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Type: Classic

We'll leave on foot for a tour of Speyer. Located on the left bank of the Rhine River, Speyer's Romanesque cathedral can be spotted from miles away. Enjoy a visit of the cathedral's interior with your tour guide. In 1981, UNESCO accepted the cathedral on its list of World Heritage Sites. Begun in the 1020s, its expansion continued well into the 11th century. The Cathedral was the burial place of the German emperors for almost 300 years. Speyer itself was the seat of the Holy Roman Empire's high court from 1527 to 1689. The cathedral was built using lovely red sandstone taken from quarries near the Palatinate Forest. Your next stop will be the Dreifaltigkeitskirche (Trinity Church), a late Baroque-style, Protestant church. We'll then head to the old Jewish courtyard to visit the Mikveh, a bath used for ritual washing. It is decorated with rich Romanesque ornamentation that was painted in the Middle Ages. It is the oldest bath of this type in Germany. After our tour, enjoy some free time before returning at your own pace to the ship.

PLEASE NOTE

- The order of the visits can change.

- Times are approximate.