

La Confrerie des Compagnons Goustevin de Normandie

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"Dear fellow wine and food lover,

GRAND CHAPTER & GALA DINNER IN ROUEN WEEKEND VISIT - OUTLINE PROGRAMME – NOVEMBER 17th – 19th 2016

This year, there are two options being offered subject to minimum viable numbers subscribing from Scotland, Germany and the USA. The first option is based on B&B for 3 nights from Thursday 17th November in a 4 star Best Western hotel in downtown Rouen (which I can recommend from personal experience), a welcome dinner on Friday evening featuring Beaujolais Nouveau (being released that day), and the Grand Chapter & Gala Dinner on the Saturday, returning home on the Sunday.

Rouen is a beautiful, historic city about one hour northwest of Paris. You are very welcome to join a few members and me on this visit. The cost for all that but excluding travel to/from Rouen will be in the region of 375 Euros (about £295 sterling at today's rates).

By arriving on the Thursday, we will be able to enjoy a full days programme on the Friday of visits organised by our French hosts prior to the Welcome Dinner that evening. The Ceremony of Induction and the Gala Dinner take place on the Saturday evening at Chateau de Belbeuf, leaving the day free to explore Rouen. Inductions/promotions will be an additional 65 Euros (preferably payable in cash in France).

* Hotel prices assume two sharing twin / double rooms and are subject to currency fluctuations – single supplements to be notified.

** As an option to staying in the Best Western hotel, our French hosts are offering home stays for anyone interested which obviously removes the hotel costs from the overall price.

OPTIONAL ADD-ON 3 NIGHT VISIT TO CHAMPAGNE – NOV. 19TH – 22ND 2016

Our French friends would be delighted to accompany a visit to Champagne embracing, I believe, among other houses, Ruinart, Taittinger, and Bollinger staying at a luxury Relais & chateau hotel the cost of which will be in the region of 415 Euros (about GBP £340 at today's rates). This will obviously be a very high grade, affordable visit staying in a luxury hotel. This cost does not include the shared cost of a coach, currently unknown, which might add about £60 per person.

Notice of Intent in relation to either option to Nicol at nicol.manson@btinternet.com is required by July 10th please.

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Please also note that the Goustevin celebrates its 50th year in Rouen on 17 November next year and we celebrate our 40th then too. This will involve special celebrations including a special weekend in Rouen followed by an optional add-on visit to Bordeaux. I will keep those interested posted on details as they emerge from France.

Obviously, a lot of planning goes into such events. In that respect I need to know by **10th July** if you remain interested in being inducted into membership in Rouen and which option of visit you would prefer.

Kind regards

Nicol Manson

Connétable & Ambassadeur en Écosse

P.S. The first tasting of the new season will be on Saturday 17 September. I shall send you full details when available.