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# WE'RE ALL SMILES.

## SO MUCH TO CELEBRATE!

While we have been busy delivering first-class service to our guests on Avalon Waterways, it's rewarding to know that our efforts haven't gone unnoticed. We're humbled and happy to have earned plaudits and awards from some of the most respected travel editors, experts and bodies including Cruise Critic, Condé Nast Traveller, Good Housekeeping and The British Travel Awards. It seems we've struck the right note with our award-winning Panorama Suites<sup>SM</sup>, Open-Air Balconies®, Panorama Windows, exceptional shore excursions, and flexible dining options. However, we never rest on our laurels.

Our biggest reward is making our cruise guests feel happy – from the first throw of the bowlines to the last drop of the anchor.

That's the Avalon difference, and it doesn't get much better than that!



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# WELCOME ABOARD!

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Embark with Avalon on your choice of over 70 cruises on 10 rivers through 24 countries in Europe, Asia, South America, and Egypt. Discover the European continent on its legendary rivers from the North Sea to the Black Sea. From the English Channel to the Mediterranean Sea, discover timeless tradition and beauty on the Rhine, Danube, Seine, Rhône, Saône and Douro – to name a few. Explore South America with a cruise on the Amazon or embark on an expedition to the Galápagos Islands. Discover ancient traditions on the Mekong in Southeast Asia, or the mysterious Nile in Egypt.

Welcome aboard! Where shall we sail next?



## THE AVALON TOUCH IN EVERY DETAIL – INCLUDED ON EVERY CRUISE

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- Breakfast, lunch, and dinner on board daily
- Complimentary sparkling wine with breakfast; wine, beer, or soft drinks with lunch and dinner
- Expert Cruise Director
- Complimentary Wi-Fi
- All gratuities included in the cruise price
- Complimentary daily Happy Hour
- Club Lounge with 24-hour self-serve beverage station
- AvalonGO mobile app with itinerary information before and during your cruise
- Avalon Adventure Host available as your guide for fitness activities and active excursions
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- Welcome Back Credit – the more you travel, the more credit you earn toward future trips





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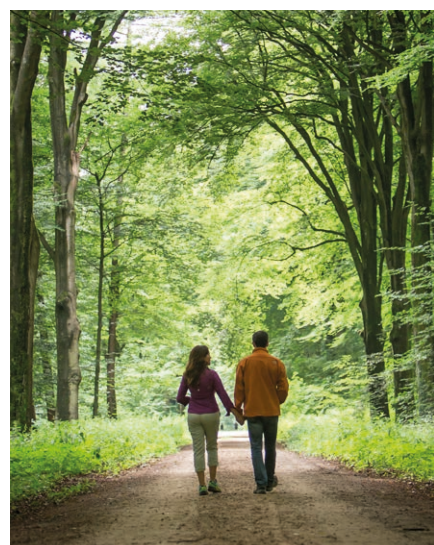
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# REWARDING IN MANY WAYS.

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We help make your dream holiday even more affordable with a programme of promotional rewards and incentives. These can be combined for some truly impressive savings.



## SAVE WHEN YOU BOOK MORE

Book two or more of our cruises at the same time for travel within the same calendar year and receive £100 discount per person. This can be used alongside Welcome Back Credit.

## REFER A FRIEND

Recommend a friend to book with Avalon or any of the Globus Family of Brands and once their booking is confirmed we will reward you with £50 per person off your next holiday with us. And your friends will benefit too with a £50 per person discount to their holiday.

## WELCOME BACK CREDIT

Each time you travel with us, you earn Welcome Back Credit worth as much as £250 per person towards future holidays from any of the Globus Family of Brands!

## CRUISE DEALS

In addition to our programme of rewards and incentives we also offer ongoing cruise deals on selected itineraries and departures. Keep checking on our website or make sure you are signed up to our newsletters to keep abreast of our latest offers.

Full terms and conditions of our promotional incentives are available on request.



# TRAVELLERS' FAVOURITES.



## DISCOVER THE CRUISES LOVED MOST BY AVALON GUESTS.

We created our Travellers' Favourites marque to showcase a handpicked selection of itineraries that are perennial favourites with our guests. Featuring bucket list destinations and with inspirational itineraries created by our experts, they feature all the iconic sights as well as exclusive experiences.

So, whether you want to discover Magnificent Europe at its best, get a Taste of the Danube or explore French treasures in Burgundy & Provence, when you book a Travellers' Favourite cruise you have the added assurance that your itinerary has been tried, tested and proven to be much loved.







# HASSLE-FREE HOLIDAY BOOKING.

At Avalon we are committed to make planning your cruise holiday an enjoyable part of the whole experience for you. That's why we offer a one-stop shop, a seamless air inclusive service that means you won't have to spend hours researching flights to coordinate with your holiday start and end dates.

We can save you money too, using our group wide buying power to secure the best fares from the world's finest airlines, with no tie to any one airline. You'll typically also enjoy complimentary airport transfers on designated sailing dates. Should for any reason changes be required to your itinerary we will manage them for you. And once your deposit has been paid your holiday price is locked in, protecting you from any air-fare increases.

Let us create your complete holiday and you'll enjoy better value, less hassle and peace of mind.





# NO-FLY CRUISES WITH AVALON WATERWAYS.

We know that flying isn't for everyone. That's why we have a range of cruises that depart from Paris or Amsterdam that give you the option of travelling by rail. Arrive at your departure point relaxed and refreshed, and see so much more of the passing countryside and towns en route.

Depart from the impressive London St Pancras station and you could be in Paris in just over two hours. All Eurostar carriages are fully air-conditioned and all seats have a footrest and reading lamp.

You can buy snacks, light meals and drinks in the buffet bar carriages. Fares start from as little as £190 per person return, subject to availability.

Please call our holiday planners to book.



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# WIDE OPEN WONDER.

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IT DOESN'T GET ANY SUITER.

No other fleet of river cruise ships offers you a view of the world like Avalon Suite Ships®, featuring our award-winning Avalon Panorama Suites<sup>SM</sup>. Thirty percent larger than the industry standard, they're river cruising's only Open-Air Balcony<sup>SM</sup> – with nothing between you and the view. While other river cruise cabins are designed with beds against a wall for a view of another wall, our Comfort Collection<sup>SM</sup> beds actually face the view with the widest-opening, wall-to-wall, floor-to-ceiling panoramic windows in river cruising.

Think of it as a view with a room!







# SMALLER SHIPS. BIGGER EXPERIENCES.

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## SERIOUS SPACE FROM STEM TO STERN.

Aboard our intimate yet spacious, award-winning Suite Ships, “crowd pleasing” is not in our vocabulary. In fact, we don’t like crowds at all. Instead, our magnificently modern, best-in-class ships average just 150 guests – some much less – to give you the space, the time, and the attention you deserve on holiday. Designed from the bottom up for comfort, space, and room to dream, each Avalon Suite Ship® consists of 80% Panorama Suites<sup>SM</sup> – offering the widest view in river cruising. Larger suites result in fewer passengers, so you’ll never feel crowded anywhere on board. From reclining on the open-air Sky Deck, relaxing in the spacious Panorama Lounge, or feeling the wind over the bow in the Observation Lounge, there’s never a shortage of comfortable spots to stretch out, day dream, or just watch the world go by.









# WHIM-POWERED CRUISING.

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## CURATE YOUR CURIOSITIES.

As you set sail on the world's most legendary waterways, we've curated a collection of the most intriguing experiences to immerse yourself in – both on board and on shore. With the wind in your hair, whim in your heart, a world of possibilities awaits on every Avalon cruise, just point your compass toward the adventure you please!







THE ADVENTURE IS UP TO YOU.



**CLASSIC** Nothing beats the classics, especially when it comes to travelling back in time to bygone eras. Avalon's Classic excursions present a colourful collection of guided walking tours through ancient fortresses, capitals, and castles, telling timeless tales to create your own storybook adventure.

**DISCOVERY** An awakening for the senses, Avalon's Discovery excursions present heartwarming, brain-tlingling, hands-on experiences. Pull up a chair to hear a Viennese waltz, roll up your sleeves to paint like Van Gogh, or grab an apron to whip up a local delicacy.

**ACTIVE** If exploring under your own steam is more your style, Avalon's Active excursions pack the get-up-and-go into every cruise. Paddle a kayak, pedal a bike, or put on your hiking shoes to see the world your way with heart-pumping adventures.

Personalise your river cruise experience even more with optional excursions that speak to you. Take plenty of free time to explore on your own – without getting lost. Our AvalonGO mobile app puts it all at your fingertips. Your Avalon Adventure Host<sup>SM</sup> can point you in the right direction for active exploring with gear from our Adventure Centre.

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Explore even more adventures with active pursuits and cultural discoveries on an Avalon Active & Discovery Cruise.









# GO AHEAD... **ROCK THE BOAT.**

FREEDOM INCLUDED,  
RULES ARE NOT.

Not only have we redefined the cruising experience, we've redefined the meaning of all-inclusive. Regional wine and beer with lunch and dinner. Complimentary continental breakfast served in your room. Onboard cultural presentations and local entertainment. Onshore excursions with expert Local Guides. A choice of FlexDining® menus and venues on board to dine when and where you like. Round-the-clock cappuccinos. Included Happy Hour every evening, featuring house beer, wine, cocktails, and a drink of the day. Free Wi-Fi. All gratuities. Adventure Centre with gear and guidance to explore your way. Avalon Adventure Host<sup>SM</sup> to direct or accompany you on active pursuits. Also included? Freedom. The freedom to enjoy your cruise your way. After all, you're not like everyone else. Why should your cruise be like anyone else's?



# A DOLLOP OF DELECTABLE.

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SAVOUR THE LOCAL FLAVOURS OF THE WORLD.

Avalon shares the flavours of the world with the freshest local ingredients prepared by our talented chefs and served in your choice of venues on board. Our FlexDining® approach to onboard dining experiences has tossed out the idea of restrictive seating times in limited settings. We've brought back the question, "Where should we eat?" to the cruise experience. Choose from options like a breezy al fresco lunch at the Sky Grill, an elegant four-course dinner in the glass-walled dining room, or a more casual culinary setting in the Panorama Bistro. Whichever table setting you choose, you'll savour local flavours as well as the familiar favourites you love. On an Avalon cruise, dining is part of the journey.







LOCAL. HEALTHY. INGREDIENTS.

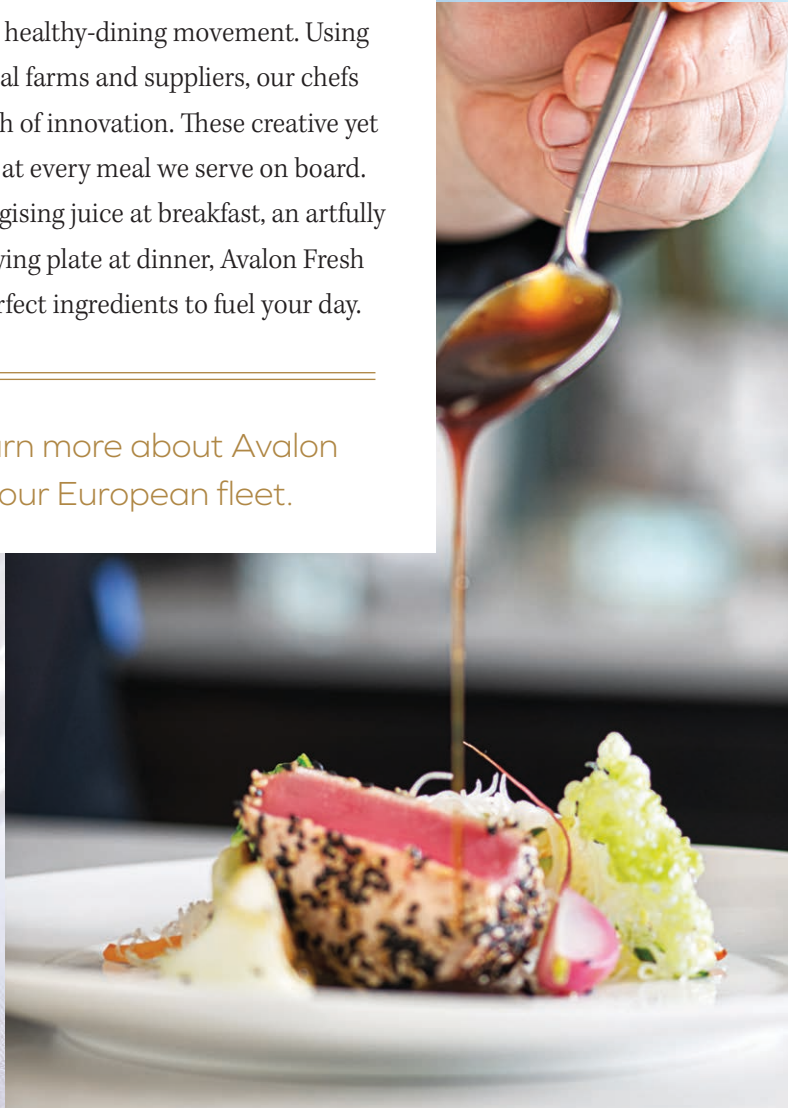


AVALON FRESH<sup>SM</sup>

Who says healthy cuisine can't be inspiring? On an Avalon Waterways river cruise, you can take an indulgent holiday without drifting from your healthy habits. Our Avalon Fresh selections are exclusively created in collaboration with Austrian brothers Leo and Karl Wrenkh, leading chefs in the healthy-dining movement. Using the freshest ingredients from local farms and suppliers, our chefs create flavourful dishes with a dash of innovation. These creative yet wholesome options are available at every meal we serve on board. Whether you're looking for an energising juice at breakfast, an artfully crafted salad at lunch, or a satisfying plate at dinner, Avalon Fresh steps up to the plate with the perfect ingredients to fuel your day.

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Visit our website to learn more about Avalon Fresh, available on our European fleet.





# THE ART OF MAKING YOU FEEL AT HOME.

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## AT YOUR SERVICE ON SHIP & ON SHORE.

We don't just reserve the warmth and comfort for your room on an Avalon river cruise – we share our welcoming spirit throughout the entire ship and carry it onto shore. From the Captain and Cruise Director to your stateroom attendant and waiting staff, we deliver exquisite service that's professional, courteous, and informative. Our approach is never stuffy, but creates an atmosphere of relaxed luxury – like our casual and comfortable dress code that's defined only by your individual style. After all, your comfort is our top priority, both on and off the ship. Your friendly Local Guides are there to greet you at every port with engaging tales that bring you closer to your destination. Whether you're on board or on shore, we take special care to ensure that you are perfectly taken care of every step of the way.















# SETTING YOUR SPIRIT IN MOTION.

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## FOLLOW YOUR ADVENTURE!

Watching centuries of history slowly pass by while cruising is an adventure in itself. But what if elevating your heart rate a few extra beats is more your speed? In addition to included active excursions, you can visit our Adventure Centre to check out a bike for a scenic ride through town, grab Nordic walking sticks and hike to a hillside vineyard or castle, or join an active walk through the great cities or the great outdoors. Whether you're looking for an optional kayaking excursion or a complimentary yoga class on the Sky Deck, your Adventure Host and Cruise Director can point you in the right direction.

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Explore even more adventures with active pursuits and cultural discoveries on an Avalon Active & Discovery Cruise.



# YOUR ADVENTURE. **YOUR WAY.**

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START SOONER. STAY LONGER.

Avalon makes it easy to seamlessly add days and nights in a variety of destinations before or after your river cruise. We take care of all the details, from ship-to-hotel and hotel-to-ship transfers, transportation between cities, superior hotel accommodations, and guided sightseeing with plenty of optional excursions and free time to customise your experience. From Paris to Prague or from Brussels to Budapest, you can spend a little or a lot more time getting to know the destinations that call to you.







## AVALON YOURWAY

Start your holiday sooner or stay longer with destination options before or after your Avalon cruise. Begin in Brussels, linger in Vienna, or enjoy a few nights in dazzling Prague. Avalon YourWay lets you add the perfect amount of time on land before or after your Avalon river cruise!

## GLOBUS® YOURWAY

Explore more with a Globus tour before your Avalon cruise. For nearly a century, Globus has shared the world with travellers just like you. Globus' award-winning tours include hand-selected hotels, knowledgeable Tour Directors, and expert Local Guides who share the world's most iconic sites and off-the-beaten-path locales only the locals know and love.

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Look for "Your Way" options in this brochure to customise your holiday.

# YOURWAY

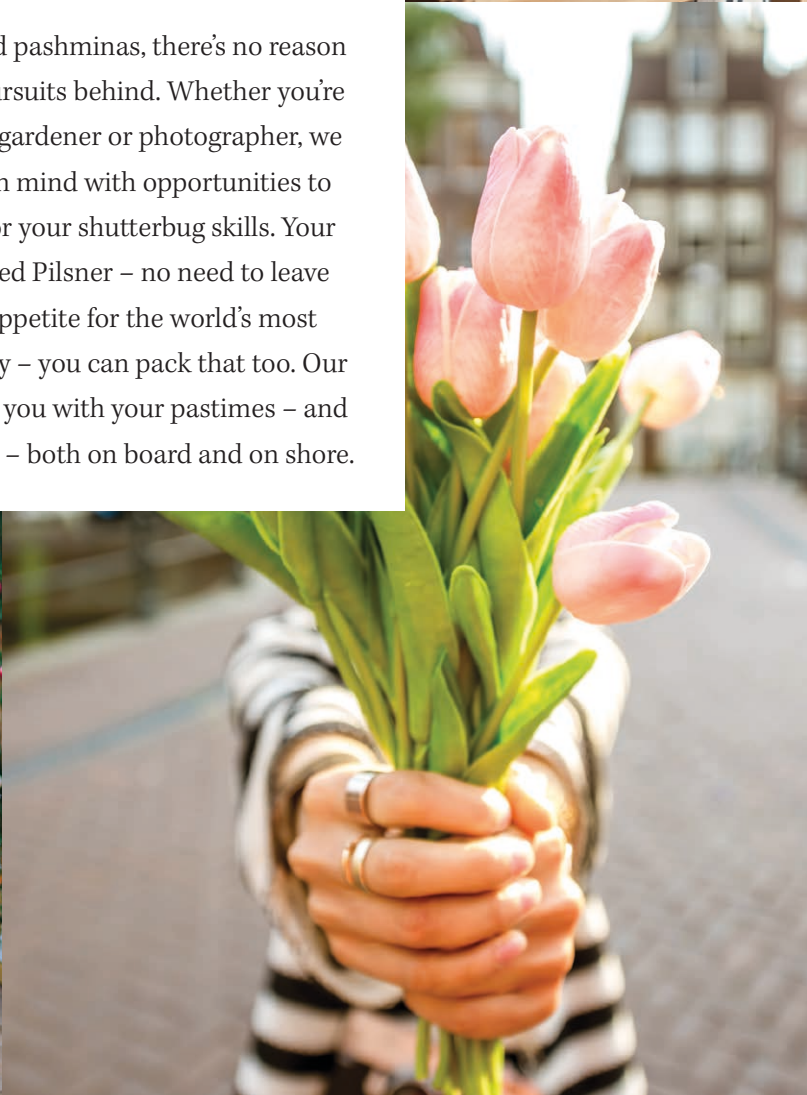
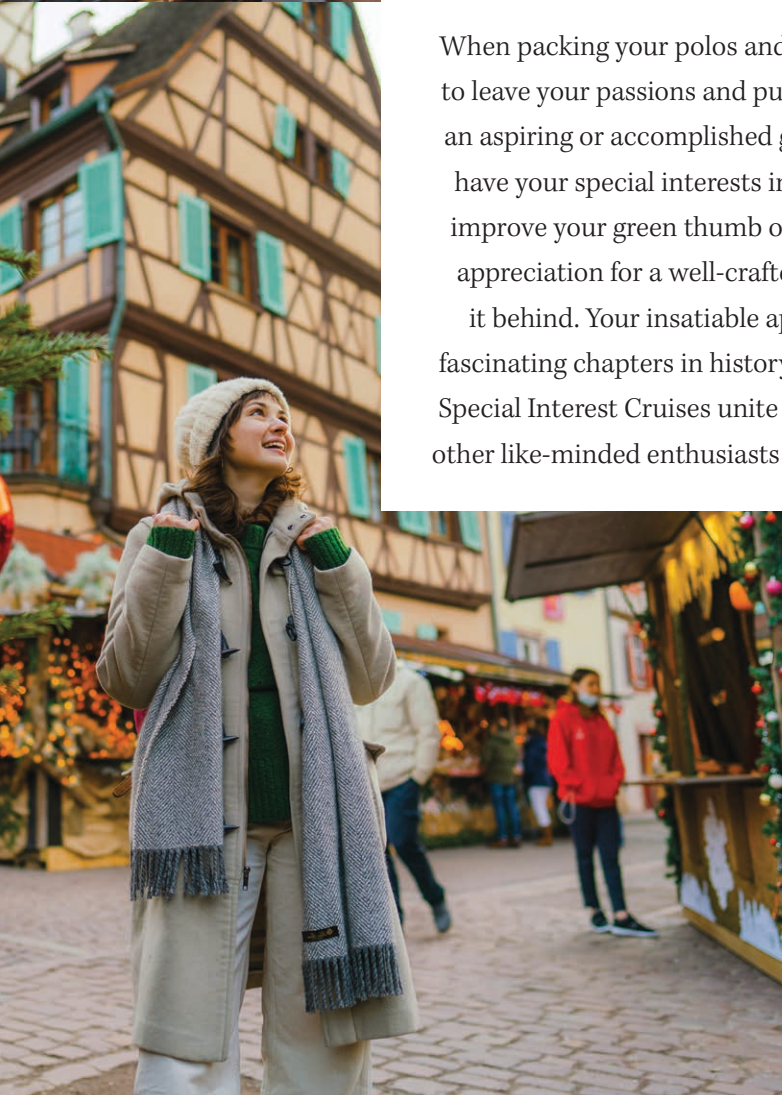




# PACK YOUR PASSIONS.

## SPECIAL INTEREST RIVER CRUISES.

When packing your polos and pashminas, there's no reason to leave your passions and pursuits behind. Whether you're an aspiring or accomplished gardener or photographer, we have your special interests in mind with opportunities to improve your green thumb or your shutterbug skills. Your appreciation for a well-crafted Pilsner – no need to leave it behind. Your insatiable appetite for the world's most fascinating chapters in history – you can pack that too. Our Special Interest Cruises unite you with your pastimes – and other like-minded enthusiasts – both on board and on shore.





## BEER ENTHUSIASTS CRUISES

Lifting a stein tends to lift the spirits, or so say those who have been fortunate enough to raise a toast in a biergarten in Europe. Cruise with a certified beer expert and discover regional beers, visit historic breweries, attend special beer tastings, and learn about European brewing techniques with fascinating lectures and workshops. Prost!

## CULINARY EXPERIENCE CRUISES

What gastronomical delights come to mind when you think of Burgundy and Provence? The rich landscapes of France are synonymous with sumptuous food and wine. Join Avalon for a culinary adventure where food is an artform in haute cuisine and traditional simple favourites in the birthplace of crêpes and Chardonnay.

## FESTIVE SEASON CRUISES

Experience the holiday season the European way! Enjoy the jolly atmosphere on your festively decorated ship as you delight in the sights, smells, and tastes of local traditions. Visit Christmas markets in several ports of call where winter wonderlands of ages past come to life.

## GARDEN & NATURE LOVER CRUISES

A rose by any other name would smell as sweet... but wait until you've seen the flower fields and gardens of Europe – from Holland's Keukenhof Gardens to Amsterdam's flower auction, to the tulip fields that seem to go on forever. An Avalon garden and nature cruise reveals the most beautiful gardens and parks throughout Holland and Belgium – famous for their inspirational horticultural art.

## HABSBURG & ROYALTY CRUISES

Discover a world of empresses and emperors who reigned for centuries to rule the Austro-Hungarian. Get the royal treatment in the company of a Habsburg descendent on a Danube River cruise and walk the grand gardens and ballrooms where Maria Theresa held court and a young Marie Antoinette spent her summers. Relive the splendour of dynasty at Vienna's Schönbrunn Palace with breathtaking collections of the Habsburg Empire.

## JEWISH HERITAGE CRUISES

Explore sites important to Jewish history while cruising on the Danube River. Travel in the company of a renowned expert for insight into the places and events that shaped history. NOTE: Kosher foods not available.

## PHOTOGRAPHY ENTHUSIASTS CRUISES

They say a picture is worth a thousand words. We say it's worth a thousand memories of the spectacular sights and experiences on an Avalon cruise. Cruise in the company of an award-winning photographer and fellow shutterbugs to snap the perfect shot around each corner.

## WINE LOVERS CRUISES

Cruise with a distinguished Master of Wine on a wine-lover's cruise. Onboard tastings and regional excursions to the legendary cellars of Europe, as well as instruction in food-and-wine pairing, will give you a new appreciation for the fruit of the vine. Discover the vineyards of France, cruise along the Moselle River, or sail on the Danube for vintages you'll remember for ages to come.

## WWII REMEMBRANCE AND HISTORY

Walk in the footsteps of heroes with a WWII history expert on the hallowed grounds of valour and courage. From the beaches of Normandy to Vimy Ridge and beyond, an Avalon History Cruise shares these legends and legacies of with insight and inspiration. Hear the personal stories of lives forever changed by WWII on an Avalon Remembrance and History cruise, with 2024 departures during the 80th anniversary of D-Day.





# SHORT CRUISES.

Short on time but big on dreams? Choose the perfect cruise to fit your schedule on the Rhine, Danube, and Main Rivers. Choose from Avalon's best European river cruise destinations itineraries – just 6 days or less – for the length of time that's perfect for you. Explore the heart of Germany, get a taste of the Danube from Budapest to Vienna, or discover castles, canals and vineyards on the Rhine River. Celebrate the festive season with a Christmas cruise through Switzerland, France, and Germany. Choose from one of our five Short Cruises to discover what a difference a few days can make on an Avalon River cruise.





**Short  
Cruise**



OUR SHORT CRUISES WHICH ARE  
6 DAYS OR LESS.

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# ACTIVE & DISCOVERY CRUISES.

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Everyone travels to see new things, but many travel to do new things as well. With our Active & Discovery River cruises, Avalon offers activities for travellers with varying interests and for all energy and fitness levels. From action-packed experiences and interactive discoveries to traditional sightseeing, you can tailor a holiday to suit your interests and pace.





# AN IMMERSIVE CRUISE EXPERIENCE.

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Avalon Active & Discovery is an exciting type of cruise that introduces you to the people and places of Europe in the most engaged and fun ways imaginable. Immerse yourself in the history and culture at each port with excursions to historic castles, a culinary tour, a painting class, and even a chance to dress up in real Roman attire at a Roman Clothes Workshop or re-enactment of the Roman Games. Tour an extinct volcano and coal mine, and visit sites off the beaten path, such as a chocolate museum... sure to entice your sweet tooth! We offer the chance to explore an ice cave, take an archery lesson, or help a farmer in his apricot orchard. Descend into an underground salt mine... or ascend a mountain during a guided climb. Every port gives you a world of possibilities as you interact with the locals and choose the dynamic, interactive activities that appeal to you most. It's the old world in a whole new way!



## CRUISES INCLUDED IN OUR ACTIVE AND DISCOVERY PROGRAM.

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GLOBUS® FAMILY OF BRANDS

**LIGHTHOUSE  
PROJECT.™**







# LIGHTING THE PATH TO A BETTER TOMORROW.

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From our inception, Avalon Waterways has cast a light on the world's most fascinating places and people – inviting wayfarers and wanderers like you to bask in their glory, intrigue, and wonder. Along the way, we've helped travellers uncover ancient traditions while meeting the locals dedicated to preserving them; to meander historic hallways while giving back to the societies that safeguard them; and to put down the guidebooks and pick up a greater understanding of the world and its people.

Immersed in enlightening experiences, we naturally gain a deeper appreciation – one that leads to greater compassion, consideration, and curiosity as we ask ourselves, what more can we do to protect our planet, preserve our sacred places, and help our friends around the globe.

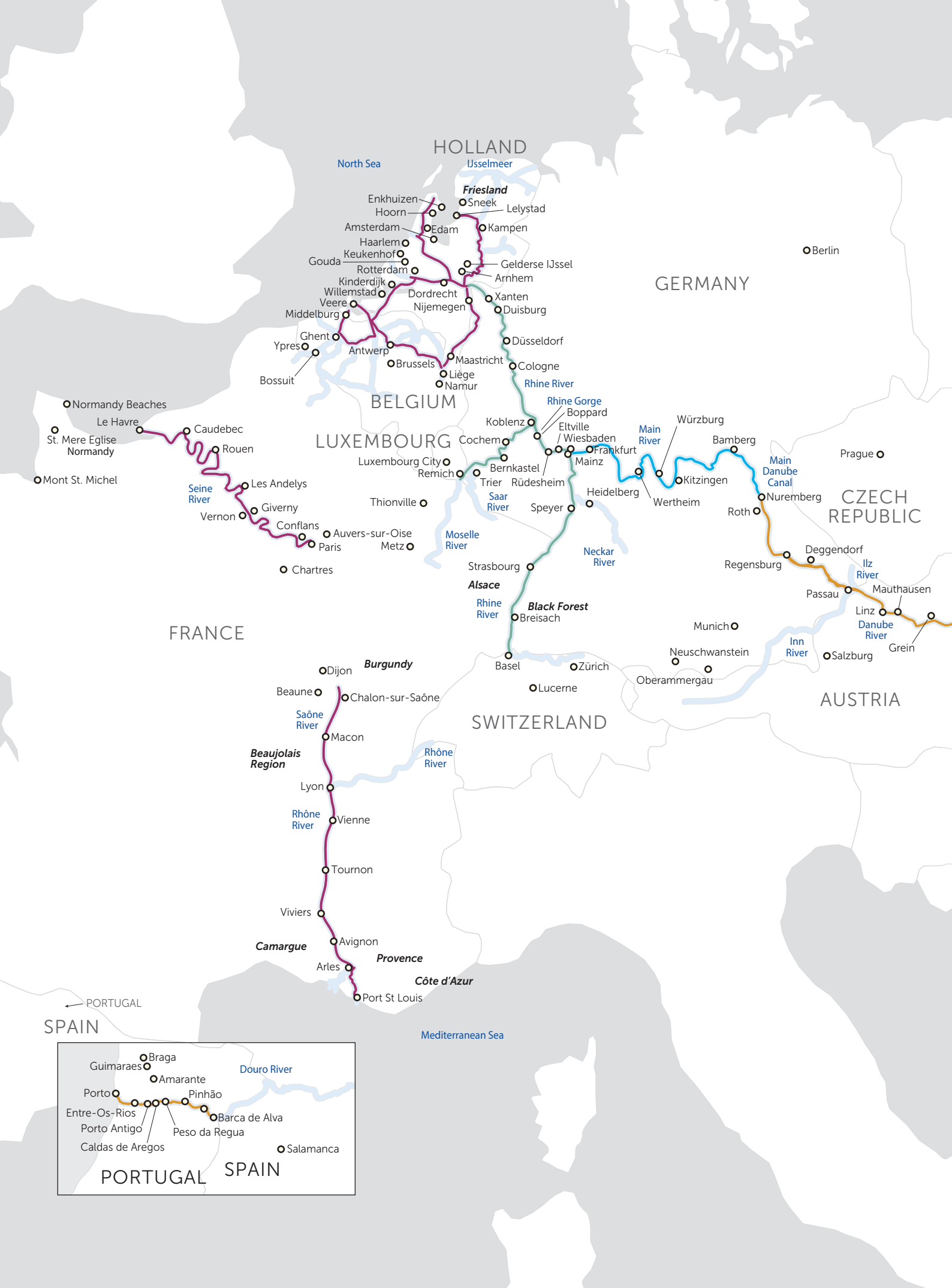
## GLOBUS FAMILY OF BRANDS LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ♥

Enter the Avalon Waterways® Lighthouse Project – an illuminating initiative where we can all come together to tread lightly and give generously for the globe's greater good. Avalon, along with sister companies Globus and Cosmos, invite our travellers and partners to help us in supporting causes that provide for a more sustainable planet and a brighter tomorrow.

## A CLEANER PLANET IS THE BEST REWARD.

Avalon Waterways has been honoured by Europe's Green Award – recognised for our Suite Ship® fleet's high safety and environmental standards. This prestigious award is given to river cruise ships based on the environmental impact of engines, fuel consumption, waste and maintenance, pollution prevention, and more.







# GREAT RIVERS TO ROAM.

Gently rambling, eagerly flowing, wildly rushing... each of Europe's legendary waterways have a distinct personality and a long, fascinating history. Whether you choose the blue Danube, the romantic Rhine, or one of the many other rivers, your perspective on this magnificent continent will be forever changed.





NEW FOR 2024

# Vida Portugal: Vineyards & Villages Along The Douro

8 Days from Porto to Porto

CRUISE CODE: WCC

Like a blue ribbon threading through the green Douro Valley, the River Douro carries you through some of Portugal's most legendary landscapes. Meaning "River of Gold," the Douro River lives up to its name by revealing priceless gems along sloping vineyards and sleepy villages where rugged landscapes have been tamed for centuries to produce a bounty of wines and cuisine. On this 8 day river cruise, be swept away by the Douro's timeless treasures and traditions, family farms, fevered Fado music, and mouth-watering culinary creations.



## DAY 1 PORTO, PORTUGAL (Embarkation)

Welcome to Portugal. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding.

Flights into Porto must arrive by 3:30 pm. Guests must be on board ship by 5pm.

Your day in Porto is free to explore at your leisure.

You may choose to join an afternoon guided optional culinary tour if arriving early today. Experience some of Porto's most famous sights and most delectable dishes with regional wine.

Enjoy dinner and explore the ship on your first night on board.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Porto

## DAY 2 ENTRE OS RIOS. EXCURSION BRAGA AND GUIMARÃES

Portuguese Panoramas

Visit the Adventure Centre on board for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**DISCOVERY:** Step back in time within the walls of the Interpretation Centre of the Romanesque with a fascinating introduction to its symbolism and architecture. Enjoy an excursion with an exclusive visit to one of the most iconic monasteries of the Romanesque era with entrance to a XIII century church and be enchanted by sounds of Gregorian Chant from the high choir, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enter a world of Celtic history and the reign of Cesar Augustus where five roads diverged to form an empire with a full-day guided tour of Braga. Marvel at the magnificent castle and San Miguel church in Guimarães, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Celebrate your experience with a stop at one of the area's many wine farms and enjoy a tasting.

Sample green wine and famous pastries with stops en-route to Régua.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Porto Antigo







### DAY 3 PESO DA RÉGUA Pastoral Pleasures of Portugal

**DISCOVERY:** Experience life on one of the oldest farms in the Douro Valley with a personal tour by the owner of the house, including an olive oil and wine tasting, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walking tour of the charming town of Régua – with its religious architecture, narrow streets, beautiful tiles, and stained-glass window of Casa do Douro. Continue to Lamego to visit the cathedral, followed by a delicious tasting of bola de Lamego and sparkling wine in a local pastry shop.

Don't miss the opportunity to enjoy free time in Pinhão to browse the artisanal markets for woven textiles, terra cotta creations, and culinary delights, or consider joining an optional excursion to learn about the Douro Valley's "liquid gold" at a traditional olive-oil mill.

This evening, consider an optional excursion to enjoy an authentic Portuguese dinner hosted by the local farmers.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Pinhão

### DAY 4 POCINHO Where Wine and Happiness Flow

Enjoy a relaxing cruise to Pocinho.

**DISCOVERY:** Discover Vila Nova de Foz Côa at the eastern terminus of the Douro Railway line. Marvel at this unique site complete with prehistoric rock art, including the most important collection of Paleolithic figurations known today. Before joining your ship, enjoy a hands-on workshop guided by an archaeologist, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Freixo de Numão, a charming village nestled between the nearby mountains, filled with vast vineyards and granite houses. This little suburb is filled with Roman, Medieval, and modern ruins.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Barca D'alva

### DAY 5 BARCA D'ALVA. EXCURSION TO SALAMANCA

#### The Reign in Spain

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**CLASSIC:** Join our guide for a guided tour this morning to one of the most remote villages of the country, Freixo de Espada à Cinta village in the Douro International Natural Park, home to majestic birds of prey, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Get a taste of Spain with a full-day excursion to Salamanca. This Spanish city will take your breath away with its stunning streets and squares, featuring a feast for the eyes with Romanesque, Gothic, Baroque, and "Plateresque" architecture. Dive into a delicious dish of the traditional Spanish delicacy, tostón asado (traditional roast suckling pig).

In the afternoon you might wish to join our optional excursion to enjoy a do-it-yourself workshop to learn how to bake traditional Florinhas (Portuguese pastries).

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Pocinho

### DAY 6 CALDAS DE AREGOS. EXCURSION TO AMARANTE

#### Painted Tiles & Passionate Tunes

During your morning sailing, a professional painter will guide you through the process of painting an azulejos (traditional Portuguese tile) to take home a piece of Portugal's tradition. You may alternatively join an optional



excursion to 18th-century Casa de Mateus – birthplace of Mateus Rosé wine and a masterpiece of Baroque architecture.

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Amarante – poised against a breath-taking backdrop of the great Serra do Marão mountain and the Tâmega River, which courses through the heart of the city and assortment of houses lining the riverbanks.

Later, feel the passion of Portugal's soulful and stirring Fado music during a visit with local musicians on board.

Enjoy a scenic sailing to Porto for a free evening to explore the city.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Porto

### DAY 7 PORTO Ancient Charm Meets Avant-Garde

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy the wharfs of the Douro River and the coastal magnificence of Porto and Vila Nova de Gaia, on a bicycle and accompanied by a professional biologist tour guide, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Porto, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Continue your experience with a ride to the riverside city of Matosinhos and up Avenida da Boavista to admire some of the modern charms of Porto – from ancient avenues to avant-garde graffiti street art, **OR;**

This afternoon, you may choose to join in a guided optional excursion such as a scenic canal cruise on the Aveiro (Venice of Portugal) or explore a family-owned factory to witness the Portuguese art of cork and barrel production. Perhaps simply spend time strolling through Porto's cobblestone lanes, lovely shops, and tempting tapas bars this afternoon before experiencing the energy of Porto's buzzing nightlife.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Porto

### DAY 8 PORTO (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.



**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £3,128PP NOW £2,853PP

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £4,077PP NOW £3,802PP

Price based on 06 November 2024 departure  
Cruise available April – November 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Lisbon to your cruise.

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# Tulip Time Cruise

8 Days from Amsterdam to Amsterdam

CRUISE CODE: WAA

This springtime river cruise through Holland and Belgium sets sail from Holland's capital, Amsterdam. Garden enthusiasts will delight in a visit to see the breathtaking colours of Keukenhof, also known as the "Garden of Europe." You'll sail to Antwerp, known for its centuries-old history in diamond trading, and Ghent in Belgium. Your cruise traverses back into Holland where you'll explore Middelburg before concluding with more time to explore the wonderful city of Amsterdam.



## DAY 1 AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND (Embarkation) Welcome to Holland.

Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding.

Flights or trains into Amsterdam must arrive by 3:30 pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

Your day in Amsterdam is free to explore at your leisure.

You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to beautiful Zaanse Schans where you'll see a wonderful collection of well-preserved historic windmills and Dutch houses.

