CRUISE OF 8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS - REF. ABE_NOVPP

The Rhine as a Legacy: Art, History and Heritage. Discovering Europe¿s Geniuses and Masterpieces (port-to-port cruise)

NETHERLANDS - GERMANY - FRANCE - SWITZERLAND

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Follow the course of the Rhine on a lively and flavorful journey during this unique cruise between iconic cities and river landscapes, enriched with cultural activities and gourmet pleasures on board. This itinerary from Amsterdam to Basel takes you on a discovery of cities steeped in history, through the art and architecture that have shaped this region. At each stop, the local atmosphere unfolds: Amsterdam with the Rijksmuseum and a cruise along the Dutch canals, Cologne and its Gothic cathedral, as well as Bonn and its Beethoven Museum. Onboard lectures enhance these discoveries, from Beethoven to the Dutch Golden Age. The journey continues with Drachenburg Castle, Mainz, Strasbourg and its must-see landmarks, as well as the Cité du Train in Mulhouse. On board, enjoy cultural games focused on nature, history, and heritage, along with a gourmet moment featuring a demonstration of how to assemble a Black Forest cake.





HIGHLIGHTS

- A unique cruise at the heart of Rhine history and heritage
- Onboard lectures
- MUST-SEES (1) :
- The Rijksmuseum, an immersion into the Dutch Golden Age with masterpieces by Rembrandt, Vermeer, and Hals
- Cologne Cathedral, an iconic Gothic masterpiece with its monumental façade
- Beethoven Museum in Bonn, a deep dive into the life and works of the famous composer
- Drachenburg Castle, a symbol of Romanticism
- Strasbourg Historical Museum and Cathedral, explore the city's evolution from the Middle Ages to modern times

THE CROISIEUROPE DIFFERENCE

- All meals included - DRINKS INCLUDED with meals and at the bar
- Refined French cuisine - Gala dinner and evening - Welcome cocktail
- Free Wi-Fi onboard
- Headsets are included for excursions
- Official welcome from the captain and crew
- Onboard activities
- Travel assistance and repatriation insurance
- All port fees included

Day-by-day itinerary

DAY 1

AMSTERDAM or surroundings(2)

Embarkation. Welcome cocktail.

DAY 2

AMSTERDAM or surroundings(2)

Morning optional excursion: Guided audio tour of the Rijksmuseum and a boat ride along Amsterdam's canals (only available with advance reservation before departure). Afternoon : Sailing towards Cologne. Onboard lecture: The Dutch Golden Age – art, commerce, and innovation.

DAY 3

COLOGNE - BONN

Morning: Sailing towards Cologne. Onboard lecture: The Castles of the Rhine, an Open-Air Heritage. Optional excursion: Visit of the Gothic Cologne Cathedral(3) (only available with advance reservation before departure). Evening: Ballroom dance night with classical music.

DAY 4

BONN - KOENIGSWINTER

Morning optional excursion: Guided tour of the Beethoven Museum (only available with advance reservation before departure). Afternoon optional excursion: Drachenburg Castle (only available with advance reservation before departure). Evening: Ballroom dance onboard. Overnight sailing: towards Mainz.

DAY 5

KOENIGSWINTER - MAINZ

Morning: Sailing towards Mainz. Onboard lecture: Beethoven, the Dutch Masters, and Gutenberg – three geniuses who changed Europe. Afternoon optional excursion: Mainz and its Cathedral(4) (only available with advance reservation before departure). Continue sailing towards Strasbourg. Evening: Ballroom dance onboard.

DAY 6

STRASBOURG

Morning: Sailing towards Strasbourg. Activity: Demonstration of Black Forest cake preparation. Afternoon optional excursion: guided tour of Strasbourg Cathedral (4) and the Historical Museum (5) of the City of Strasbourg (only available with advance reservation before departure). Return by coach to the river station. Overnight sailing: towards Breisach.

DAY 7

BREISACH - BASEL

Early morning arrival: Vieux-Brisach. Optional excursion: Visit the Cité du Train in Mulhouse (only available with advance reservation before departure). Afternoon: Sailing towards Basel. Onboard lecture: The Rhine and the Black Forest: Between Nature, History and Legends. Evening: Gala dinner.

DAY 8

BASEL

Disembarkation.

Excursions

Optional excursions (8)



AUDIO-GUIDED VISIT OF THE RIJKSMUSEUM AND CANAL CRUISE IN AMSTERDAM

4h Classic MATIN



GUIDED TOUR OF COLOGNE CATHEDRAL AND THE CATHEDRAL TREASURY

2h Classic PM



GUIDED TOUR OF THE BEETHOVEN MUSEUM IN BONN

2h Classic MATIN



Schloss Drachenburg

4h30 Classic PM



Mainz and its Cathedral

2h Classic PM



STRASBOURG: THE HISTORICAL MUSEUM AND THE CATHEDRAL

4h Classic PM



VISIT TO THE CITE DU TRAIN IN MULHOUSE

4h Classic MATIN

EXCURSIONS PACKAGE ABENOV - CLASSIC PACKAGE

1 day

Our price includes

Your cruise with all meals from dinner the first evening to breakfast on the final day - onboard drinks included (except for drinks from our special lists) - double-occupancy cabin with shower in bathroom - assistance from our onboard multi-lingual host/hostess - welcome cocktail - gala dinner - onboard entertainment - travel assistance and repatriation insurance - all port fees.

For navigational safety reasons, the company and the captain are the only authorized persons who can modify the cruise itinerary. (1) Optional excursions (available only by pre-booking). (2) The Port of Amsterdam may unexpectedly change the berthing locations of cruise ships. In such cases, an alternative will be arranged as close as possible to the city of Amsterdam. (3) Subject to religious services.The cathedral treasury is closed during the carnival, as well as on New Year's Day, 10 November, 11November, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and 31 December. (4) Subject to religious services or celebrations. (5) The Strasbourg Historical Museum is closed on Mondays. If it is closed, the visit will be replaced by a visit to a wine cellar with tasting. Alcohol can be harmful to your health. Please drink in moderation.

Our price does not include

Drinks from our special lists, or drinks ordered during excursions or transfers - cancellation and baggage insurance - optional excursions (must be reserved and paid for on board or at travel agency) - transfers/travel to and from departure/arrival points - personal expenses.

Practical information

REQUIREMENTS

Valid national identity card or passport required. Non-EU nationals are advised to consult their embassy or consulate.