

CROSSING LYON

 **MAY 01**
1 DAY / 28 KM

ROUTE

You will start from the tip of the gorgeous two thousand years old site that is Barbe island and cross the Vaise pond fringed by Cuire Castle, its lock as well as La Rivette, a 18th century house built by Soufflot. You will enter Lyon city through the famous Saône defile which is lined with classical monuments and dominated by Croix-Rousse's steep slopes in the Canuts district. You will then arrive in the heart of the city, with its Renaissance architecture, punctuated with ancient churches. You will row along the apse of St-John the Baptist Primatial Cathedral and the Law Court with its 24 columns, and the Fourvière basilica, where used to stand the ancient Roman forum. Finally, the new « Confluence » district will surprise you with its innovative architecture. Past the confluence you will go back up the Rhône River, whose current is rapid and strong, from Gerland to the Universities before turning around.



 **ROWING LEVEL**

SIGHTSEEING

This urban tour will take you on both city rivers which are remarkably different.

- The first one, which is now on the UNESCO World Heritage list, is composed of Fourvière, the old city center of the northern part of the peninsula and the Croix-Rousse. It bears witness to the Roman creation, as well as Medieval, Renaissance and Classical eras, from the construction of silk weavers' workshops to the 19th century.

- Meanwhile the 150 hectares of the Confluence (from the south of the peninsula) area are currently undergoing a complete renovation. This former industrial zone and harbor is turning into a new city center where the many companies as well as the regional Head office came to settle. The tour will also take you around the area's brand-new Leisure complex, to see the 300m long artificial harbor, as well as former industrial buildings (Salins, Sucrière) turned into breweries or art studios, but also new architectural realizations (orange and green cubes), before finally turning before the Confluence Museum which is shaped as a ship.



PRATICAL INFORMATION

TOUR DURATION

1 day – May 01, 2019

TOUR PLACE

Saône and Rhône, rivers

BOATS

Recreational four-person sculling boats

FEES

36 € : without accommodation, 1 meal included

FOR COMPANIONS

18 € : without accommodation, 1 meal included
Visit of Lyon city following the tour.

SEAT RENTAL

100 seats available, 18 €

SAFETY

Supervision : 40 people
Safety boats : 9

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PROVISIONAL PLANNING

8am : welcome with a coffee, sign ups control, distribution of rowing tour bag, boat preparation
8.30am: boarding
9.30am: start of the tour from Barbe island heading towards the city center. For companions visit of Lyon city center.
1pm: return of the first boats, landing, and drinks. 1.30pm: lunch