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## "Sud Côte Chalonnaise"



# Buxy

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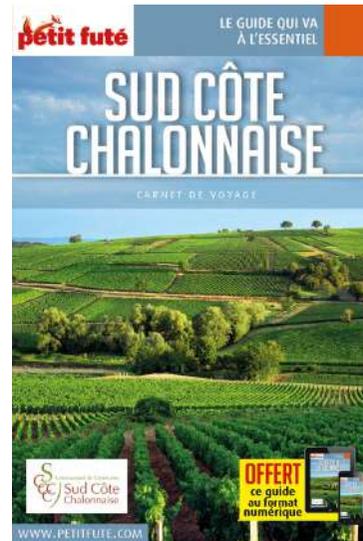
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Step by step through the old town...



# Why "Buxy" ?

The name of the town comes probably from box tree than can be found in the area.  
The "Y" at the end of Buxy is indicative of a strong Roman and Gallo Roman presence.

The village has probably existed since well before Roman Times

## The Tour Guide

### 1 "La Tour Rouge" The Red Tower

The tower is part of the remains of the old city walls, built between 1150 and 1200.

The red tiles roof, which give the building its name, dates in 1544.

The writing in Latin on the building is recent and means: "Drink the wine, which I have poured for you".



### "La Rue de la Cure" Parsonage Street 2

In the Middle Ages this was the commercial street; the "cure", now the post office, was the equivalent of the parsonage. The building dates from 1700 and had been privately gifted to the priest.

Jumbles of shops were crammed together on both sides of the road.



### 3 "L'Église" The Church

The church was altered several times over the centuries and in particular after the Hundred Years' War.

The first clock driven by weights was installed above the door of the smallest tower in 1528, the date now inscribed in the same location.



On the left hand side of the church, looking at the entrance there are some rather imposing private houses, showing that the village had been quite wealthy in the 17th and 18th centuries.

The old village, from which several old houses remain, extended behind the church.



### "La Tour du Roi" The King's Tower 4

Having been part of the fortifications, the king's tower was later turned into a dovecote. It is very near "La Place du Pont" where in the past there had been the drawbridge and the Beaune Gate.



### 5 "La rue des Fossés" Moat Road

As the name indicates, this is where the old moat (les fossés) used to run, protecting the village from invaders. We do not know whether or not it was filled with water. The fortifications were four metres thick.