Enjoy dinner and explore the ship on your first night on board.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT: Cruise to Rotterdam**

## DAY 2 ROTTERDAM Dutch Treats and Flowers Sweet

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**ACTIVE:** Experience Rotterdam by foot with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a full or half-day guided tour of breathtaking Keukenhof – known as the "Garden of Europe" for its 70 acres of lush parkland, lakes, and the world's largest flower gardens with more than seven million tulips, daffodils and hyacinths as well as other bulbs, planted each year.

Take some free time to relax on the harbour-side in Rotterdam with an artisan beer, a slice of appeltaart (Dutch apple pie), and a koffie verkeerd, a typical Dutch drink with equal parts coffee and milk. Take a bike from your ship to explore Rotterdam and the surrounding area.

Before dinner, enjoy a cruise through Rotterdam harbour. Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT: Cruise to Antwerp**

## DAY 3 ANTWERP, BELGIUM Cathedrals, Carats and Crêpes

**ACTIVE:** Explore Antwerp by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of this sophisticated city to visit the central Grote Markt, lined with 16th-century guildhall houses. You'll also see the beautiful city hall, the Cathedral of Our Lady with its stunning altarpiece paintings by Rubens.

You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to the nearby capital, Brussels – considered home to the European Union, and admire its magnificent palaces and cathedrals.

Alternatively, you might prefer to take time on your own to indulge in Antwerp's signature Belgian waffles and crêpes – or explore this bike-friendly city from its old wharfs to its legendary diamond district.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT: Cruise to Ghent**







#### DAY 4 GHENT Medieval Masterpieces and Flemish Finery

**ACTIVE:** Explore a different side of Ghent by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Explore Ghent – “The Diamond of Flanders” – with a guided sightseeing tour of this showcase of medieval Flemish wealth. You’ll visit St. Bavo’s Cathedral – with its remarkable Flemish artwork.

Alternatively, you may choose to join a full-day guided optional excursion of Bruges to explore its canals, cobbled streets, and medieval buildings. You’ll see its crisscrossed canals, the 13th-century belfry of Market Square, and charming patrician houses. You won’t miss the opportunity to explore Ghent since this optional excursion ends with an orientation walk of the “Diamond of Flanders.”

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Middleburg

#### DAY 5 MIDDELBURG, HOLLAND A Spicy History in Middelburg’s Dutch Harbour Town

Join your Adventure Host for today’s special activities.

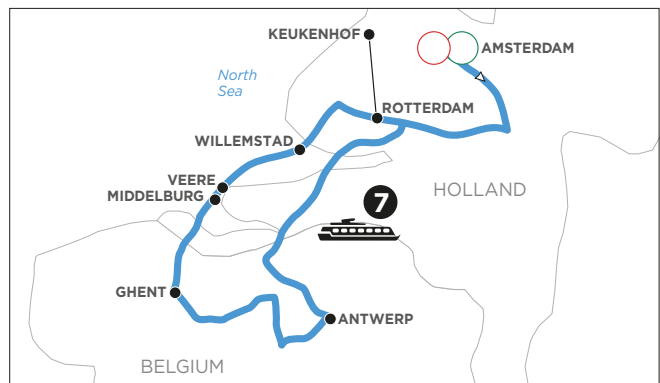
**ACTIVE:** Explore Middelburg by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided walking tour through the winding cobblestones and canals of Middelburg. See the 15th-century Gothic Town Hall and learn about its important role in the spice trade and Dutch East India trading.

Spend some free time biking or walking through Middelburg to sample Babbelaar cookies, fries, or beer before cruising to Veere.

#### VEERE The Delta Works Stand Strong as a Technical Marvel

**ACTIVE:** Bike your way to the beach from Veere with your Adventure Host, **OR;**



**DISCOVERY:** Visit the fascinating Flood Museum to hear and see the stories of the flood of 1953, reconstruction, the Delta Works, and flood risk management – told by the people who have experienced it. Later, explore the town of Veere.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Willemstad

#### DAY 6 WILLEMSTAD Windmills and Historic Harbour

**ACTIVE:** See Willemstad by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided walking tour of Willemstad and discover its many beautifully restored buildings from the 17th and 18th Century.

**DISCOVERY:** Later, enjoy a cheese tasting on board as you prepare to sail to Amsterdam.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Amsterdam

#### DAY 7 AMSTERDAM Canals of Colourful Amsterdam

**ACTIVE:** Start your day joining your Adventure Host on an early morning walk in Amsterdam, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Discover Aalsmeer Flower Auction – the largest in the world, where around 20 million flowers are sold every day. Later enjoy a typical Dutch breakfast, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Explore the iconic waterways of Amsterdam on a guided canal cruise past stately homes of Amsterdam’s “Golden Age.”

This afternoon choose among the many guided optional excursions available.

Take some free time to explore Amsterdam’s colourful streets and canal houses, galleries, and shops.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Amsterdam

#### DAY 8 AMSTERDAM (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £2,678PP NOW £1,928PP

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £3,627PP NOW £2,877PP

Price based on 30 March 2024 departure

Cruise available March - May 2024

**SPECIAL INTEREST CRUISES:** Beer Enthusiasts, Garden and Nature Lovers

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Amsterdam to your cruise.

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# Tulip Time in Holland & Belgium

## 8 Days from Amsterdam to Brussels

CRUISE CODE: WAX

### DAY 1 AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND (Embarkation)

Welcome to Holland. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding. Flights into Amsterdam must arrive by 2 pm. Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm. Your day in Amsterdam is free to explore at your leisure.

During tulip season, you may take a guided optional excursion to Keukenhof gardens – with more than seven million tulips, daffodils, and hyacinths, as well as other bulbs, planted each year. Outside of tulip season, join a guided optional excursion to Zaanse Schans to see historic windmills and charming Dutch houses.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Nijmegen

### DAY 2 NIJMEGEN, EXCURSION TO ARNHEM Wildlife, WWII Valour, and Famous Mills

**ACTIVE:** Explore the beautiful landscape of lush fields and blue water on a bike ride through The Ooijpolder Nature Reserve, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Join a guided tour of Nijmegen – the oldest town in the Netherlands. Learn how this city was first built more than 2,000 years ago by the Romans and see the archaeological Roman-era ruins in the city that was also damaged in WWII, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of the Airborne Museum of Hartenstein commemorating the 1944 WWII Battle of Arnhem.

You may join a guided optional excursion to the Windmill of Thorn or an optional cooking workshop.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Maastricht

### DAY 3 MAASTRICHT Dutch History, School Spirit, and an Architectural Feast

Enjoy an early morning sailing to Maastricht.

**ACTIVE:** Maastricht's charm awaits. Follow your Adventure Host for a walk in this lovely town, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Discover this vibrant university town with its lovely cathedrals, old houses, and historical buildings, and impressively cobblestoned town centre. Later enjoy live entertainment on board.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Namur

### DAY 4 NAMUR, BELGIUM Ancient Architecture and Charming Cafés

**ACTIVE:** Explore Namur's countryside by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of the picturesque old-town, fortress citadel, and medieval architecture.

Take free time to stroll along Namur's cobblestone lanes and visit its



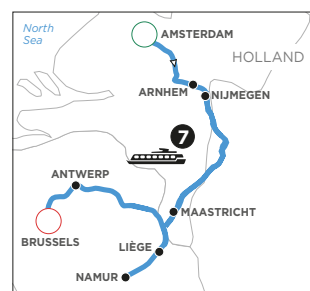
charming cafés and bookshops.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Huy

### DAY 5 LIÈGE Historic Wonders and Wonderful Waffles

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of the "Fiery City" of Liège with its beautiful ancient quarters, peculiar alleys, and romantic streets. Don't miss sampling authentically sweet Liège Waffles.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Antwerp



### DAY 6 ANTWERP A Rubenesque Cathedral in Artful Antwerp

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**ACTIVE:** Explore Antwerp by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of this sophisticated city to visit the central Grote Markt, lined with 16th-century guildhall houses. You'll also see the beautiful city hall, the Cathedral of Our Lady with its stunning altarpiece paintings by Rubens.

Enjoy cocktail or coffee aboard your ship as you sail to Brussels this afternoon.

Later, enjoy dinner and live entertainment.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Brussels

### DAY 7 BRUSSELS Ancient Landmarks and New Haunts

**ACTIVE:** See Brussel's Aquaculture farm on bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** See the major highlights of Brussels and join a do-it-yourself chocolate workshop for a fun and interactive experience, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Brussels, see the Town Hall with its landmark buildings and discover the many local bars, cafés and shops of the Lower Town Streets.

The afternoon is free to explore Brussels at your pace.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Brussels

### DAY 8 BRUSSELS (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £2,903PP NOW £2,353PP

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £3,852PP NOW £3,302PP

Price based on 21 April 2024 departure

Cruise available April 2024

**SPECIAL INTEREST CRUISES:** Garden and Nature Lovers

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Amsterdam to your cruise.

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# Tulip Time Highlights

## 8 Days from Brussels to Amsterdam

CRUISE CODE: WXA

### DAY 1 BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (Embarkation)

Welcome to Belgium. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding. Flights into Brussels must arrive by 2:00 pm. Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm. Enjoy dinner on board as you sail for Ghent this evening.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Ghent

### DAY 2 GHENT Medieval Masterpieces and Flemish Finery

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**ACTIVE:** Explore a different side of Ghent by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Explore Ghent – “The Diamond of Flanders” – with a guided sightseeing tour of this showcase of medieval Flemish wealth. You'll visit St. Bavo's Cathedral with its remarkable Flemish artwork.

Alternatively, you may choose to join a full-day guided optional excursion of Bruges to explore its canals, cobbled streets, and medieval buildings. You'll see its crisscrossed canals, the 13th-century belfry of Market Square, and charming patrician houses. You won't miss the opportunity to explore Ghent since this optional excursion ends with an orientation walk of the “Diamond of Flanders.”

This evening, enjoy live entertainment onboard.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Bossuit

### DAY 3 BOSSUIT Battlefield Remembrances in Flanders

**DISCOVERY:** Visit the In Flanders Field Museum in Ypres – named for the soldier's famed poem. Learn about the story of the invasion of Belgium, the first months of the mobilisation, the four years trench war in the Westhoek, the end of the war, and the lasting remembrance to follow. After your visit, enjoy lunch at the museum's café.

**DISCOVERY:** Following the museum, visit battlefields, cemeteries, memorials and private collections.

**DISCOVERY:** Experience the Last Post ceremony, taking place nightly under the arches of the Menin Gate. Enjoy some free time for dinner before the Ceremony starts.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Middelburg

### DAY 4 MIDDELBURG, HOLLAND - VEERE A Spicy History in Middelburg's Dutch Harbour Town

**ACTIVE:** Explore Middelburg by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided walking tour through the winding cobblestones and canals of Middelburg. See the 15th-century Gothic Town Hall and learn about its important role in the spice trade and Dutch East India trading. Enjoy lunch on board while cruising to Veere.

#### VEERE The Delta Works Stand Strong as a Technical Marvel

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**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Kinderdijk

### DAY 5 KINDERDIJK-ROTTERDAM Harnessing the Wind for 300 Years

**ACTIVE:** See the windmills of Kinderdijk by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;** **CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Kinderdijk where 19 windmills were built in 1740 as flood prevention and water management. You'll hear about the windmill's vital role in the Netherlands' history and why it became a national symbol of Holland.

Enjoy a cruise through Rotterdam harbour.

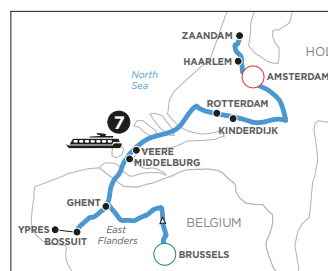


**ACTIVE:** Experience Rotterdam by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Rotterdam featuring innovative architecture, including the marvellous Erasmus Bridge.

Later, enjoy live entertainment onboard.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Zaandam



### DAY 6 ZAANDAM - HAARLEM Windmills, Waterways, and Waving Fields of Flowers

Arrive in Zaandam this morning with free time to explore this quintessential Dutch town. During tulip season, you may take a guided optional excursion to Keukenhof gardens. Outside of tulip season, join a guided optional excursion to Zaanse Schans to see historic windmills and charming Dutch houses.

Cruise to Haarlem this afternoon while enjoying lunch onboard.

#### HAARLEM Tulips and North Sea Trading Ports

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy an easy bike ride to the beach with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**Classic:** Visit Haarlem, a major flower bulbs growing district outside of Amsterdam. Explore the former North Sea trading port with its medieval features, gabled houses, and leafy courtyards.

Enjoy dinner on board your ship this evening as you sail to Amsterdam, the capital of the Netherlands.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Amsterdam

### DAY 7 AMSTERDAM Canals of Colourful Amsterdam

**ACTIVE:** Join a biking tour through the Dutch countryside past polders, dykes, and quaint centuries-old villages, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Explore the iconic waterways of Amsterdam on a guided canal cruise past stately homes of Amsterdam's “Golden Age”.

This afternoon, you might consider joining one of the optional excursions available.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Amsterdam

### DAY 8 AMSTERDAM (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £2,978PP **NOW £2,428PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £3,927PP **NOW £3,377PP**

Price based on 28 April 2024 departure

Cruise available Apr - May 2024

**SPECIAL INTEREST CRUISES:** Garden and Nature Lovers

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Brussels to your cruise.

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# Grand Tulip Cruise of Holland & Belgium

15 Days from Amsterdam to Amsterdam

CRUISE CODE: WHH

Begin your tulip season cruise in Holland's colourful capital Amsterdam. Visit Nijmegen, the oldest city in the Netherlands and Maastricht, the old cobblestoned university town. On to Belgium discover medieval Namur and Liège before discovering Antwerp, the capital Brussels and "The Diamond of Flanders", Ghent. Continue your cruise through Kinderdijk—famous for its iconic windmills - and visit the quintessential Dutch towns of Zaandam and Haarlem with their signature flower farms, windmills and waterways before cruising back to Amsterdam.



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**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Nijmegen

## DAY 2 NIJMEGEN. EXCURSION TO ARNHEM Wildlife, WWII Valour, and Famous Mills

**ACTIVE:** Explore the beautiful landscape of lush fields and blue water on a bike ride through The Ooijpolder Nature Reserve, **OR;**

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You may join one of the optional excursions on offer.

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## DAY 3 MAASTRICHT Dutch History, School Spirit and an Architectural Feast

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**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Brussels

#### DAY 8 BRUSSELS Filling Fare and Fabled Beer

Spend a day at leisure to sample Brussels hearty cuisine and famous beer. Enjoy dinner on board as you sail for Ghent this evening.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Ghent

#### DAY 9 GHENT Medieval Masterpieces and Flemish Finery

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Experience the Last Post Ceremony, taking place nightly under the arches of the Menin Gate. Enjoy some free time for dinner before the Ceremony starts.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Middelburg

#### DAY 11 MIDDELBURG, HOLLAND - VEERE A Spicy History in Middelburg's Dutch Harbour Town

**ACTIVE:** Explore Vlissingen by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided walking tour through the winding cobblestones and canals of Middelburg. See the 15th century Gothic Town Hall and learn about its important role in the spice trade and Dutch East India trading. Enjoy lunch on board while cruising to Veere.

#### VEERE The Delta Works Stand Strong as a Technical Marvel

**ACTIVE:** Bike your way to the beach from Veere with your Adventure Host, **OR;** **DISCOVERY:** Visit the fascinating Flood Museum to hear and see the stories of the flood of 1953, reconstruction, the Delta Works, and flood risk management – told by the people who have experienced it. Later, explore the town of Veere.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Sailing in Kinderdijk



#### DAY 12 KINDERDIJK-ROTTERDAM Harnessing the Wind 300 Years

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**ACTIVE:** See the windmills of Kinderdijk by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Kinderdijk where 19 windmills were built in 1740 as flood prevention and water management. You'll hear about the windmill's vital role in the Netherlands' history and why it became a national symbol of Holland.

Enjoy a cruise through Rotterdam harbour.

**ACTIVE:** Experience Rotterdam by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Rotterdam featuring innovative architecture, including the marvellous Erasmus Bridge.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Zaandam

#### DAY 13 ZAANDAM - HAARLEM Windmills, Waterways, and Waving Fields of Flowers

Arrive in Zaandam this morning with free time to explore this quintessential Dutch town. See windmills, waterways, and flower farms, while discovering Dutch history in its handicraft shops and museums.

Cruise to Haarlem this afternoon while enjoying lunch on board.

#### HAARLEM Tulips and North Sea Trading Ports

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy an easy bike ride to the beach with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Visit Haarlem, a major flower bulbs growing district outside of Amsterdam. Explore the former North Sea trading port with its medieval features, gabled houses, and leafy courtyards.

Enjoy dinner on board your ship this evening as you sail to Amsterdam, the capital of the Netherlands.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Amsterdam

#### DAY 14 AMSTERDAM Canals of Colourful Amsterdam

**ACTIVE:** Join a biking tour through the Dutch countryside past polders, dykes, and quaint centuries-old villages, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Explore the iconic waterways of Amsterdam on a guided canal cruise past stately homes of Amsterdam's "Golden Age."

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Amsterdam

#### DAY 15: AMSTERDAM (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £5,724PP NOW £4,974PP

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £7,623PP NOW £6,873PP

Price based on 07 April 2024 departure

Cruise available April 2024

**SPECIAL INTEREST CRUISES:** Garden and Nature Lovers

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Amsterdam to your cruise.

Prices are per person, based on double occupancy. Prices shown are for the cruise only and do not include flights or transfers. If requested, we can arrange these services. Itineraries and activities are subject to change at any time due to unforeseen circumstances or other factors beyond our control. The most up-to-date version will be available on our website. Price correct at time of going to print, subject to availability and our booking terms and conditions.



# Romantic Rhine

8 Days from Amsterdam to Basel

CRUISE CODE: WAZ | DIRECTION: Southbound

One of Europe's most legendary rivers takes you across Germany and touches in Holland, France, and Switzerland! This magnificent Rhine River cruise begins in the ever popular, modern city of Amsterdam, Holland. From there you'll visit Cologne, Germany, sail through the dramatic Rhine Gorge and cruise to the charming wine town of Rüdesheim. Continue your Rhine River cruise to Mainz and perhaps choose to take an excursion to Heidelberg. In France you'll discover Strasbourg, before crossing back into Germany and visiting Breisach, the gateway to Germany's Black Forest.



## DAY 1 AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND (Embarkation)

Welcome to Holland. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding.

Flights into Amsterdam must arrive by 3:30 pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

Your day in Amsterdam is free to explore at your leisure.

During tulip season, you may take a guided optional excursion to Keukenhof gardens – with more than seven million tulips, daffodils and hyacinths, as well as other bulbs, planted each year.

Outside of tulip season, join a guided optional excursion to Zaanse Schans to see historic windmills and charming Dutch houses.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Amsterdam

## DAY 2 AMSTERDAM Canals of Colourful Amsterdam

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**CLASSIC:** Explore the iconic waterways of Amsterdam on a guided canal cruise past stately homes of Amsterdam's "Golden Age."

This afternoon choose among the guided optional excursions available or take some free time to explore Amsterdam's colourful streets and canal houses, galleries, and shops.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Cologne

## DAY 3 COLOGNE, GERMANY Prost! Celebrate in the Rhineland

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a bike ride like the locals in Cologne with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Choose a guided walking tour of Cologne's important Jewish heritage sites, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided city walk of Cologne – with its soaring twin-steeped gothic cathedral.

Spend free time over a glass of Kölsch pale lager – locally brewed for over 100 years!

Later, local musicians will join us on board for live entertainment.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Rüdesheim

## DAY 4 RÜDESHEIM Eat, Drink, and Be Merry in Wine Country

En-route to Rüdesheim, sail through the Rhine Gorge (a UNESCO World Heritage Site). Take in the breath-taking views of ancient castles perched on cliffs 400 feet above the water, and pass the legendary Rock of the Lorelei – where the mythological siren's songs lured ill-fated sailors.







**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a hike with your Avalon Adventure Host through the picturesque vineyards of Rüdesheim, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Take a guided tour of the incredible Mechanical Music Museum for a one-of-a-kind instrumental experience; based on your departure enjoy a local special treat.

Enjoy live entertainment on board your ship this evening.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Rüdesheim

#### **DAY 5 MAINZ. EXCURSION TO HEIDELBERG** Printing Halls, Castle Walls, and the World's Biggest Wine Barrel

**ACTIVE:** Join your Avalon Adventure Host for an inspiring walk in Heidelberg, the Philosophers' way, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided city walk, including a visit to the Gutenberg Museum to see the captivating history of printing, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided tour to Heidelberg Castle to see the ruins of the magnificent renaissance treasure towering above the city, and its famed Great Vat, the "World's Largest Wine Barrel."

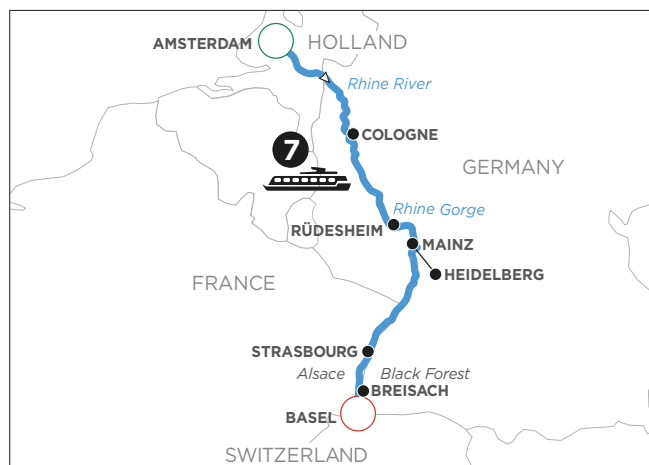
**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Strasbourg

#### **DAY 6 STRASBOURG, FRANCE** A Grand Cathedral and La Petite France

Ask about today's energising or relaxing Adventure Host activities.

**ACTIVE:** Discover Strasbourg by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a city sightseeing tour, including Strasbourg's Gothic, stained-glass cathedral with its celebrated ancient murals and astronomical clock, as well as the magical La Petite France District.



Choose a guided optional excursion to the historic Maginot Line – the pre-WWII fortifications designed to protect the eastern border of France, or visit Alsace's wine country today.

Alternatively, take some free time in Strasbourg to visit a museum, or stroll across the city centre.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Breisach

#### **DAY 7 BREISACH, GERMANY. EXCURSION TO THE BLACK FOREST** German Winemaking and the Beautiful Black Forest

**DISCOVERY:** Join a full-day guided tour to the magical Black Forest to experience the Vogtsbauernhof open-air-museum, visit an authentic water mill, and see a traditional butter-making demonstration, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Visit to a local winery in Breisach, where you will learn about German winemaking and enjoy a wine tasting.

You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to visit the charming village of Colmar in the morning, with half-timbered medieval and early renaissance buildings.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Basel

#### **DAY 8: BASEL, SWITZERLAND (Disembarkation)**

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning. Flights should not leave Basel airport before 8am.



#### **REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE**

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS ~~£2,978PP~~ **NOW £2,053PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS ~~£3,927PP~~ **NOW £3,002PP**

Price based on 09 November 2024 departure

Cruise available May - Dec 2023 and Apr - Dec 2024

#### **SPECIAL INTEREST CRUISES:** Festive Season

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Amsterdam, Lake Como, Lucerne, or Mount Pilatus to your cruise. You may also combine this cruise with Spectacular Switzerland or The Best of Austria & Switzerland by Globus.

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## Short Cruise



# The Best of The Rhine

## 5 Days from Frankfurt to Basel

CRUISE CODE: WWZ

### DAY 1 FRANKFURT, GERMANY (Embarkation)

Welcome to Germany. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding.

Flights into Frankfurt must arrive before 2 pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

OVERNIGHT: Cruise

### DAY 2 RHINE GORGE The Most Beautiful View of the Rhine River

**DISCOVERY:** While sailing enjoy a cup of Rudesheimer Coffee, a local drink prepared mixing brandy and sugar, topped with coffee and a layer of whipped cream and chocolate shavings.

Enjoy a relaxing day onboard and sail through the Rhine Gorge (a UNESCO World Heritage site). Take in the breath-taking views of ancient castles perched on cliffs 400 feet above the water and pass the legendary Rock of the Lorelei – where the mythological siren's songs lured ill-fated sailors.

**ACTIVE:** Join your Adventure Host to discover today's special activities and classes.

**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy a wine tasting onboard.

Enjoy live entertainment on board your ship this evening.

OVERNIGHT: Cruise to Strasbourg



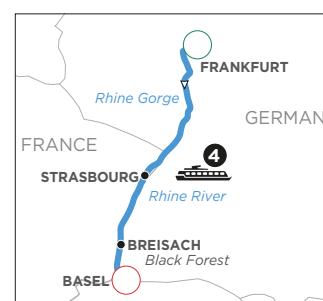
### DAY 3 STRASBOURG, FRANCE A Grand Cathedral and La Petite France

**ACTIVE:** Discover Strasbourg by bike with your Adventure Host, OR;

**CLASSIC:** Join a city sightseeing tour, including Strasbourg's Gothic, stained-glass cathedral with its celebrated ancient murals and astronomical clock, as well as the magical La Petite France District.

Choose a guided optional excursion to visit Alsace's wine country today. Alternatively, take some free time in Strasbourg to visit a museum, or stroll across the city centre.

EVERNING/OVERNIGHT: Cruise to Breisach



### DAY 4 BREISACH, GERMANY. EXCURSION TO THE BLACK FOREST German Winemaking and the Beautiful Black Forest

**DISCOVERY:** Join a full-day guided tour to the magical Black Forest to experience the Vogtsbauernhof open-air-museum, visit an authentic water mill, and see a traditional butter-making demonstration, OR;

**DISCOVERY:** Visit to a local winery in Breisach, where you will learn about German winemaking and enjoy a wine tasting.

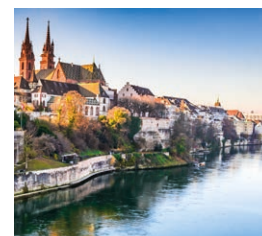
You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to visit the charming village of Colmar in the morning, with its half-timbered medieval and early renaissance buildings.

EVERNING/OVERNIGHT: Cruise to Basel

### DAY 5 BASEL, SWITZERLAND (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

Flights should not leave Basel airport before 8 am.



**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £1,886PP **NOW £1,611PP**  
**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £2,429PP **NOW £2,154PP**

Price based on 26 May 2024 departure

Cruise available Jun - Sep 2023 and May & Sep 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Frankfurt or Lucerne to your cruise.

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# The Rhine & Moselle: Canals, Vineyards, and Castles

## 8 Days from Amsterdam to Remich

CRUISE CODE: WAR

### DAY 1 AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND (Embarkation)

Welcome to Holland. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding.

Flights into Amsterdam must arrive by 3:30 pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

During tulip season, you may take a guided optional excursion to Keukenhof gardens – with more than seven million tulips, daffodils, and hyacinths, as well as other bulbs, planted each year. Outside of tulip season, join a guided optional excursion to Zaanse Schans to see historic windmills and charming Dutch houses.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Amsterdam

### DAY 2 AMSTERDAM Canals of Colourful Amsterdam

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**CLASSIC:** Explore the iconic waterways of Amsterdam on a guided canal cruise past stately homes of the city's "Golden Age."

This afternoon choose among the guided optional excursions available.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Cologne

### DAY 3 COLOGNE, GERMANY Prost! Celebrate in the Rhineland

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a bike ride like the locals in Cologne with your Adventure Host,

**OR; DISCOVERY:** Join a guided walking tour of Cologne's important Jewish heritage sites, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided city walk of Cologne – with its soaring twin-steepled gothic cathedral.

Spend free time over a glass of Kölsch pale lager – locally brewed for over 100 years!

Enjoy live entertainment onboard your ship this evening.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Rüdesheim

### DAY 4 RHINE GORGE-RÜDESHEIM-KOBLENZ Eat, Drink, and Be Merry in Wine Country

En-route to Rüdesheim, sail through the Rhine Gorge (a UNESCO World Heritage Site). Take in the breath-taking views of ancient castles perched on cliffs 400 feet above the water, and pass the legendary Rock of the Lorelei – where the mythological siren's songs lured ill-fated sailors.

**ACTIVE:** Take an open-air cable car ride to the Niederwald Monument. Ride or walk back down through the vineyards; based on your departure enjoy a local special treat, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Take a guided tour of the incredible Mechanical Music Museum for a one-of-a-kind instrumental experience; based on your departure enjoy a local special treat.

Enjoy a leisurely cruise to Koblenz this evening while having dinner onboard.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Koblenz

### DAY 5 COCHEM The Charm of the Moselle Valley

Relax on the Sky Deck of your ship while sailing through the Moselle Valley, famous for the beautiful growing villages and their vineyards.

**ACTIVE:** See Cochem from atop, hike up to an excellent viewpoint with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Take part to a Guided Visit to one of the oldest mustard mills, dating back to 1810. Under the guidance of the head mustard "miller", you'll watch mustard being made using traditional skills, more than 200 years of savoir-faire and a recipe that has been passed down several generations, **OR;**



**CLASSIC:** Join a guided walk of Cochem through its half-timbered houses and winding streets. Visit the hilltop Reichsburg Castle with a bird's-eye-view of the Moselle Valley.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Bernkastel

### DAY 6 BERNKASTEL Castle Vines and German Wines

Ask about today's energising or relaxing Adventure Host activities.

This morning, select a guided optional excursion to Traben-Trarbach for an underground visit or a panoramic drive through the Moselle region.

**ACTIVE:** Head out into the fresh air and hike up to Landshut Castle with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walking tour of the charming wine village of Bernkastel – with its medieval marketplace and 17th-century gabled timber-framed houses.

**DISCOVERY:** Join a wine tasting to experience the tradition of legendary German wine making.

Tonight, enjoy live entertainment on board your ship.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Remich



### DAY 7 REMICH, LUXEMBOURG. EXCURSION TO LUXEMBOURG CITY Old-World Charm, and World-Class Wine

This morning, you might take a guided optional excursion to Roman Trier – the oldest city in Germany, or learn more about the famous Battle of the Bulge.

**ACTIVE:** Bike in two countries along the Mosel with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy a Wine Walk in Luxembourg's Moselle Region. Discover the way of life and the daily work in the vineyards while enjoying the unique panorama at the Scheuerberg, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Luxembourg City – with its dramatic views, ancient ruins, and modern architecture along the deep gorge terrain.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Remich

### DAY 8: REMICH (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning. Flights should not leave Luxembourg City airport before 8am.

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £3,128PP NOW £2,203PP  
**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £4,077PP NOW £3,152PP

Price based on 01 August 2024 departure

Cruise available May – Sep 2023 and May – Jun, Aug – Oct 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Amsterdam or Paris to your cruise.


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# The Rhine & Moselle

11 Days from Amsterdam to Basel

CRUISE CODE: WHZ | DIRECTION: Southbound



Beauty, new discoveries, and delightful surprises are plentiful on your river cruise on the Rhine and Moselle Rivers! Discover Holland's marvellous capital Amsterdam, explore the magnificent city of Cologne, Germany and visit Koblenz. Explore the charming wine village of Bernkastel, sail through the dramatic Rhine Gorge, cruise to Rüdesheim, and visit the ruins of Heidelberg's Castle. You will also visit Strasbourg, France and Breisach—the gateway to Germany's legendary Black Forest, before disembarking your river cruise in Basel, Switzerland.

## DAY 1 AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND (Embarkation)

Welcome to Holland. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding.

Flights into Amsterdam must arrive by 3:30 pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

Your day in Amsterdam is free to explore at your leisure.

During tulip season, don't miss a guided optional excursion to Keukenhof gardens – with more than seven million flowering bulbs. Outside of tulip season, join a guided optional excursion to Zaanse Schans to see historic windmills and charming Dutch houses.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Amsterdam

## DAY 2 AMSTERDAM Colourful Canals of Amsterdam

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**CLASSIC:** Explore the iconic waterways of Amsterdam on a guided canal cruise past stately homes of Amsterdam's "Golden Age."

This afternoon choose among the guided optional excursions available. Alternatively spend some free time this afternoon visiting one of



Amsterdam's many fascinating museums or galleries.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Cologne

## DAY 3 COLOGNE, GERMANY Prost! Celebrate in the Rhineland

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a bike ride like the locals in Cologne with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Choose a guided walking tour of Cologne's important Jewish heritage sites, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided city walk of Cologne – with its soaring twin-steeped Gothic cathedral.

Spend free time over a glass of Kölsch pale lager – locally brewed for over 100 years!

**OVERNIGHT:** Sailing to Cochem

## DAY 4 COCHEM The Charm of the Moselle Valley

This morning, select a guided optional excursion to Eltz Castle.

**ACTIVE:** Bike along the Mosel river with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Visit the former bunker of Germany's Central Bank (Deutsche Bundesbank) and immerse yourself in the underground vault where millions of German Mark were kept during the Cold War, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided walk of Cochem to see the charming town's half-timbered houses and winding streets. Visit Cochem's hilltop Reichsburg Castle with a bird's-eye-view of the Moselle Valley and river bend.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Remich

## DAY 5 REMICH. EXCURSION TO TRIER Ancient Worlds and Old World Charm

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**ACTIVE:** Wander and Discover Trier. Follow your Adventure Host for a walk in and around this city, **OR;**





**CLASSIC:** Take a guided sightseeing tour of Trier – Germany’s oldest city with ancient remnants dating from 144-152 AD. Starting from Porta Nigra, walk through the city centre, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a history-focused Roman Trier guided tour to learn more about the history of Roman civilisation in this Moselle River city, and visit the ruins of a 20,000-seat amphitheatre, and imperial baths.

This afternoon choose among the guided optional excursions available.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board your ship.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Bernkastel

#### **DAY 6 BERNKASTEL** Hillside Vines and German Wines

**ACTIVE:** Bike along the Mosel river with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walking tour of the charming wine village of Bernkastel – with its medieval marketplace and 17th-century gabled timber-framed houses.

This afternoon, select a guided optional excursion to a local winery for a wine tasting.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Koblenz

#### **DAY 7 KOBLENZ – RHINE GORGE – RÜDESHEIM** Fortress Walls and Manor Halls

**ACTIVE:** Explore Koblenz’s Mosel side by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided city walk amid ancient fortresses walls, towers, squares, and monuments, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Visit the Sayn Manor House on a guided tour.

Enjoy the breath-taking views as you cruise through the spectacular Rhine Gorge on your way to Rüdesheim.

#### **RÜDESHEIM** Eat, Drink, and Be Merry in Wine Country

Enjoy free time this evening to explore this picturesque village.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Ludwigshafen

#### **DAY 8 LUDWIGSHAFEN. EXCURSION TO HEIDELBERG – SPEYER** Philosophers’ Views and the World’s Biggest Wine Barrel

Ask about today’s energising or relaxing Adventure Host activities.

**ACTIVE:** Join your Avalon Adventure Host for an inspiring walk in Heidelberg, the Philosophers’ way, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take an entertaining guided tour to the famous Frankenstein castle, nestled in the hills of the Western Odenwald area, and enjoy a breath-taking view of the Rhine Valley, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided tour to Heidelberg Castle to see the ruins of the magnificent renaissance treasure towering above the city, and its famed Great Vat, the “World’s Largest Wine Barrel.”

This afternoon a short sailing will bring you to Speyer, where you will have free time to explore at your own pace.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Strasbourg

#### **DAY 9 STRASBOURG, FRANCE** A Grand Cathedral and La Petite France

**ACTIVE:** Discover Strasbourg by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a city sightseeing tour, including the city’s Gothic, stained-glass cathedral with its celebrated ancient murals and astronomical clock,



as well as the magical La Petite France District.

This afternoon choose among the guided optional excursions available.

Alternatively, take some free time in Strasbourg to visit a museum or stroll across the city centre.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Breisach

#### **DAY 10 BREISACH, GERMANY. EXCURSION TO THE BLACK FOREST** German Winemaking and the Beautiful Black Forest

**DISCOVERY:** Join a full-day guided tour to the magical Black Forest to experience the Vogtsbauernhof open-air-museum, visit an authentic water mill, and see a traditional butter-making demonstration, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Visit to a local winery in Breisach, where you will learn about German winemaking in the vineyards of Baden and enjoy a wine tasting.

You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to visit the charming village of Colmar in the morning, with its half-timbered medieval and early renaissance buildings.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Basel

#### **DAY 11 BASEL, SWITZERLAND (Disembarkation)**

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning. Flights should not leave Basel airport before 8 am.



#### **REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE**

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £4,220PP **NOW £3,295PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £5,576PP **NOW £4,651PP**

Price based on 19 October 2024 departure

Cruise available Jul – Oct 2023 and May, Aug – Oct 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Amsterdam or Lucerne to your cruise.

Prices are per person, based on double occupancy. Prices shown are for the cruise only and do not include flights or transfers. If requested, we can arrange these services. Itineraries and activities are subject to change at any time due to unforeseen circumstances or other factors beyond our control. The most up-to-date version will be available on our website. Price correct at time of going to print, subject to availability and our booking terms and conditions.





# A Taste Of The Danube



4 Days from Vienna to Budapest

CRUISE CODE: WVW | DIRECTION: Eastbound



## DAY 1 VIENNA, AUSTRIA (Embarkation)

Welcome to Austria. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding.

Flights into Vienna must arrive by 3:30 pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

Spend free time today by relaxing, exploring, or strolling through the streets of Vienna before boarding.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Melk

## DAY 2 MELK - DÜRNSTEIN Frescoes Above and Vineyards Below

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**ACTIVE:** Join your Avalon Adventure Host for a walk along the Danube river and around Melk, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a morning guided sightseeing tour of Melk's 11th-century Benedictine Abbey. Explore its frescoes, statues, library, and spectacular pipe organ in the monastery's lofty perch above the Danube.

Take a relaxing break on the Sky Deck as you sail through awe-inspiring views of the Wachau Valley and the wine region.



## DÜRNSTEIN A King's Ransom and Castle Ruins

Spend free time at your leisure, perhaps biking through the vineyards in the Wachau Valley.

Later, enjoy onboard entertainment by local musicians.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Bratislava

## DAY 3 BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

Cathedral Coronations and a Crowning Castle

**ACTIVE:** Follow your Avalon Adventure Host on a short hike to lofty Bratislava Castle, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Old Town's cobblestone streets to Town Hall. Visit the gothic halls of St. Martin's Cathedral – Hungary's centuries-old coronation church.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Budapest



## DAY 4 BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

Flights should not leave Budapest airport before 10 am.

**REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE**

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS ~~£1,471PP~~ **NOW £1,096PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS ~~£1,878PP~~ **NOW £1,503PP**

Price based on 28 April 2024 departure.

Cruise available Aug & Oct 2023 and Apr - Jun & Sep 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Budapest or Vienna to your cruise.

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# Danube Symphony

6 Days from Vilshofen to Budapest

CRUISE CODE: WPB | DIRECTION: Eastbound

## DAY 1 VILSHOFEN, GERMANY (Embarkation)

Welcome to Germany. Your Suite Ship® is Ready for Boarding.

Flights into Munich must arrive by 2 pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

**EVENING:** Cruise to Linz

## DAY 2 LINZ, AUSTRIA - MAUTHAUSEN Legendary, Lovely Linz

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host. Consider an optional excursion to visit Linz and its medieval square or join an optional guided hike.

Enjoy free time this morning in Linz, before a brief sailing to Mauthausen while having lunch.

### MAUTHAUSEN History Lessons and Modern-Day Devotion

**ACTIVE:** Bike along the Austrian Danube with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Visit the 9th-century St. Florian Monastery-the largest monastery in upper Austria and home to Augustine monks, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a sobering guided tour of Mauthausen Concentration Camp, one of the largest and most brutal Nazi camps of WWII.

