

BEAUJOLAIS OLDIES RUGBY FESTIVAL 2025

6TH TO 9TH JUNE 2025
BEAUJOLAIS - FRANCE

Play rugby in a festive spirit in the heart of the vineyards!

A festive veterans' rugby tournament in the heart of the stunning landscapes of Beaujolais vineyards! Organised in association with CSV Rugby, this tournament will be held in the superb facilities of L'Escale in Arnas village, 30' north of Lyon and 5' from Villefranche sur Saône, the capital of Beaujolais region. This is the perfect event to mix rugby & fun in an exceptional setting!



The region

The Beaujolais region is famous for its wines but offers so much more! Discover the Golden Stones area and its picturesque villages, admire the view from the hills spotted by numerous castles around Mont Brouilly, discover the warm welcome & festive spirit of the inhabitants, meet passionate wine growers & taste their wines or the local specialities in a typical bistro... No doubt you'll fall under the spell of this authentic region! And why not take advantage of your stay to discover Lyon, gastronomic capital of France! Enjoy typical restaurants of specialities, stroll through the Old Lyon Renaissance district, classified by UNESCO or admire the view from a cruise on the Saône & Rhône rivers... Between Beaujolais & Lyon, there's so much to discover !



A tournament in exceptional sport facilities!

CSV Rugby Villefranche Beaujolais is a hundred-year-old club, created in 1908. During its long history, the club's flagship team competed at regional and then national level, even reaching Group B of the then 1st Division in the 1983-1984 season, alongside Racing Club de France. Since then, CSV has played in all three divisions of the French amateur championship, reaching Fédérale 1.

Deeply rooted in the Beaujolais region and its traditions, the club is supported by a large public each week-end and also boasts an accredited training centre.



The facilities

In the heart of the Beaujolais and nestled in a green setting, the eco-friendly rugby complexe of L'Escale covers 14 hectares and offers 4 international standard pitches perfectly maintained (3 grass & 1 Astro pitch), a 1 700 seats tribune, a club-house, and a big parking area for cars and coaches. It welcomes all the matches of the CSV teams, but also big national and international events, being the base camp of Georgia national team for Rugby World Cup 2007, or hosting the U18 game France v Wales in 2017, among others.



Tournament rugby rules & conditions

FRENCH VETERAN RUGBY RULES FOR MORE THAN 35 YEAR-OLD PLAYERS

SCRUM:

- No push
- Engagement protocol

Flexion (Fr) : Crouch

Liez (Fr) : Touch

Entrez (Fr): Engage



The scrum half who does not benefit from the introduction of the ball (defending side) will not be able to follow the progress of the ball. Until the latter exits, it cannot exceed the line of its forwards.

TACKLE / RUCK:

- Tackle allowed from the waist to the feet only.
- Simultaneous tackling of two people is prohibited.

In the tackle and ruck zone, gaining the ball can be done by pushing BUT "clearing".

Must be done without impact, therefore, without momentum: we bond at first, then we push.

Players up to 50 years: No tackle allowed if they wear a red short or different colour of its rugby team. If not tackle allowed.

Contest allowed after kick-off or flying kick but no tackle

KICKING GAME:

- Penalties: kicks allowed but no goal attempt
- Line out after penalty allowed
- No conversion
- No drop
- No dribbling

SUBSTITUTES: Unlimited number



Beaujolais Oldies tournament specifications

The referees will organize a briefing with the team managers on the French Rugby rules on the Saturday morning, before the beginning of the games.

Maximum playing time: 1 hour per day

Number of games planned: 4 games per day for a total of 8 games during the 2 days' tournament.

Playing time: 15 minutes per game

Equipment: Moulded rubber studs compulsory as some matches will be played on astro pitch

Trophies : Winner / Fairplay / Looser / Best costume / Farest team

Provisional program

FRIDAY JUNE 6TH, 2025

Arrival of the International teams and check-in at your accommodation.

From 17.00: Meet & greet at the pitch for a visit of the sport complex & welcome drink with your hosts.

Dinner at leisure, night at your accommodation.

SATURDAY JUNE 7TH, 2025

Breakfast at your accommodation.

10.00: Costume parade of the teams. Choose your costumes carefully, the best one will be rewarded!

