



Chateau Roquetaillade

A chateau fort situated on a rocky spur, hence the name meaning carved in rock. From a wood to a stone fortification, the 11th century sees Roquetaillade as a fortified village with its feudal system.

In the early 14th century, seven new castles were built by and for Pope Clement V. Roquetaillade is one of those new castles built by his nephew Gaillard de Lamothe and is the only remaining one standing intact.

It is one of the rare castles that has never been sold and has been continually inhabited by the same family.

In the 19th century it underwent many renovations by the great architect Viollet le Duc, a neo-gothic revivalist considered to be the Father of Modern Architecture.

Chateau Roquetaillade, 33210 Mazères

Bazas

The town is situated on one of the pilgrimage routes to Saint Jaques de Compostelle and boasts a Cathedral to John the Baptist which is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

It has some great restaurants to choose from and of course is famous for its Bazas cows.

Hugo Délices - hugo-delices-bazas.fr - most expensive 26€ - 35€ menu

Indigo - <https://www.facebook.com/restaurant.indigo.bazas> Tel: 05 56 25 25 52

Le Comptoir - <https://www.facebook.com/lecomptoirbazas/>

Restaurant Caro & Co - <https://www.caroandco.fr/> - 05 56 65 24 48

Le Maquignon Bazas - <https://www.facebook.com/lemaquignonbazas/> - 05 56 65 58 73

Chateau Rayne Vigneau

In the 1855 Classification of the left bank wines, Chateau Rayne Vigneau was designated as a 1st Great Growth Classified Sauternes, in first place immediately after the very famous Chateau d'Yquem.

Today Rayne Vigneau produces superb dry white wines as well beautiful Sauternes with vines averaging 30 years old, using a blend of Sémillon, Sauvignon Blanc and Muscadelle grape varieties.

Tasting three wines: Le Sec de Rayne Vigneau, Madame de Rayne, et Château de Rayne Vigneau 1er Grand Cru Classé

Chateau Rayne Vigneau
Le Vigneau
541 Route du Piquey
33210 Bommès

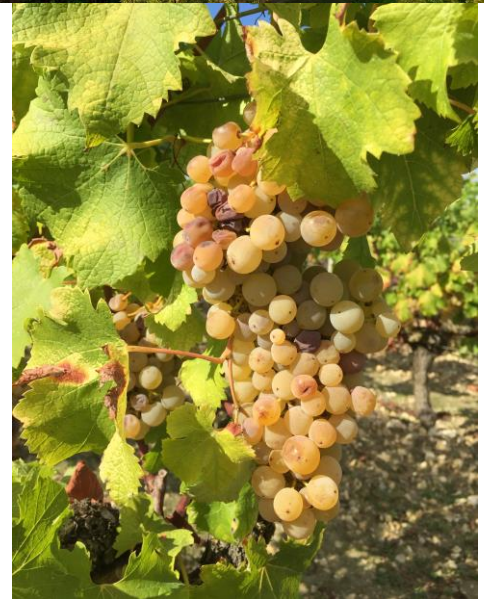


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Itinerary:

08h30	depart Eymet
10h	arrive Ch Roquetaillade rest room stop
10h15	commence tour of Ch Roquetaillade
11h45 - 12h	depart Ch Roquetaillade for Bazas
12h15/30	arrive in Bazas for lunch
14h15	depart Bazas for Ch Rayne Vigneau
15h	commence visit of Ch Rayne Vigneau
16h15	depart Ch Rayne Vigneau for Eymet