Enjoy sailing on your way to Ybbs tonight.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Ybbs

## DAY 3 YBBS - WACHAU VALLEY - KREMS An Ancient Village and Vintages of the Wachau Valley

**ACTIVE:** Bike your way around Ybbs with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Visit the Lower Austrian little town of Ybbs. Walk through the doors of Austrian history with a guided sightseeing tour of Artstetten Castle. Relax on board and enjoy the picturesque Wachau Valley scenery as you cruise to Krems.

### KREMS An Ancient Village and Vintages of the Wachau Valley

**ACTIVE:** Experience Wachau valley by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Join an interactive Wine World Experience with wine tasting, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided walk to explore this small valley town, seemingly untouched by the new world.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

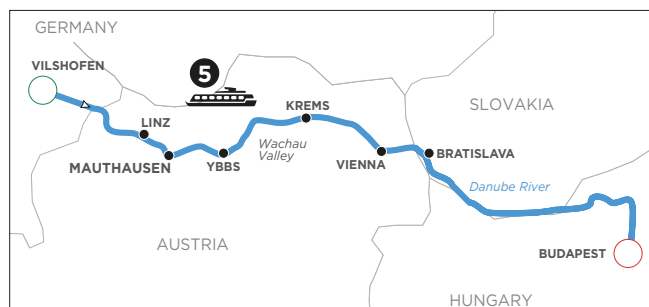
**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Vienna

## DAY 4 VIENNA A Feast for the Soul in Vienna

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**ACTIVE:** Explore Vienna's Danube Island by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Explore the Habsburg empire with a guided city tour of Vienna's gilded landmarks. See the Imperial Palace complex - the winter residence



of the Imperial Family, the iconic Vienna Opera House and stunning St. Stephen's Cathedral.

Optional tours today include a guided tour of magnificent Schönbrunn Palace, the former imperial summer residence of Habsburg royalty. Alternatively you can choose to spend your free time strolling Austria's famed Kärntnerstrasse and stop in a local café to enjoy Sachertorte or Apfelstrudel.

You may also choose to attend an optional excursion to a Royal Waltz Concert for an unforgettable evening of music in an elegant hall.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Bratislava



## DAY 5 BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA Cathedral Coronations and a Crowning Castle

**ACTIVE:** Follow your Avalon Adventure Host on a short hike to lofty Bratislava Castle, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided city walk, including quaint streets of Old Town, Town Hall, and the royal coronation site of St. Martin's Cathedral.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Budapest

## DAY 6 BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

### REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £2,150PP **NOW £1,600PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £2,828PP **NOW £2,278PP**

Price based on 02 July 2024 departure

Cruise available Jul, Sep - Oct 2023 and Apr - Aug 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Budapest or Munich to your cruise.

Prices are per person, based on double occupancy. Prices shown are for the cruise only and do not include flights or transfers. If requested, we can arrange these services. Itineraries and activities are subject to change at any time due to unforeseen circumstances or other factors beyond our control. The most up-to-date version will be available on our website. Price correct at time of going to print, subject to availability and our booking terms and conditions.



# The Legendary Danube

## 8 Days from Nuremberg to Budapest

CRUISE CODE: WNB

### DAY 1 NUREMBERG, GERMANY (Embarkation)

Welcome to Germany. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding.

Flights into Nuremberg must arrive by 3:30 pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

Explore your ship this evening and enjoy dinner on board.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Nuremberg

### DAY 2 ROTH. EXCURSION TO NUREMBERG Legends & History Lessons

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**ACTIVE:** Explore Roth's Lauter valley with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided sightseeing tour of the Bavarian town of Roth – with its half-timbered houses, market square, and 1535 hunting lodge Schloss Ratibor, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Choose a guided tour of Nuremberg – with its medieval architecture, gilded fountain, Gothic cathedral, and Kaiserburg Castle, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of the historic Nuremberg Rally Grounds – used by the Third Reich.

**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy an onboard lecture about the Main-Danube Canal – linking these two rivers to make a vital connection enabling navigation between the North and Black Seas.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Regensburg

### DAY 3 REGENSBURG Bavaria's Medieval Miracle

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided city walk and see the Altes Rathaus (Old Town Hall) and Porta Pretoria – built in 179 AD as the entrance to Castra Regina fortress.

You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to visit the Benedictine Monastery in Weltenburg. Alternatively, spend a free afternoon exploring Regensburg on foot or by bike through its charming streets.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Passau

### DAY 4 PASSAU - LINZ, AUSTRIA Where the Danube, Inn, and Ilz Rivers Meet

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided city walk to learn more about this beautiful "City of Three Rivers".

Alternatively, join a full-day guided optional excursion to Salzburg – the city of Mozart – or to the picturesque Bohemian town of Cesky Krumlov.

Sail to Linz this afternoon, or join your ship after your selected full-day excursion.

### LINZ, AUSTRIA Legendary, Lovely Linz

Enjoy a free afternoon to linger in Linz. Take a bicycle from the ship and cycle along the Danube, or follow one of Linz's many nature trails for a bird's-eye view of the city and river below. Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Melk

### DAY 5 MELK-WACHAU VALLEY - VIENNA Frescoes Above and Vineyards Below

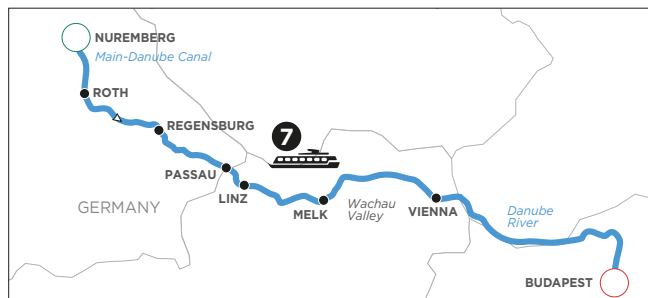
**ACTIVE:** Join your Avalon Adventure Host for a walk along the Danube river and around Melk, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of Melk's magnificent Benedictine Abbey to marvel at its frescoed ceilings, statues, library, and ornate pipe organ.

Enjoy a coffee or a cocktail on the Sky Deck as you sail through the picturesque Wachau Valley to Vienna.

### VIENNA Viennese Waltzes on the Beautiful Blue Danube

This evening, you may choose to attend an optional excursion to a Royal



Waltz Concert for an unforgettable evening of music in an elegant hall.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Vienna

### DAY 6 VIENNA Royal Collections, and Amusing Attractions

Ask about today's energising or relaxing Adventure Host activities.

**ACTIVE:** Explore Vienna's Danube Island by bike with your Adventure Host

**OR; CLASSIC:** Explore the Habsburg empire this morning on a guided city tour of Vienna's gilded landmarks. See the Imperial Palace complex – the winter residence of the Imperial Family, the iconic Vienna Opera House and stunning St. Stephen's Cathedral.

Join a guided optional excursion to Schönbrunn Palace – summer home of the Habsburg Empire. Enjoy free time this afternoon to take a tram to visit Vienna's Prater amusement park or one of the many museums nearby.

You may also borrow a bike from ship to explore Vienna's square or the banks of the Danube. Later, relax on board with live entertainment as you sail to Budapest.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Budapest

### DAY 7 BUDAPEST, HUNGARY War Heroes and Hot Water

**ACTIVE:** Hike up to a magnificent viewpoint in Budapest with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided city sightseeing, including the iconic Heroes' Square. This afternoon, select from a variety of guided optional excursions or spend free time soaking in one of Budapest's famous thermal baths. Consider a scenic hike above the Danube, or enjoy Budapest's cafés, pubs, or nightlife.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Budapest

### DAY 8 BUDAPEST (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS ~~£2,978PP~~ **NOW £2,053PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS ~~£3,927PP~~ **NOW £3,002PP**

Price based on 25 November 2024 departure

Cruise available May – Jul, Sep – Oct & Dec 2023 and Jun – Dec 2024

**SPECIAL INTEREST CRUISES:** Festive Season

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Prague to your cruise.

Prices are per person, based on double occupancy. Prices shown are for the cruise only and do not include flights or transfers. If requested, we can arrange these services. Itineraries and activities are subject to change at any time due to unforeseen circumstances or other factors beyond our control. The most up-to-date version will be available on our website. Price correct at time of going to print, subject to availability and our booking terms and conditions.



# The Blue Danube Discovery

## 8 Days from Budapest to Nuremberg

CRUISE CODE: WBN

### DAY 1 BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (Embarkation)

Welcome to Hungary. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding.

Flights into Budapest must arrive by 2 pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

The day is yours to relax and enjoy the city with time for photographs, cafés, and confections.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Vienna

### DAY 2 VIENNA, AUSTRIA Vienna Waltzes on the Beautiful Blue Danube

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

Enjoy sailing the Danube, which shares dozens of miles with Hungary and Slovakia. Relax on the Sky Deck to see the rolling landscape and red-rooftops of the Slovakian capital of Bratislava come into view.

This evening in Vienna, you may choose to join an optional excursion to attend a Royal Waltz Concert for an unforgettable evening of music in an elegant hall.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Vienna

### DAY 3 VIENNA Royal Collections and Amusing Attractions

**ACTIVE:** Explore Vienna's Danube Island by bike with your Adventure Host

**OR; CLASSIC:** Explore the Habsburg empire this morning on a guided city tour of Vienna's gilded landmarks. See the Imperial Palace complex – the winter residence of the Imperial Family, the iconic Vienna Opera House and stunning St. Stephen's Cathedral.

Join a guided optional excursion to Schönbrunn Palace – summer home of the Habsburg Empire.

Enjoy free time this afternoon to take a tram to visit Vienna's Prater amusement park or one of the many museums nearby. You may also borrow a bike from the ship to explore Vienna's square or the banks of the Danube.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Dürnstein

### DAY 4 DÜRNSTEIN - MELK A King's Ransom and Castle Ruins

**ACTIVE:** Join a Hike up to the castle ruins with your Adventure Host for a spectacular view of the village, Danube, and the Wachau Valley below, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided walk, and hear the legendary tale of King Richard the Lionheart – who was imprisoned in the castle above the village during the Crusades.

Enjoy coffee or a cocktail on the Sky Deck as you sail through the picturesque Wachau Valley to Melk.

#### MELK Frescoes Above and Vineyards Below

**Active:** Join your Avalon Adventure Host for a walk along the Danube river and around Melk, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of Melk's magnificent Benedictine Abbey to marvel at its frescoed ceilings, statues, incredible library, and ornate pipe organ.

**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy the flavours of the Wachau Valley with a wine tasting on board.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Passau

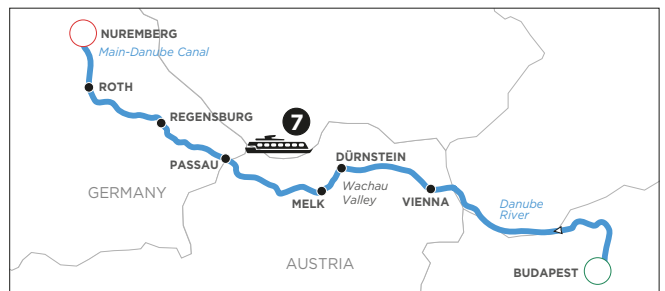
### DAY 5 PASSAU, GERMANY Where the Danube, Inn, and Ilz Rivers Meet

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided city walk to learn more about this beautiful "City of Three Rivers."

Alternatively, join a full-day guided optional excursion to Salzburg – the city of Mozart – or to the picturesque Bohemian town of Cesky Krumlov.

Meet your ship back in Passau after your full-day selected activity for sailing.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Regensburg



### DAY 6 REGENSBURG Bavaria's Medieval Miracle

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**ACTIVE:** Explore Walhalla by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided city walk and see the Altes Rathaus (Old Town Hall) and Porta Pretoria – built in 179 AD as the entrance to Castra Regina fortress.

You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to visit the Benedictine Monastery in Weltenburg.

Alternatively spend a free afternoon exploring Regensburg on foot or by bike through its charming streets.

This evening, enjoy live entertainment after dinner.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Roth

### DAY 7 ROTH. EXCURSION TO NUREMBERG Legends & History Lessons

**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy an onboard lecture about the Main-Danube Canal – linking these two rivers to make a vital connection enabling navigation between the North and Black Seas.

**ACTIVE:** Explore Roth's Lauter valley with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided sightseeing tour of the Bavarian town of Roth – with its half-timbered houses, market square, and 1535 hunting lodge Schloss Ratibor, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Choose a guided sightseeing of Nuremberg – with its medieval architecture, gilded fountain, Gothic cathedral, and Kaiserburg Castle, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of the historic Nuremberg Rally Grounds – used by the Third Reich.

**EVENING:** Cruise to Nuremberg

### DAY 8 NUREMBERG (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £2,978PP NOW £2,053PP

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £3,927PP NOW £3,002PP

Price based on 18 November 2024 departure

Cruise available May – Oct 2023 and Jun – Aug & Oct – Nov 2024

### SPECIAL INTEREST CRUISES: Festive Season

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Budapest or Prague to your cruise.

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# Danube Dreams

8 Days from Vilshofen to Budapest

CRUISE CODE: WDB | DIRECTION: Eastbound

Cruise along the peaceful Danube River through Germany, Austria, Slovakia, and Hungary—stopping at some of Central Europe’s most splendid capitals and charming towns along the way. Setting sail from Vilshofen, Germany, enjoy magnificent views as you cruise through the picturesque wine region of the Wachau Valley. Stops include Melk, Dürnstein and Austria’s capital Vienna, the “City of Music”. You’ll discover Bratislava, the capital of Slovakia, before ending your cruise in Budapest, the vibrant capital of Hungary.



## DAY 1 VILSHOFEN, GERMANY (Embarkation)

Welcome to Germany. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding.

Flights into Munich must arrive by 2 pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

Explore your ship and enjoy dinner on your first evening on board.

**EVENING:** Cruise to Passau

## DAY 2 PASSAU-SCHLÖGEN OXBOW Where the Danube, Inn, and Ilz Rivers Meet

**ACTIVE:** Follow your Avalon Adventure Host for hiking from Oberhaus along a trail down to the valley and along Ilz River, **OR**;

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided city walk to learn more about this beautiful “City of Three Rivers”.

Before sailing to Linz, take a little free time to explore Passau’s cobblestone streets and galleries of Artists’ Alley. Maybe stop at St. Stephen’s Cathedral to catch a concert rehearsal.

This afternoon, cruise to Linz through the Danube’s dramatic horseshoe bend called Schlögen Oxbow.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Linz

## DAY 3 LINZ, AUSTRIA Legendary and Lovely Linz

Visit the Adventure Centre for today’s activities with your Adventure Host.

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walk through the city’s historic and beautiful sites along the shore of the Danube and see the Hauptplatz – Austria’s largest medieval square – and the towering white-marble Trinity Column.

Consider a full-day guided optional excursion to Salzburg – the city of

Mozart, or to the picturesque Bohemian town of Cesky Krumlov.

You may otherwise spend the afternoon on a biking picnic along the banks of the Danube or hike through Linz’s beautiful nature trails to Pöstlingberg for a bird’s-eye view of the city and river below.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Ybbs

## DAY 4 YBBS. EXCURSION TO MELK-WACHAU VALLEY - DÜRNSTEIN Frescoes Above and Vineyards Below

**CLASSIC:** Visit the Lower Austrian little town of Ybbs. Walk through the doors of Austrian history with a guided sightseeing tour of Artstetten Castle. **OR**;







**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of Melk's magnificent Benedictine Abbey to marvel at its frescoed ceilings, statues, incredible library, and ornate pipe organ.

Later, stretch out on the Sky Deck as you sail through the Wachau Valley past vineyards, castles, and charming villages on your way to Dürnstein.

#### **DÜRNSTEIN** A King's Ransom and Castle Ruins

**ACTIVE:** Join a guided hike up to the castle ruins to take in the spectacular view of the village, Danube, and the Wachau Valley below, **OR;** **CLASSIC:** Join a guided walk and hear the legendary tale of King Richard the Lionheart – who was imprisoned in the castle here during the Crusades.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board your ship.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Vienna

#### **DAY 5 VIENNA** Viennese Waltzes on the Blue Danube

**ACTIVE:** Explore Vienna's Danube Island by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

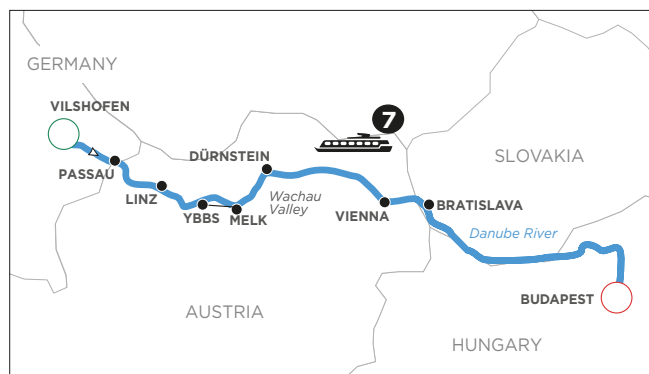
**CLASSIC:** Explore the Habsburg empire with a morning guided city tour of Vienna's gilded landmarks. See the Imperial Palace complex – the winter residence of the Imperial Family, the iconic Vienna Opera House and stunning St. Stephen's Cathedral.

Join a guided optional excursion to Schönbrunn Palace – summer home of the Habsburg monarchy.

Spend free time strolling on the pedestrian Kärntnerstrasse – the most famous shopping avenue in central Vienna. Take a bike ride through the city and stop in a local café to enjoy Sachertorte or Apfelstrudel.

This evening, enjoy an unforgettable musical performance with an optional excursion to attend a Royal Waltz Concert in an elegant hall.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Vienna



#### **DAY 6 BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA** Cathedral Coronations and a Crowning Castle

**ACTIVE:** Follow your Avalon Adventure Host on a hike to lofty Bratislava Castle, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided city walk, including the quaint streets of Old Town, Town Hall, and the sight of royal coronations at St. Martin's Cathedral.

Enjoy free time to discover on your own Bratislava, the beautiful capital of Slovakia, rich in history and culture, but also a green city with its forests and parks just a hop away from the city centre.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Budapest

#### **DAY 7 BUDAPEST, HUNGARY** War Heroes and Hot Water

**ACTIVE:** Hike up to a magnificent viewpoint in Budapest with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided city sightseeing, including the iconic Heroes' Square.

This afternoon choose among a wide offer of optional guided excursions or take in the beauty of Budapest while enjoying some free time exploring such famous sights as the Chain Bridge. Get to know the city's cafés and pubs or take a hike through the hills above the Danube.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Budapest

#### **DAY 8 BUDAPEST (Disembarkation)**

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

#### **REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE**

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS ~~£2,753PP~~ **NOW £1,828PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS ~~£3,702PP~~ **NOW £2,777PP**

Price based on 04 April 2024 departure

Cruise available May – Nov 2023 and April – Nov 2024

**SPECIAL INTEREST CRUISES:** Habsburg & Royalty, Jewish Heritage, Photography Enthusiasts, Wine Lovers

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Prague to your cruise.

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# Balkan Discovery

9 Days from Budapest to Bucharest

CRUISE CODE: WBOB



Experience the extraordinary destinations of Eastern Europe on this Danube River cruise adventure through the Balkans. You'll cruise through the rich landscapes and cultural locales of Hungary, Croatia, Serbia, Bulgaria, and Romania. Set sail from Budapest, the lively Hungarian capital, and visit destinations including the Serbian capital of Belgrade and Bulgaria's Belogradchik before rounding out this timeless Eastern European river cruise, with a stay in Romania's vibrant capital of Bucharest.



### DAY 1 BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (Embarkation)

Welcome to Hungary. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding.  
Flights into Budapest must arrive by 2 pm.  
Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

**OVERNIGHT: Cruise to Mohács**

### DAY 2 MOHÁCS Hungarian History in a Harbour Town

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**ACTIVE:** Explore Mohács by foot as you follow the lead of your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a morning guided sightseeing tour of Mohács – the quiet Danube harbour town with its historical memorial parks, statues, and distinctive churches. Tour the remarkable medieval St. Nicholas Watermill – one of only a few remaining watermills performing stone-ground grain processing, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of nearby Pécs to see its 4th-century Christian underground tombs, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with fascinating murals. You'll also enjoy an organ concert on your tour.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT: Cruise to Ilok**

### DAY 3 ILOK, CROATIA - NOVI SAD, SERBIA History and Culture in Croatia

**Classic:** Join a guided tour of Ilok, with its 1,000-year-old wine making traditions still thriving and its medieval fortress protected for its Croatian cultural heritage.

Enjoy a brief cruise to Novi Sad while having lunch onboard.

#### NOVI SAD, SERBIA The Athens of Serbia

**ACTIVE** Get your daily dose of exercise, join your Adventure Host on this walk in and around town, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Novi Sad, the second largest town in Serbia. Admire its Austro-Hungarian old town, with its baroque buildings, and ancient fortifications.

**OVERNIGHT: Cruise to Belgrade**

### DAY 4 BELGRADE Fortresses and Folklore

**ACTIVE:** Discover Belgrade's central walkway with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Belgrade – where the Danube and Sava Rivers converge – and see the city's many fascinating sights, including Saint Sava – one of the world's largest Orthodox churches.

**DISCOVERY:** Attend an onboard lecture to learn about the rich history, destinations, and culture of the Balkan states.

Spend your free time exploring the city on your own this afternoon on Knez Mihailova Street – Belgrade's central pedestrian thoroughfare with many lively cafés, shops, and cultural spots.

This evening, you might like to join an optional excursion for an authentic Bohemian Dinner in the Quarter of Skadarlija.

**OVERNIGHT: Cruise to Golubac**

### DAY 5 GOLUBAC-DONJI MILANOVAC. EXCURSION TO LEPENSKI VIR-IRON GATES GORGE Ancient Artefacts and the Iron Gates

**CLASSIC:** Visit the Fortress of Golubac, one of the best preserved medieval fortresses in Europe. You'll hear about its tumultuous history as a border control for defence in the Middle Ages, and a source of conflict between Serbia, the Habsburg Monarchy and the Ottoman Empire.

Enjoy a brief sailing to Donji Milanovac.

**ACTIVE:** Stretch your legs, ease your mind and enjoy a walk led by your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour to the Mesolithic archaeological site of Lepenski Vir with unique views of the Danube Gorge.

Sail through the spectacular and narrow Iron Gates Gorge – a natural border between Serbia and Romania.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT: Cruise to Vidin**

### DAY 6 VIDIN, BULGARIA Rocks, Ruins and Balkan Beauty

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**ACTIVE:** Wander and discover this town, join your Adventure Host for a walk,

**OR; CLASSIC:** Join guided sightseeing in Vidin, followed by a guided tour



of Belogradchik. Marvel at the remarkable rock formations on the western slopes of the Balkan Mountains, sculpted by 200 million years of natural elements.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT: Cruise to Rousse**

### DAY 7: ROUSSE. VELIKO TARNOVO & ARBANASSI EXCURSION Fortresses and Folklore

**ACTIVE:** Join a walk in the park in Rousse with your Avalon Adventure Host.

**OR; CLASSIC:** Join a full-day guided tour to the former Bulgarian capital of Veliko Tarnovo – with its ancient stone houses clinging to the cliffs above the Yantra River. Discover one of the oldest towns in Bulgaria (circa 4300 BC), as well as the Bulgarian Revival architecture in the 15th-century town of Arbanassi, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Bulgaria's largest inland port and visit its impressive Holy Trinity Church.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board with a Bulgarian folklore show.

**OVERNIGHT: Cruise to Oltenita**

### DAY 8 OLTENITA, ROMANIA (Disembarkation) - BUCHAREST The Paris of the East

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of the Romanian capital city of Bucharest with its tree-lined boulevards and Arc de Triomphe – honouring WWI Romanian soldiers. See the Royal Palace Square – the scene of the city's 1989 riots to overthrow the communist dictator Nicolae Ceaușescu.

Spend some free time exploring on your own to visit shops and museums. See the beautiful home and churches along Victory Avenue.

### DAY 9 BUCHAREST

Your holiday ends with breakfast this morning.



**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £3,280PP **NOW £2,530PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £4,229PP **NOW £3,479PP**

Price based on 23 April 2024 departure

Cruise available Jun – Oct 2023 and Apr – Oct 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Budapest or Transylvania to your cruise.

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# The Danube From The Black Sea To Budapest

11 Days from Bucharest to Budapest

CRUISE CODE: WOBB



Begin your holiday with one night in Bucharest, Romania, before embarking on your river cruise along the beautiful Danube River. Enjoy guided sightseeing in Constanta and Bulgaria's ancient capital of Veliko Tarnovo, and Arbanassi. Discover Belogradchik's eclectic group of rock formations and enjoy spectacular views as you cruise through the Iron Gates Gorge. Visit Belgrade, the capital of Serbia, and continue up the Danube towards our final destination of Budapest, Hungary.

## **DAY 1 BUCHAREST, ROMANIA** Welcome to Bucharest – The “Paris of the East”

The day is yours to relax and enjoy Bucharest. Spend some free time exploring this fascinating city on your own to discover its trendy shops, cafés, museums, beautiful homes, and churches along Victory Avenue.

## **DAY 2 BUCHAREST - OLTENITA (Embarkation)** Beautiful Boulevards and Bold History

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of the Romanian capital city of Bucharest with its tree-lined boulevards and Arc de Triomphe – honouring WWI Romanian soldiers. See the Royal Palace Square – the scene of the city's 1989 riots to overthrow the communist dictator Nicolae Ceaușescu. Travel to Oltenita to board your Avalon Suite Ship® this afternoon.



## **OLTENITA (Embarkation)** Your Balkan Adventure Begins

Explore your Avalon Suite Ship® this evening and enjoy a dinner on board.

**DISCOVERY:** After dinner, attend an onboard lecture to learn about the Danube Delta.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise To St. Gheorghe

## **DAY 3 ST. GHEORGHE. EXCURSION TO THE DANUBE DELTA** A River's Entrance into the Sea

**CLASSIC:** Join a small-boat guided tour of the best preserved of Europe's deltas-2,200 square miles of rivers, canals, marshes, tree-fringed lakes and reed islands.

**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy a special celebration to mark Kilometre “0”—the end of the Danube River's 2,845 km journey—from the source in the Black Forest to its delta at the Black Sea.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Hârșova

## **DAY 4 HÂRȘOVA. EXCURSION TO CONSTANTA** Romania's Cultural Legacies

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour to Constanta, the most important commercial centre in Romania, situated on the Black Sea. Visit the Natural History and Archeological Museum to discover the history of early Romanian cultures.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Rousse

## **DAY 5 ROUSSE, BULGARIA. VELIKO TARNOVO & ARBANASSI** Excursion Fortresses and Fountains in “Little Vienna”

**ACTIVE:** Join a walk through the park in Rousse with your Avalon Adventure Host, OR;





**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Bulgaria's largest inland port and visit its impressive Holy Trinity Church.

Sail to Svistov, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a full-day guided tour to the former Bulgarian capital of Veliko Tarnovo—with its ancient stone houses clinging to the cliffs above the Yantra River. Discover one of the oldest towns in Bulgaria (circa 4300 BC), as well as Bulgarian Revival architecture in the 15th-century town of Arbanassi.

Later, join your ship in Svistov.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Vidin

#### DAY 6 VIDIN Rocks, ruins and Balkan Beauty

Ask about today's energising or relaxing Adventure Host activities.

**ACTIVE:** Wander and discover this town, join your Adventure Host for a walk, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join guided sightseeing in Vidin, followed by a guided tour of Belogradchik. See the remarkable rock formations on the slopes of the Balkan Mountains, sculpted by 200 million years of nature's elements.

This evening, enjoy live entertainment on board with a Bulgarian folklore show.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Donji Milanovac

#### DAY 7 DONJI MILANOVAC, SERBIA-IRON GATES GORGE. EXCURSION TO LEPENSKI VIR - GOLUBAC Ancient Artifacts and the Iron Gates

Before lunch on board, you'll sail through the spectacular and narrow Iron Gates Gorge—forming a natural border between Serbia and Romania.

**ACTIVE:** Stretch your legs, ease your mind and enjoy a walk lead by your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour to Lepenski Vir—an important Mesolithic archaeological site chronicling prehistoric cultures, settlements, and art. Marvel at the ancient discoveries and artifacts, as well as the unique views the site affords of the Danube Gorge.

Enjoy a brief sailing to Golubac.

#### GOLUBAC A Formidable Fortress

**CLASSIC:** Visit the Fortress of Golubac, one of the best preserved medieval fortresses in Europe. You'll hear about its tumultuous history as a border control defence in the Middle Ages, and a source of conflict between Serbia, the Habsburg Monarchy and the Ottoman Empire.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Belgrade

#### DAY 8 BELGRADE Fortresses and Folklore

**ACTIVE:** Discover Belgrade's central walkway with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Belgrade—where the Danube and Sava Rivers converge—and see the city's many fascinating sights, including Saint Sava, one of the world's largest Orthodox churches.

You may choose to join an optional guided biking tour or spend free time in Belgrade exploring Knez Mihailova Street—Belgrade's central pedestrian thoroughfare with many lively cafés, shops, and cultural spots.

**DISCOVERY:** Attend an onboard lecture to learn about the rich history, destinations, and culture of the Balkan states.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Novi Sad



#### DAY 9 NOVI SAD - ILOK, CROATIA A Capital of Culture

**ACTIVE:** Get your daily dose of exercise, join your Adventure Host on this walk in and around town, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Novi Sad, the second largest town in Serbia. Admire its Austro-Hungarian old town, with its baroque buildings, and ancient fortifications.

Enjoy a brief cruise to Ilok while having lunch onboard.

#### ILOK, CROATIA Croatian Heritage and Hilltop Vintages

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Ilok, with its 1,000-year-old winemaking tradition still thriving and its medieval fortress protected for its Croatian cultural heritage.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Mohács

#### DAY 10 MOHÁCS, HUNGARY. EXCURSION TO PÉCS Underground Tombs and Heavenly Music

**CLASSIC:** Join a morning guided sightseeing tour of Mohács – the quiet Danube harbour town with its historical memorial parks, statues, and distinctive churches. Tour the remarkable medieval St. Nicholas Watermill – one of only a few remaining watermills performing stone-ground grain processing, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour to nearby Pécs to see its 4th-century Christian underground tombs, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with fascinating murals. You'll also enjoy an organ concert on your tour.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Budapest

#### DAY 11 BUDAPEST (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.



**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £3,921PP **NOW £2,996PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £5,142PP **NOW £4,217PP**

Price based on 18 April 2024 departure

Cruise available Jun - Jul & Sep - Oct 2023 and Apr - Oct 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Budapest or Transylvania to your cruise.

Prices are per person, based on double occupancy. Prices shown are for the cruise only and do not include flights or transfers. If requested, we can arrange these services. Itineraries and activities are subject to change at any time due to unforeseen circumstances or other factors beyond our control. The most up-to-date version will be available on our website. Price correct at time of going to print, subject to availability and our booking terms and conditions.



# Burgundy & Provence

8 Days from Chalon-sur-Saône to Arles

CRUISE CODE: WJL | DIRECTION: SOUTHBOUND



Take a delightful river cruise through France along the Rhône and Saône Rivers with guided sightseeing in known French treasures and some hidden gems too! Take in the beautiful countryside, quaint villages and towns, as you sail through the most captivating views of France. Discover Lyon, France's gastronomic capital, the city of Tournon, a medieval treasure with plenty of Roman ruins, and continue your river cruise to Avignon before ending your cruise in historic Arles.





### DAY 1 CHALON-SUR-SAÔNE, FRANCE (Embarkation)

Welcome to France. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding

Flights into Lyon must arrive by 2 pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

**OVERNIGHT** Docking In Tournus

### DAY 2 TOURNUS Pearl of Southern Burgundy

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**CLASSIC:** Tucked away in the southeast corner of Burgundy, Tournus is one of the oldest and most important monastic centres in the region, our Local Guide will show the highlights of this delightful town.

Consider a guided optional excursion to a Chardonnay wine cellar or to the Castle of Cormatin.

**DISCOVERY:** Later, enjoy a delicious cheese tasting on board your ship.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Trévoux

### DAY 3 LYON La Vie En Rose in Lyon

Sail for lovely Lyon this morning.

**ACTIVE:** Discover Lyon's architectural district by bike with your Adventure Host, over bridges, and along the banks where the Rhône and Saône rivers meet, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour to survey Lyon from Fourvière Hill with its numerous churches. You'll also explore the Old Town with its maze of medieval alleyways, and the lively cafés, monuments, and famed fountain of Place des Terreaux.

**DISCOVERY:** Be our guest for a WWII & French Resistance your lecture on board your ship.

Later enjoy live entertainment after dinner.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Lyon

### DAY 4 LYON Adventures in Food and Wine

**DISCOVERY:** Join a culinary walk through the city to discover why Lyon is known as the gastronomic capital of France.

The rest of your day is free to explore, relax, or shop in France's third largest city. Take a bike from the ship and explore local produce markets and parks, or take a leisurely tour of the city's more than 100 murals.

**EVENING:** Cruise to Tournon

### DAY 5 TOURNON - VIVIERS A Rendezvous with Castle Views and Vineyards

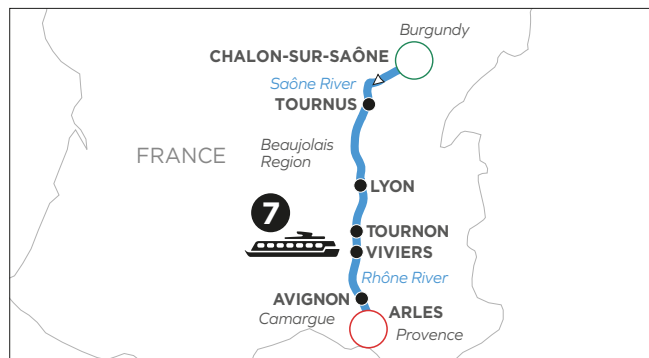
**CLASSIC:** Take a morning guided walking tour to explore Tournon – one of France's oldest medieval cities. See its 16th-century castle, and Roman ruins between the Rhône River and the granite slopes of the Hermitage. Enjoy a leisurely sail to Viviers after lunch.

**VIVIERS** World History in a Charming French Country Village

**CLASSIC:** Explore the pale-stone buildings of Viviers on a late afternoon guided walking tour of this charming village. You'll see its Romanesque cathedral and Old Town with a mix of historical Christian, Roman, and medieval influences.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Avignon



### DAY 6 AVIGNON The City of Popes in Picturesque Provence

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided sightseeing tour of the fortress city of Avignon – with its ramparts encircling the city – and a visit to the amazing Palace of the Popes.

Guided optional excursions include a visit to the ancient Roman aqueduct of Pont du Gard, or a trip to the famed wine cellars of Châteauneuf-du-Pape for a true taste of the Rhône wine region.

Explore Avignon on your own for the city's art and culture, theatre, and museums. Be sure to snap photos of the captivating countryside, historic monuments, and the medieval Pont Saint-Bénézet.

Later, enjoy onboard live entertainment.

**EVENING:** Cruise To Arles

### DAY 7: ARLES Inspiring Sights and Avant-Garde Lights

**ACTIVE:** Get your daily dose of exercise through Nordic Walking in Arles with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Attend a painting workshop to learn techniques of Vincent van Gogh. You'll create your own painting in the style of the legendary artist, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided walking tour of Arles – the captivating city of the Provence region. You'll visit the Roman Amphitheatre in this visually stunning city.

Consider a guided optional excursion to the Carrières de Lumières (Cathedral of Images) a unique experience of art, sound, and light in the old quarries of Val d'Enfer.

Take free time to stop in Le Café Van Gogh for a glass of wine.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking In Arles

### DAY 8 ARLES (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

Flights should not leave Marseille airport before 10am.

### REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS ~~£2,978PP~~ **NOW £2,228PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS ~~£3,927PP~~ **NOW £3,177PP**

Price based on 19 November 2024 departure.

Cruise available May – Nov 2023 and Apr – Nov 2024

**SPECIAL INTEREST CRUISES:** Culinary Experience, Wine Lovers

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Nice or Paris to your cruise.

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# Paris to Normandy

8 Days from Paris to Paris

CRUISE CODE: WPP



On this fabulous French river cruise, you'll enjoy wine, cheese, beautiful scenery along the Seine River, and stops in charming and historical parts of Normandy combined with time in the French capital Paris—one of the world's most romantic and vibrant cities!



## DAY 1 PARIS, FRANCE (Embarkation)

Welcome to France. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding. Flights into Paris must arrive by 2:30 pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

Your day is free to explore the world's most romantic city before starting your cruise on the Seine. Get acquainted with the City of Light today with some shopping, strolling, or with a croissant and café au lait to watch the world go by amid the Parisian cityscape.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise To Vernon

## DAY 2 VERNON - LES ANDELYS Monet's Muses, Castle Courtyards, and Crêpes du Jour

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**ACTIVE:** Explore Vernon's Chateau des Tourelles by foot with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of Giverny, home and inspiration of the master impressionist painter Claude Monet. Walk the grounds and see Monet's charming residence, and the flower and water gardens captured in his masterpieces, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided visit to Bizy Castle – called "Normandy's Versailles" for its magnificent courtyard, water garden, and stables.

**DISCOVERY:** While sailing, enjoy a traditional French Luncheon of authentic French crêpes, followed by a pastry demonstration.

This afternoon, enjoy a cruise to the picturesque town of Les Andelys.

**LES ANDELYS Serenity on the Seine**

**ACTIVE:** Join a guided hike up to the castle ruins of Château Gaillard – historic home of King Richard the Lionheart, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walking tour of Les Andelys – one of France's most picturesque spots on the Seine.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Caudebec

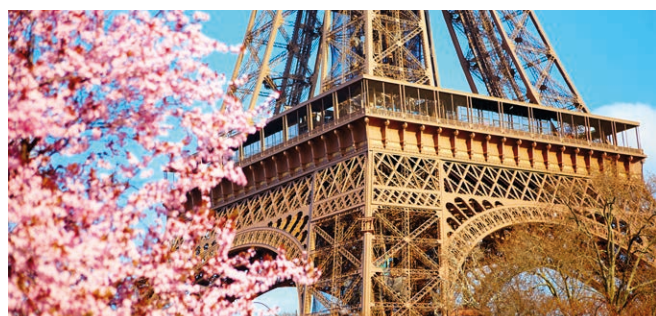
## DAY 3 CAUDEBEC Ancient Abbeys Along the Seine

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a relaxing bike ride along the river with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided trip along the Normandy Abbeys Route – where more than 100 medieval Benedictine and Augustine abbeys and churches were built along the Seine.