11.00: Briefing of the team managers by the referees

From 11.30: tray lunch served on site

13.30: Beginning of the games

18.00: End of the 1st day tournament

From 18.30: Optional typical Beaujolais dinner

Night at your accommodation



SUNDAY JUNE 8TH, 2025

Breakfast at your accommodation.

09.00: Meeting at the stadium

10.00: Beginning of the games

From 11.30: tray lunch served on site

17.30: End of the tournament

From 19.30: Gala dinner with the awards ceremony in Villefranche sur Saône.

Night at your accommodation



MONDAY JUNE 9TH, 2025

Breakfast at your accommodation.

Check-out. Visits & stay extensions available upon request.



Accommodation

The prices are based on a choice of hotel categories. The hotels can be situated in Villefranche sur Saône (8 km from Arnas), in Dardilly area, at the A6 motorway exit between Lyon & Arnas (27 km from Arnas), or in the Beaujolais vineyards or villages around, with a maximum of 35 km from Arnas. The name of the hotel will be confirmed 2 months before your arrival.

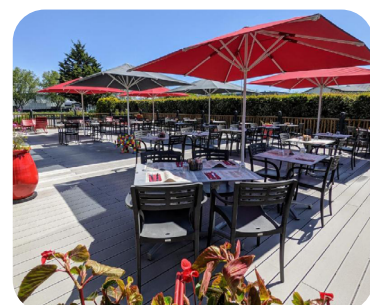
STANDARD ACCOMMODATION

Choose the services of a 2 or 3-star hotel at affordable price, with accommodation in double/twin rooms, private bathroom and breakfast included.

Focus on Ibis Lyon Villefranche sur Saône

3* hotel, Villefranche sur Saône_9 km

Located a 1-minute drive from the A6 motorway and 2.5 km to Villefranche city centre and its bars and restaurants, the hotel offers 110 comfortable and air-conditioned rooms, free WiFi, a traditional grill-restaurant opened for lunch and dinner 7 days a week, a bar open 24/7 and a terrace.



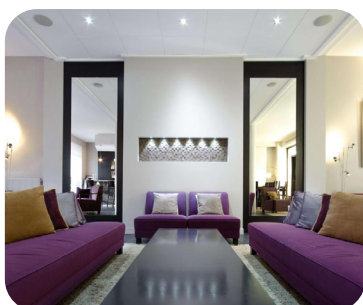
CONFORT ACCOMMODATION

3 or 4-star hotels or residences with accommodation in double/twin rooms or triple rooms, private bathroom and breakfast included.

Focus on Best Western Plus Hôtel Plaisance

3* hotel, Villefranche sur Saône_6 km

In the heart of Villefranche sur Saône historical centre, with many bars & restaurants around. Contemporary and light-filled rooms, air-conditioning, flat-screen TV. Free WiFi, fitness room, bar. No restaurant at the hotel but group dinner can be organised upon request through a caterer.



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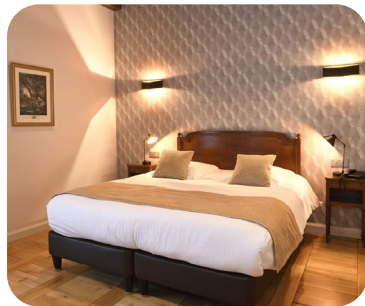
SUPERIOR ACCOMMODATION

For those who are looking for confort & high-quality service in a nice location in the city or in a green environment. Accommodation in 3 or 4-star hotels in double/twin rooms, breakfast included.

Focus on Domaine du Gouverneur Golf Hotel

4* hotel, Monthieux_25 km

For those who want to mix their passion of rugby & golf, the Domaine du Gouverneur Golf Hotel offers an exceptional setting surrounded by nature in the heart of the reknowned Gouverneur golf course, the vastest golf area of the region. Elegant & spacious rooms, outdoor swimming-pool, garden, bar & bistro-gourmet restaurant. Green fees booking upon request.



PREMIUM ACCOMMODATION

Choose the exceptional with charming & luxurious accommodation in the gorgeous Beaujolais vineyard. 4* hotels, double/twin rooms, breakfast included.

Focus on Château de Pizay

4* hotel, Saint Jean d'Ardières_19 km

A château full of charm in the heart of Beaujolais, an exceptional location for lovers of heritage, great outdoors, fine wines and regional specialties. French garden designed by Le Nôtre, spa, lounge/bar, billiard room, spacious rooms, concierge service, gourmet restaurant, outdoor swimming pool, wine cellar, bikes hire.

