



## **Grape Escapes reveal secret to smooth pre-wedding in-law relations - bonding over bubbly!**

How many mothers-in law does it take to open a champagne bottle? Two, according to specialist wine tour operator, Grape Escapes, who have a cunning idea up their sleeves to ensure both sets of parents get on for the Big Day.

With the wedding season fast approaching, whisking away the in-laws to bond over a bottle of bubbly on a wedding wine-buying break in Champagne is the perfect way to encourage harmonic relations.

"Everyone knows that a successful wedding revolves around champagne – but how about taking that concept a stage further by travelling to the prestigious region to buy your wedding champagne direct from the wineries themselves?" says Grape Escapes managing director, Mark Hallett.

"Inviting both sets of in-laws along to get to know each other and purchase the wine is our secret to a successful stress-free wedding. The couple's chosen champagne can also be personalised as a special reminder of their trip."

Grape Escapes has an innovative range of different packages adding a new dimension to everything associated with the Big Day – from wedding-wine buying weekends, hen parties to the wedding itself and honeymoons.

Grape Escapes gourmet wine-tasting trips are tailored to each guest; however a guide 2-night trip for the happy couple and their respective



parents would cost around £289 per person. The price includes return Dover to Calais ferry crossing for two cars and six passengers, two nights accommodation in Reims 2.5 hours drive from Calais, a visit to a large Champagne House in Reims on arrival, a full day tour in a chauffeur driven MPV with visits to four Champagne Houses with tastings of at least 15 Champagnes, followed by a four course gourmet lunch at a top local restaurant with accompanying Champagnes and wines giving time to decide on the preferred Champagne. Time is also included to revisit the preferred winery to make the purchase and enjoy a full tour of the estate.

To book call Grape Escapes on 08456 430 860. For more information on Grape Escapes wine-tasting tours visit: [www.grapeescapes.net](http://www.grapeescapes.net)

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### **About Grape Escapes**

Grape Escapes is a specialist in travel to the French wine regions offering a selection of gourmet wine-tasting weekends in Champagne, Burgundy, Bordeaux, the Loire and the Rhone. Catering for all food and wine lovers from the serious connoisseur to enthusiastic beginner, Grape Escapes' small group tours average just 16 guests and blend tastings at prestigious chateaux and Champagne houses with more intimate invitations as the guests of smaller family-run estates. Grape Escapes also offers longer tailor-made self-drive itineraries, private group tours for friends or social groups such as hen weekends and weddings. [www.grapeescapes.net](http://www.grapeescapes.net)

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