This afternoon, you may choose a guided optional excursion to the old seaside town of Honfleur.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Caudebec







#### DAY 4 CAUDEBEC. EXCURSION TO NORMANDY Heroic Bravery on Normandy Beaches and French Farming Traditions

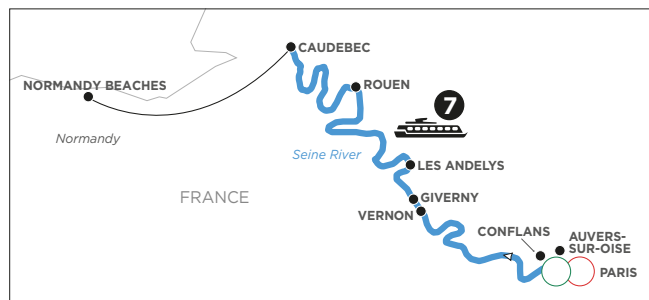
**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Normandy's WWII landing beaches, visit significant U.S. sites, including Omaha Beach, the Pointe du Hoc monument, and the American Cemetery, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a full-day guided tour of the British and Canadian commemorative sites, including the British cemetery, Pegasus Memorial, the seaside town of Arromanches, the Juno Beach Centre, and the Bény-sur-Mer Canadian War Cemetery, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join "A Taste of Normandy" guided tour for an in-depth look at this rich agricultural region. See the famous Bayeux Tapestry, visit the beautiful village of Beuvron en Auge and taste Calvados at a local distillery.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board your ship.

**EVENING:** Cruise to Rouen



#### DAY 5 ROUEN The Cathedral of Our Lady and a Heroine for France

**ACTIVE:** Take a guided bike tour to discover and explore the most famous monuments and the lesser known hidden gems of Rouen on two wheels, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walking tour of Rouen – site of Saint Joan of Arc's martyrdom – and see the medieval quarter with its 16th-century Astronomical Clock, and Notre-Dame Cathedral.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Conflans



#### DAY 6 CONFLANS The Footsteps of Van Gogh, Bonaparte, and Louis XIV

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a relaxing bike ride along the Seine with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided visit to Auvers-sur-Oise, home and resting place of Vincent van Gogh, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of the opulent Château de Malmaison – home of Napoléon Bonaparte and his wife Josephine.

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**EVENING:** Cruise to Paris

#### DAY 7 PARIS Cafés, Cathedrals and Canvases in the city of Light

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

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**CLASSIC:** Discover the ancient heart of Paris on a captivating guided walk featuring the Palais-Royal, Louvre pyramid, ancient sites on Île de la Cité, the Left Bank, bustling Latin Quarter, and more, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided city tour, that shows you the iconic sites of Paris, such as the Louvre Museum, the Arc de Triomphe, the Eiffel Tower, Opéra Garnier, and the famous Champs-Élysées.

Stroll through Paris on your own or linger over wine in a literary café on the Left Bank.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Paris

#### DAY 8 PARIS (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £2,978PP **NOW £2,053PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £3,927PP **NOW £3,002PP**

Price based on 19 November 2024 departure

Cruise available May – Oct 2023 and Apr – Nov 2024

#### SPECIAL INTEREST CRUISES: WWII Remembrance and History

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add London to your cruise. You may also combine this cruise with Britain Sampler by Globus.

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# Grand France

## 15 Day River Cruise Paris to Arles

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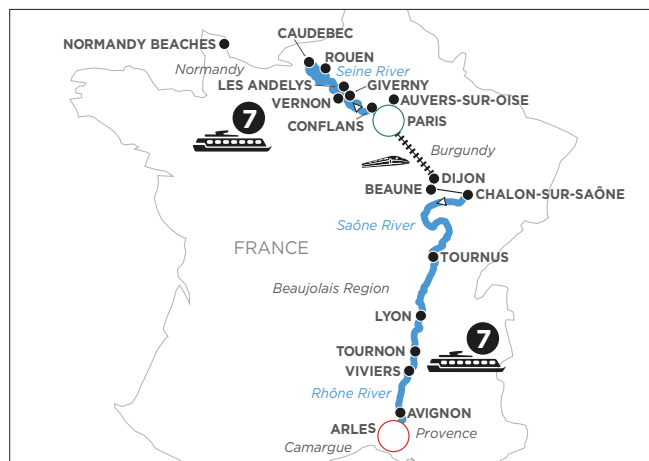
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**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Paris







**DAY 8 PARIS (Disembarkation)-DIJON-BEAUNE-CHALON-SUR-SAÔNE (Embarkation)** Take a High-Speed Train from Paris to Dijon, to drive on to Beaune

**CLASSIC:** Visit the Hôtel-Dieu Charity Hospital in Beaune, built in 1443, today home of the Van der Weyden's painting of the Last Judgement.

This afternoon, travel to Chalon-sur-Saône to board your Suite Ship®.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Tournus

**DAY 9 TOURNUS** Pearl of Southern Burgundy

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**EVENING:** Cruise to Tournon

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**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Avignon

**DAY 13 AVIGNON** The City of Popes in Picturesque Provence

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Explore Avignon on your own for the city's art and culture, theatre, and museums. Be sure to snap photos of the captivating countryside, historic monuments, and the medieval Pont Saint-Bénézet.

Later, enjoy onboard live entertainment.

**EVENING:** Cruise to Arles

**DAY 14 ARLES** Inspiring Sights and Avant-Garde Lights

**ACTIVE:** Get your daily dose of exercise through a power walk in Arles with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

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**OR; CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided walking tour of Arles – the captivating city of the Provence region. You'll visit the Roman Amphitheatre in this visually stunning city.

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**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Arles

**DAY 15 ARLES (Disembarkation)**

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning. Flights should not leave Marseille airport before 10am.

**REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE**

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £6,024PP **NOW £4,524PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £7,923PP **NOW £6,423PP**

Price based on 12 November 2024 departure

Cruise available May – Oct 2023 and Apr – Nov 2024

**SPECIAL INTEREST CRUISES:** Culinary Experience, Wine Lovers

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add London or Nice to your cruise.

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# Rhine & Rhône Revealed

## 15 Days from Amsterdam to Arles

CRUISE CODE: WAL | DIRECTION: SOUTHBOUND

### DAY 1 AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND (Embarkation)

Welcome to Holland. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding.

Flights into Amsterdam must arrive by 3:30 pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

Your day in Amsterdam is free to explore at your leisure.

During tulip season, you may take a guided optional excursion to Keukenhof gardens – with more than seven million tulips, daffodils and hyacinths, as well as other bulbs, planted each year. Outside of tulip season, join a guided optional excursion to Zaanse Schans to see historic windmills and charming Dutch houses.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Amsterdam

### DAY 2 AMSTERDAM Canals of Colourful Amsterdam

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**CLASSIC:** Explore the iconic waterways of Amsterdam on a guided canal cruise past stately homes of Amsterdam's "Golden Age."

This afternoon choose among the guided optional excursions available or take some free time to explore Amsterdam's colourful streets and canal houses, galleries, and shops.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise To Cologne

### DAY 3 COLOGNE, GERMANY Prost! Celebrate in the Rhineland

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a bike ride like the locals in Cologne with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Choose a guided walking tour of Cologne's important Jewish heritage sites, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Take a guided city walk of Cologne – with its soaring twin-steeped gothic cathedral.

Spend free time over a glass of Kölsch pale lager – locally brewed for over 100 years!

Later, local musicians will join us on board for live entertainment.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Rüdesheim

### DAY 4 RÜDESHEIM Eat, Drink, and Be Merry in Wine Country

En route to Rüdesheim, sail through the Rhine Gorge (a UNESCO World Heritage Site). Take in the breath-taking views of ancient castles perched on cliffs 400 feet above the water, and pass the legendary Rock of the Lorelei – where the mythological siren's songs lured ill-fated sailors.

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a hike with your Avalon Adventure Host through the picturesque vineyards of Rüdesheim, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Take a guided tour of the incredible Mechanical Music Museum for a one-of-a-kind instrumental experience; based on your departure enjoy a local special treat.

Enjoy live entertainment on board your ship this evening.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Rüdesheim

### DAY 5 MAINZ, HEIDELBERG EXCURSION Printing Halls, Castle Walls, and the World's Biggest Wine Barrel

**ACTIVE:** Join your Avalon Adventure Host for an inspiring walk in Heidelberg, the Philosophers' way, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided city walk including a visit to the Gutenberg Museum to see the captivating history of printing, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided tour to Heidelberg Castle to see the ruins of the magnificent renaissance treasure towering above the city, and its famed Great Vat, the "World's Largest Wine Barrel."

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Strasbourg

### DAY 6 STRASBOURG, FRANCE A Grand Cathedral and La Petite France

Ask about today's energising or relaxing Adventure Host activities.

**ACTIVE:** Discover Strasbourg by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a city sightseeing tour, including Strasbourg's Gothic, stained-glass cathedral with its celebrated ancient murals and astronomical clock, as well as the magical La Petite France District.

Choose a guided optional excursion to the historic Maginot Line – the pre-WWII fortifications designed to protect the eastern border of France or visit Alsace's wine country today. Alternatively, take some free time in Strasbourg to visit a museum, or stroll across the city centre.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Breisach

### DAY 7 BREISACH, GERMANY. EXCURSION TO BLACK FOREST German Winemaking and the Beautiful Black Forest

**DISCOVERY:** Join a full-day guided tour to the magical Black Forest to experience the Vogtsbauernhof open-air-museum, visit an authentic water mill, and see a traditional butter-making demonstration, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Visit to a local winery in Breisach, where you will learn about German winemaking and enjoy a wine tasting.



You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to visit the charming village of Colmar in the morning, with its half-timbered medieval and early renaissance buildings.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Basel

#### DAY 8 BASEL, SWITZERLAND (Disembarkation) BEAUNE-CHALON-SUR-SAÔNE (Embarkation)

Disembark your ship and drive on to Beaune.

**CLASSIC:** Visit the Hôtel-Dieu Charity Hospital in Beaune, built in 1443, today home of the Van der Weyden's painting of the Last Judgement.

This afternoon, travel to Chalon-sur-Saône to board your Suite Ship®.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Tournus

#### DAY 9 TOURNUS Pearl of Southern Burgundy

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**CLASSIC:** Tucked away in the southeast corner of Burgundy, Tournus is one of the oldest and most important monastic centres in the region. Our Local Guide will show the highlights of this delightful town.

Consider a guided optional excursion to a Chardonnay wine cellar or to the Castle of Cormatin.

**DISCOVERY:** Later, enjoy a delicious cheese tasting on board your ship.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Trévoux

#### DAY 10 LYON La Vie En Rose in Lyon Sail for lovely Lyon this morning.

**ACTIVE:** Discover Lyon's architectural district by bike with your Adventure Host, over bridges, and along the banks where the Rhône and Saône rivers meet, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour to survey Lyon from Fourvière Hill with its numerous churches. You'll also explore the Old Town with its maze of medieval alleyways, and the lively cafés, monuments, and famed fountain of Place des Terreaux.

**DISCOVERY:** Be our guest for a WWII & French Resistance lecture on board your ship.

Later enjoy live entertainment after dinner.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Lyon

#### DAY 11 LYON Adventures in Food and Wine

**CLASSIC:** Join a culinary walk through the city to discover why it is known as the gastronomic capital of France.

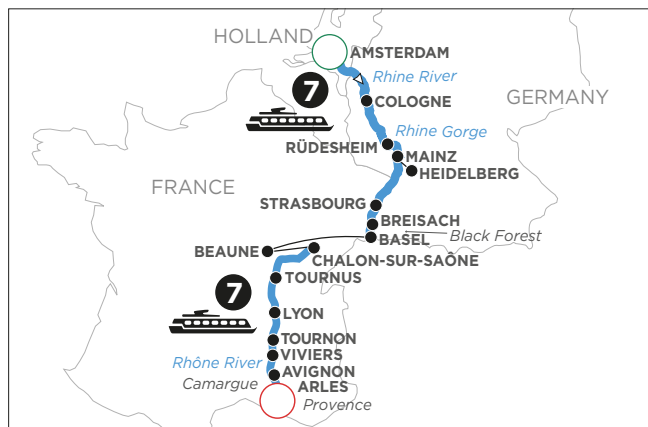
The rest of your day is free to explore, relax, or shop in France's third largest city. Take a bike from the ship and explore local produce markets and parks, or take a leisurely tour of the city's more than 100 murals.

**EVENING:** Cruise to Tournon

#### DAY 12 TOURNON - VIVIERS A Rendezvous with Castle Views and Vineyards

**CLASSIC:** Take a morning guided walking tour to explore Tournon – one of France's oldest medieval cities. See its 16th-century castle, and Roman ruins between the Rhône River and the granite slopes of the Hermitage.

Enjoy a leisurely sail to Viviers after lunch.



#### VIVIERS World History in a Charming French Country Village

**CLASSIC:** Explore the pale-stone buildings of Viviers on a late afternoon guided walking tour of this charming village. You'll see its Romanesque cathedral and Old Town with a mix of historical Christian, Roman, and medieval influences.

Later, enjoy live entertainment onboard.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Avignon

#### DAY 13 AVIGNON The City of Popes in Picturesque Provence

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided sightseeing tour of the fortress city of Avignon – with its ramparts encircling the city – and a visit to the amazing Palace of the Popes.

Guided optional excursions include a visit to the ancient Roman aqueduct of Pont du Gard, or a trip to the famed wine cellars of Châteauneuf-du-Pape for a true taste of the Rhône wine region.

Explore Avignon on your own for the city's art and culture, theatre, and museums. Be sure to snap photos of the captivating countryside, historic monuments, and the medieval Pont Saint-Bénézet. Later, enjoy onboard live entertainment.

**EVENING:** Cruise to Arles

#### DAY 14 ARLES Inspiring Sights and Avant-Garde Lights

**ACTIVE:** Get your daily dose of exercise through a power walk in Arles with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Attend a painting workshop to learn techniques of Vincent van Gogh. Create your own painting in the style of the legendary artist, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided walking tour of Arles – the captivating city of the Provence region. You'll visit the Roman Amphitheatre in this visually stunning city.

Consider a guided optional excursion to the Carrières de Lumières (Cathedral of Images) a unique experience of art, sound, and light in the old quarries of Val d'Enfer.

Take free time to stop in Café Van Gogh for a glass of wine.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Arles

#### DAY 15 ARLES (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

Flights should not leave Marseille airport before 10 am.

#### REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £6,024PP **NOW £4,524PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £7,923PP **NOW £6,423PP**

Price based on 02 April 2024 departure

Cruise available May – Oct 2023 and Apr – Jul, Sep – Oct 2024

**SPECIAL INTEREST CRUISES:** Culinary Experience, Wine Lovers

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Amsterdam or Nice to your cruise.

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# Magnificent Europe

15 Days from Amsterdam to Budapest

CRUISE CODE: WAB



From Amsterdam to Budapest experience the culture of Central Europe in a unique way on this timeless river cruise. Set sail from Holland's colourful capital Amsterdam and enjoy stops including Cologne, Rudesheim, Würzburg, Nuremberg, and Melk. Sail through the dramatic Rhine Gorge and along the Main Danube Canal. Your final two stops are iconic capital cities: Vienna, Austria, known as "The City of Music" and lively Budapest, Hungary, with its countless must-see sites. This truly is a river cruise to remember!

## DAY 1 AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND (Embarkation)

Welcome to Holland. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding. Flights into Amsterdam must arrive by 3:30 pm. Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

During tulip season, you may take a guided optional excursion to the gardens at Keukenhof – with more than seven million tulips, daffodils and hyacinths as well as other bulbs, planted each year. Outside of tulip season, consider joining a guided optional excursion to Zaanse Schans to see historic windmills and charming Dutch houses.

Spend free time exploring the colourful streets, bridges, and canals of Amsterdam – with its many cafés and art galleries.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Amsterdam

## DAY 2 AMSTERDAM Canals of Colourful Amsterdam

**CLASSIC:** Explore the iconic waterways of Amsterdam with a guided canal cruise past stately homes of Amsterdam's "Golden Age."

This afternoon choose among the guided optional excursions available.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Cologne

## DAY 3 COLOGNE, GERMANY Prost! Celebrate in the Rhineland

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a bike ride like the locals in Cologne with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Join a guided walking tour of Cologne's important Jewish heritage sites, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided city walk of Cologne – explore the Old City and see its soaring twin-steepled gothic cathedral.

Don't miss the chance to enjoy free time over a glass of Kölsch pale lager – locally brewed for over 100 years!

This evening, enjoy live entertainment on board your ship.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Rudesheim

## DAY 4 RHINE GORGE - RÜDESHEIM Eat, Drink, and Be Merry in Wine Country

This morning cruise through the dramatic Rhine Gorge and see the famous rock of the Lorelei.

**ACTIVE:** Take an open-air cable car ride to the Niederwald Monument. Ride or walk back down through the vineyards; based on your departure enjoy a local special treat, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Tour the incredible Mechanical Music Museum for a one-of-a-kind instrumental experience; based on your departure enjoy a local special treat.

Later, local musicians will join us on board for live entertainment.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Miltenberg

## DAY 5 MILTENBERG Beauty on the Main River

Ask about today's energising or relaxing Adventure Host activities.

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided walking tour of Miltenberg, a showcase of medieval half-timber homes and home to Germany's oldest inn.

Spend free time riding a bike through the beautiful villages on the Main River shores.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Würzburg

## DAY 6 WÜRZBURG A Perfect Day in the Pearl of the Romantic Road

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided sightseeing tour of Würzburg with its Old Main Bridge, towering fortress, and baroque Bishop's Residenz – with the largest known ceiling fresco.

Enjoy the city on your own or visit a local winery.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Würzburg

## DAY 7 VOLKACH Storybook Settings

You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to the beautiful Bavarian town of Rothenburg. See the local sights and enjoy the fairytale atmosphere that has inspired artists.



Sail to Volkach and get ready for your afternoon activity.

**ACTIVE:** Bike along the Main Danube Canal with your Adventure Host,  
**OR; CLASSIC:** Join a walking tour of the quaint town of Volkach with its half-timbered houses and cobblestoned streets

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Bamberg

#### DAY 8 BAMBERG The City of Seven Hills

**ACTIVE:** Your bike is ready! Hop on and bike along the canals in Bamberg with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walking tour of the former home to imperial dynasties, and see its Romanesque cathedral, Old Town Hall, and seven hills crowned with churches.

Later, enjoy live entertainment performance while sailing this evening.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Roth

#### DAY 9 ROTH. EXCURSION TO NUREMBERG Legends & History Lessons

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**ACTIVE:** Explore Roth's Lauter valley with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided sightseeing tour of the Bavarian town of Roth – with its half-timbered houses, market square, and 1535 hunting lodge Schloss Ratibor, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Choose a guided tour of Nuremberg's medieval architecture, gilded fountain, gothic cathedral, and Kaiserburg Castle, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of the historic Nuremberg Rally Grounds – used by the Third Reich.

**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy an onboard lecture about the Main-Danube Canal – linking these two rivers to make a vital connection enabling navigation between the North and Black Seas

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Regensburg

#### DAY 10 REGENSBURG Bavaria's Medieval Miracle

**ACTIVE:** Explore Walhalla by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided city walk and see the Altes Rathaus (Old Town Hall) and Porta Pretoria – built in 179 AD as the entrance to Castra Regina fortress.

You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to visit the Benedictine Monastery in Weltenburg. Alternatively, spend a free afternoon exploring Regensburg on foot or by bike through its charming streets.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Passau

#### DAY 11 PASSAU - LINZ, AUSTRIA Where the Danube, Inn, and Ilz Rivers Meet

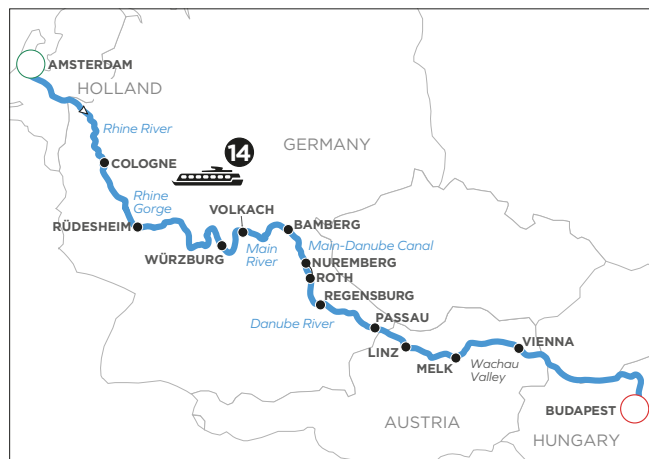
**CLASSIC:** Join a guided city walk to learn more about this beautiful "City of Three Rivers."

You may join a full day guided optional excursion to Salzburg, the city of Mozart, or a full-day guided optional excursion to the picturesque Bohemian town of Cesky Krumlov. Alternatively, cruise to the lovely town of Linz.

#### LINZ, AUSTRIA Legendary, Lovely Linz

This evening, feel free to explore Linz on your own. Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Melk



#### DAY 12 MELK - WACHAU VALLEY - VIENNA Frescoes Above and Vineyards Below

**ACTIVE:** Join your Avalon Adventure Host for a walk along the Danube river and around Melk., **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of the frescoed ceilings, statues, incredible library, and ornate pipe organ of Melk's Benedictine Abbey.

Enjoy a coffee or cocktail on the Sky Deck as you sail through the picturesque Wachau Valley to wonderful Vienna this afternoon.

#### VIENNA Viennese Waltzes on the Blue Danube

Consider joining a guided optional excursion to attend a Royal Waltz Concert in an elegant hall this evening.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Vienna

#### DAY 13 VIENNA Royal Collections and Amusing Attractions

**ACTIVE:** Explore Vienna's Danube Island by bike with your Adventure Host,

**OR; CLASSIC:** Explore the Habsburg Empire with a morning Guided city tour of Vienna's gilded landmarks. See the Imperial Palace complex – the winter residence of the Imperial Family, the iconic Vienna Opera House and stunning St. Stephen's Cathedral.

Join a guided optional excursion to Schönbrunn Palace – summer home of the Habsburg family or choose a guided optional excursion to fascinating Bratislava. Consider a tram ride to Vienna's Prater amusement park or to one of the many museums nearby. Later, enjoy live entertainment as you sail to Budapest.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Budapest

#### DAY 14 BUDAPEST, HUNGARY The Pearl of the Danube

**ACTIVE:** Hike up to a magnificent viewpoint in Budapest with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided city sightseeing tour of Budapest, including the iconic Heroes' Square

This afternoon choose among the optional guided excursions available or enjoy Budapest on your own. Indulge in a piece of cream cake in one of the many cafés. Consider a scenic hike above the Danube.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Budapest

#### DAY 15 BUDAPEST (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £5,950PP NOW £4,450PP

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £7,849PP NOW £6,349PP

Price based on 10 August 2024 departure

Cruise available May – Oct 2023 and May – Jun, Aug – Oct 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Amsterdam or Prague to your cruise.


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# German Grandeur

9 Days from Basel to Nuremberg

CRUISE CODE: WZN | DIRECTION: SOUTHBOUND



See the grandeur of Germany on a river cruise through its most picturesque destinations along the Main and Rhine Rivers. Your cruise begins on the Rhine River in Basel, Switzerland and will take you to Breisach, the French city of Strasbourg, France, the wine village of Rüdesheim and through the spectacular Rhine Gorge. Frankfurt is also on your route and you'll sail on the Main River on your way to Würzburg and conclude your cruise in Nuremberg. From Switzerland to Bavaria, your German river cruise will create grand memories indeed!

## DAY 1 BASEL, SWITZERLAND (EMBARKATION)

Welcome to Switzerland! Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding.

Flights into Zürich or Basel must arrive by 3 pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

Enjoy dinner and explore the ship on your first night on board as you sail to Breisach.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Breisach

## DAY 2 BREISACH, GERMANY. EXCURSION TO BLACK FOREST

German Winemaking and the Beautiful Black Forest

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy the view on a relaxing bike ride along the Rhine with your Adventure Host, **OR;**



**DISCOVERY:** Join a full-day guided tour to the magical Black Forest to experience the Vogtsbauernhof open-air-museum, visit an authentic water mill, and see a traditional butter-making demonstration, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Visit to a local winery in Breisach, where you will learn about German winemaking and enjoy a wine tasting.

You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to visit the charming village of Colmar in the morning.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Strasbourg

## DAY 3 STRASBOURG, FRANCE A Grand Cathedral and La Petite France

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**ACTIVE:** Discover Strasbourg by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a city tour of Strasbourg's sights, including its Gothic, stained-glass cathedral with its celebrated ancient murals and astronomical clock, as well as the magical La Petite France District.

Choose a guided optional excursion to the historic Maginot Line – the pre-WWII fortifications designed to protect the eastern border of France, or visit Alsace's wine country today.

Alternatively, take some free time in Strasbourg to visit a museum, or stroll across the city centre.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Rüdesheim

## DAY 4 RÜDESHEIM, GERMANY-RHINE GORGE - BOPPART

Eat, Drink, and Be Merry in Wine Country

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a hike with your Avalon Adventure Host through the picturesque vineyards of Rüdesheim, **OR;**





Take an open-air cable car ride to the Niederwald Monument, then ride or walk back down through the vineyards; based on your departure enjoy a local special treat, **OR**;

**DISCOVERY:** Tour the incredible Mechanical Music Museum for a one-of-a-kind instrumental experience; based on your departure enjoy a local special treat.

This afternoon, stretch out on the Sky Deck as you pass through the spectacular Rhine Gorge on your way to Boppard.

#### **BOPPARD A Peaceful Jewel in the Rhine Gorge**

Enjoy some free time to relax, or explore the Rheinallee Promenade for delicatessen fare with a cup of German coffee or glass of Riesling wine.

Later, enjoy onboard entertainment while sailing to Frankfurt.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Frankfurt

#### **DAY 5 FRANKFURT – EXCURSION TO SELIGENSTADT**

Charm in Frankfurt

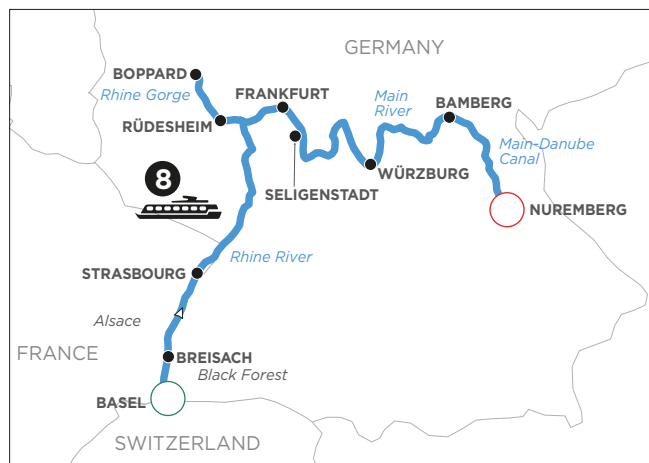
**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a biking experience in the city of Frankfurt with your Adventure Host, **OR**;

**DISCOVERY:** Take a guided tour to Seligenstadt – one of Germany's oldest towns and home to the Einhard Basilika – dubbed “minor basilica” in 1925 by Pope Pius XI, **OR**;

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Frankfurt to see the city's cultural landmarks and gleaming financial headquarters combined with the cozy ambience of quaint neighbourhoods.

Later, enjoy live entertainment onboard.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Main River Village



#### **DAY 6 MAIN RIVER VILLAGE**

Beauty on the Main River

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided walking tour of a picturesque Bavarian village.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Würzburg

#### **DAY 7 WÜRZBURG A Perfect Day in the Pearl of the Romantic Road**

**ACTIVE:** Explore Würzburg's charm by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR**;

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided sightseeing tour of Würzburg with its Old Main Bridge, towering fortress, and baroque Bishop's Residenz – with the largest known ceiling fresco.

You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to the beautiful town of Rothenburg. See the local sights and enjoy the fairytale atmosphere that has inspired artists.

Enjoy live entertainment on board as you set sail for Bamberg.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Bamberg

#### **DAY 8 BAMBERG The City of Seven Hills**

**ACTIVE:** Your bike is ready! Hop on and bike along the canals in Bamberg with your Adventure Host, **OR**;

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walking tour of the historic home to imperial dynasties, and see its Romanesque cathedral, Old Town Hall, and seven hills crowned with churches.

After the tour, spend free time with a glass of German-style Rauchbier (smoked beer).

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Nuremberg

#### **DAY 9 NUREMBERG (Disembarkation)**

Your cruise ends this morning with breakfast.

Flights should not leave Nuremberg airport before 10am.

#### **REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE**

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £3,466PP **NOW £2,541PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £4,551PP **NOW £3,626PP**

Price based on 25 October 2024

Cruise available May – Jul, Sep 2023 and May, Jul, Sep – Oct 2024

**SPECIAL INTEREST CRUISES:** Beer Enthusiasts

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Munich to your cruise.

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# Enchanted Europe

## 16 Days from Budapest to Basel

CRUISE CODE: WBZ | DIRECTION: WESTBOUND

### DAY 1 BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Welcome to Hungary. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding.

Flights into Budapest must arrive by 2 pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

The day is yours to relax and enjoy the city with time for photographs, cafés, and confections.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Vienna

### DAY 2 VIENNA, AUSTRIA Viennese Waltzes on the Blue Danube

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

Enjoy sailing the Danube, which shares dozens of miles with Hungary and Slovakia. Relax on the Sky Deck to see the rolling landscape and red-rooftops of the Slovakian capital of Bratislava come into view.

This evening in Vienna, you may choose to join an optional excursion to attend a Royal Waltz Concert for an unforgettable evening of music in an elegant hall.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Vienna

### DAY 3 VIENNA Royal Collections and Amusing Attractions

**ACTIVE:** Explore Vienna's Danube Island by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Explore the Habsburg empire this morning on a guided city tour of Vienna's gilded landmarks. See the Imperial Palace complex – the winter residence of the Imperial Family, the iconic Vienna Opera House and stunning St. Stephen's Cathedral.

Join a guided optional excursion to Schönbrunn Palace – summer home of the Habsburg Empire.

Enjoy free time this afternoon to take a tram to visit Vienna's Prater amusement park or one of the many museums nearby. You may also borrow a bike from the ship to explore Vienna's square or the banks of the Danube.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Dürnstein

### DAY 4: DÜRNSTEIN-WACHAU VALLEY - MELK A King's Ransom and Castle Ruins

**ACTIVE:** Join a Hike up to the castle ruins with your Adventure Host for a

spectacular view of the village, Danube, and the Wachau Valley below, **OR;**  
**CLASSIC:** Join a guided walk, and hear the legendary tale of King Richard the Lionheart – who was imprisoned in the castle above the village during the Crusades.

Enjoy coffee or a cocktail on the Sky Deck as you sail through the picturesque Wachau Valley to Melk.

### MELK Frescoes Above and Vineyards Below

**ACTIVE:** Join your Avalon Adventure Host for a walk along the Danube river and around Melk, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of Melk's magnificent Benedictine Abbey to marvel at its frescoed ceilings, statues, incredible library, and ornate pipe organ.

**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy the flavours of the Wachau Valley with a wine tasting on board.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Passau

### DAY 5 PASSAU, GERMANY Where the Danube, Inn, and Ilz Rivers Meet

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided city walk to learn more about this beautiful "City of Three Rivers."

Alternatively, join a full-day guided optional excursion to Salzburg – the city of Mozart – or to the picturesque Bohemian town of Cesky Krumlov.

Meet your ship back in Passau after your full-day selected activity for sailing.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Regensburg

### DAY 6: REGENSBURG Bavaria's Medieval Miracle

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

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This evening, enjoy live entertainment after dinner.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Roth

### DAY 7 ROTH. EXCURSION TO NUREMBERG Legends & History Lessons

**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy an onboard lecture about the Main-Danube Canal – linking these two rivers to make a vital connection enabling navigation between the North and Black seas.

**ACTIVE:** Explore Roth's Lauter valley with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

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Schloss Ratibor, OR;

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**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of the historic Nuremberg Rally Grounds – used by the Third Reich.

**EVENING:** Cruise to Nuremberg

#### DAY 8 NUREMBERG – EXCURSION TO MUNICH A King's Palace and Town Halls

**CLASSIC:** Take a full-day guided tour of the highlights of fascinating Munich. See Nymphenburg Palace – a former residence of German monarchs, along with the old and new Town Halls of Marienplatz.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Bamberg

#### DAY 9 BAMBERG The City of Seven Hills

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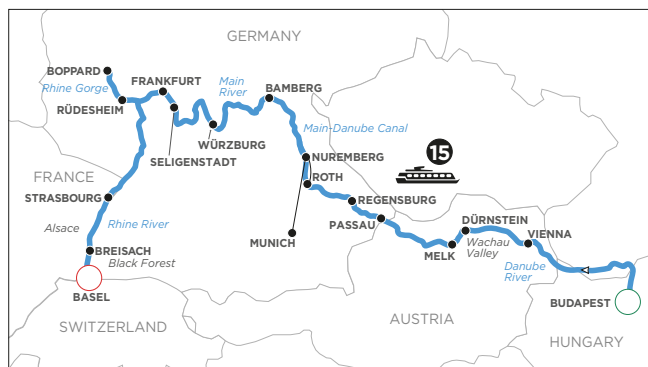
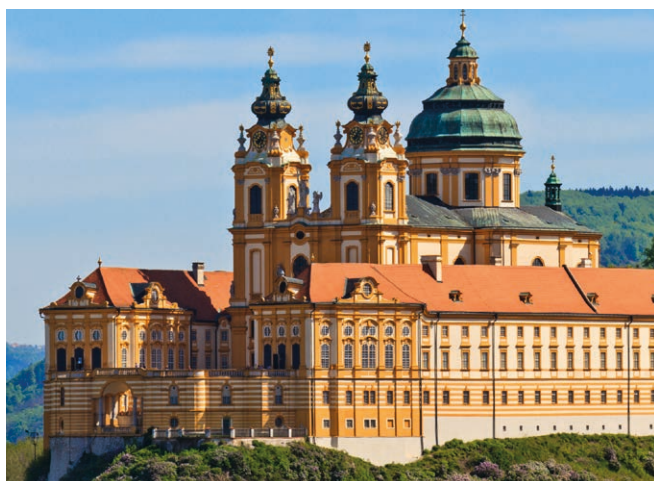
**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Frankfurt

#### DAY 12 FRANKFURT. EXCURSION TO SELIGENSTADT Charm in Frankfurt

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**DISCOVERY:** Take a guided tour to Seligenstadt – one of Germany's oldest towns and home to the Einhard Basilika – dubbed "minor basilica" in 1925 by Pope Pius XI, OR;

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Frankfurt to see the city's cultural landmarks and gleaming financial headquarters combined with the cosy ambience of quaint neighbourhoods.



Spend free time this afternoon exploring Frankfurt on your own.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Boppard

#### DAY 13 BOPPART - RÜDESHEIM-RHINE GORGE A Peaceful Jewel in the Rhine Gorge

This afternoon, relax on the Sky Deck with views of the spectacular Rhine Gorge en route to Rüdesheim.

**RÜDESHEIM-RHINE GORGE** Eat, Drink, and Be Merry in Wine Country

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a hike with your Adventure Host through the picturesque vineyards of Rüdesheim, OR;

**DISCOVERY:** Tour the incredible Mechanical Music Museum for a one-of-a-kind instrumental experience; based on your departure enjoy a local special treat.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Strasbourg

#### DAY 14 STRASBOURG, FRANCE A Grand Cathedral and La Petite France

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**CLASSIC:** Come along for city sightseeing, including the city's Gothic, stained-glass cathedral with its celebrated ancient murals and astronomical clock, as well as the magical La Petite France District.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Breisach

#### DAY 15 BREISACH, GERMANY. EXCURSION TO BLACK FOREST German Winemaking and the Beautiful Black Forest

**DISCOVERY:** Join a full-day guided tour to the magical Black Forest to experience the Vogtsbauernhof open-air-museum, visit an authentic water mill, and see a traditional butter-making demonstration, OR;

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy the view on a relaxing bike ride along the Rhine with your Adventure Host, OR;

**DISCOVERY:** Visit to a local winery in Breisach, where you will learn about German winemaking and enjoy a wine tasting.

You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to visit the charming village of Colmar in the morning.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Basel

#### DAY 16 BASEL, SWITZERLAND (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends this morning with breakfast.

Departure flights should not leave Zürich airport before 10 am or Basel airport before 8am.

#### REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £6,514PP **NOW £5,014PP**  
**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £8,548PP **NOW £7,048PP**

Price based on 25 October 2024 departure

Cruise available May - Jul, Sep 2023 and Jul, Sep - Oct 2024

**SPECIAL INTEREST CRUISES:** Beer Enthusiasts

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Budapest to your cruise.

Prices are per person, based on double occupancy. Prices shown are for the cruise only and do not include flights or transfers. If requested, we can arrange these services. Itineraries and activities are subject to change at any time due to unforeseen circumstances or other factors beyond our control. The most up-to-date version will be available on our website. Price correct at time of going to print, subject to availability and our booking terms and conditions.



# Magnificent Rivers of Europe

## 16 Days from Budapest to Amsterdam

CRUISE CODE: WBA

### DAY 1 BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (EMBARKATION)

Welcome to Hungary. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding.

Flights into Budapest must arrive by 3:30 pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

The day is yours to relax and enjoy the city with time for photographs, cafés, and confections.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Budapest

### DAY 2 BUDAPEST The Pearl of the Danube

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**ACTIVE:** Hike up to a magnificent viewpoint in Budapest with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided city sightseeing, including the iconic Heroes' Square.

This afternoon choose among the optional guided excursions available or enjoy Budapest on your own. Indulge in a piece of cream cake in one of the many cafés. Consider a scenic hike above the Danube.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Bratislava

### DAY 3 BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA Castles, Vineyards, and Cosmopolitan Culture

**ACTIVE:** Follow your Avalon Adventure Host on a short hike to lofty Bratislava Castle, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided walking tour of Old Town's cobblestone streets to Town Hall. Visit the Gothic halls of St. Martin's Cathedral – Hungary's centuries-old coronation church.

Alternatively, in your free time take a bicycle and a picnic from the ship to explore the local sights along the Danube.

Later, enjoy live entertainment onboard.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Vienna

### DAY 4 VIENNA, AUSTRIA Royal Collections and Amusing Attractions

**ACTIVE:** Explore Vienna's Danube Island by bike with your Adventure Host,

**OR; CLASSIC:** Explore the Habsburg Empire with a morning guided city tour of Vienna's gilded landmarks. See the Imperial Palace complex – the winter residence of the Imperial Family, the iconic Vienna Opera House and stunning St. Stephen's Cathedral.

Join a guided optional excursion to Schönbrunn Palace – summer home of the Habsburg empire.

Consider a tram ride to Vienna's Prater amusement park or to one of the many museums nearby. Later, consider joining an optional excursion to attend Royal Waltz Concert in an elegant hall.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Dürnstein

### DAY 5 DÜRNSTEIN-WACHAU VALLEY - MELK A King's Ransom and Castle Ruins

**ACTIVE:** Take a guided hike up to the castle ruins to take in the spectacular view of the village, Danube, and the Wachau Valley below, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided walk and hear the legendary tale of King Richard the Lionheart – who was imprisoned in the castle above the village during the Crusades.

Later, stretch out on the Sky Deck as you sail through the Wachau Valley past vineyards, castles, and charming villages on your way to Melk.

**MELK Frescoes Above and Vineyards Below**

**ACTIVE:** Join your Avalon Adventure Host for a walk along the Danube river and around Melk, **OR;**



**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of the frescoed ceilings, statues, incredible library, and ornate pipe organ of Melk's Benedictine Abbey.

**DISCOVERY:** Later, enjoy a wine tasting on board as you prepare to sail to Passau.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Passau

### DAY 6 PASSAU, GERMANY Where the Danube, Inn, and Ilz Rivers Meet

**CLASSIC:** Join an afternoon guided city walk to learn more about this beautiful "City of Three Rivers."

Alternatively, you may join a full day guided optional excursion to Salzburg, the city of Mozart, or a full day guided optional excursion to the picturesque Bohemian town of Cesky Krumlov.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Regensburg

### DAY 7 REGENSBURG Bavaria's Medieval Miracle

**ACTIVE:** Explore Walhalla by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided city walk and see the Altes Rathaus (Old Town Hall) and Porta Pretoria – built in 179 AD as the entrance to Castra Regina fortress.