OTHER TYPES OF ACCOMMODATION

Ask us for our additional offers for the accommodation of your group: big holiday houses, campsites with mobile homes or cottages,etc. Depending on the size of your group, we will find the right solution for you!



Meals

LUNCHES ON SATURDAY & SUNDAY (INCLUDED)

A tray meal is included in your package for Saturday's & Sunday's lunches. Served at the club, it includes a salad, a cold main course, cheese & a fruit.



TYPICAL MÂCHON BEAUJOLAIS ON SATURDAY (OPTIONAL)



For Saturday's dinner, experience a typical « mâchon Beaujolais ». Historically, the mâchon was a hearty morning meal served to the workers after a long night of intense labour. More than just a meal, it was a ritual and the opportunity for them to gather and enjoy a convivial moment after the exhausting night. The menu was composed of local specialities washed down with wines produced in the Beaujolais area. Nowadays, it is the term used for meals composed of local wines and cold meat, saucisson & local cheeses served on plates to share, whereas in the morning or for dinner. But more than that, the mâchon is still a social event. It's about laughter, stories and bonding over shared plates. Our mâchon will be composed of a cold buffet with a beaujolais pot for 3 people. It will be a standing dinner served at the club around big tables with musical entertainment. Don't miss this true Beaujolais experience!



GALA DINNER ON SUNDAY (INCLUDED)

Your gala dinner will take place in Villefranche sur Saône. Enjoy a premium dinner including aperitif, first course, main course, cheese, dessert & a bottle of wine for 6 people. It will be a seated dinner served in a very festive atmosphere with great entertainment, including a cabaret show and, of course, the eagerly-awaited awards ceremony celebrating the best teams of the tournament! A great moment to close these 2 days of celebration and rugby!



Our packages

PLAYER'S PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- 3 nights accommodation in double/twin or triple rooms sharing, breakfast included,
- Registration fees to the tournament
- Welcome drink on Friday evening
- 2 cold lunches at the club
- The Gala dinner on Sunday evening
- 1 trophy for each team winner player in each category
- 1 bottle of Beaujolais wine per player
- Our 24-hour assistance
- A lot of fun and smiles!

NON-PLAYER'S PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- 3 nights accommodation in double/twin sharing, breakfast included,
- The Gala dinner on Sunday evening
- Our 24-hour assistance

Not included : Please ask for our transportation solutions for your transfers from/to the airport, the facilities and the events. Tailor-made programs, additional dinners and visits upon request.

Accommodation category	Player's package	Non-player
Standard	389 €	295 €
Confort	419 €	325 €
Superior	464 €	370 €
Premium	789 €	695 €
Optional mâchon Beaujolais on Saturday	35 €	
Single supplement, transportation, dinners & additional services upon request		



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New offer available now!

Campsite package

A 4** CAMPSITE BETWEEN LYON AND THE BEAUJOLAIS**

In a natural 6 hectare park, this campsite is located 25' from the tournament's location & 20' from Lyon city centre. It offers great accommodation in fully-equipped chalets of 2 or 3 bedrooms with a terrasse, a modern central lodge with a bar and a heated swimming pool. Your team will be accommodated by groups of 3 to 6 people in several chalets with the opportunity to play petanque or rugby on one of the green areas of the site, or enjoy a festive barbecue on the Friday evening,

Each chalet offers a contemporary design, a living room opening on a terrasse, a fully-equipped kitchen, 2 or 3 independant bedrooms (a master bedroom with a double bed 140 or 160 x 200 cm & 1 or 2 bedrooms with two single beds 80 x 200 cm each, a large bathroom with shower, separate toilets. Coach parking available on site.

Non-players can reach Lyon city centre very easily by public transportation (bus stops 2' walk)

Please note that the chalets are not air-conditioned, but there is a fan in each room.

PLAYER'S PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- 3 nights accommodation in chalets, breakfast included (delivered in the chalet the day before),
- Sheets & towels,
- End of stay cleaning
- Registration fees to the tournament
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Service	Player's package	Non-player
Chalet in campsite	375€	280€
Optional Barbecue on site on Friday evening	35€	



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