574 kph, 358mph) you will discover the sacred city of Reims.

Rich in over two thousand years of history it contains sites which have been nominated as world heritage by UNESCO. You will have the pleasure of visiting the cathedral built in the middle ages and where several Kings of France were crowned as well as holding the baptism of Clovis in 496 AD who was the founder of the Royaume of the Francs.

How do you produce a bottle of Champagne ? Why were 322.4 million bottles sold in 2008 ? How do you choose, taste, conserve and when should you drink ? You will discover the answer to all of these questions after visiting the cellars of LANSON, one of the oldest Champagne houses, and seeing how the wine is produced as well as visiting their seven kilometers of caves.

You will be taken to see the outstanding 'Mountain of Reims' with its vineyards, its villages and the LANSON wine presses situated in the village of Verzenay.

Before leaving for the return journey to Paris you will visit the very modern Champagne House of CHANOINE ..



## Programme

- 09.00 am : Departure from the Paris TGV station, Gare de l'Est
- 09.42 am : Arrival in Reims city centre
- 10.15 am : Visit the Champagne cellars of LANSON
- 11.45 am : A visit to the vineyards by coach
- 01.00 pm : A cocktail followed by lunch in the village of Verzenay
- 02.30 pm : Leave Verzenay to visit Reims cathedral
- 04.30 pm : Visit the Champagne house CHANOINE
- 06.19 pm : Return to Gare TGV Champagne Ardennes
- 07.00 pm : Arrival in Paris Gare de l'Est

Price per person : 149 Euros



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