You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to visit the Benedictine Monastery in Weltenburg.

Spend a free afternoon exploring Regensburg on foot or by bike through its charming streets.

This evening, enjoy live entertainment after dinner as you cruise toward Roth.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Roth

### DAY 8 ROTH. EXCURSION TO NUREMBERG Legends & History Lessons

**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy an onboard lecture about the Main-Danube Canal – linking these two rivers to make a vital connection enabling navigation between the North and Black Seas.

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided sightseeing tour of the Bavarian town of Roth – with its half-timbered houses, market square, and 1535 hunting lodge, Schloss Ratibor, **OR;**

Choose a guided tour of Nuremberg's medieval architecture, gilded fountain, gothic cathedral, and Kaiserburg Castle, **OR;**

Join a guided tour of the historic Nuremberg Rally Grounds – used by the Third Reich.

Tonight, relax onboard with live entertainment as you sail to Bamberg.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Bamberg

### DAY 9 BAMBERG The City of Seven Hills.

**ACTIVE:** Your bike is ready! Hop on and bike along the canals in Bamberg with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walking tour of the former home to imperial dynasties, and see its Romanesque cathedral, Old Town Hall, and seven hills crowned with churches.





**DISCOVERY:** Attend an onboard lecture to learn about European history and culture.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Volkach

#### DAY 10 VOLKACH Storybook Settings

**ACTIVE:** Bike along the Main Danube Canal with your Adventure Host, **OR;** **CLASSIC:** Join a walking tour of the quaint town of Volkach with its half-timbered houses and cobblestoned streets.

You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to the beautiful Bavarian town of Rothenburg. See the local sights and enjoy the fairytale atmosphere that has inspired artists.

Alternatively, enjoy a relaxing afternoon while cruising to Kitzingen.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Kitzingen

#### DAY 11 WÜRZBURG A Perfect Day in the Pearl of the Romantic Road

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy an easy bike ride along the river with your Adventure Host, **OR;** **CLASSIC:** Take a guided sightseeing tour of Würzburg with its Old Main Bridge, towering fortress, and baroque Bishop's Residenz – with the largest known ceiling fresco.

This afternoon enjoy a leisurely sailing.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Miltenberg

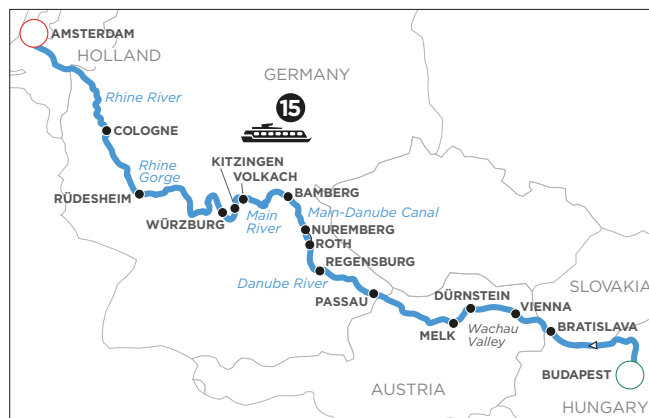
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Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided walking tour of Miltenberg, a showcase of medieval half-timber homes and home to Germany's oldest inn.

Later, enjoy onboard entertainment as you cruise to Rüdesheim.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Rüdesheim



#### DAY 13 RÜDESHEIM-RHINE GORGE Eat, Drink, and Be Merry in Wine Country

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a hike with your Avalon Adventure Host through the picturesque vineyards of Rüdesheim, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Tour the incredible Mechanical Music Museum for a one-of-a-kind instrumental experience; based on your departure enjoy a local special treat.

This afternoon cruise through the dramatic Rhine Gorge and see the famous rock of the Lorelei – where mythological siren lured ill-fated sailors to shore.

**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy a remarkable classical music concert in a lovely baroque venue at Engers Castle, home to the Villa Musica Rhineland-Palatinate National Foundation, one of Germany's largest music institutions.

**AFTERNOON:** Cruise to Engers

#### DAY 14 COLOGNE Prost! Celebrate in the Rhineland

Ask about today's energising or relaxing Adventure Host activities.

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a bike ride like the locals in Cologne with your Adventure Host, **OR;** **DISCOVERY:** Join a guided walking tour of Cologne's important Jewish heritage sites, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided city walk of Cologne – explore the Old City and see its soaring twin-steepled Gothic cathedral.

Spend free time over a glass of Kölsch pale lager – locally brewed for over 100 years!

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Amsterdam

#### DAY 15 AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND Colourful Canals of Amsterdam

**ACTIVE:** Start your day joining your Adventure Host on an early morning walk in Amsterdam, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Explore the iconic waterways of Amsterdam with a guided canal cruise past stately homes of Amsterdam's "Golden Age."

In the afternoon you may join an optional culinary walk through Amsterdam to sample savoury and sweet Dutch specialities. Or choose an optional biking tour to discover the countryside. You might also consider a guided optional excursion to Zaanse Schans to see historic windmills and charming Dutch houses.

Spend free time on your own to explore the colourful cafés, galleries, bridges, and canals of Amsterdam.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Amsterdam

#### DAY 16 AMSTERDAM (DISEMBARKATION)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £6,252PP **NOW £4,752PP**  
**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £8,286PP **NOW £6,786PP**

Price based on 17 July 2024 departure

Cruise available May – Oct 2023 and May – Oct 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Prague to your cruise.

Prices are per person, based on double occupancy. Prices shown are for the cruise only and do not include flights or transfers. If requested, we can arrange these services. Itineraries and activities are subject to change at any time due to unforeseen circumstances or other factors beyond our control. The most up-to-date version will be available on our website. Price correct at time of going to print, subject to availability and our booking terms and conditions.



# The Danube from Germany to Romania

16 Days from Vilshofen to Bucharest

CRUISE CODE: WDOO

## DAY 1 VILSHOFEN, GERMANY (Embarkation)

Welcome to Germany. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding. Flights into Munich must arrive by 2 pm. Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm. Explore your ship and enjoy dinner on your first evening onboard.

**EVENING:** Cruise to Passau

## DAY 2 PASSAU-SCHLÖGEN OXBOW Where the Danube, Inn, and Ilz Rivers Meet

**ACTIVE:** Follow your Avalon Adventure Host for hiking from Oberhaus along a trail down to the valley and along Ilz River, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided city walk to learn more about this beautiful "City of Three Rivers".

Before sailing to Linz, take a little free time to explore Passau's cobblestone streets and galleries of Artists' Alley. Maybe stop at St. Stephen's Cathedral to catch a concert rehearsal.

This afternoon, cruise to Linz through the Danube's dramatic horseshoe bend called Schlögen Oxbow.

Later, enjoy live entertainment onboard.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Linz

## DAY 3 LINZ, AUSTRIA Legendary and Lovely Linz

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walk through the city's historic and beautiful sites along the shore of the Danube and see the Hauptplatz – Austria's largest medieval square – and the towering white-marble Trinity Column.

Consider a full-day guided optional excursion to Salzburg – the city of Mozart, or to the picturesque Bohemian town of Cesky Krumlov.

You may otherwise spend the afternoon on a biking picnic along the banks of the Danube or hike through Linz's beautiful nature trails to Pöstlingberg for a bird's-eye view of the city and river below.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Ybbs

## DAY 4 YBBS. EXCURSION TO MELK-WACHAU VALLEY - DÜRNSTEIN Frescoes Above and Vineyards Below

**CLASSIC:** Visit the Lower Austrian little town of Ybbs. Walk through the doors of Austrian history with a guided sightseeing tour of Artstetten Castle,

**OR; CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of Melk's magnificent Benedictine Abbey to marvel at its frescoed ceilings, statues, incredible library, and ornate pipe organ.

Later, stretch out on the Sky Deck as you sail through the Wachau Valley past vineyards, castles, and charming villages on your way to Dürnstein.



## DÜRNSTEIN A King's Ransom and Castle Ruins

**ACTIVE:** Join a guided hike up to the castle ruins to take in the spectacular view of the village, Danube, and the Wachau Valley below, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided walk and hear the legendary tale of King Richard the Lionheart – who was imprisoned in the castle during the Crusades.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board your ship.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Vienna

## DAY 5 VIENNA Viennese Waltzes on the Blue Danube

**ACTIVE:** Explore Vienna's Danube Island by bike with your Adventure Host,

**OR; CLASSIC:** Explore the Habsburg empire with a morning guided city tour of Vienna's gilded landmarks. See the Imperial Palace complex-the winter residence of the Imperial Family, the grand historic Vienna Opera House and stunning St. Stephen's Cathedral.

You may decide to take a guided optional excursion to Schönbrunn Palace – the former imperial summer home of the Habsburg monarchy.

Spend free time strolling in the pedestrian Kärntnerstrasse – the most famous shopping avenue in central Vienna. Take a bike ride through the city and stop in a local café to enjoy Sachertorte or Apfelstrudel.

This evening, enjoy an unforgettable musical performance with an optional excursion to attend a Royal Waltz Concert in an elegant hall.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Vienna

## DAY 6 BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA Cathedral Coronations and a Crowning Castle

**ACTIVE:** Follow your Avalon Adventure Host on a hike to lofty Bratislava Castle,

**OR; CLASSIC:** Take a guided city walk, including the quaint streets of Old Town, Town Hall, and the sight of royal coronations at St. Martin's Cathedral.

Enjoy free time to discover on your own Bratislava, the beautiful capital of Slovakia, rich in history and culture, but also a green city with its forests and parks just a hop away from the city centre.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Budapest

## DAY 7 BUDAPEST, HUNGARY War Heroes and Hot Water

**ACTIVE:** Hike up to a magnificent viewpoint in Budapest with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided city sightseeing, including the iconic Heroes' Square.

This afternoon, select from a variety of guided optional excursions or spend free time soaking in one of Budapest's famous thermal baths. Consider a scenic hike above the Danube, or enjoy Budapest's cafés, pubs and nightlife.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Budapest

## DAY 8 BUDAPEST The Pearl of the Danube in the Heart of Europe

Take free time to enjoy Budapest's famed thermal baths. You can also take a scenic hike in the hills above the Danube. Take time to explore the city's





cafés and restaurants.

**OVERNIGHT: Cruise to Mohács**

#### DAY 9 MOHÁCS Hungarian History in a Harbour Town

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**ACTIVE:** Explore Mohács by foot as you follow the lead of your Adventure Host.

**OR; CLASSIC:** Join a morning guided sightseeing tour of Mohács – the quiet Danube harbour town with its historical memorial parks, statues, and distinctive churches. Tour the remarkable medieval St. Nicholas Watermill – one of only a few remaining watermills performing stone-ground grain processing, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of nearby Pécs to see its 4th-century Christian underground tombs, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with fascinating murals. You'll also enjoy an organ concert on your tour.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT: Cruise to Ilok**

#### DAY 10 ILOK, CROATIA - NOVI SAD, SERBIA History and Culture in Croatia

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Ilok, with its 1,000-year-old winemaking tradition still thriving and its medieval fortress protected for its Croatian cultural heritage.

Enjoy a brief cruise to Novi Sad while having lunch onboard.

#### NOVI SAD, SERBIA Heritage and Hilltop Vintages

**ACTIVE:** Get your daily dose of exercise, join your Adventure Host on a walk in and around town, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Novi Sad, the second largest town in Serbia. Admire its Austro-Hungarian old town, with its baroque buildings, and ancient fortifications.

**OVERNIGHT: Cruise to Belgrade**

#### DAY 11 BELGRADE Fortresses and Folklore

**ACTIVE:** Discovery Belgrade's central walkway with your Adventure Host.

**OR; CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Belgrade – where the Danube and Sava Rivers converge – and see the city's many fascinating sights, including Saint Sava – one of the world's largest Orthodox churches.

**DISCOVERY:** Attend an onboard lecture to learn about the rich history, destinations, and culture of the Balkan states.

Spend your free time exploring the city on your own this afternoon on Knez Mihailova Street – Belgrade's central pedestrian thoroughfare with many lively cafés, shops, and cultural spots. Alternatively, enjoy one of the optional excursions on offer.

This evening, you might like to join an optional authentic Bohemian Dinner in the Quarter of Skadarlija.

**OVERNIGHT: Cruise to Golubac**

#### DAY 12 GOLUBAC-DONJI MILANOVAC. EXCURSION TO LEPENSKI VIR-IRON GATES GORGE Ancient Artifacts and the Iron Gates



**CLASSIC:** Visit the Fortress of Golubac, one of the best-preserved medieval fortresses in Europe. You'll hear about its tumultuous history as a border control defense in the Middle Ages, and a source of conflict between Serbia, the Habsburg Monarchy and the Ottoman Empire.

Enjoy a brief sailing to Donji Milanovac.

**ACTIVE:** Stretch your legs, ease your mind and enjoy a walk led by your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour to the Mesolithic archaeological site of Lepenski Vir – with unique views of the Danube Gorge.

Sail through the spectacular and narrow Iron Gates Gorge – a natural border between Serbia and Romania.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT: CRUISE TO VIDIN**

#### DAY 13 VIDIN, BULGARIA Rocks, Ruins and Balkan Beauty

**ACTIVE:** Wander and discover this town, join your Adventure Host for a walk,

**OR; CLASSIC:** Join guided sightseeing in Vidin, followed by a guided tour of Belogradchik. Marvel at the remarkable rock formations on the western slopes of the Balkan Mountains, sculpted by 200 million years of natural elements.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT: Cruise To Rousse**

#### DAY 14 ROUSSE. VELIKO TÂRNOVO & ARBANASSI EXCURSION Fortresses and Folklore

**ACTIVE:** Join a walk in the park in Rousse with your Avalon Adventure Host,

**OR; CLASSIC:** Join a full-day guided tour to the former Bulgarian capital of Veliko Târnovo – with its ancient stone houses clinging to the cliffs above the Yantra River. Discover one of the oldest towns in Bulgaria (circa 4300 BC), as well as the Bulgarian Revival architecture in the 15th-century town of Arbanassi, **OR;**

Join a guided sightseeing tour of Bulgaria's largest inland port and visit its impressive Holy Trinity Church.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board with a Bulgarian folklore show.

**OVERNIGHT: Cruise to Oltenita**

#### DAY 15 OLTENITA, ROMANIA (Disembarkation)-BUCHAREST The "Paris of the East"

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of the Romanian capital city of Bucharest with its tree-lined boulevards and Arc de Triomphe – honouring WWI Romanian soldiers. See the Royal Palace Square – the scene of the city's 1989 riots to overthrow the communist dictator Nicolae Ceauşescu.

Spend some free time exploring on your own to visit shops and museums. See the beautiful home, and churches along Victory Avenue. You might consider partaking in one of the optional excursions available.

#### DAY 16: BUCHAREST

Your holiday ends with breakfast this morning.

**Deluxe Stateroom from: WAS £6,250PP NOW £4,750PP**  
**Panorama Suite from: WAS £7,851PP NOW £6,351PP**

Price based on 05 April 2024 departure

Cruise available Jun – Aug, Oct 2023 and Apr, Jun, Aug – Sep 2024

**SPECIAL INTEREST CRUISES: Photography Enthusiasts**

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Prague or Transylvania to your cruise.

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# Iconic Rivers of Europe - the Rhine, Main & Danube

23 Days from Amsterdam to Bucharest

CRUISE CODE: WAOB

From Holland to Romania, with a host of exciting stops along the way, this river cruise holiday across Europe is truly an adventure! Setting sail from Amsterdam, Holland's lively capital, you'll discover destinations including Cologne, Würzburg, and Melk. Discover two more capitals: Vienna, Austria; and Budapest, Hungary. Continue your adventure on the Lower Danube, stopping in Serbia's Belgrade and cruising through the dramatic Iron Gates Gorge. Head into Bulgaria and finish off this timeless European River Cruise with a stay in Romania's vibrant capital of Bucharest.

## DAY 1 AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND (Embarkation)

Welcome to Holland. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding. Flights into Amsterdam must arrive by 3:30 pm. Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

During tulip season, you may take a guided optional excursion to the gardens at Keukenhof – with more than seven million tulips, daffodils, and hyacinths as well as other bulbs, planted each year. Outside of tulip season, consider joining a guided optional excursion to Zaanse Schans to see historic windmills and charming Dutch houses.

Spend free time exploring the colourful streets, bridges, and canals of Amsterdam – with its many cafés and art galleries.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Amsterdam

## DAY 2 AMSTERDAM Canals of Colourful Amsterdam

**CLASSIC:** Explore the iconic waterways of Amsterdam with a guided canal cruise past stately homes of Amsterdam's "Golden Age."

This afternoon choose among the guided optional excursions available.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Cologne

## DAY 3 COLOGNE, GERMANY Prost! Celebrate in the Rhineland

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a bike ride like the locals in Cologne with your Adventure Host,

**OR; DISCOVERY:** Join a guided walking tour of Cologne's important Jewish heritage sites, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided city walk of Cologne – explore the Old City and see its soaring twin-steepled gothic cathedral.

Don't miss the chance to enjoy free time over a glass of Kölsch pale lager – locally brewed for over 100 years! This evening, enjoy live entertainment on board your ship.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Rüdesheim

## DAY 4 RHINE GORGE – RÜDESHEIM Eat, Drink, and Be Merry in Wine Country

En route to Rüdesheim, sail through the Rhine Gorge (a UNESCO World Heritage Site). Take in the breathtaking views of ancient castles perched on cliffs 400 feet above the water, and pass the legendary Rock of the Lorelei – where the mythological siren's songs lured ill-fated sailors.

**ACTIVE:** Take an open-air cable car ride to the Niederwald Monument. Ride or walk back down through the vineyards; **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Tour the incredible Mechanical Music Museum for a one-of-a-kind instrumental experience.

Later, local musicians will join us on board for live entertainment.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Miltenberg

## DAY 5 MILTENBERG Beauty on the Main River

Ask about today's energising or relaxing Adventure Host activities.

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided walking tour of Miltenberg, a showcase of medieval half-timber homes and home to Germany's oldest inn.

Spend free time riding a bike through the beautiful villages on the Main River shores.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Würzburg





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**DAY 6 WÜRZBURG** A Perfect Day in the Pearl of the Romantic Road

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided sightseeing tour of Würzburg with its Old Main Bridge, towering fortress, and baroque Bishop's Residenz – with the largest known ceiling fresco.

Enjoy the city on your own or visit a local winery.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Würzburg

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**DAY 7 VOLKACH** Storybook Settings

You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to the beautiful Bavarian town of Rothenburg. See the local sights and enjoy the fairytale atmosphere that has inspired artists. Sail to Volkach and get ready for your afternoon activity.

**ACTIVE:** Bike along the Main Danube Canal with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a walking tour of the quaint town of Volkach with its half-timbered houses and cobblestoned streets.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Bamberg

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**DAY 8 BAMBERG** The City of Seven Hills

**ACTIVE:** Your bike is ready! Hop on and bike along the canals in Bamberg with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walking tour of the former home to imperial dynasties, and see its Romanesque cathedral, Old Town Hall, and seven hills crowned with churches.

Later, enjoy a live entertainment performance while sailing this evening.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Roth

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**DAY 9 ROTH. EXCURSION TO NUREMBERG** Legends & History Lessons

**ACTIVE:** Explore Roth's Lauter valley with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided sightseeing tour of the Bavarian town of Roth – with its half-timbered houses, market square, and 1535 hunting lodge Schloss Ratibor, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Choose a guided tour of Nuremberg's medieval architecture, gilded fountain, gothic cathedral, and Kaiserburg Castle, **OR;**

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**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy an onboard lecture about the Main-Danube Canal – linking these two rivers to make a vital connection enabling navigation between the North and Black Seas.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Regensburg

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**DAY 10 REGENSBURG** Bavaria's Medieval Miracle

**ACTIVE:** Explore Walhalla by bike with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided city walk and see the Altes Rathaus (Old Town Hall) and Porta Pretoria – built in 179 AD as the entrance to Castra Regina fortress.

You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to visit the Benedictine Monastery in Weltenburg. Alternatively, spend a free afternoon exploring Regensburg on foot or by bike through its charming streets.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Passau

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**DAY 11 PASSAU - LINZ, AUSTRIA** Where the Danube, Inn, and Ilz Rivers Meet

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided city walk to learn more about this beautiful "City of Three Rivers."

You may join a full day guided optional excursion to Salzburg, the city of Mozart, or a full-day guided optional excursion to the picturesque Bohemian town of Cesky Krumlov. Alternatively, cruise to the lovely town of Linz.

**LINZ, AUSTRIA** Legendary, Lovely Linz

This evening, feel free to explore Linz on your own. Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise To Melk

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**DAY 12 MELK - WACHAU VALLEY - VIENNA** Frescoes Above and Vineyards Below

**ACTIVE:** Join your Avalon Adventure Host for a walk along the Danube river and around Melk, **OR;**



**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of the frescoed ceilings, statues, incredible library, and ornate pipe organ of Melk's Benedictine Abbey.

Enjoy a coffee or cocktail on the Sky Deck as you sail through the picturesque Wachau Valley to wonderful Vienna this afternoon.

**VIENNA** Viennese Waltzes on the Blue Danube

Consider joining a guided optional excursion to attend a Royal Waltz Concert in an elegant hall this evening.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Vienna

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**DAY 13 VIENNA** Royal Collections and Amusing Attractions

**ACTIVE:** Explore Vienna's Danube Island by bike with your Adventure Host,

**OR; CLASSIC:** Explore the Habsburg Empire with a morning guided city tour of Vienna's gilded landmarks. See the Imperial Palace complex – the winter residence of the Imperial Family, the iconic Vienna Opera House and stunning St. Stephen's Cathedral.

Join a guided optional excursion to Schönbrunn Palace – summer home of the Habsburg family or choose a guided optional excursion to fascinating Bratislava. Consider a tram ride to Vienna's Prater amusement park or to one of the many museums nearby. Later, enjoy live entertainment as you sail to Budapest.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Budapest

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**DAY 14 BUDAPEST, HUNGARY** The Pearl of the Danube

**ACTIVE:** Hike up to a magnificent viewpoint in Budapest with your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided city sightseeing tour of Budapest, including the iconic Heroes' Square.

This afternoon choose among the optional guided excursions available or enjoy Budapest on your own. Indulge in a piece of cream cake in one of the many cafés. Consider a scenic hike above the Danube.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Budapest

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**DAY 15 BUDAPEST** Time to Capture Photographs, Coffee, and Confections

Take free time to shop in the Great Market Hall, take photos on the Royal Palace grounds, or visit Budapest's famous thermal bath spas.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Mohács

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**DAY 16 MOHÁCS** Hungarian History in a Harbour Town

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**ACTIVE:** Explore Mohács by foot as you follow the lead of your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a morning guided sightseeing tour of Mohács – the quiet Danube harbour town with its historical memorial parks, statues, and distinctive churches. Tour the remarkable medieval St. Nicholas Watermill – one of only a few remaining watermills performing stone-ground grain processing, **OR; CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of nearby Pécs to see its 4th-century Christian underground tombs, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with fascinating murals.

You'll also enjoy an organ concert on your tour.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Ilok





#### DAY 17 ILOK, CROATIA - NOVI SAD, SERBIA History and Culture in Croatia

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Ilok, with its 1,000-year-old winemaking tradition still thriving and its medieval fortress protected for its Croatian cultural heritage.

Enjoy a brief cruise to Novi Sad while having lunch onboard.

#### NOVI SAD, SERBIA The Athens of Serbia

**ACTIVE:** Get your daily dose of exercise, join your Adventure Host on this walk in and around town, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Novi Sad, the second largest town in Serbia. Admire its Austro-Hungarian old town, with its baroque buildings, and ancient fortifications.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Belgrade

#### DAY 18 BELGRADE Fortresses and Folklore

**ACTIVE:** Discover Belgrade's central walkway with your Adventure Host, **OR; CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Belgrade – where the Danube and Sava Rivers converge – and see the city's many fascinating sights, including Saint Sava – one of the world's largest Orthodox churches.

**DISCOVERY:** Attend an onboard lecture to learn about the rich history, destinations, and culture of the Balkan states.

Spend your free time exploring the city on your own this afternoon on Knez Mihailova Street – Belgrade's central pedestrian thoroughfare with many lively cafés, shops, and cultural spots. Alternatively, enjoy one of the optional excursions on offer. This evening, you might like to join an optional excursion for an authentic Bohemian Dinner in the Quarter of Skadarlija.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Golubac

#### DAY 19 GOLUBAC – DONJI MILANOVAC. EXCURSION TO LEPENSKI VIR – IRON GATES GORGE Ancient Artifacts and the Iron Gates

**CLASSIC:** Visit the Fortress of Golubac, one of the best-preserved medieval fortresses in Europe. You'll hear about its tumultuous history as a border control defence in the Middle Ages, and a source of conflict between Serbia, the Habsburg Monarchy and the Ottoman Empire.

Enjoy a brief sailing to Donji Milanovac.

**ACTIVE:** Stretch your legs, ease your mind and enjoy a walk led by your Adventure Host, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour to the Mesolithic archaeological site of Lepenski Vir with unique views of the Danube Gorge.

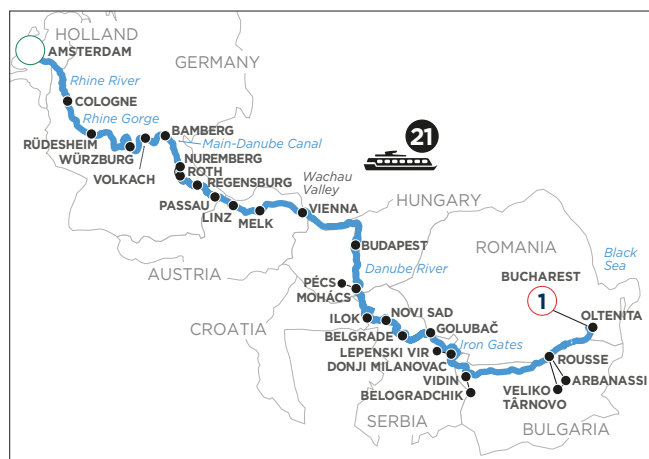
Sail through the spectacular and narrow Iron Gates Gorge – a natural border between Serbia and Romania.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Vidin

#### DAY 20 VIDIN, BULGARIA Rocks, ruins and Balkan Beauty

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**Active:** Wander and discover this town, join your Adventure Host for a walk, **OR; CLASSIC:** Join guided sightseeing in Vidin, followed by a guided tour of Belogradchik. Marvel at the remarkable rock formations on the western slopes of the Balkan Mountains, sculpted by 200 million



years of natural elements.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Rousse

#### DAY 21 ROUSSE, VELIKO TARNOVO & ARBANASSI EXCURSION

**Fortresses and Folklore**

**ACTIVE:** Join a walk in the park in Rousse with your Avalon Adventure Host,

**OR; CLASSIC:** Join a full-day guided tour to the former Bulgarian capital of Veliko Tarnovo – with its ancient stone houses clinging to the cliffs above the Yantra River. Discover one of the oldest towns in Bulgaria (circa 4300 BC), as well as the Bulgarian Revival architecture in the 15th-century town of Arbanassi, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Bulgaria's largest inland port and visit its impressive Holy Trinity Church.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board with a Bulgarian folklore show.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Oltenita

#### DAY 22 OLTENITA, ROMANIA (Disembarkation)–BUCHAREST

**The Paris of the East**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of the Romanian capital city of Bucharest with its tree-lined boulevards and Arc de Triomphe – honouring WWI Romanian soldiers. See the Royal Palace Square – the scene of the city's 1989 riots to overthrow the communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu.

Spend some free time exploring on your own to visit shops and museums. See the beautiful home and churches along Victory Avenue. You might consider partaking in one of the optional excursions available.

#### DAY 23 BUCHAREST

Your holiday ends with breakfast this morning.



**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £9,540PP **NOW £7,950PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £12,298PP **NOW £10,798PP**

Price based on 05 May 2024 departure

Cruise available May and Aug 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Amsterdam or Transylvania to your cruise.

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# From The Black Sea To The North Sea

26 Days from Bucharest to Amsterdam

CRUISE CODE: WOAB



## Cruise at-a-Glance

**DAY 1 BUCHAREST** Welcome to Bucharest

**DAY 2 BUCHAREST-OLTENITA (Embarkation)** Guided sightseeing in Bucharest; transfer to ship; onboard welcome reception

**DAY 3 ST. GHEORGHE** Excursion to Danube Delta; Km 0 celebration; onboard lecture

**DAY 4 HÂRȘOVA EXCURSION TO CONSTANTA:** Guided sightseeing, visit the National History and Archaeological Museum in Constanta

**DAY 5 ROUSSE EXCURSION TO VELIKO TARNOVO & ARBANASSI:** Choice of full-day excursion, visit to Tsarevets Fortress in Veliko Târnovo and to the Ethnographical Museum and Church of the Nativity in Arbanassi, or guided sightseeing in Rousse, or walk in the park with your Adventure Host

**DAY 6 VIDIN-BELOGRADCHIK** Choice of guided sightseeing to Vidin's fortress, see the rock formations in Belogradchik or bike with your Adventure Host

**DAY 7 IRON GATES-DONJI MILANOVAC-GOLUBAC** Scenic cruise through the Iron Gates gorge; choice of visit Lepenski Vir archaeological site or bike with your Adventure Host; visit to Golubac fortress

**DAY 8 BELGRADE** Choice of guided sightseeing or walk with your Adventure Host; onboard lecture

**DAY 9 NOVI SAD-ILOK** Choice of Novi Sad guided tour or walk with your Adventure Host; Ilok guided tour

**DAY 10 MOHÁCS EXCURSION TO PÉCS:** Choice of guided tour and organ concert in Pécs or sightseeing in Mohács, visit St. Nicolas watermill

**DAY 11 BUDAPEST** Choice of guided tour, see Heroes' Square or hike with your Adventure Host

**DAY 12 BUDAPEST** Day at leisure in Budapest

**DAY 13 BRATISLAVA** Choice of guided tour, visit St. Martin's Cathedral, or hike up to Bratislava Castle with your Adventure Host

**DAY 14 VIENNA** Choice of guided tour or bike with your Adventure Host

**DAY 15 DÜRNSTEIN-WACHAU VALLEY-MELK** Choice of guided tour or hike up to the castle ruins in Dürnstein; scenic cruise through the Wachau

Valley; choice of guided tour of the Benedictine Abbey in Melk or hike with your Adventure Host; onboard wine tasting

**DAY 16 PASSAU** Guided tour

**DAY 17 REGENSBURG** Choice of guided tour or bike with your Adventure Host

**DAY 18 ROTH EXCURSION TO NUREMBERG:** Onboard lecture; choice of guided sightseeing of Roth, or guided sightseeing in Nuremberg, or Nuremberg Rally Grounds tour

**DAY 19 BAMBERG** Choice of guided tour, see the Old Town Hall or bike with your Adventure Host; onboard lecture

**DAY 20 VOLKACH—KITZINGEN** Choice of walking tour in Volkach or bike with your Adventure Host; free time in Kitzingen

**DAY 21 WÜRZBURG** Choice of guided sightseeing, visit the Bishop's Residenz or bike with your Adventure Host

**DAY 22 MILTENBERG** Guided walk

**DAY 23 RÜDESHEIM-RHINE GORGE** Choice of visit to Siegfried's Mechanical Musical Instrument Museum or hike in the vineyards with your Adventure Host; scenic cruise through the Rhine Gorge; classical concert

**DAY 24 COLOGNE** Choice of Cologne highlights walking tour, or Jewish Heritage walking tour or bike with your Adventure Host

**DAY 25 AMSTERDAM** Choice of canal cruise or walk with your Adventure Host

**DAY 26 AMSTERDAM (Disembarkation)** Your cruise ends this morning

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS ~~£10,940PP~~ **NOW £9,440PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS ~~£13,683PP~~ **NOW £12,183PP**

Price based on 29 April 2024 departure

Cruise available Sep 2023 and Apr, Jun and Sep 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Transylvania to your cruise.

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# Active & Discovery in Holland & Belgium

## 8 Days from Amsterdam to Amsterdam

CRUISE CODE: WAD

### DAY 1 AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND (Embarkation)

Welcome to Holland. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding. Flights or trains into Amsterdam must arrive by 3.30 pm. Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

During tulip season, you may take a guided optional excursion to Keukenhof gardens – with more than seven million tulips, daffodils and hyacinths, as well as other bulbs, planted each year.

Outside of tulip season, join a guided optional excursion to Zaanse Schans to see historic windmills and charming Dutch houses.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Middelburg

### DAY 2 MIDDELBURG A Castle Moat, an Oyster Farm and Dutch Sea Trade

**ACTIVE:** Take a guided walk through woods and dunes; see Castle Westhove and farmlands of the beautiful North-Sea area, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Visit the fascinating Flood Museum to hear and see the stories of the flood of 1953, reconstruction, the Delta Works, and flood risk management – told by the people who have experienced it. Later, explore the town of Veere, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy a guided visit to a family owned Oyster Farm, active in the cultivation of crustaceans and shellfish in the Netherlands since 1906.

A taste of oysters and lobster, accompanied with a glass of wine is the perfect ending of this beautiful experience, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided walking tour through the winding cobblestones and canals of Middelburg. See the 15th-century Gothic Town Hall and learn about its important role in the spice trade and Dutch East India trading.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Ghent

### DAY 3 GHENT, BELGIUM Flemish Artwork and Street Artists

**ACTIVE:** Explore the outskirts of the city and the lesser known sights on a guided bike tour, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Join a guided tour of Graffiti Street, where artists create striking spray-can art to their heart's content. And do not miss the chance to become an artist yourself, creating your street art, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Explore Ghent – “The Diamond of Flanders” – with a guided sightseeing tour of this showcase of medieval Flemish wealth. You'll visit St. Bavo's Cathedral – with its remarkable Flemish artwork.

Alternatively, you may choose to join a full-day guided optional excursion of Bruges to explore its canals, cobbled streets, and medieval buildings.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Brussels

### DAY 4 BRUSSELS Ancient Streets, and Chocolate Sweet

**ACTIVE:** Take a bike tour to explore the beauty near Brussels, including the Belgian town of Laken, home to the Royal family estates, exotic pavilions from the world expo, and beautiful parks and lanes, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Join a Belgian chocolate-making workshop to learn how to create your own delicious candies. Enjoy a cup of the finest hot chocolate, while crafting traditional confections of pralines and mendiants from scratch,

**OR; CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Brussels, see the Town Hall with its landmark buildings, discover the many local bars, cafés, and shops of the Lower Town Streets, and visit the Atomium.

The afternoon is free to explore Brussels – considered home to the European Union, and admire its magnificent palaces and cathedrals. Alternatively, enjoy one of the optional excursions on offer. Later enjoy live entertainment on board.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Antwerp

### DAY 5 ANTWERP Bike Riding, Brave New Worlds, and Rubens' Art



**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a Bike Tour and discover centuries of history and a story around every corner. Don't miss out the unique atmosphere of small neighborhoods and squares, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Join a guided tour of the Red Star Line Museum. Follow the footsteps of the emigrants, become acquainted with the Red Star Line passengers and accompany them on their trip from their native village via Antwerp to the new world, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of this sophisticated city to visit the central Grote Markt, lined with 16th-century guildhall houses. You'll also see the beautiful city hall, the Cathedral of Our Lady with its stunning altarpiece paintings by Rubens.

This afternoon take time on your own to indulge in Antwerp's signature Belgian waffles and crêpes – or explore this bike-friendly city from its old wharfs to its legendary diamond district. You might consider partaking one of the optional excursion available.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Rotterdam

### DAY 6 ROTTERDAM, HOLLAND Avant-garde Architecture & Art Lessons

**ACTIVE:** Take a unique architecture bike tour to see the architectural highlights of Rotterdam. Do not miss the interesting Cube Houses, the popular Market Hall, the spectacular Erasmus Bridge, the vertical city 'De Rotterdam', and the iconic Central Station. In the city centre, admire how historic buildings clash cheerfully with hypermodern skyscrapers, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Attend a Pottery Workshop. In a characteristic painter's room, a professional painter will guide you through the process of painting a Delft tile, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Rotterdam featuring unusual collection of cube houses innovative architecture, including the marvellous Erasmus Bridge, and plenty of other fascinating sites.

Before dinner, enjoy a cruise through Rotterdam harbour. In the evening enjoy live entertainment on board.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Amsterdam

### DAY 7 AMSTERDAM Colourful Canals of Amsterdam

**ACTIVE:** Join a biking tour through the Dutch countryside past polders, dykes, and quaint centuries-old villages, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Attend a painting class and be inspired by the masters' techniques. Paint your own canvas and discover your inner artist. An orientation walk will complete your experience, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided canal cruise to explore the iconic waterways and sites of Amsterdam.

This afternoon, choose among the many guided optional excursions available or take some free time to explore Amsterdam's colourful streets and canal houses, galleries, and shops.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Amsterdam

### DAY 8 AMSTERDAM (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS ~~£3,128PP~~ **NOW £2,378PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS ~~£4,077PP~~ **NOW £3,327PP**

Price based on 05 May 2024 departure

Cruise available Jul - Sep 2023 and May 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Amsterdam to your cruise.

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# Active & Discovery on the Moselle

## 8 Days from Remich to Frankfurt

CRUISE CODE: WRF

### DAY 1 REMICH, LUXEMBOURG (Embarkation)

Welcome to Luxembourg! Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding. Flights into Luxembourg City must arrive by 3.30 pm. Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

The day is yours to explore Remich – the Pearl of the Moselle – with panoramic views of surrounding forests and vineyards. Enjoy dinner on board this evening

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Remich

### DAY 2 REMICH. EXCURSION TO LUXEMBOURG - TRIER

Modern Architecture, Canoe Trip, and Local Wine

**ACTIVE:** Your local guide leads you through the ancient fishing city and stunning views of the vineyards with a wine tasting to enjoy the Moselle Valley at its best, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy a guided tour of Schengen, known for the famous agreement which represents one of the major steps towards a unified Europe and the abolishment of inner-European border controls. Later enjoy a glass of refreshing locally produced wine or grape juice, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Luxembourg City – with its dramatic views, ancient ruins, and modern architecture along the deep gorge terrain.

In the early afternoon, enjoy a leisurely cruise to Trier.

**TRIER** Germany's Oldest City

**CLASSIC:** After dinner, enjoy a guided walking tour of Trier – Germany's oldest city with ancient remnants dating from 144-152 AD. Starting from Porta Nigra, walk through the city centre.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Trier

### DAY 3 BERNKASTEL, GERMANY Gracious German Vineyards of the Moselle Valley

**ACTIVE:** Head out into the fresh air and hike up to Landshut Castle, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Learn about wine in this special region and enjoy a rich wine tasting in a local winery, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walking tour of the charming wine village of Bernkastel – with its medieval marketplace and 17th-century gabled timber-framed houses.

