

Let's move on. Back on the Magic Carpet, away from the rain which plagues this part of England. We're heading south – across the channel and over the flat north of France until the countryside becomes interesting and the vineyards of Burgundy appear. As we break through the early-morning mist we can see a small hill-top town with a massive Romanesque basilica at one end. This is Vezeley, where St. Bernard preached in favour of the Second Crusade in 1146. There's plenty of room in front of the church for our magic carpet to settle and the sight in front of us is stunning.