## TO SEE ON YOUR WAY

#### The Amareins chapel

11th-century chapel belonged to the Chaise-Dieu abbey in the early 12th century. It was "Ecclesia called marengiis", a name of Burgundian origin that gave rise to the presentday name of Amareins. The Romanesque whose church. roof structure has retained its appearance, was restored in 1960 and has listed been supplementary inventory of historic monuments since 1969.

#### The Lurcy vineyard

At the beginning of the 20th century, more than 1,200 hectares of vines covered the hills of the Val de Saône, but today they have almost

> completely disappeared. As a local curiosity, Lurcy still has a few vines, a reminder of its winegrowing past.

White Chardonnay from vines grapes that are sometimes hundreds of years old used to IGP the produce appellation Vins des Coteaux de l'Ain/Val de Saône.

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## FROM THE AMAREINS **CHAPEL TO THE SAÔNE** RIVER



# From the church car park

- From Lurcy
  - From the car park, walk up the pedestrian path that joins the D88d, turn right for 200 metres before turning left into the asphalt track of Champ Petit. At the crow's feet, turn right onto the asphalt road of Le Rosier, which bends to the left, and continue on the carriageway. At the crossroads, turn left so as to pass in front of the pond of the château d'Amareins (hidden by a hillock). Cross the Appéum.
- At the crossroads, go up to the right as far as the chapel of Amareins (11th century) then retrace your steps and continue opposite. Take the first road on the left, cross the Appéum again. At the next crossroads, continue on the path opposite (panorama of the Saône valley and the Beaujolais).
- At the road, go down to the right and pass in front of the château de Lurcy before taking the montée des Grandes Terres to the left. Go down to the right by the montée des Poyes. Cross the D933 (be careful) and continue straight ahead until you reach the river.
- At the Saône, take the towpath on the left for 950 metres then follow the second path on the left. This one bends to the right to reach Messimy-sur-Saône. Turn right onto the pavement which runs alongside the D933.
- Go up the Ars road to the left of the Vierge until you reach the D28g. Turn left and then take the first path on the left that joins the Mâtre. Cross the bridge over the river. On the road, turn right.
- 6 Cross the D75a and continue on the wide dirt track between the fields. At the road, turn left and then right at the next crossroads. Continue until you reach the centre of the village of Lurcy.

Alternative: From Messimy-sur-Saône Go to the church and turn right. At the crossroads, follow the directions from point 5.