This afternoon enjoy a relaxing sailing to Traben-Trarbach or consider joining an optional excursion to a local brewery. Tonight, enjoy live entertainment on board your ship.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Traben-Trarbach

### DAY 4 COCHEM Reichsburg Castle, Riesling Wine, and the Charm of the Moselle Valley

**ACTIVE:** Bike along the Mosel river with your Adventure Host.

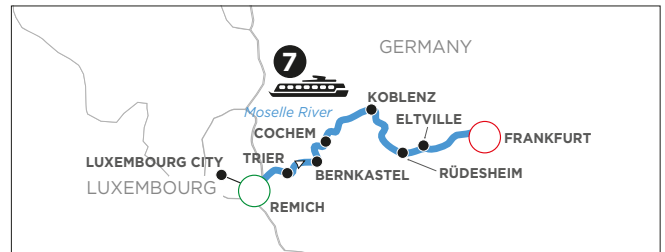
Alternatively, enjoy a relaxing cruise to Cochem.



**ACTIVE:** See Cochem from atop, followed by a scenic hike, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Take part to a guided visit to one of the oldest mustard mills, dating back to 1810. Under the guidance of the head mustard "miller", you'll watch mustard being made using traditional skills, more than 200 years of savoir-faire and a recipe that has been passed down several generations, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided walk of Cochem to see the charming town's



half-timbered houses and winding streets. Visit Cochem's hilltop Reichsburg Castle with a bird's-eye-view of the Moselle Valley and river bend.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Cochem

### DAY 5 KOBLENZ Fortress Walls and Manor Halls

In the morning, you may want to choose among the guided optional excursions available or relax on the Sky Deck while sailing to Koblenz.

**ACTIVE:** Explore the shores of Eifel's largest volcanic lake "Laacher See" and visit the Maria Laach Benedictine monastery, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Join a guided tour of a famous local brewery which reputation is based on their traditional way of brewing tasty beers following old recipes. Afterwards taste some of their classical brewed beers, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided city walk amid ancient fortresses walls, towers, squares and monuments.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Koblenz

### DAY 6 RÜDESHEIM-ELTVILLE Eat, Drink, and Be Merry in Wine Country

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

This morning, relax on the Sky Deck while passing along the beautiful villages on the Moselle River shores.

**ACTIVE:** Take an open-air cable-car ride to the Niederwald Monument. Ride or walk back down through the vineyards; based on your departure enjoy a local special treat, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Take a guided tour of the incredible Mechanical Music Museum for a one-of-a-kind instrumental experience; based on your departure enjoy a local special treat, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Follow your local guide through the area surrounding the Hildegard Abbey and learn about the history of this special place. Walk back to the village and taste different local wines.

A short sailing in the late afternoon will bring you from Rüdesheim to Eltville.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Eltville

### DAY 7 FRANKFURT Charm in Frankfurt

**ACTIVE:** Take a guided bike tour to discover from a different point of view the city of Frankfurt as well as the picturesque Nidda park, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Take a botanical journey through the gorgeous gardens of Frankfurt's Palmengarten, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Frankfurt to see the city's cultural landmarks and gleaming financial headquarters combined with the cozy ambience of quaint neighborhoods, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take an entertaining guided tour to the famous Frankenstein castle, nestled in the hills of the Western Odenwald area, and enjoy a breathtaking view on the Rhine Valley.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Frankfurt

### DAY 8 FRANKFURT (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £3,203PP **NOW £2,453PP**  
**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £4,152PP **NOW £3,402PP**

Price based on 19 May 2024 departure

Cruise available Jun - Sep 2023 and May & Sep 2024

Prices are per person, based on double occupancy. Prices shown are for the cruise only and do not include flights or transfers. If requested, we can arrange these services. Itineraries and activities are subject to change at any time due to unforeseen circumstances or other factors beyond our control. The most up-to-date version will be available on our website. Price correct at time of going to print, subject to availability and our booking terms and conditions.



# Active & Discovery on the Rhine

## 8 Days from Amsterdam to Basel

CRUISE CODE: WAW | DIRECTION: SOUTHBOUND

### DAY 1 AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND (Embarkation)

Welcome Aboard your Avalon Suite Ship®.

Flights into Amsterdam must arrive by 3:30 pm. Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

You may take a guided optional excursion to Zaanse Schans to see historic windmills and charming Dutch houses.

Your day in Amsterdam is free to explore at your leisure the colourful cafés, galleries, bridges, and canals.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Amsterdam

### DAY 2 AMSTERDAM Colourful Canals of Amsterdam

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a guided kayak tour for an adventure which will provide you a unique perspective of the "Venice of the North" from the waters of its magnificent canals, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Attend a painting class and be inspired by the masters' techniques. Paint your own canvas and discover your inner artist. An orientation walk will complete your experience, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided canal cruise to explore the iconic waterways and sites of Amsterdam.

This afternoon enjoy a relaxing sailing on the Sky Deck.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Düsseldorf

### DAY 3 DÜSSELDORF, GERMANY Avant-Garde Architecture and Amazing Altbiers

**ACTIVE:** Join a city biking tour to discover interesting stories about the sights and the city itself along the way, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Experience Düsseldorf's Old Town and get an insight into its culinary diversity, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Düsseldorf. Visit the Old Town, but also discover its spectacular subway line, where each station has an individual magic character.

This afternoon you might take a guided optional excursion to Düsseldorf's microbreweries to try a variety of Altbiers. Later enjoy live entertainment on board.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Koblenz

### DAY 4 KOBLENZ - RHINE GORGE Fortress Walls and Manor Halls Where the Rhine and Moselle Meet

**ACTIVE:** Take a guided e-bike tour in the vineyards surrounding this beautiful city at the confluence of the Rhine and Moselle rivers, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** For a unique experience, join us on an excursion to the "Lava City" of Mendig for a Volcano Encounter, including exploring the caverns and corridors where basalt (cold lava) was mined, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a leisurely guided walk of ancient Koblenz, including a cable car ride to Ehrenbreitstein Fortress for a spectacular panoramic view.

En route to Bingen, sail through the Rhine Gorge (a UNESCO World Heritage Site). Take in the breathtaking views of ancient castles perched on cliffs 400 feet above the water, and pass the legendary Rock of the Lorelei - where the mythological siren's songs lured ill-fated sailors.

**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy an experience fit for royalty during an exclusive private reception at Rheinstein Castle.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Bingen

### DAY 5 SPEYER. EXCURSIONS TO HEIDELBERG The World's Biggest Wine Barrel and Famous Vineyards

**ACTIVE:** Follow the road less travelled on this exciting guided hike along the Philosophers' Way for an inspiring view of the city below, **OR;**



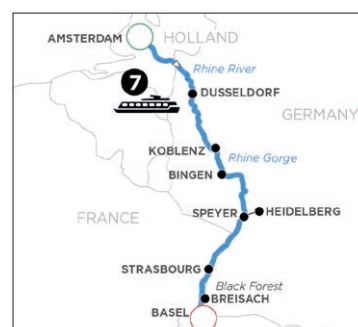
**DISCOVERY:** Join an exclusive Beer Tour. Stroll through the An expert Beer Sommelier will introduce you to the art of brewing, while strolling through the Heidelberg Castle garden **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided tour to Heidelberg Castle to see the ruins of the magnificent renaissance treasure towering above the city, and its famed Great Vat, the "World's Largest Wine Barrel."

While visiting the city, also enjoy a tasting of local specialties.

Enjoy live entertainment on board your ship this evening.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Strasbourg



### DAY 6 STRASBOURG, FRANCE A Grand Cathedral and La Petite France

Ask about today's energising or relaxing Adventure Host activities.

**ACTIVE:** Take a guided hike along the river and the Marne-Rhine canal, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Join a culinary walk to discover the Alsatian cuisine and traditions, so influenced by the unique history of a region, whose control alternated between Germany and France for centuries, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a city sightseeing tour, including Strasbourg's Gothic, stained-glass cathedral with its celebrated ancient murals and astronomical clock, as well as the magical La Petite France District.

This afternoon choose one of the optional excursions available.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Breisach

### DAY 7 BREISACH, GERMANY. EXCURSION TO BLACK FOREST German Winemaking and the Beautiful Black Forest

**ACTIVE:** Take a guided e-bike tour to experience the magical Black Forest from a unique point of view, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Join a full-day guided tour to the magical Black Forest to experience the Vogtsbauernhof open-air-museum, visit an authentic water mill, and see a traditional butter-making demonstration, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Visit a local winery and its vineyards to learn about German winemaking; a wine tasting will be the perfect end of this tour.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Basel

### DAY 8 BASEL (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

## REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS ~~£3,203PP~~ **NOW £2,278PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS ~~£4,152PP~~ **NOW £3,227PP**

Price based on 13 July 2024 departure

Cruise available Jun, Aug - Sep 2023 and Jun - Oct 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Amsterdam or Lucerne to your cruise.

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# Active & Discovery on the Danube

## 8 Days from Budapest to Vilshofen

CRUISE CODE: WBL | DIRECTION: WESTBOUND

### DAY 1 BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (Embarkation) – DANUBE BEND

Welcome to Hungary. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding. Flights into Budapest must arrive by 3:30 pm. Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

The day is yours to relax and enjoy Eastern Europe's shining city on the Danube. Enjoy a Hungarian Dinner on board during a scenic cruise through the Danube Bend. Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

**EVENING:** Cruise to Visegrád

### DAY 2 VISEGRÁD Jousting Tournaments and Dracula's Tower

**ACTIVE:** Visit Count Dracula's prison tower on a hiking tour, **OR;**

**ACTIVE:** Take part in a canoe excursion through the picturesque Bend Region of the Danube for a truly unique perspective of one of the river's most beautiful stretches, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Join a guided visit to the Medieval Knights Tournament at Visegrád's Lower Castle, featuring targetting and fighting demonstrations by members of the St. George Knightly Order.

Spend free time after your selected activities to explore Palotaház, where stonemasons, smiths, potters, and paper-makers produce their traditional items using age-old techniques.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Vienna

### DAY 3 VIENNA, AUSTRIA Strauss, Schnitzel, Strudel and Sachertorte

**ACTIVE:** Take a guided bike tour along the famed Ringstrasse and pedestrian avenues of Vienna to see the city's highlights from a unique perspective, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Take an Insider's Tour of Vienna to get behind the scenes of her sights and attractions. You will meet locals, have the chance to prepare some food, and enjoy other surprises, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided sightseeing tour of Vienna, including a tour of Belvedere Palace to see Gustave Klimt's renowned "Kiss" painting.

Spend free time this afternoon strolling through the pedestrian Kärntnerstrasse then take a break for a piece of Sachertorte.

This evening consider joining an optional excursion to attend a Royal Waltz Concert in an elegant hall.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Vienna

### DAY 4 VIENNA A Feast for the Soul

**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy a morning guided walking tour to see the city in her best light, along with breakfast at a Viennese café, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Dive into one of the world's most important museums with a guided tour of the Habsburg family's private art collection at the Museum of Fine Arts, and enjoy Italian or Dutch master works, **OR;** Dive into one of the world's most important museums with a guided tour of the Habsburg family's private art collection at the Museum of Fine Arts, and enjoy Italian or Dutch master works:

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of the Museum of Fine Arts, followed by the Military Museum, commemorating the past of the Habsburg Empire.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Krems

### DAY 5 KREMS Take a Canoe or a Bike through Austria's Wine Country

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**ACTIVE:** Paddle a canoe on a guided tour to see the Austrian waterways and shoreline scenery from a unique perspective, **OR;**

**ACTIVE:** Take a guided bike tour from Krems to Spitz, and enjoy a stop in Dürnstein to see the mesmerizing blue Stiftskirche, and to sample local specialities, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Join an interactive Wine World Experience with wine tasting, **OR;**



**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy a guided visit that showcases production of regional fruits, vegetables, wine, or other products.

Relax on board this afternoon to enjoy the picturesque Wachau Valley scenery as you cruise to Grein.

### GREIN A Modern-Day Castle and the Count

**DISCOVERY:** See Burg Clam on a guided visit, and meet the Count of Clam during your tour.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Grein

### DAY 6 GREIN - MAUTHAUSEN - LINZ Theatre History... Alive and Well in Grein

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walk of Grein, including its historic theatre, the oldest in Austria still holding regular performances.

Take a mid-morning cruise to Mauthausen.

### MAUTHAUSEN History Lessons and Monastic Life

**ACTIVE:** Take a guided bike tour along the Danube and discover how fertile this area is. Stop at a local farm and learn more about farming life and flood protection, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Visit the 9th-century St. Florian Monastery – the largest monastery in upper Austria and home to Augustine monks, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a sobering guided tour of Mauthausen Concentration Camp, one of the largest and most brutal Nazi camp of WWII.

This afternoon sail to Linz arriving this evening.

### LINZ

Tonight, enjoy live entertainment on board your ship.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Engelhartzell

### DAY 7 ENGELHARTSZELL-SCHLÖGEN OXBOW Memories and Beer in the Making

**ACTIVE:** Bike your way to a local trappist monastery in Engelhartzell, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Join a guided tour to the "House by the stream" (Haus am Strom) and walk across the Danube Power-Station Jochenstein, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Visit the stunning rococo-style Engelszell Abbey, and explore its Sensory Garden—complete with stone labyrinth, herb garden, and vineyard. Sample cheese and beer made by the resident Trappist monks.

**ACTIVE:** This afternoon, enjoy a scenic guided hike along the Danube's Schlögen Oxbow, a dramatic bend carved by centuries.

Or, as a relaxing option, enjoy free time on the Sky Deck this afternoon while you sail through the amazing horseshoe bend of the Danube's Schlögen Oxbow on your way to Vilshofen.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Vilshofen

### DAY 8 VILSHOFEN (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning. Flights should not leave Munich airport before 8 am.

## REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £3,203PP NOW £2,278PP

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £4,152PP NOW £3,227PP

Price based on 08 July 2024 departure

Cruise available May – Sep 2023 and May & Sep 2024

### YOURWAY OPTION: Add Budapest or Prague to your cruise.

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# Active & Discovery on the Lower Danube

## 8 Days from Bucharest to Belgrade

CRUISE CODE: WOKY

### DAY 1 BUCHAREST, ROMANIA Welcome to Bucharest – The “Paris of the East”

The day is yours to relax and enjoy Bucharest. Spend some free time exploring this fascinating city on your own to discover its trendy shops, cafés, museums, beautiful homes, and churches along Victory Avenue.

### DAY 2 BUCHAREST - OLTENITA (Embarkation) Beautiful Boulevards and Bold History

**ACTIVE:** Take a guided natural walk in the Văcărești Nature Park. Also known as Urban Delta, this wetland is home to more than 150 different species of birds and small mammals. Enjoy this green get away and learn more about this special green area located only 4km away from the centre of Romania’s capital, Bucharest. **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Discover the joie de vivre of Romanian cuisine - a tasty hodge-podge of Balkan, Ottoman, French, and Russian influences. **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of the Romanian capital city of Bucharest with its tree-lined boulevards and Arc de Triomphe – honoring WWI Romanian soldiers. See the Royal Palace Square – the scene of the city’s 1989 riots to overthrow the communist dictator Nicolae Ceaușescu.

Travel to Oltenita to board your Avalon Suite Ship® this afternoon.

#### OLTENITA (Embarkation) Your Adventure Begins

Explore your Avalon Suite Ship® this evening and enjoy a dinner on board.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Nikopol

### DAY 3 NIKOPOL. VELIKO TARNOVO & ARBANASSI EXCURSION Cliff Houses and Revival Architecture

**ACTIVE:** Follow your expert local guide through the beautiful eco-patch up to Kroushuna Waterfalls. **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a full-day guided tour to the former Bulgarian capital of Veliko Tarnovo – with its ancient stone houses clinging to the cliffs above the Yantra River. Discover one of the oldest towns in Bulgaria (circa 4300 BC), as well as the Bulgarian Revival architecture in the 15th-century town of Arbanassi.

This evening enjoy a movie night on board your Avalon ship.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Vidin

### DAY 4 VIDIN, BULGARIA Rocks, Ruins and Beauty in Bulgaria

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a panoramic trek on the rocky landscape of Belogradchik **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Get to learn everything about the production technologies of the Bulgarian wines and enjoy a tasting of the various labels produced by a local well-known winery. All accompanied by local snacks and symphonic music. **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join guided sightseeing in Vidin, followed by a visit to Baba Vida Fortress, Bulgaria’s only completely preserved medieval castle.

This evening, enjoy live entertainment on board with a Bulgarian folklore show.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Donji Milanovac

### DAY 5 IRON GATES GORGE – DONJI MILANOVAC. EXCURSION TO LEPENSKI VIR – GOLUBAC Ancient Artifacts and the Iron Gates

Sail through the spectacular and narrow Iron Gates Gorge – a natural border between Serbia and Romania.

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy this scenic hike through Djerdap National Park and stop along the way to taste some local specialties before returning to your Avalon ship.

**OR; DISCOVERY:** Join a guided tour to Lepenski Vir – an important Mesolithic archaeological site chronicling prehistoric cultures, settlements, and art. Marvel at the ancient discoveries and artifacts, as well as the unique views the site affords of the Danube Gorge. **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Donji Milanovac and learn the basic of the Cyrillic Serbian alphabet inside the local primary school. Meet locals and get to know the art of crocheting while learning about the history of this little Serbian town.

Enjoy a brief sailing to Golubac.

**CLASSIC:** Visit the Fortress of Golubac, one of the best-preserved medieval fortresses in Europe. You’ll hear about its tumultuous history







as a border control defense in the Middle Ages, and a source of conflict between Serbia, the Habsburg Monarchy and the Ottoman Empire.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Novi Sad

#### DAY 6 NOVI SAD - ILOK, CROATIA A Capital of Culture

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a guided hike tour to the Petrovaradin part of the town. Located on the right bank of the Danube, across from the main part of Novi Sad, this area will amaze you for its scenic views. **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Get to learn more about the beekeeper profession on this guided tour of Novi Sad by stopping to the Honey Museum and by tasting local honey specialities. **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Novi Sad, the second largest town in Serbia. Admire its Austro-Hungarian old town, with its baroque buildings, and ancient fortifications.

Enjoy a brief cruise to Ilok while having lunch onboard.

#### ILOK, CROATIA Croatian Heritage and Hilltop Vintages

**ACTIVE:** Enjoy a scenic bike ride through the easternmost town in Croatia and be mesmerized by the beauty of Ilok. **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Explore the town of Vukovar and meet a local beer brewer who will share with you his fascinating story during a beer tasting. **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Ilok, with its 1,000-year-old winemaking tradition still thriving and its medieval fortress protected for its Croatian cultural heritage.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Belgrade

#### DAY 7 BELGRADE, SERBIA Fortresses and Folklore

**ACTIVE:** Get a real taste of Serbia on this guided bike tour focusing on the history of Belgrade, from WWII to today. **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Go way beyond the ordinary, and get to know Belgrade through its remarkable people and innovative minds. **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Belgrade – where the Danube and Sava Rivers converge – and see the city's many fascinating sights, including Saint Sava, one of the world's largest Orthodox churches.

Spend free time in Belgrade exploring Knez Mihailova Street – Belgrade's central pedestrian thoroughfare with many lively cafés, shops, and cultural spots. You might consider partaking one of the optional excursion available.

**DISCOVERY:** Before dinner, attend an onboard lecture to learn about the rich history, destinations, and culture of the Balkan states.

This evening, you might like to join an optional excursion for an authentic Bohemian Dinner in the Quarter of Skadarlija.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Belgrade

#### DAY 8 BELGRADE (Disembarkation)

Your holiday ends with breakfast this morning.

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £2,942PP **NOW £2,017PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £3,756PP **NOW £2,831PP**

Price based on 22 July 2024 departure

Cruise available Jul – Sep 2023 and Jun – Aug 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Transylvania to your cruise. You may also combine this cruise with A Taste of Croatia by Globus.

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# Active & Discovery on the Danube from Serbia to the Black Sea

## 8 Days from Belgrade to Budapest

CRUISE CODE: WKOY

### Cruise at-a-Glance

**DAY 1 BELGRADE** Onboard welcome reception

**DAY 2 BELGRADE** Choice of guided tour or bike tour or meet the locals; on board lecture

**DAY 3 GOLUBAC - DONJI MILANOVAC - IRON GATES** Visit to Golubac fortress; choice of visit Lepenski Vir archaeological site or Donji Milanovac off the beaten path tour or Djerdap National park hike; scenic cruise through the Iron Gates Gorge

**DAY 4 VIDIN. EXCURSION TO BELOGRADCHIK** Choice of guided tour in Vidin, visit Baba Vida Fortress or wine tasting or hiking in Belogradchik

**DAY 5 ROUSSE - EXCURSION TO VELIKO TARNOVO AND ARBANASSI** Choice of full-day excursion, visit to Tsarevet's Fortress in Veliko Tarnovo and to the Ethnographical Museum and the Church of the Nativity in Arbanassi, or a guided sightseeing in Rousse, or Ivanovo Rock Church hike

**DAY 6 FETESTI. EXCURSION TO CONSTANTA** Choice of guided sightseeing, or visit the National History and Archaeological Museum or wine tasting or bike tour

**DAY 7 FETESTI (Disembarkation) - BUCHAREST** Choice of guided sightseeing in Bucharest or walk the Urban Delta or food tour

**DAY 8 BUCHAREST** Your holiday ends this morning

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £3,017PP **NOW £2,267PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £3,831PP **NOW £3,081PP**

Price based on 20 June 2024 departure

Cruise available Jun & Sep 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Transylvania to your cruise. You may also combine this cruise with Highlights of Croatia by Globus.

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# Active & Discovery on the Seine

## 9 Days from Paris to Paris

CRUISE CODE: WPHP | NORTHBOUND

### DAY 1 PARIS, FRANCE (Embarkation)

Welcome to France. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding. Flights or trains into Paris must arrive by 2:30 pm. Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

Your day is free to explore the world's most romantic city before embarking on your cruise on the Seine. Get acquainted with the City of Lights today with some shopping, strolling, or with a croissant and café au lait to watch the world go by amid the Parisian cityscape.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Paris

### DAY 2 PARIS Cafés, Cathedrals, and Canvases – The City of Lights Truly Shines

**ACTIVE:** Hop on a bike to explore Paris like a local on this enjoyable guided tour through its sights, mesmerizing history, and incredible ambiance, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Immerse yourself on our Food and Cultural Tour of Paris where you will find out why the French food and culinary tradition has been even added to the UNESCO heritage list, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing, which will show you magnificent must-see sights.

This afternoon, you may want to join a guided optional excursion to the Palace of Versailles. Alternatively, stroll through Paris on your own or linger over wine in a literary café on the Left Bank.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Conflans

### DAY 3 CONFLANS Walk in the Footsteps of Van Gogh and Bonaparte

**ACTIVE:** This guided e-bike tour will take you to the Château de Maisons-Lafitte where you will enjoy a special snack, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Travel to the Chantilly Castle on your own where the experts of the Confrérie des Chevaliers Fouetteurs de crème Chantilly will show you how to prepare your own Chantilly cream, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of Auvers-sur-Oise, and walk in the footsteps of Vincent van Gogh, who lived, worked, and is buried here. See the landscapes and village scenes captured in his paintings, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of the opulent Château de Malmaison – home of Napoléon Bonaparte and his wife Josephine.

Enjoy an afternoon sailing to Vernon. This evening, enjoy onboard live entertainment after dinner.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Vernon

### DAY 4 VERNON - LES ANDELYS Monet's Muses, Castle Courtyards, and Crêpes du Jour

**ACTIVE:** Spend a fun and active day canoeing. Join an expert guide and paddle your way through areas accessible only by water, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Take a guided tour of Giverny, home and inspiration of the master impressionist painter Claude Monet. Walk the grounds and see Monet's charming residence, and the flower and water gardens captured in his masterpieces, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Explore the picturesque town of Vernon with a leisurely guided tour through its marvellous medieval streets on the banks of the Seine River.

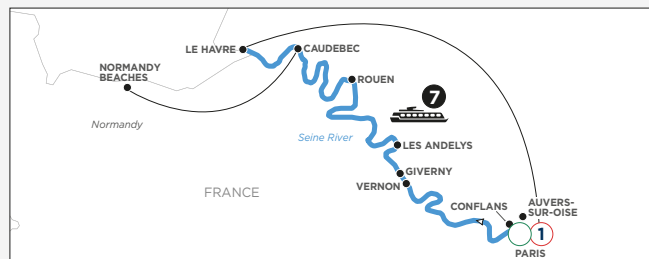
**DISCOVERY:** While sailing, enjoy a traditional French luncheon of authentic French crêpes, followed by a pastry demonstration.

This afternoon, enjoy a beautiful cruise to the picturesque town of Les Andelys.

### LES ANDELYS Serenity on the Seine's Most Beautiful Riverbends

**ACTIVE:** Join a guided hike up to the castle ruins of Château Gaillard – historic home of King Richard the Lionheart and a masterpiece of medieval military architecture, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Visit one of 'most beautiful villages of France' situated in a beautiful forested setting in Normandy. Afterwards discover the legends of



the haunted Abbaye de Mortemer, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walking tour of Les Andelys – one of France's most picturesque spots on the Seine. Visit the Saint Sauveur's Church of Le Petit Andely.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board your ship while sailing to Rouen.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Rouen

### DAY 5 ROUEN The Cathedral of Notre-Dame, and a Heroine for France

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walking tour of Rouen – home of the martyred Saint Joan of Arc – and see the medieval quarter with its 16th-century Astronomical Clock, and Notre-Dame Cathedral.

In the afternoon, you're free to explore the city on your own or to join one of our optional excursions.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Rouen

### DAY 6 CAUDEBEC. EXCURSION TO NORMANDY Heroic Bravery on Normandy Beaches and French Farming Traditions

**DISCOVERY:** Join "A Taste of Normandy" guided tour for an in-depth look at this rich agricultural region. See the famous Bayeux Tapestry, visit the beautiful village of Beuvron en Auge and taste Calvados apple brandy at a local distillery, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided visit to the WWII landing beaches of Normandy. Take a full-day tour of significant U.S. sites, including Omaha Beach, the Pointe du Hoc monument, and the American Cemetery, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a full-day guided tour of the British and Canadian commemorative sites, including the British cemetery, Pegasus Memorial, the seaside town of Arromanches, the Juno Beach Centre, and the Bény-sur-Mer Canadian War Cemetery.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Le Havre

### DAY 7 LE HAVRE 20th Century Architecture and White Cliffs of Normandy

**ACTIVE:** Explore the city as only a local would: by bicycle. Cycle up to the quartier Saint François, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Travel to Fécamp to visit the Palais Benedictine where the world famous Benedictine liquor is made. Enjoy a short Self-guided tour followed by a cocktail workshop focused around the famous liquor, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour to Le Havre and discover the modern architecture of its city centre, rebuilt by Auguste Perret and part of the World Heritage of Humanity.

This afternoon, you may want to choose among the guided optional excursions available.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Le Havre

### DAY 8 LE HARVE (Disembarkation) – PARIS Au Revoir, River Seine. Bonjour, Paris

Bid farewell to your ship's crew and take a transfer to Paris. Take time to linger in a street side café, shop for mementos, or take photographs of the city's picturesque bridges.

### DAY 9 PARIS

Your holiday ends with breakfast this morning.

## REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £3,670PP NOW £2,745PP

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £4,619PP NOW £3,694PP

Price based on 01 July 2024

Cruise available Jun, Aug – Sep 2023 and May – Aug 2024

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# Active & Discovery on the Rhône

## 8 Days from Lyon to Arles

CRUISE CODE: WYL | SOUTHBOUND

### DAY 1 LYON, FRANCE (Embarkation)

Welcome to France. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding. Flights into Lyon must arrive by 3:30 pm. Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Lyon

### DAY 2 LYON A Festival of Colours, Aromas, and Taste

Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

**ACTIVE:** Take a guided urban hike through Lyon's secret passageways (Traboules) for a glimpse into the city's 19th-century silk trade, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Take a guided culinary walk through Lyon to discover architecture and local specialities in a festival of colours, aromas and taste – exclusive for Avalon guests, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Join our cooking class to learn to make your own Lyonnaise speciality.

This afternoon, you might take an off-the-beaten-path guided optional tour (Avalon exclusive) through private and public terraces for panoramic views of Lyon, starting on the roof of the Basilica de Fourvière.

**EVENING:** Cruise to Tain L'Hermitage/Tournon

### DAY 3 TAIN L'HERMITAGE/TOURNON Chocolatiers and Railway Engineers in the Twin City Gorge

**ACTIVE:** For a unique experience and panoramic views, join a guided excursion this morning on a rail-bike along the descent of the Gorges du Doux, **OR;**

**ACTIVE:** Join a guided hike in the picturesque vineyards surrounding the twin cities of Tournon and Tain-l'Hermitage, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Have a true "chocolate experience" with a tour of the Valrhona Chocolate Factory and Museum, **OR;**

Take a guided sightseeing tour of Tournon – twin city to Tain-l'Hermitage and one of France's oldest medieval cities. You'll see its imposing 16th-century castle.

**DISCOVERY:** Join a cooking demonstration and learn how to prepare a Lyonnaise treat while sailing to Viviers.

### VIVIERS Fascinating History, and Nighttime Ghost Stories

**DISCOVERY:** For a different perspective on the town, join us on a nighttime guided tour of Viviers, discovering the legends, tales and ghost stories of this enchanting town.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Viviers

### DAY 4 VIVIERS – LOCK BOLLÈNE River Gorge Kayaks, Underground Wines, and Ghost Stories

**ACTIVE:** Immerse yourself in the scenery with a guided kayak trip in the Gorges de l'Ardèche on the spectacular canyons of this Rhône tributary, **OR;**

**ACTIVE:** Find inspiration from the amazing landscape of the region with a guided hike through the Natural Reserve of Cirque d'Estre, **OR;**

**ACTIVE:** Join a guided visit for a surprising underground wine tasting – under the direction of an expert Speleologist (cave guide) and an oenologist (wine-making expert).

Cruise through the soaring walls of the Lock Bollène on your way to Avignon this afternoon.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Avignon

### DAY 5 AVIGNON Bike Pedals, Papal Palaces, and Perfumes in Provence

**ACTIVE:** Join a leisurely guided e-bike ride through Gard region; after all, no need to pedal on the way back, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Visit an authentic Provencal farmhouse for a delightful experience to fill your senses as you see how essential oils are created, **OR;**



**CLASSIC:** Take a guided sightseeing tour of Avignon, including a visit to the world's largest gothic fortress – the 14th-century Palace of the Popes. Also, explore Les Halles' covered market.

This afternoon, you may choose to join a guided optional tour of the famed wine cellars of Châteauneuf-du-Pape for a wine tasting, or you may opt for a guided optional excursion on a kayak through the waters of Pont du Gard – the highest of all elevated Roman aqueducts.

You may choose to spend free time to explore Avignon – known as the heart of Provence. Take a leisurely stroll or a bike ride through the tree-lined streets and leafy squares within Avignon's medieval walls.

**EVENING:** Cruise to Arles



### DAY 6 ARLES A Master Painter and a Matador in Provence

**ACTIVE:** Experience the legends of Val d'Enfer with a guided hike; an area taking its name from the unique white limestone rock formations. The excursion includes an unforgettable audio/video experience of light, images, and music at the Carrières de Lumières, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Attend a Painting Workshop to learn techniques of Vincent van Gogh. Create your own painting in the style of the legendary artist, **OR;**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Arles to get to know this charming town, including a visit with a local bullfighter to learn about the secrets and traditions handed down through generations.

This afternoon, enjoy free time to shop, stroll, or just relax in a lovely park along Arles' Boulevard des Lices. Alternatively, feel free to choose one of the optional excursions on offer. Later, enjoy onboard live entertainment.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Arles

### DAY 7 PORT-SAINT-LOUIS Oysters and Flamingos in the Rhône Delta

Enjoy a morning cruise to Port-Saint-Louis on the Sky Deck of your ship.

**ACTIVE:** Take a guided bike ride through the Camargue Natural Park with an eye out for more than 400 bird species – including pink flamingos – along the trails of the Mediterranean's Rhône delta, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy a taste of local life with a visit to an oyster farm in the Camargue Natural Park on a guided tour to enjoy an oyster tasting and learn how this delicacy is farmed, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Visit one of France's most popular and pristine nature reserves on this memorable visit to a traditional black bull ranch in Camargue Regional Nature Park!

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Arles

### DAY 8 ARLES (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

## REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £3,428PP NOW £2,503PP

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £4,377PP NOW £3,452PP

Price based on 23 July 2024 departure

Cruise available Jun, Aug – Sep 2023 and May – Aug 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Paris to your cruise.

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# Festive Season in the Heart of Germany

6 Days from Nuremberg to Frankfurt

CRUISE CODE: WNF | DIRECTION: EASTBOUND



Short  
Cruise



## DAY 1 NUREMBERG, GERMANY (Embarkation)

Welcome to Nuremberg, where your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding.

Flights into Nuremberg must arrive by 3:30pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5pm.

Indulge in traditional holiday fare and hot libations to warm your heart and soul.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Nuremberg

## DAY 2 NUREMBERG Legends and History Lessons

**CLASSIC:** Choose a guided tour of Nuremberg's medieval architecture, gilded fountain, Gothic cathedral, and Kaiserburg Castle, **OR:**

Join a guided tour of the historic Nuremberg Rally Grounds—used by the Third Reich.

Spend free time browsing the spruce stalls of the Christmas Markets of Nuremberg. Sample favourite Bavarian fare—bratwurst, gingerbread, mulled blueberry wine, and countless other Christkindlmarkt culinary delights. Later, enjoy live entertainment onboard.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Bamberg

## DAY 3 BAMBERG Christmas Customs and Cradle Scenes

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing tour of Bamberg—medieval home of Germany's Roman Empire dynasties. Stroll through dozens of Bamberg's nativity scenes—from miniature to life-size.

Take free time to enjoy the quaint Christmas markets, and warm up with traditional German dumplings, sausage, and a glass of hearty Bavarian ale.



**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy an onboard Christmas traditions lecture while sailing.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:**  
Cruise to Würzburg

## DAY 4 WÜRZBURG Old Saint Nick and Nutcrackers Sweet

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided sightseeing tour of the "Pearl of the Romantic

Road" with its Old Main Bridge, towering fortress, and baroque Bishop's Residenz.

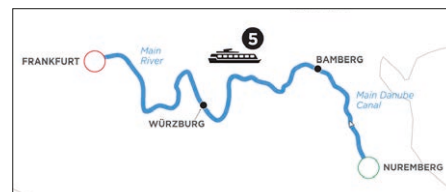
You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to the

beautiful Bavarian town of Rothenburg. Visit the Köthe Wohlfahrt German Christmas museum—the world's most extensive collection of traditional German Christmas decorations.

Spend free time enjoying the festive, warm glow of Würzburg's Christmas markets.

Later, enjoy live entertainment onboard.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Miltenberg



## DAY 5 MILTENBERG Hidden Gifts and Holiday Delights

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walking tour of Miltenberg, a showcase of medieval half-timber homes and home to Germany's oldest inn.

**DISCOVERY:** Join a German cookie baking demonstration on board your ship while sailing.

**AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Frankfurt

## DAY 6 FRANKFURT (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

**REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE**

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS ~~£2,150PP~~ **NOW £1,875PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS ~~£2,828PP~~ **NOW £2,553PP**

Price based on 06 December 2024 departure  
Cruise available Dec 2023 and Dec 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Prague to your cruise.

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# Christmastime on the Danube

## 7 Days from Vienna to Nuremberg

CRUISE CODE: WVN | DIRECTION: EASTBOUND

### DAY 1 VIENNA, AUSTRIA (Embarkation)

Welcome to Austria. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding. Flights into Vienna must arrive by 3:30 pm. Guests must be on board ship by 5pm.

Indulge in traditional holiday fare and hot libations to warm your heart and soul before boarding.

### DAY 2 VIENNA Royal Collections and Amusing Attractions

**CLASSIC:** Explore the Habsburg empire this morning on a guided city tour of Vienna's gilded landmarks. See the Imperial Palace complex—the winter residence of the Imperial Family, the iconic Vienna Opera House and stunning St. Stephen's Cathedral.

Spend free time on your own to enjoy the Christkindlesmarkt, or relax by the fire's glow in a Viennese café.

You may join a guided optional tour of Schönbrunn Palace—summer home of the Habsburg dynasty for 300 years.

This evening, you may choose to attend an optional excursion to a Royal Waltz Concert for an unforgettable evening of music in an elegant hall.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Melk

### DAY 3 MELK—GREIN Frescoes above the Wachau Valley

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided tour of Melk's magnificent Benedictine Abbey to marvel at its frescoed ceilings.

**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy an Austrian cookie tasting onboard while sailing to Grein.

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walk of Grein, including its historic theatre, the oldest in Austria still holding regular performances.

Enjoy live entertainment on board.

**OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Passau

### DAY 4 PASSAU Saint Stephen's, Salzburg, and the Story of Silent Night

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided city walk to learn more about this beautiful "City of Three Rivers."

Later spend some free time in Passau's charming Christkindlmarkt near magnificent St. Stephen's Cathedral.

You may like to join a guided optional excursion to Salzburg, Austria. See the setting of The Sound of Music, and learn the story behind the beloved Christmas hymn, Silent Night.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Regensburg

### DAY 5 REGENSBURG Christmas Magic in Bavaria

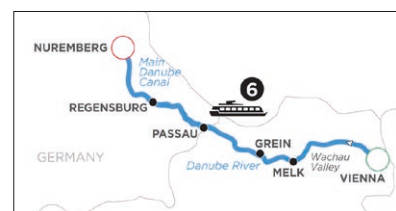
**CLASSIC:** Join a guided city walk and see the Altes Rathaus (Old Town Hall) and Porta Pretoria—entrance to the Castra Regina fortress built in 179 AD. Take time to browse Regensburg's sparkling Christmas markets. Enjoy



hot-mulled wine, candied almonds, gingerbread, or bratwurst.

Enjoy live entertainment on board.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:**  
Cruise To Rott



### DAY 6 NUREMBERG Legends and History Lessons

**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy a Christmas traditions lecture on board while sailing this morning.

**CLASSIC:** Choose a guided tour of Nuremberg's medieval architecture, gilded fountain, Gothic cathedral, and Kaiserburg Castle, **OR:**

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of the historic Nuremberg Rally Grounds—used by the Third Reich.

Spend free time on your own to browse the spruce stalls of the Christmas Markets of Nuremberg. Sample favourite Bavarian fare—from dozens of bratwurst varieties, gingerbread, mulled blueberry wine, and countless other culinary delights of the Christkindlmarkt.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Nuremberg

### DAY 7 NUREMBERG (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

### REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £2,638PP NOW £2,088PP

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £3,452PP NOW £2,902PP

Price based on 17 December 2024 departure  
Cruise available Nov - Dec 2023 and Dec 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Prague to your cruise.

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Short  
Cruise

# Christmastime in Alsace & Germany

5 Days from Frankfurt to Basel

CRUISE CODE: WFZ | DIRECTION: SOUTHBOUND

## DAY 1 FRANKFURT, GERMANY (Embarkation)

Welcome to Germany. Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding. Flights into Frankfurt must arrive by 3 pm. Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Speyer



## DAY 2 SPEYER - EXCURSION TO HEIDELBERG

**Winter Wonders and a Wine Barrel Fit for a King**

**DISCOVERY:** Take a guided tour that includes the magnificent Heidelberg Castle at Christmastime to see the ruins of the magnificent renaissance treasure towering above the city, and its famed Great Vat—the world's largest wine barrel. After the tour, visit the local German Christmas markets in Heidelberg.

Alternatively, enjoy a relaxing sailing morning and explore the sights and sounds, tantalizing treats, and seasonal handiwork of Speyer Christmas markets. This evening, enjoy live entertainment on board.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Strasbourg

## DAY 3 STRASBOURG, FRANCE A Gothic Cathedral, Heaven's Time, and Joyeux Noël

**CLASSIC:** Come along for city sightseeing, including the city's Gothic, stained-glass cathedral with its celebrated ancient murals and astronomical clock, as well as the magical La Petite France District.

You may choose to join a guided optional excursion to beautiful Alsace, for an afternoon in a French wine-country village. Savour the warmth and glow of Christmas tradition by spending your free time this afternoon wandering the French winter markets of Strasbourg. Take in the lights, music, and the pleasures of the season.

**EVENING:** Cruise to Breisach

## DAY 4 BREISACH, GERMANY - EXCURSION TO BLACK FOREST German Winemaking and the Beautiful Black Forest

**DISCOVERY:** Visit to a local winery in Breisach, where you will learn about German winemaking and enjoy a wine tasting.

**DISCOVERY:** Join a guided tour to the magical Black Forest to experience local traditions and the vibrant Christmas mood.

After your visit to the winery, you may choose to join a guided optional excursion to visit the charming village of Colmar, with its half-timbered medieval and early renaissance buildings.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Basel

## DAY 5 BASEL (Disembarkation)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning. Flights shouldn't leave Zürich airport before 10 am or Basel airport before 8 am.

**REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE**

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £1,923PP **NOW £1,648PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £2,466PP **NOW £2,191PP**

Price based on 16 December 2024 departure  
Cruise available Dec 2023 and Dec 2024

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## Christmastime from Vienna to Frankfurt

12 Days from Vienna to Frankfurt CRUISE CODE: WVF

**DAY 1 VIENNA (Embarkation)** Onboard welcome reception

**DAY 2 VIENNA** City sightseeing; Christmas market

**DAY 3 WACHAU VALLEY-MELK-GREIN** Scenic cruising through the Wachau Valley; guided visit of the Benedictine Abbey in Melk; onboard Austrian cookies tasting; guided tour in Grein

**DAY 4 PASSAU** Guided tour; Christmas market

**DAY 5 REGENSBURG** Guided tour; Christmas market

**DAY 6 NUREMBERG** Onboard Christmas Traditions lecture; choice of guided tour or Nuremberg Rally Grounds tour; Christmas market

**DAY 7 NUREMBERG EXCURSION TO MUNICH:** Guided tour, see the Marienplatz, Christmas market

**DAY 8 NUREMBERG** Day at leisure to visit Christmas market

**DAY 9 BAMBERG** Guided tour, see the Old Town Hall; Christmas market; onboard Christmas Traditions lecture

**DAY 10 WÜRZBURG** Guided tour, visit the Bishop's Residenz; Christmas market

**DAY 11 MILTENBERG** Guided tour

**DAY 12 FRANKFURT (Disembarkation)** Your cruise ends this morning

**REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE**

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £4,782PP **NOW £4,232PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £6,274PP **NOW £5,724PP**

Price based on 08 December 2024 departure  
Cruise available Dec 2024

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## Festive Time on the Romantic Rhine

8 Days from Amsterdam to Basel | CRUISE CODE: WAZ-T 1

**DAY 1 AMSTERDAM (Embarkation)** Onboard welcome reception

**DAY 2 AMSTERDAM** Canal cruise

**DAY 3 COLOGNE** Guided city walk; Christmas market

**DAY 4 RHINE GORGE-RÜDESHEIM** Scenic sailing through the Rhine Gorge; visit Siegfried's Mechanical Musical Instrument Museum in Rüdesheim; Christmas market

**DAY 5 MAINZ - EXCURSION TO HEIDELBERG** Choice of guided walk in Mainz with visit to the Gutenberg Museum or guided tour of Heidelberg Castle, see the Great Vat; Christmas market

**DAY 6 STRASBOURG** Guided sightseeing, visit the La Petite France district and the Gothic cathedral; Christmas market

**DAY 7 BREISACH** Choice of the Black Forest excursion or visit to a local winery in Breisach

**DAY 8 BASEL (Disembarkation)** Your cruise ends this morning

**REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE**

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £3,053PP **NOW £2,678PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £4,002PP **NOW £3,627PP**

Price based on 08 December 2024 departure  
Cruise available Dec 2023 and Dec 2024

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## Christmastime from Nuremberg to Basel

10 Days from Nuremberg to Basel | CRUISE CODE: WNM

- DAY 1 NUREMBERG (Embarkation)** Onboard welcome reception
- DAY 2 NUREMBERG** Choice of Nuremberg guided tour or Nuremberg Rally Grounds tour; Christmas market
- DAY 3 BAMBERG** Guided tour, see the Old Town Hall; onboard Christmas Traditions lecture
- DAY 4 WÜRZBURG** Guided tour, visit the Bishop's Residenz; Christmas market
- DAY 5 MAIN RIVER VILLAGE** Cookie-baking demonstration on board; guided tour
- DAY 6 FRANKFURT** Excursion to Rudesheim: Visit Siegfried's Mechanical Musical Instrument Museum; Christmas market
- DAY 7 HEIDELBERG-SPEYER** Guided visit of Heidelberg Castle, see the Great Vat; free time for Christmas market
- DAY 8 STRASBOURG** Guided tour, visit La Petite France district and the gothic cathedral; Christmas market
- DAY 9 BREISACH** Choice of visit to Badischer Winzerkeller, a local winery, or excursion to the Black Forest; Christmas market
- DAY 10 BASEL (Disembarkation)** Your cruise ends this morning

### REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £4,066PP **NOW £3,516PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £5,287PP **NOW £4,737PP**

Price based on 14 December 2024 departure

Cruise available Dec 2024

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## Christmastime from Budapest to Vienna

6 Days from Budapest to Vienna | CRUISE CODE: WBT

- DAY 1 BUDAPEST (Embarkation):** Onboard welcome reception
- DAY 2 BUDAPEST** Guided tour, see Heroes' Square; free time for Christmas market
- DAY 3 BRATISLAVA:** Guided city sightseeing; free time for Christmas market
- DAY 4 MELK-WACHAU VALLEY-VIENNA** Guided visit of the Benedictine Abbey in Melk; scenic cruising through the Wachau Valley; onboard Austrian cookies tasting
- DAY 5 VIENNA** City sightseeing; free time for Christmas market
- DAY 6 VIENNA (Disembarkation)** Your cruise ends this morning

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £2,000PP **NOW £1,725PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £2,678PP **NOW £2,403PP**

Price based on 02 December 2024 departure

Cruise available Nov 2023 and Dec 2024

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disappointment



### NEW FOR 2024

## Christmastime from Vienna to Basel

16 Days from Vienna to Basel | CRUISE CODE: WVM

**DAY 1 VIENNA (Embarkation)**

Onboard welcome reception

**DAY 2 VIENNA** City sightseeing; Christmas market

**DAY 3 WACHAU VALLEY -**

**MELK - GREIN** Scenic cruising

through the Wachau Valley; guided visit of the Benedictine Abbey in Melk; onboard Austrian cookies tasting; guided tour in Grein

**DAY 4 PASSAU** Guided tour; Christmas market

**DAY 5 REGENSBURG** Guided tour; Christmas market

**DAY 6 NUREMBERG** Onboard Christmas traditions lecture; choice of guided tour or Nuremberg Rally Grounds tour; Christmas market

**DAY 7 NUREMBERG - EXCURSION TO MUNICH** Guided tour, see the Marienplatz, Christmas market

**DAY 8 NUREMBERG** Day at leisure to visit Christmas market

**DAY 9 BAMBERG** Guided tour, see the Old Town Hall; Christmas market; onboard Christmas Traditions lecture

**DAY 10 WÜRZBURG** Guided tour, visit the Bishop's Residenz; Christmas market

**DAY 11 MILTENBERG** Guided tour

**DAY 12 FRANKFURT - EXCURSION TO RÜDESHEIM** Visit Siegfried's Mechanical Musical Instrument Museum; enjoy a special treat

**DAY 13 SPEYER - EXCURSION TO HEIDELBERG** Guided visit of Heidelberg Castle, see the Great Vat; free time for Christmas market

**DAY 14 STRASBOURG** Guided tour, visit La Petite France district and the gothic cathedral; Christmas market

**DAY 15 BREISACH** Choice of visit to a local winery in Breisach or excursion the Black Forest

**DAY 16 BASEL (Disembarkation)** Your cruise ends this morning



### REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE

**Deluxe Stateroom from:** WAS £6,701PP **NOW £6,151PP**

**Panorama Suite from:** WAS £8,735PP **NOW £8,185PP**

Price based on 08 December 2024 departure

Cruise available Dec 2024

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A full-page background image of the Machu Picchu archaeological site. The ruins are built with stone and are situated on a steep mountain slope. In the background, a large, jagged mountain peak rises sharply against a cloudy sky. The foreground shows stone walls and terraces of the ruins.

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# Mekong Discovery

## 8 Days from Ho Chi Minh City to Phnom Penh

CRUISE CODE: WHS | DIRECTION: NORTHBOUND

### DAY 1 HO CHI MINH CITY (Embarkation)

Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding

Transfer to the port on the Saigon River for embarkation. Get acquainted with the ship and relax before your welcome reception this evening.

**AFTERNOON/EVENING:** Cruise to Vinh Long

### DAY 2 VINH LONG - CU LAO GIENG Sweets, Sampans, and Sun Hats

**DISCOVERY:** Board a sampan this morning to visit a local workshop in Vinh Long where you will see how rice paper, rice wine, and traditional candies are made.

**DISCOVERY:** This afternoon, enjoy scenes of daily life on Cu Lao Gieng Island via sampan and local motor cart. Your guided excursion starts at a local workshop, where a skilled family hand-crafts sampan boats. Then, visit the home of a local family that makes Vietnamese conical hats, or "Nón lá," from materials available to them such as palm leaves and bamboo. These iconic hats are primarily used as protection from the sun and rain but you may also see them used as a basket to carry home goods from the market. Lastly, stop at one of Vietnam's oldest Catholic churches.

**AFTERNOON/EVENING:** Cruise to Chau Doc

### DAY 3 CHAU DOC - LONG KHANH A-BORDER CROSSING, CAMBODIA Colourful markets, Charming Locals, and Cotton Weavers

**DISCOVERY:** In Chau Doc take a guided walk through the local market and absorb the atmosphere as locals are busy buying and selling fish, meat, and produce. Then embark on a river excursion down the backwaters of the Mekong. Along the way, see traditional floating homes, speedboat merchants, religious sites, a market selling dried goods, and more.

**DISCOVERY:** After lunch, a sampan brings you to the village of Long Khanh A for a cotton-weaving demonstration of a well-preserved artisan's tradition.

Return to the ship to set sail for the Cambodian border.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Phnom Penh

### DAY 4 PHNOM PENH The Royal Treatment

**CLASSIC:** Take a city tour by private cyclo to visit the Royal Palace with the spectacular Silver Pagoda, and the National Museum featuring an outstanding display of Khmer artefacts.

The remainder of the day is yours to enjoy the city at your leisure. Consider a guided optional tour of a local brewery with free-flowing local beer!

Just before dinner, children from a local orphanage will perform a show featuring local song and dance.



### DAY 5 PHNOM PENH

**A Dark History or Market Dynamics**

**CLASSIC:** This morning, a guided visit of the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum and one of the Killing Fields offers a glimpse into the atrocities inflicted on the

Cambodian people by the Khmer Rouge regime, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Visit the lively Central Market by tuk-tuk to see its unique Art Deco design.

After lunch, depart Phnom Penh and enjoy some time at leisure on the ship.

**AFTERNOON/EVENING:** Cruise to Wat Hanchey



### DAY 6 WAT HANCHEY - ANGKOR BAN Water Blessings and Back To School Adventures

**DISCOVERY:** Visit Wat Hanchey, a hilltop temple dating back to the 8th century. Climb or be driven to the top where you will enjoy stunning views of the surrounding area and partake in a traditional water blessing given by local monks.

**DISCOVERY:** After lunch, enjoy a walking tour through the rural village of Angkor Ban. Here, you will visit a traditional Khmer house and interact with children at a local school.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise To Konpong Louang

### DAY 7 KONPONG LOUANG - KAMPONG TRALACH Calm in the Cambodian Countryside

**DISCOVERY:** Start your guided sightseeing at the silversmith village in Konpong Louang. Here, see talented craftsmen use age-old techniques to turn pure silver into works of art. In Kampong Tralach board an ox cart for a ride through the beautiful Cambodian countryside. Along the way, stop to meet a local farmer and learn about his daily life.

This afternoon, enjoy scenic cruising on the Tonle River.

**EVENING:** Cruise to Phnom Penh

### DAY 8 PHNOM PENH (Disembarkation)

Your holiday ends with breakfast this morning.

**REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE**

**Prices from:** WAS £3,709PP NOW £2,909PP

Price based on 08 August 2024 departure

Cruise available Aug - Dec 2023 and Jan - Mar, Aug - Dec 2024

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# Fascinating Vietnam, Cambodia & The Mekong River

13 Days from Siem Reap to Ho Chi Minh City

CRUISE CODE: WSHI | DIRECTION: SOUTHBOUND

On this unique and inspiring Southeast Asia river cruise through Cambodia and Vietnam, you'll be immersed in the cultures and ancient traditions as you sightsee and spend time with locals in the most fascinating places along the mighty Mekong River. Your adventure begins in fascinating Siem Reap, Cambodia, where you'll get up close to the phenomenal Temples of Angkor before embarking on your river cruise. Your cruise concludes in bustling Ho Chi Minh City which combines historic architecture with modern skyscrapers.



## DAY 1 SIEM REAP, CAMBODIA Temples & Traditions

Welcome to Siem Reap, home to the Temples of Angkor, considered by many to be the most spectacular architectural ruins on Earth! Hotel rooms are available for mid-afternoon check-in.

## DAY 2 SIEM REAP Tranquil Temples and Joyful Dances

**CLASSIC:** Explore the temples by tuk-tuk. Start at the best preserved and most famous of all the temples: Angkor Wat. Featuring five trademark towers, it is the symbol of Cambodia. Then, continue your guided excursion to visit Angkor Thom, where you will explore Bayon Temple with its 200 striking faces carved in 54 towers and impressive bas relief sculptures. Enjoy some time at your leisure this afternoon to explore Siem Reap's shops for local artisan crafts.

**DISCOVERY:** This evening, a private Apsara dance performance brings ancient Khmer culture to life through music, song, and dance.

## DAY 3 SIEM REAP Root-Covered Ruins and Native Noodles

**CLASSIC:** Continue your sightseeing tour of the Angkor temples at Ta Prohm. Tree roots cover the ruin walls, allowing you to experience the temple with the same wonder as early explorers. Then visit Banteay Srei, a unique temple built on a small scale from red sandstone, which can be carved like wood. En route, stop at a village famous for making Khmer noodles by hand.

Spend the afternoon at your leisure.

## DAY 4 PHNOM PENH (Embarkation) Your Suite Ship® Awaits!

Fly to Phnom Penh and transfer to the port where your ship's crew will be

waiting to welcome you onboard. Get acquainted with the ship and relax before your welcome reception this evening.

**AFTERNOON/EVENING:** Cruise to Wat Hanchey

## DAY 5 WAT HANCHEY - ANGKOR BAN Water Blessings and Back-to-School Adventures

**DISCOVERY:** Visit Wat Hanchey, a hilltop temple dating back to the 8th century. Climb or be driven to the top where you will enjoy stunning views of the surrounding area and partake in a traditional water blessing given by local monks.

**DISCOVERY:** After lunch, enjoy a walking tour through the rural village of Angkor Ban. Here, you will visit a traditional Khmer house and interact with children at a local school.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Kampong Tralach



## DAY 6 KAMPONG TRALACH - KONPONG LOUANG - PHNOM PENH Calm in the Cambodian Countryside

**DISCOVERY:** Your guided sightseeing starts in Kampong Tralach with an Ox-Cart Ride through the beautiful Cambodian countryside. Along the way, stop to meet a local farmer and learn about his daily life. At the silversmith village in Konpong Louang, see talented craftsmen use age-old techniques to turn pure silver into works of art.





Sail to the capital city of Phnom Penh this afternoon.

#### PHNOM PENH A Dark History or Market Dynamics

**CLASSIC:** After lunch, a Visit to the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum and one of the Killing Fields provides a glimpse into the atrocities inflicted on the Cambodian people by the Khmer Rouge regime, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Visit the lively Central Market with its unique Art Deco design by tuk-tuk.

This evening, spend some free time exploring the city on your own. Perhaps follow the riverfront promenade to the historic Foreign Correspondents Club (FCC).

#### DAY 7 PHNOM PENH The Royal Treatment

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of the city by private cyclo with visits to the Royal Palace with the spectacular Silver Pagoda, and the National Museum featuring an outstanding display of Khmer artefacts.

The remainder of the day is yours to enjoy at your leisure.

Just before dinner, children from a local orphanage will perform a show, featuring local song and dance.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Vietnam/Cambodia Border

#### DAY 8 BORDER CROSSING - CHAU DOC, VIETNAM Good Morning, Vietnam!

**DISCOVERY:** Take a village walk through the Chau Doc market, and absorb the atmosphere as locals are busy buying and selling fish, meat, and produce. After lunch, embark on a guided excursion down the backwaters of the Mekong. Along the way, see traditional floating homes, speedboat merchants, religious sites, a market selling dried goods, and more.



**EVENING:** Cruise to Long Khanh A

#### DAY 9 LONG KHANH A - CU LAO GIENG Cotton Weaving, Conical Hats, and Handcrafted Sampan

**DISCOVERY:** This morning, a sampan brings you to the village of Long Khanh A, for a cotton-weaving demonstration of this well-preserved tradition.

**DISCOVERY:** This afternoon, enjoy scenes of daily life on Cu Lao Gieng Island via sampan and local motor cart. Your guided excursion starts with a stop at one of Vietnam's oldest Catholic churches. Then, visit the home of a local family that makes Vietnamese conical hats, or "Nón lá," from materials available to them such as palm leaves and bamboo. These iconic hats are primarily used as protection from the sun and rain but you may also see them used as a basket to carry home goods from the market. Lastly, visit a local workshop where a skilled family hand-crafts sampan boats.

**EVENING:** Cruise to Vinh Long

#### DAY 10 VINH LONG Sweets and Rice Treats

**DISCOVERY:** Board a sampan this morning to visit a local workshop in Vinh Long where you will see how rice paper, rice wine, and traditional candies are made.

This afternoon, enjoy time on board the ship as we sail to exciting Ho Chi Minh City.

**AFTERNOON:** Cruise to Ho Chi Minh City

#### DAY 11 HO CHI MINH CITY (Disembarkation) Motorbikes, Monuments, and Mouth-watering Cuisine

**CLASSIC:** Take a walking tour of Ho Chi Minh City's historic landmarks, including a stop at the Rex Hotel for a refreshing drink at the rooftop bar where the U.S. Military held the infamous "Five O'clock Follies" during the war. Then, visit the War Remnants Museum and bustling Ben Thanh Market.

**DISCOVERY:** For lunch, participate in a hands-on Vietnamese cooking class. Learn to prepare several local dishes and how to recreate them at home. Last, but not least, sample your delicious creations!

Enjoy time at your leisure this afternoon and evening for independent exploration. Maybe stop for a drink at the famous rooftop bar at the Caravelle Hotel.

#### DAY 12 HO CHI MINH CITY - EXCURSION TO CU CHI TUNNELS Secret Passageways and Underground Hideouts

**CLASSIC:** Drive out of the city for a guided visit to the Cu Chi Tunnels - an extraordinary network of tunnels more than 120 miles in length - used as a hideout and secret village by the Viet Cong.

Explore the city further during free time this afternoon.

This evening, join your travelling companions for a special dinner in a local restaurant.

#### DAY 13: HO CHI MINH CITY

Your holiday ends with breakfast this morning.

**REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE**

**Prices from:** WAS ~~£5,029PP~~ **NOW £4,229PP**

Price based on 12 August 2024 departure

Cruise available Aug - Dec 2023 and Jan - Mar, Aug - Dec 2024


Prices are per person, based on double occupancy. Prices shown are for the cruise only and do not include flights or transfers. If requested, we can arrange these services. Itineraries and activities are subject to change at any time due to unforeseen circumstances or other factors beyond our control. The most up-to-date version will be available on our website. Price correct at time of going to print, subject to availability and our booking terms and conditions.



# The Heart Of Cambodia & Vietnam

18 Days from Ho Chi Minh to Hanoi

CRUISE CODE: WISI | DIRECTION: NORTHBOUND



This magical Southeast Asia river cruise along the Mekong River will take you through Vietnam and Cambodia, showing you the culture and local traditions of each country and the must-see sites along the way. Your cruise adventure begins in bustling Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam and takes you to Phnom Penh in Cambodia. Siem Reap offers the magnificent Temples of Angkor before you fly to Hanoi and finally embark on a remarkable 2-night cruise along Ha Long Bay - the perfect ending to an unforgettable Southeast Asia river cruise holiday!

## DAY 1 HO CHI MINH CITY, VIETNAM Historic Ho Chi Minh

Welcome to Ho Chi Minh City, still known as Saigon to many. Hotel rooms are available for mid-afternoon check-in.

## DAY 2 HO CHI MINH CITY Motorbikes, Monuments, and Mouth-watering Cuisine

**CLASSIC:** Take a walking tour of Ho Chi Minh City's historic landmarks, including a stop at the Rex Hotel for a refreshing drink at the rooftop bar where the U.S. Military held the infamous "Five O'Clock Follies" during the war. Then visit the War Remnants Museum and bustling Ben Thanh Market.

**DISCOVERY:** For lunch, participate in a hands-on Vietnamese cooking class. Learn to prepare several local dishes and how to recreate them at home. Last, but not least, sample your delicious creations!

Explore the city further during free time this afternoon.

This evening join your travelling companions for a special welcome dinner at a local restaurant.

## DAY 3 HO CHI MINH CITY - EXCURSION TO CU CHI TUNNELS Secret Passageways and Underground Hideouts

**CLASSIC:** Drive out of the city for a guided visit to the Cu Chi Tunnels - an extraordinary network of tunnels more than 120 miles in length - used as a hideout and secret village by the Viet Cong.

Enjoy free time this afternoon and evening. Consider stopping for a drink at the famous rooftop bar at the Caravelle Hotel.

## DAY 4 HO CHI MINH CITY (Embarkation) Your Suite Ship® is ready for boarding

Transfer to the port on the Saigon River for embarkation. Get acquainted with the ship and relax before your welcome reception this evening.

**AFTERNOON/EVENING:** Cruise to Vinh Long

## DAY 5 VINH LONG - CU LAO GIENG Sweets, Sampans, and Sun Hats

**DISCOVERY:** Board a sampan this morning to visit a local workshop in Vinh Long where you will see how rice paper, rice wine, and traditional candies are made.

**DISCOVERY:** This afternoon, enjoy scenes of daily life on Cu Lao Gieng Island via sampan and local motor cart. Your guided excursion starts at a local workshop, where a skilled family hand-crafts sampan boats. Then, visit the home of a local family that makes Vietnamese conical hats, or "Nón lá," from materials such as palm leaves and bamboo. These iconic hats are primarily used as protection from the sun and rain but you may also see them used as a basket to carry home goods from the market. Lastly, stop at one of Vietnam's oldest Catholic churches.

**AFTERNOON/EVENING:** CRUISE TO CHAU DOC

## DAY 6 CHAU DOC - LONG KHANH A - BORDER CROSSING, CAMBODIA Colourful Markets, Charming Locals, and Cotton Weavers

**DISCOVERY:** In Chau Doc, take a guided walk through the local market and absorb the atmosphere as locals are busy buying and selling fish, meat, and produce. Then embark on a river excursion down the backwaters of the Mekong. Along the way, see traditional floating homes, speedboat merchants, religious sites, a market selling dried goods, and more.

After lunch, take a sampan ride to the village of Long Khanh A for a cotton-weaving demonstration in this well-preserved artisan's tradition. Return to the ship and head for the Cambodian border.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Phnom Penh

## DAY 7 PHNOM PENH The Royal Treatment

**CLASSIC:** Take a city tour by private cyclo to visit the Royal Palace with the spectacular Silver Pagoda, and the National Museum featuring an outstanding display of Khmer artefacts.

The remainder of the day is yours to enjoy the city at your leisure.





Just before dinner, children from a local orphanage will perform a show featuring local song and dance.

#### DAY 8 PHNOM PENH A Dark History and Bright Markets

**CLASSIC:** This morning, a guided visit of the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum and one of the Killing Fields offers a glimpse into the atrocities inflicted on the Cambodian people by the Khmer Rouge regime, **OR;**

**DISCOVERY:** Visit the lively Central Market by tuk-tuk to see its unique Art Deco design.

After lunch, depart Phnom Penh and enjoy some time at leisure on the ship.

**AFTERNOON/EVENING:** Cruise to Wat Hanchey

#### DAY 9 WAT HANCHEY - ANGKOR BAN Water Blessings and Back To School Adventures

**DISCOVERY:** Visit Wat Hanchey, a hilltop temple dating back to the 8th century. Climb or be driven to the top where you will enjoy stunning views of the surrounding area and partake in a traditional water blessing given by local monks.

**DISCOVERY:** After lunch, enjoy a walking tour through the rural village of Angkor Ban. Here, you will visit a traditional Khmer house and interact with children at a local school.

**EVENING/OVERNIGHT:** Cruise to Konpong Louang

#### DAY 10 KONPONG LOUANG - KAMPONG TRALACH Calm in the Cambodian Countryside

**DISCOVERY:** Start your guided sightseeing at the silversmith village in Konpong Louang. Here, see talented craftsmen use age-old techniques to turn pure silver into works of art. In Kampong Tralach board an ox cart for a ride through the beautiful Cambodian countryside. Along the way, stop to meet a local farmer and learn about his daily life.

This afternoon, enjoy scenic cruising on the Tonle River.

**EVENING:** CRUISE TO PHNOM PENH

#### DAY 11 PHNOM PENH (Disembarkation) - SIEM REAP A Pilgrimage of Inspirational Beauty

Fly to Siem Reap, home to the Temples of Angkor, considered by many to be the most spectacular architectural ruins on Earth!

**CLASSIC:** After lunch, begin your sightseeing tour by tuk-tuk to explore the temples. Start at the best preserved and most famous of all the temples: Angkor Wat. Featuring five trademark towers, it is the symbol of Cambodia. Then, visit Angkor Thom, where you will explore Bayon Temple with its 200 striking faces carved in 54 towers and impressive bas-relief sculptures.

The evening is yours to explore charming Siem Reap, stay to witness the sunset at Angkor Wat, or consider a guided optional excursion to the Cambodian circus

#### DAY 12 SIEM REAP Roots Carved in Stone and Celebrated in Dance

**CLASSIC:** Continue your guided sightseeing of the Angkor Temples at Ta Prohm. Tree roots cover the ruin walls, allowing you to experience the temple with the same wonder as early explorers. Then visit Banteay Srei, a unique temple built on a small scale from red sandstone, which can be carved like wood. En route stop at a local village famous for making Khmer noodles by hand.

Spend the afternoon at your leisure. You may choose a guided optional

excursion to further explore Siem Reap or the temple complex by tuk-tuk.

**DISCOVERY:** This evening, a private Apsara dance performance brings ancient Khmer culture to life through music, song, and dance.

#### DAY 13 SIEM REAP - HANOI Hanoi Bound

Today, transfer to the airport and fly to Hanoi. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel for the night.

#### DAY 14 HANOI Historic Hanoi and Water Puppets

**CLASSIC:** First, join a guided visit of the mausoleum and the humble cottage from which "Uncle Ho" ruled Vietnam until his death in 1969. Next, see iconic sites, including One Pillar Pagoda, the Presidential Palace, and the infamous "Hanoi Hilton." Lastly, visit the 900-year-old Temple of Literature, Hanoi's first university.

Enjoy lunch at Koto, a non-profit restaurant and hospitality programme that teaches local children restaurant skills for stable employment opportunities.

**CLASSIC:** After lunch, enjoy an electric-ride through the fascinating Old Quarter - with its 36 ancient streets where merchants trade as they have for centuries.

**DISCOVERY:** An early dinner this evening is followed by a fascinating live performance of Hanoi's renowned water puppets, a traditional 11th-century art form.

#### DAY 15 HANOI - HA LONG BAY Island Shapes and a Floating Village

Travel from Hanoi through the fertile countryside to Ha Long Bay, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The bay is dotted with more than 3,000 limestone islands carved into fanciful shapes. Board the luxurious Paradise Elegance for a 2-Night Cruise on the bay.

**DISCOVERY:** Visit the Cua Van Floating Village, home to more than 700 people, by bamboo raft, **OR;**

**ACTIVE:** Take a kayak ride to visit Cua Van Village.

Enjoy scenic sailing for the remainder of the day before anchoring for the night.

#### DAY 16 HA LONG BAY Caves, Kayaks, and Scenic Climbs

**DISCOVERY:** Visit Ti Top Island, for a guided excursion to take a swim, or climb 400 steps to the top for stunning views. You can also visit Luon Cave by boat, and explore Dark & Bright Cave by bamboo raft, **OR;**

**ACTIVE:** Explore Luon Cave and Dark & Bright Cave by kayak ride.

After a day of exploring, consider a spa treatment or simply relax for happy hour prior to dinner!

#### DAY 17 HA LONG BAY - HANOI Surprising and Amazing Beauty

This morning, relax onboard your ship, or visit Sung Sot Cave, considered one of the most beautiful in the area with its magnificent formations. Afterwards, return to Hanoi and check in to your hotel. The remainder of the day is yours to spend at your leisure.

#### DAY 18 HANOI

Your holiday ends with breakfast this morning.

### REVERSE ITINERARY AVAILABLE

**Prices from:** WAS ~~£6,536PP~~ NOW **£5,736PP**

Price based on 12 August 2024 departure

Cruise available Aug - Dec 2023 and Jan - Mar, Aug - Dec 2024

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# From The Inca Empire To The Peruvian Amazon

11 Days from Lima to Lima

CRUISE CODE: WAM

From its amazing archaeological treasures and gastronomic delights to its scenic beauty and melting pot of cultures, Peru offers visitors a wide array of attractions—and on this tour, you'll experience its highlights. You will discover Lima and the Sacred Valley of the Incas and of course no holiday to Peru is complete without visiting astonishing Machu Picchu. You'll fly to Iquitos to embark on a journey to one of the world's vastly unexplored regions, the mighty Amazon, aboard one of the world's most luxurious small ships—the Delfin III. Wonderful scenery, historical treasures, learning opportunities, and so much more await on this thrilling river cruise adventure to Peru!

## DAY 1 LIMA, PERU

Welcome to Lima – Cosmopolitan, Colonial, and Pre-Columbian Culture

## DAY 2 LIMA Peruvian Treasures, Presidential Palaces, and Pizarro's Conquests

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walking tour of Lima to see the colonial Old Quarter, Plaza de Armas, the presidential Government Palace, and the Lima Cathedral. Visit San Francisco Monastery to see the famous catacombs followed by the Larco Herrera Museum – with the world's largest private collection of pre-Columbian Peruvian art.

**DISCOVERY:** Later, enjoy a culinary experience with an authentic Peruvian welcome dinner in the exquisite, historic mansion – Casa García Alvarado.

## DAY 3 SACRED VALLEY Alpacas, Llamas, and Ancient Rituals of the Andes

**CLASSIC:** Fly to Cusco, the ancient Andean city and former capital of the Inca Empire. A guided excursion into the Sacred Valley reveals the hillside Temple of Sacsayhuaman. Marvel at the remarkable Inca stonework of this 15th-century fortress that was once the site of the largest battle between the Incas and the Spanish. The Spanish were ultimately victorious in 1536, disassembling part of the site to build homes in Cusco and leaving behind the ruins we find today. You will also see the Inca military post of Puca Pucara and visit the ceremonial site of Kenko where ancient Peruvian rituals and sacrifices were performed.

**DISCOVERY:** Take a guided tour of Awanakancha to encounter llamas, alpacas, vicuñas, and guanacos and learn about their vital role in Peruvian culture. Continue to the old mountain village of Pisac. Take time to shop in Pisac's large Indian market for treasures such as alpaca sweaters, woven blankets, and handmade jewellery.

This evening, enjoy dinner featuring Andean and Western dishes with wine.

## DAY 4 SACRED VALLEY - MACHU PICCHU Stone Temples and Formidable Fortresses

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided tour of the adobe village of Ollantaytambo this morning to visit the ruins of an Inca fortress. See the massive stones and amazing engineering design, including the Sun Temple and Princess Baths fountain.

**DISCOVERY:** Join an escorted visit to a native Incan home to experience the way of life that has endured since the 13th century.

## MACHU PICCHU Andean Heights & Hidden Secrets of the Inca's Lost City

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided excursion aboard the 360° Machu Picchu Train boasting spectacular panoramic views of the lush countryside of Urubamba Valley from its panoramic windows and an observation outdoor carriage. Travel by rail to Aguas Calientes to take the winding road to legendary Machu Picchu.

**ACTIVE:** Take a guided walk to explore the "Lost City of the Incas" high atop the Andes once overlaid with dense forest. Learn about the lives and mysteries still hidden in this ancient citadel and the amazing structures built by the pre-Columbian masters of this sacred land.







**DISCOVERY:** Enjoy your overnight stay at the foot of the mountain where Machu Picchu is found with a gourmet Peruvian dinner.

#### **DAY 5 MACHU PICCHU** A Miraculous Sanctuary in a Tropical Mountain Cloud Forest

**CLASSIC:** Take a second included guided excursion to Machu Picchu. Set out early to see the sunrise over the ruins, explore the terraces or perhaps venture up to see the Sun Gate, once used as the ancient entrance to the Sanctuary.

After lunch, return to the Sacred Valley by train and then continue on to Cusco.

#### **DAY 6 CUSCO** Conquistadors, Churches, and the Colourful Culture of Peru

**CLASSIC:** Take a guided walking tour of Cusco and learn about the Inca culture and the Spanish invasion that threatened their way of life and very existence. Visit Santo Domingo Monastery, originally called Koricancha and built by the Incas as a Temple of the Sun with extraordinary engineering and masonry design. Continue to the Plaza de Armas to visit the Cusco Cathedral.

Enjoy free time this afternoon to explore Cusco's colourful culture.

**DISCOVERY:** Tonight, an elegant dinner includes wine and a menu inspired by Peru's eclectic mix of cultures.

#### **DAY 7 CUSCO - LIMA - IQUITOS - NAUTA - PERUVIAN AMAZON RIVER (Embarkation)**

**CLASSIC:** Today, you'll travel by air to Lima and then on to Iquitos to begin your Amazon journey.

Travel to Nauta and embark the luxurious vessel, the Delfin III, to cruise the Peruvian Amazon in comfort and convenience. Settle into your spacious suite before meeting your onboard Naturalist and Cruise Director.

**DISCOVERY:** Attend an onboard Welcome Reception to gain an overview of your upcoming Amazon experience. Your Naturalist Guide will offer information about the animal species of the Amazon ecosystem, the native villagers you'll meet, and the spectacular plant life that thrives in this astonishing environment. See the two powerful Amazon tributaries – the Ucayali and Marañon Rivers – which converge to create the mighty Peruvian Amazon.

Later, on board, enjoy an unforgettable dinner featuring Peruvian cuisine with the freshest local ingredients.

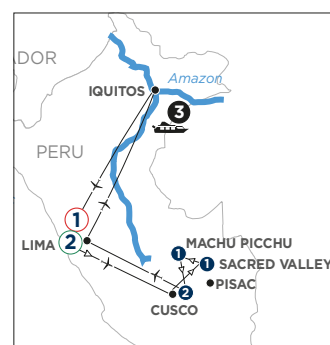
#### **DAY 8 PERUVIAN AMAZON** Spider Monkeys, Pink Dolphins, and Peru's Favourite Cocktail

**CLASSIC:** Rise early this morning for your first glimpse of the majestic Amazon at sunrise to experience the sights and sounds. After breakfast, take a Guided Panga Ride down one of the Amazon's tributaries in search of the incredible wildlife. Your Naturalist Guide helps to spot capuchin, howler, tamarin, and spider monkeys, as well as iguanas, sloths, freshwater pink dolphins, and a stunning array of birdlife. Watch for the extraordinary giant Amazonian water lily.

**CLASSIC:** This afternoon, a guided excursion to Pacaya Samiria National Reserve allows you to witness the activity of exotic birds, including trogons, macaws, parrots, falcons, and jacamars.

**ACTIVE:** Take a refreshing swim in this unique area of the Amazon – with the chance to encounter the Amazon's amazing pink dolphins.

**DISCOVERY:** Join in an onboard cooking class to learn about native fruits, vegetables, and fish. You'll learn about local ingredients for delicious recipes. In the evening, enjoy a mixology lesson to create Peru's famous cocktail, the Pisco Sour.



#### **DAY 9 PERUVIAN AMAZON** Exotic Birds, Night Creatures, and Natural Remedies

**ACTIVE:** Join a morning Naturalist guided walk to explore tropical flora, including epiphytes, orchids, and indigenous jungle vegetation below the rainforest's canopy.

**DISCOVERY:** Attend an onboard nature presentation about indigenous and medicinal plants, fruits, and vegetation used in the Amazonian culture for centuries.

**CLASSIC:** This afternoon, a guided excursion to the Amazon community of San Francisco introduces you to local villagers who have called Amazonia their home for generations.

**ACTIVE:** Join a night safari excursion to spot nocturnal creatures, including caiman, frogs, bats, and boa constrictors. You will also have the chance to try fishing for piranhas!

**DISCOVERY:** Later tonight, enjoy live entertainment by the Delfin III crew of local performers to celebrate your Amazon adventure with music and dance.

#### **DAY 10 IQUITOS (Disembarkation)** A Manatee Introduction and an Amazon Farewell

**DISCOVERY:** This morning, disembark and bid your ship's crew farewell. On the way to Iquitos, join an escorted visit to the Manatee Rescue Center to learn about these endangered Amazon species and the conservation efforts to save these gentle giants before flying to Lima.

#### **DAY 11 LIMA**

Your holiday ends with breakfast this morning.



**Prices from:** WAS ~~£5,252pp~~ **NOW £4,652pp**

Price based on 07 January 2024 departure  
Cruise available Sep - Oct 2023 and Jan - Jul, Sep - Nov 2024

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# Ecuador & its Galápagos Islands

8 Days from Quito to Quito

CRUISE CODE: WBG

## Cruise at-a-Glance

**DAY 1 ARRIVE QUITO, ECUADOR** Welcome to Quito

**DAY 2 QUITO** Walking tour, visit San Francisco Monastery, La Compania Church, La Ronda Street, a Chocolate factory, and the Equatorial Monument; welcome dinner

**DAY 3 QUITO - BALTRA - GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS (Embarkation) - SANTA CRUZ ISLAND** Fly to the Galápagos Islands; embark Treasure of Galápagos; visit Charles Darwin Research Station on Santa Cruz Island

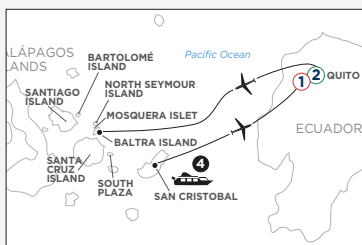
**DAY 4 GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS CRUISING** Santiago & Bartolomé Islands: Naturalist-guided walks on each island; snorkelling

**DAY 5 GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS CRUISING** North Seymour Island & Mosquera Islet: Naturalist-guided walks on each island; snorkelling

**DAY 6 GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS CRUISING** South Plaza & San Cristobal Islands: Naturalist-guided walks on each island; snorkelling

**DAY 7 GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS (Disembarkation) - SAN CRISTOBAL ISLAND - QUITO** Disembark Treasure of Galápagos; visit San Cristobal Interpretation Centre; fly to Quito

**DAY 8 QUITO** Your holiday ends this morning.



**Prices from:** WAS £5,522PP **NOW £5,122PP**

Price based on 27 March 2024 departure

Cruise available Sep - Nov 2023 and Feb - Jul & Sep - Nov 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Amazon to your cruise.

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# Discover The Galápagos & Peru

15 Days from Lima to Quito

CRUISE CODE: WGG

## Cruise at-a-Glance

**DAY 1 ARRIVE LIMA, PERU** Welcome to Lima

**DAY 2 LIMA** Walking tour; visit San Francisco Monastery; Larco Herrera Museum and welcome dinner

**DAY 3 LIMA - CUSCO - SACRED VALLEY** Visit Awanakancha to see various camelids from the region, and explore Pisac Market

**DAY 4 SACRED VALLEY - MACHU PICCHU** Visit the Ollantaytambo ruins; take the 360° Train to Machu Picchu; walking tour of Machu Picchu

**DAY 5 MACHU PICCHU - CUSCO** Enjoy a second included entrance to Machu Picchu; return on the 360°Train to the Sacred Valley and continue to Cusco

**DAY 6 CUSCO** Walking tour of Cusco, visit Santo Domingo Monastery, the Cathedral, and the ruins of Sacsayhuaman

**DAY 7 CUSCO - QUITO, ECUADOR** Fly to Quito via Lima

**DAY 8 QUITO** Excursion to Otavalo's Indian market and Peguche; Hacienda lunch

**DAY 9 QUITO** Walking tour, visit San Francisco Monastery, La Compania Church, La Ronda Street, a Chocolate factory, and the Equatorial Monument

**DAY 10 QUITO - SAN CRISTOBAL - GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS (Embarkation)** Fly to the Galápagos Islands; embark Treasure of Galápagos; visit Cerro Colourado Tortoise Reserve on San Cristobal Island

**DAY 11 GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS CRUISING** Española Island: Naturalist-guided walks; snorkelling

**DAY 12 GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS CRUISING** Floreana Island: Naturalist-guided walks; snorkelling

**DAY 13 GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS CRUISING** Santa Fé & Santa Cruz Islands: Naturalist-guided walks on each island; snorkelling

**DAY 14 GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS (Disembarkation) - SANTA CRUZ ISLAND - QUITO** Disembark Treasure of Galápagos; visit EL Chato Tortoise Reserve; fly to Quito

**DAY 15 QUITO** Your holiday ends this morning.



**Prices from:** WAS £8,127PP **NOW £7,727PP**

Price based on 11 February 2024 departure

Cruise available Aug & Nov 2023 and Feb - May, Jul, Sep - Nov 2024

**YOURWAY OPTION:** Add Amazon to your cruise.

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# Taste of Egypt

## 10 Days from Cairo to Cairo

CRUISE CODE: WUAY



### DAY 1 CAIRO, EGYPT Welcome to Cairo, "Mother of the World"

#### DAY 2 CAIRO Desert Sands and Secrets of the Sphinx

**CLASSIC:** This morning take a close-up look at one of the World's Seven Wonders and guardian of the great pyramids, the enigmatic Sphinx, and the Great Pyramid of Giza. Cheops, with an original height of 496 feet, is the most colossal pyramid ever built, and of course enjoy the visit to the newly discovered Noble Tombs.

Afterwards, enjoy lunch in a local restaurant.

**CLASSIC:** Drive to Sakkara, a vast desert necropolis built for kings and nobles, and its "Stairway to the Sky," the oldest of all pyramids. Also admire the special tomb of Mary Roca and the Step Pyramid of King Zoser.

**CLASSIC:** This evening, enjoy a guided visit to the National Museum of Civilisation, displaying a collection of 50,000 artefacts, presenting the Egyptian civilisation from prehistoric times to the present day.

#### DAY 3 CAIRO Ancient Cairo, a Boy King, and the Christ Child

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy a guided visit to the now-famous Tahrir Square and visit the Egyptian Museum. Peruse King Tutankhamun's fabulous treasures and many other priceless artefacts of ancient Egypt.

Drive to walled city of Old Cairo, with Saladin's 12th-century citadel, and the Alabaster Mosque of Mohammed Ali.

Drive to "Coptic Cairo" to Abu Serga Church, not only the oldest church in Egypt but built on the spot where the Holy Family stopped and rested towards the end of their journey to Egypt. Proceed to visit the hanging church, which dates back to the fourth century, built on the remains of an old Roman Babylon fortress. Walk to see Cairo's oldest Jewish synagogue, founded in the 9th century.

**NOTE:** Upon its opening, the Grand Egyptian Museum in Giza will replace Cairo's Egyptian Museum for this itinerary.

#### DAY 4 CAIRO - LUXOR (Embarkation) The World's Greatest Open-Air Museum

Fly 300 miles up the Nile Valley to Luxor to embark on your Nile River cruise.

**CLASSIC:** See the stunning monuments of Luxor and Karnak, ancient cities whose combined populations swelled to more than one million. Walk among the pillars of the colossal Temple of Amun Ra and along the Avenue of the Sphinxes for an experience you will treasure for a lifetime. Consider an Optional guided excursion to enjoy the sound and light show in Karnak Temple.

This evening enjoy live entertainment on board.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Luxor

#### DAY 5 LUXOR - EDFU Royal Resting Places of Kings and Queens

**CLASSIC:** Venture to the Valley of the Kings and Valley of the Queens on the west bank of the Nile where generations of pharaohs and nobles were entombed in Cliffside crypts. See where 63 royal tombs have thus far been discovered, of which one was virtually intact - the splendid tomb of Tutankhamun discovered in 1922.

Visit Deir El-Bahri, Queen Hatshepsut's monumental rock temple. Stop for pictures at the two Colossi of Memnon guarding the valleys.

This evening enjoy live entertainment on board.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Edfu

#### DAY 6 EDFU - KOM OMBO - ASWAN Egyptian Gods of the River and Sky

**CLASSIC:** This morning visit Edfu Temple, also known as the Temple of Horus with its menacing black stone statue of the falcon god. Enjoy a leisurely sail to Kom Ombo.

**DISCOVERY:** Join an exclusive lecture on this ancient civilisation by your Egyptologist.

**CLASSIC:** Enjoy beautiful Kom Ombo for a short walk to its bluff-top twin temples. The right side is dedicated to the crocodile god Sobek-Ra, while the left side is dedicated to the falcon god Horus.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking in Aswan

#### DAY 7 ASWAN Temples from Above and Islands Below

This morning, consider flying to Abu Simbel to join a guided optional excursion of the huge massive sandstone temples (weather permitting).

**CLASSIC:** Board a Felucca (traditional wooden sailing boat) and cross the blue waters of the Nile. En route, see the ancient water measurement system, "Nilometer," on the Nile's Elephantine Island. Visit Kitchener Island's lush Botanical Gardens and the splendid Aga Khan Mausoleum on the left bank.

Join an optional excursion to the Sound and Light show in Philae Temple.

**OVERNIGHT:** Docking In Aswan

#### DAY 8 ASWAN (Disembarkation)-CAIRO Work in Progress and the Goddess Isis

**CLASSIC:** Join a guided sightseeing Excursion at to explore the Granite Quarries that supplied ancient Egypt with its hard stones for the pyramids in Giza. See the famous unfinished obelisk, still remaining in the quarry.

Visit the gigantic Aswan High Dam, completed in 1970. Board a motor launch to the island of Agilika between the two dams. Visit the Temple of Isis, which was dismantled from the submerged island of Philae and reassembled here.

Board your flight back to Cairo later today and consider attending an Optional Dinner Cruise on the Nile to celebrate your Egyptian adventure.

#### DAY 9 CAIRO Amazing Civilisation and Marketplace Mazes

**CLASSIC:** Start the day with a guided tour of the National Museum of Egyptian Civilisation. No visit would be complete without time to experience the Royal Mummies' Hall, considered the crown jewel of the museum.

**CLASSIC:** Take in a full panoramic view of Cairo from the Nile River - on board a traditional wooden sailing vessel (Felucca). Then enjoy a typical Egyptian light lunch (Coshair or Falafel) with yummy ice cream in downtown Cairo.

**CLASSIC:** Browse the maze of shops in the vast labyrinths of the Khan al Khali Souk bazaar and Medieval alleyways.

#### DAY 10 CAIRO

Your holiday ends with breakfast this morning.



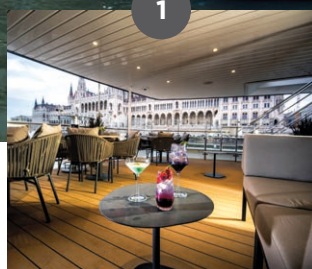
**Prices from:** WAS £3,324PP NOW £3,124PP

Price based on 26 April 2024 departure

Cruise available Jun - Dec 2023 and Mar - Dec 2024

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## OBSERVATION LOUNGE

Breathe in the peaceful pace and perfect vantage point on the river while relaxing in our Observation Lounge. Stretch out with coffee, wine, or whatever you please while you gently float past picturesque shorelines and stunning scenery.



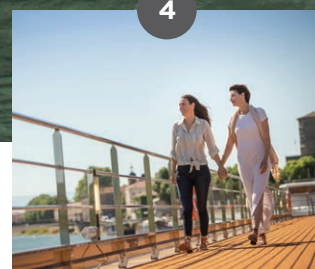
## PANORAMA BISTRO

The ideal spot for a casual dinner in a social setting to mingle with your travelling companions and fellow Avalon guests. Enjoy a buffet of select dishes and beverages.



## PANORAMA LOUNGE & BAR

Enjoy cosy seating, panoramic windows, and a dance floor to enjoy the evening's entertainment or unique artisan demonstrations. Visit the Panorama Bar for your favourite libation—or to try something new by our creative mixologists.



## SKY DECK

The perfect place to take in the sights of the passing landscape or mingle with fellow travellers. Features a whirlpool and seating galore to soak up the sun or drink in the moonlight. Bring your appetite to the Sky Grill for made-to-order dishes to enjoy as you watch the world go by.





# YOUR SHIP HAS COME IN.



## DINING ROOM

From morning breakfast to elegant dinners, Avalon frees your taste buds from the ordinary. In this glass-walled dining room, you'll savour local flavours (and familiar favourites, should you crave them) as well as our Avalon Fresh® menu offerings. Every meal is a part of the journey.



## ADVENTURE CENTRE

Find the gear, maps, and more for active pursuits on ship and on shore. Check out a bike, grab a Nordic walking stick and head up to a fortress on a hill, or join a guided active walk. Whether you're looking for a yoga class on deck or an optional canoe excursion, your Avalon Adventure Host<sup>SM</sup> can make it happen.



## FITNESS CENTRE

Just because you've gone on holiday, doesn't mean your fitness regimen has to. Visit our fully equipped Fitness Centre for a great workout on your schedule. Get your cross training in with a bike, treadmill, and weights.



## CLUB LOUNGE

Our beautiful airy and open lounge features a 24-hour self-service beverage station offering complimentary premium coffee, decaffeinated coffee specialties, cappuccinos, lattes, hot chocolate, and a selection of teas, cookies, pastries, dried fruits, and nuts are available throughout the day.



# AVALON SUITE SHIPS®

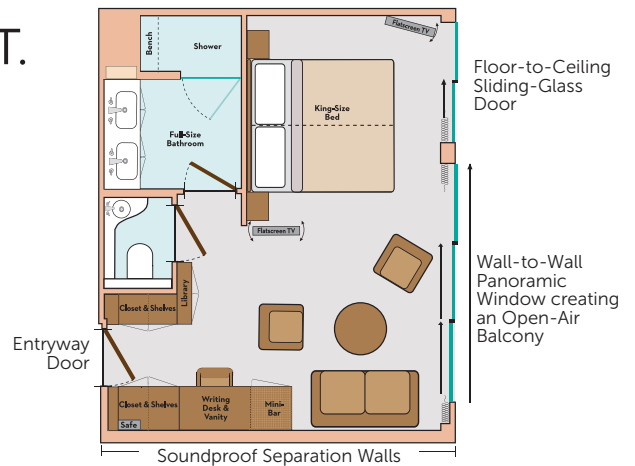
## ROYAL SUITES, PANORAMA SUITES<sup>SM</sup> & DELUXE STATEROOMS

### STATEROOM AMENITIES

- Comfort Collection Beds<sup>SM</sup>, featuring premium memory foam mattress toppers with special construction for increased airflow and ventilation and a choice of four firmness selections – from extra firm to pillow-top soft
- Egyptian super-combed cotton linens, blankets, & European-style duvets
- Soft & firm pillows
- Choice of bed configuration – two twins or one queen or (Royal Suite only) one king
- Nightly turn-down service
- Bathrobes & slippers
- Bedside tables with reading lamps
- Large private bathroom featuring full shower with glass door, hairdryer and premium L'Occitane® bath products
- Spacious 3-door closets with shelves for ample storage
- Easy under-bed luggage storage
- Flatscreen satellite TV with movie channel and built-in alarm clock
- Writing desk/vanity with mirror & comfortable chair
- Complimentary Wi-Fi access
- Direct-dial telephone
- Well-stocked minibar
- USB Ports
- In-room safe
- Individual climate control
- Continental breakfast and beverage room service available
- 11' Wall-to-Wall Panoramic Window—50% wider than industry standard (Panorama and Royal Suites only)
- Wall-to-Wall Panoramic Window opens to create a large Open-Air Balcony® (Panorama and Royal Suites only)

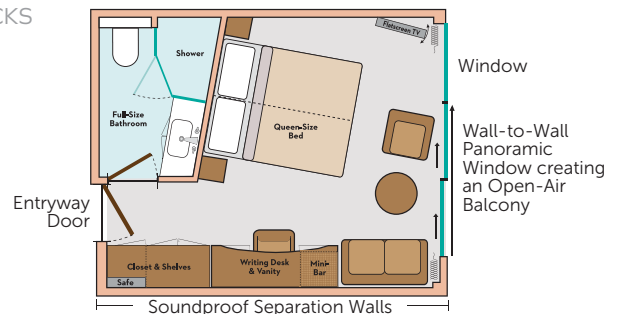
### ROYAL SUITES

300 SQ. FT.  
ROYAL DECK



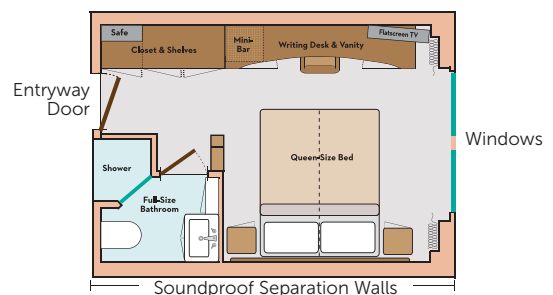
### PANORAMA SUITES<sup>SM</sup>

200 SQ. FT.  
ROYAL & SAPPHIRE DECKS  
Category B, A, P



### DELUXE STATEROOMS

172 SQ. FT.  
INDIGO DECK  
Category D & E





## SUITES & STATEROOMS.

From spacious to cosy, you'll find the perfect space to dream. A Royal Suite or Deluxe Stateroom offers an alternative floor plan, yet with all the standard amenities of a Panorama Suite. Our Royal Suite creates 300 square feet of phenomenal, including our award-winning Open-Air Balcony. At 172 square feet, our Deluxe Staterooms are still 20% larger than the industry standard.





# AVALON SUITE SHIPS®

**AVALON VIEW<sup>SM</sup> (2020), AVALON ENVISION<sup>SM</sup> (2019), AVALON PASSION® (2016),  
AVALON ILLUMINATION® (2014), AVALON IMPRESSION<sup>SM</sup> (2014),  
AVALON EXPRESSION® (2013), AVALON VISTA® (2012), AVALON PANORAMA® (2011)**

Passengers: 166 | Crew Members: 47 | Length: 443 ft. | Decks: 4  
Royal Suites: 2 (300 sq. ft.) | Panorama Suites<sup>SM</sup>: 65 (200 sq. ft.) | Deluxe Staterooms: 16 (172 sq. ft.)

## ROYAL DECK (VIEW, ENVISION, PASSION, ILLUMINATION & IMPRESSION)



## ROYAL DECK (EXPRESSION)



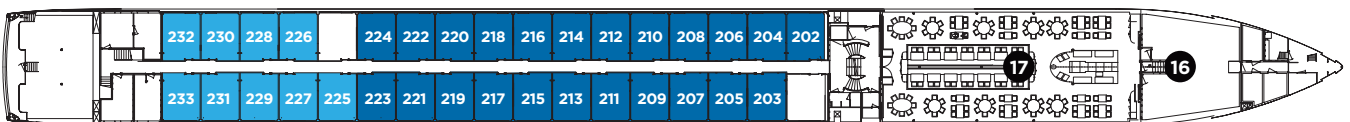
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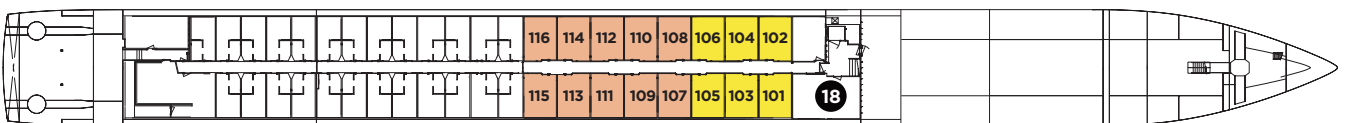
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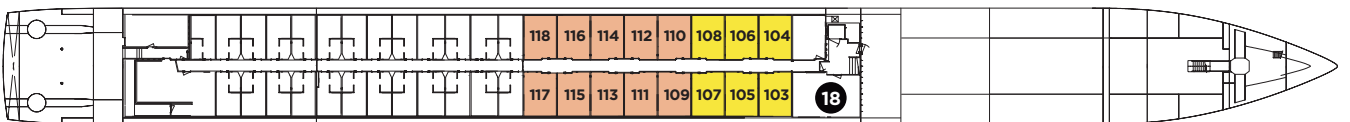
## SAPPHIRE DECK (EXPRESSION)



## INDIGO DECK (VIEW, ENVISION, PASSION, ILLUMINATION, IMPRESSION & EXPRESSION)



## INDIGO DECK (VISTA & PANORAMA)



### DECK PLAN

- |                      |                     |                   |
|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| 7 Observation Lounge | 10 Bar              | 15 Club Lounge    |
| 8 Panorama Bistro    | 11 Reception        | 16 Galley         |
| 9 Panorama Lounge    | 12 Adventure Centre | 17 Dining Room    |
|                      | 13 Lobby            | 18 Fitness Centre |
|                      | 14 Elevator         |                   |

### CATEGORIES

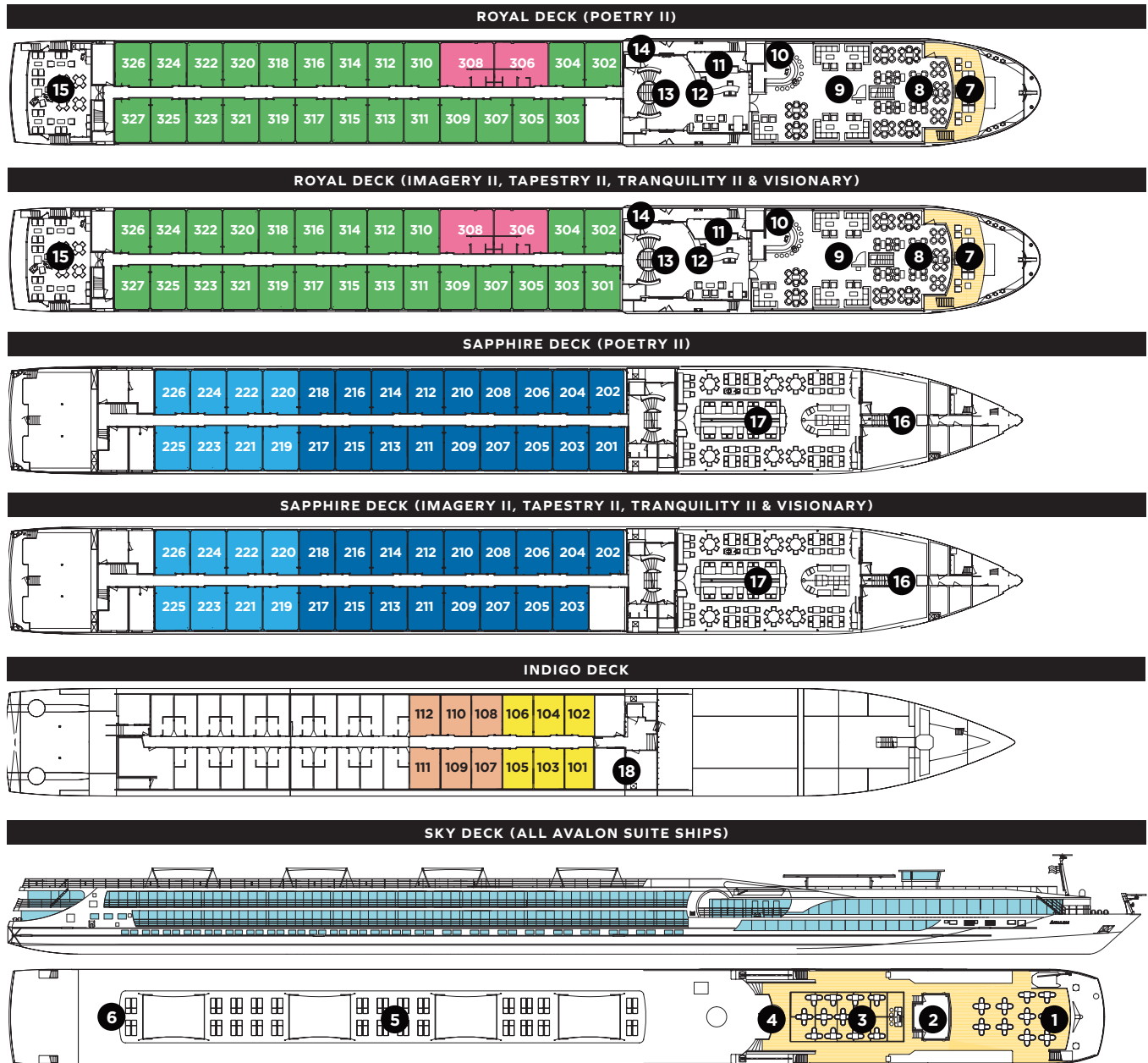
- ROYAL SUITE** Royal Deck | Royal Suites
- CAT. P** Royal Deck | Panorama Suites
- CAT. A** Sapphire Deck Forward | Panorama Suites
- CAT. B** Sapphire Deck Aft | Panorama Suites
- CAT. D** Indigo Deck Aft | Deluxe Staterooms
- CAT. E** Indigo Deck Forward | Deluxe Staterooms



# AVALON SUITE SHIPS®

AVALON IMAGERY II® (2016), AVALON TAPESTRY II® (2015),  
AVALON TRANQUILITY II® (2015), AVALON POETRY II® (2014),  
AVALON VISIONARY® (2012)

Passengers: 128 | Crew Members: 37 | Length: 361 ft. | Decks: 4  
Royal Suites: 2 (300 sq. ft.) | Panorama Suites<sup>SM</sup>: 50 (200 sq. ft.) | Deluxe Staterooms: 12 (172 sq. ft.)



## DECK PLAN

- |   |                      |                     |
|---|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Sky Lounge                              | 6 Deck Game Area     | 12 Adventure Centre |
| 2 Navigation Bridge                       | 7 Observation Lounge | 13 Lobby            |
| 3 Sky Grill                               | 8 Panorama Bistro    | 14 Elevator         |
| 4 Whirlpool                               | 9 Panorama Lounge    | 15 Club Lounge      |
| 5 Premium Lounge Chairs and Shade Awnings | 10 Bar               | 16 Galley           |
|   | 11 Reception         | 17 Dining Room      |
|   |                      | 18 Fitness Centre   |

## CATEGORIES

- |                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| <b>ROYAL SUITE</b> | Royal Deck   Royal Suites               |
| <b>CAT. P</b>      | Royal Deck   Panorama Suites            |
| <b>CAT. A</b>      | Sapphire Deck Forward   Panorama Suites |
| <b>CAT. B</b>      | Sapphire Deck Aft   Panorama Suites     |
| <b>CAT. D</b>      | Indigo Deck Aft   Deluxe Staterooms     |
| <b>CAT. E</b>      | Indigo Deck Forward   Deluxe Staterooms |

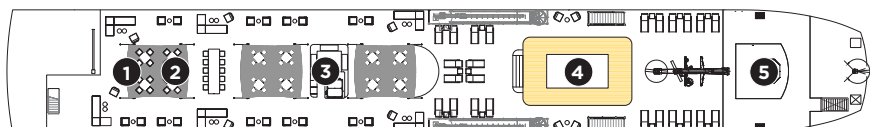
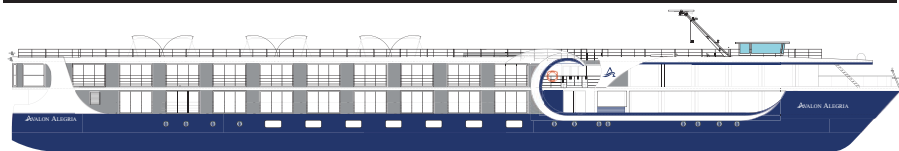


# CRUISING ON **THE DOURO RIVER**

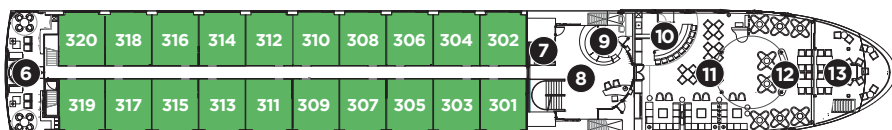
## AVALON ALEGRIA<sup>SM</sup> (2024)

Passengers: 102 | Crew Members: 33 | Length: 262 ft. | Decks: 4. | Deluxe Staterooms: 14 (172 & 180 sq. ft.) | Panorama Suites<sup>SM</sup>: 37 (200 sq. ft.)

### SKY DECK



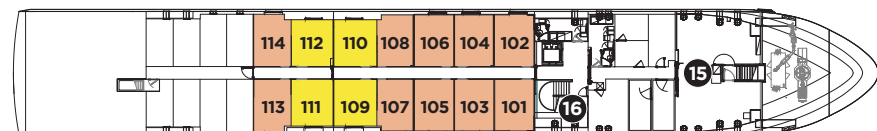
### ROYAL DECK



### SAPPHIRE DECK



### INDIGO DECK



## DECK PLAN

- 1 Sky Lounge
- 2 Premium Lounge Chairs and Shade Awnings
- 3 Sky Grill
- 4 Pool
- 5 Navigation Bridge
- 6 Club Lounge
- 7 Elevator
- 8 Adventure Centre
- 9 Reception
- 10 Bar
- 11 Panorama Lounge
- 12 Panorama Bistro
- 13 Observation Lounge
- 14 Dining Room
- 15 Galley
- 16 Fitness Centre

## CATEGORIES

- CAT. P** Royal Deck | Panorama Suites
- CAT. A** Sapphire Deck Forward | Panorama Suites
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- CAT. D** Indigo Deck | Deluxe Staterooms
- CAT. E** Indigo Deck | Deluxe Staterooms

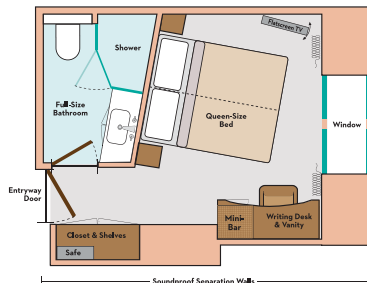


### CATEGORY E DELUXE STATEROOM

172 SQ. FT.

INDIGO DECK

\*Room configuration may vary slightly

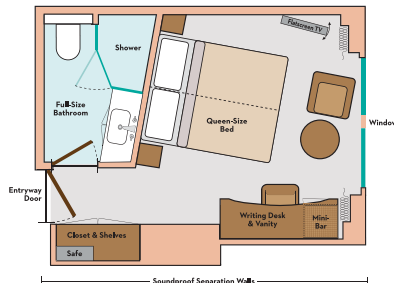


### CATEGORY D DELUXE STATEROOM

180 SQ. FT.

INDIGO DECK

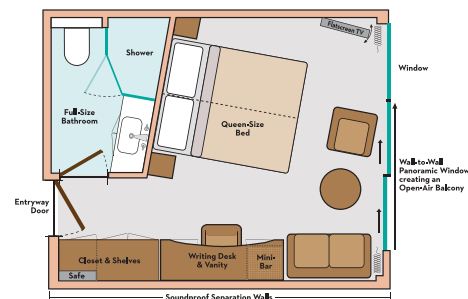
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### PANORAMA SUITE

200 SQ. FT.

ROYAL & SAPPHIRE DECK



## AMENITIES

- Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the ship
- Panoramic windows throughout the ship
- Elegant, contemporary design & decor
- Friendly, English-speaking crew & Cruise Director
- Covered Observation Lounge
- Sky Deck features swimming pool, shade awnings, and premium lounges)
- Club Lounge with 24-hour self-serve beverage station with complimentary cappuccinos, lattes, tea, hot chocolate & premium coffees, as well as treats throughout the day
- Elevator
- Non-smoking interior and staterooms
- Active shore excursions, both included and optional
- Fitness Centre
- Avalon Adventure Centre



# CRUISING ON THE MEKONG RIVER

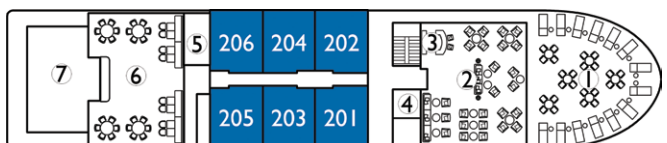
## AVALON SAIGON<sup>SM</sup> (2018)

Passengers: 36 | Crew Members: 24 | Length: 195 ft. | Decks: 2 | Suites: 18 (245 sq. ft.)

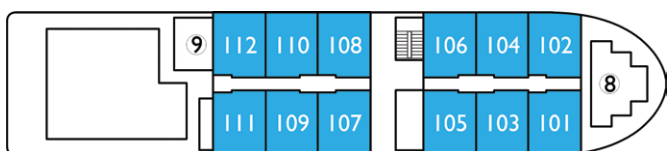
SIDE VIEW



TONLE DECK



MEKONG DECK



- |  |                      |                     |
|--|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Open-air observation lounge with premium lounge chairs | 2 Panorama Lounge    | 6 Dining Room       |
|  | 3 Bar                | 7 Galley            |
|  | 4 Reception          | 8 Navigation Bridge |
|  | 5 Spa treatment room | 9 Fitness Centre    |

CAT. A Tonle Deck | Panorama Suites

CAT. B Mekong Deck | Panorama Suites

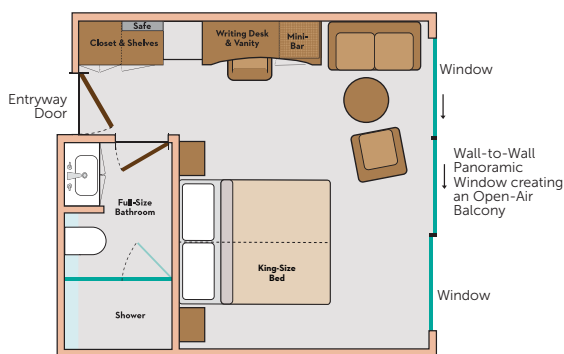
## SHIP AMENITIES

- Air-conditioned Panorama Lounge
- Open-air observation lounge with shade system & premium lounge chairs
- Spacious, open-seating Panorama Dining Room
- Bar serving premium spirits, wine & complimentary coffee, tea, soft drinks, and local beer/spirits throughout the day
- Complimentary Wi-Fi access in the lounges (where signal is available)
- Spa treatment room
- Fitness Room
- Library and games
- Non-smoking staterooms & ship interior



## PANORAMA SUITES<sup>SM</sup>

245 SQ. FT.  
TONLE & MEKONG DECKS  
CATEGORY A & B



## AMENITIES

- Comfort Collection Beds<sup>SM</sup>, featuring premium mattress covers
- Egyptian super-combed cotton linens, blankets & European-style duvets
- Soft & firm pillows
- Choice of bed configuration (two twins or one king)
- Nightly turn-down service
- Bedside tables with reading lamps
- 14' Wall-to-Wall Panoramic Window that opens to create a large Open-Air Balcony<sup>SM</sup>
- Large private bathroom featuring full shower with glass door, hairdryer, and premium bath products
- Spacious closets with shelves for ample storage
- Easy under-bed luggage storage
- Writing desk/vanity with mirror & comfortable chair
- In-house telephone
- Bathrobes & slippers
- Complimentary water
- In-room safe
- Individual climate control





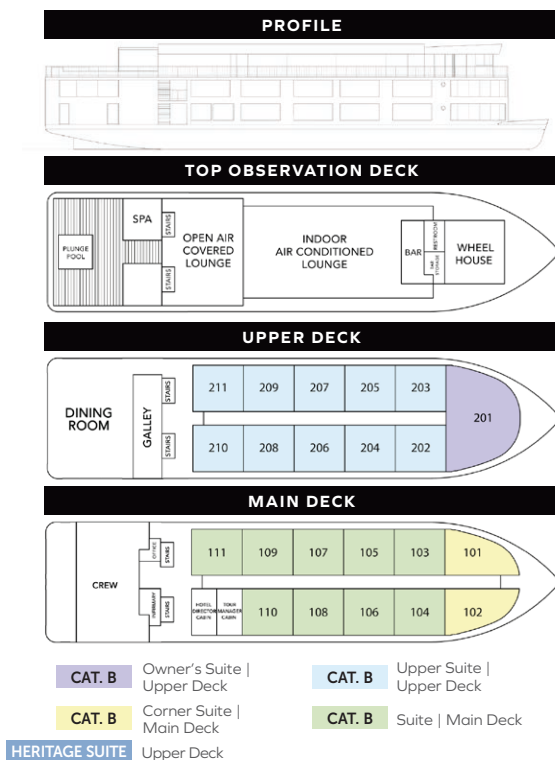


# CRUISING ON **THE AMAZON RIVER**

## **DELFIN III**

Passengers: 44 | Crew Members: 24 | Naturalists: 4 | Length: 169 ft. | Decks: 3

Owner's Suite: 1 (597 sq. ft.) | Corner Suites: 2 (253 sq. ft.) | Upper Suites: 10 (237 sq. ft.) | Suites: 8 (237 sq. ft.)



## AMENITIES

- Comfortable beds with premium mattresses
- Fine cotton linens and European-style duvets
- Pillow menu
- Choice of bed configuration (two twins or one queen in Suites and Upper Suites or king bed in Corner and Owner's Suites)
- Daily maid service with nightly turndown service
- Bedside tables with reading lamps
- Floor-to-ceiling panoramic glass windows
- Large private bathroom featuring full shower, hairdryer, makeup mirror, and premium bath amenities
- Luxury honeycomb spa robes and slippers
- Easy under-bed luggage storage and generous closet space
- Complimentary filtered water
- In-room safe
- Individual climate control

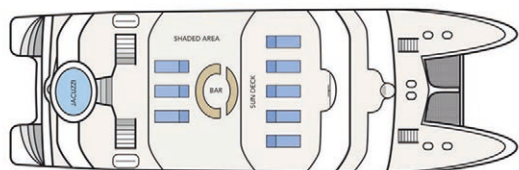


# CRUISING **THE GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS**

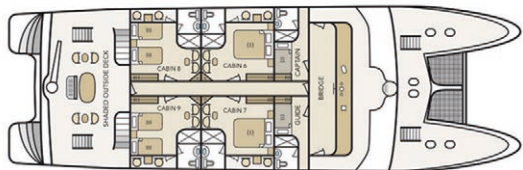
## TREASURE OF GALÁPAGOS

Passengers: 16 | Crew Members: 10 | Naturalists: 1 | Length: 102 ft. | Decks: 3 | Staterooms: 8

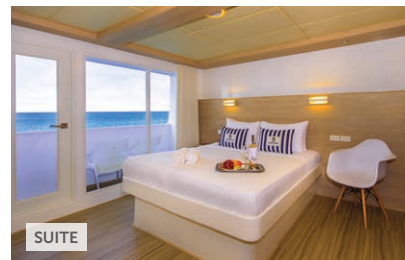
### PROFILE



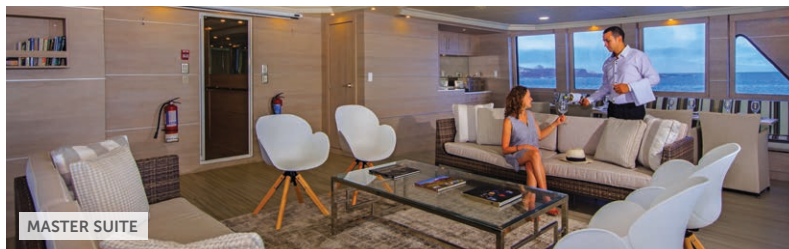
### UPPER DECK



### MAIN DECK



SUITE



MASTER SUITE

## AMENITIES

- Twice-daily housekeeping
- Private balcony
- Bedside tables with reading lights
- Closet for storage
- Private bathroom with full shower, hairdryer and bath products
- Writing desk/vanity with mirror and comfortable chair
- 24-hour complimentary water, tea, and coffee
- In-room safe
- Individual climate control

# CRUISING ON **THE NILE RIVER**

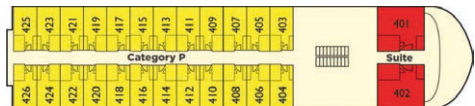
## MS FARAH (2011)

Passengers: 116 | Crew Members: 85 | Length: 236 ft. | Decks: 5 | Deluxe Stateroom: 56 (239 sq. ft.) | Royal Suite: 2 (430 sq. ft.)

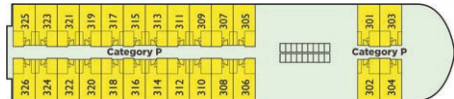
### SUN DECK



### WHEEL H. DECK



### SECOND DECK



### MAIN DECK



### LOWER DECK



### SUN DECK

Swimming Pool  
Barbecue Buffet  
Pool Bar

### WHEEL H. DECK

24 Cabins  
2 Royal Suites

### SECOND DECK

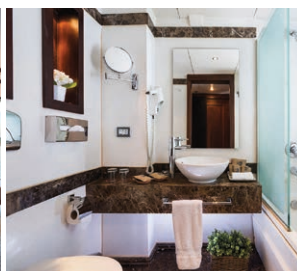
26 Cabins  
Library  
Bazaar

### MAIN DECK

Lobby  
Lounge Bar  
6 Cabins

### LOWER DECK

Restaurant



## AMENITIES

- Cabins Featuring Panoramic Windows
- Selection of Pillow Firmness
- In-Room Kettle with Tea and Coffee
- Fruit Basket, Cookies, Canapés & Nuts
- Free Wireless Internet
- Widescreen LED TV with Free Cable
- In-Room Safety Deposit Box
- In-Room Smoke Detector
- Private Bathroom with Bathtub
- Individually Controlled Air Conditioning
- Welcome Drink & Refreshing Towels upon Arrival
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