

RHINE RIVER CRUISE

AUGUST 22 - 30, 2025

Join us to embark on an unforgettable journey on a Rhine River cruise. Immerse yourself in picturesque landscapes, enchanting historic towns, and vibrant cultural experiences.



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9-DAYS, 8-NIGHTS PACKAGE

Itinerary: Netherlands, Germany, France, Switzerland

ITINERARY:

DAY 1 - AUGUST 22, 2025 Overnight flight to Amsterdam

DAY 2 - AUGUST 23, 2025 - AMSTERDAM - EMBARKATION Board the ship in Amsterdam for your Captivating Rhine cruise on the stunning AmaStella. (D)

DAY 3 - AUGUST 24, 2025 - AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS There are 165 canals in Amsterdam, and you'll get enjoy some of them on your canal cruise. Later in the day, set sail out of Amsterdam. (B,L,D)

DAY 4 - AUGUST 25, 2025 - DÜSSELDORF, GERMANY

As a leading hub for German culture, commerce, and architecture, Düsseldorf is a must-visit city for any travelers on the Rhine. Here, you will have multiple options for the day's excursion. Explore this grand city on the Rhine by joining a walking tour, concluding with a tasting of Altbier, a local specialty brewed using traditional techniques. Alternatively, cover more ground with an active bike tour of the city. (B,L,D)

DAY 5 - AUGUST 26, 2025 - RHINE GORGE

Cruise through the captivating UNESCO-designated Rhine Gorge, the most stunningly beautiful stretch of the river before reaching the winemaking town of Rüdesheim. Join a wine tasting to discover the flavors of the town's iconic vineyards. Or drink up the stunning views by soaring high above the vineyards with a gondola ride to the Niederwalddenkmal. For a more active adventure, hike through the town's beautiful vineyards or join a guided bike tour along the scenic Rhine River. (B,L,D)

DAY 6 - AUGUST 27, 2025 - LUDWIGSHAFEN, GERMANY

Ludwigshafen is your gateway to a choice of three excursions. Visit Heidelberg, the perfectly preserved medieval city nestled in the Neckar River Valley along Germany's Castle Road. Discover the iconic red sandstone Heidelberg Castle and Great Vat, an 18th-century, 49,000-gallon wine cask. For a more active adventure while in Heidelberg, join a guided hike up the Philosopher's Path, aptly named during the Romantic Period, and enjoy panoramic views of the city. (B,L,D)

DAY 7 - AUGUST 28, 2025 - STRASBOURG, FRANCE

Strasbourg offers flavors of both France and Germany because of its borderline location. Enjoy a panoramic tour past the stunning Parc de l'Orangerie, the European Parliament and the Place de la République before walking through its iconic "La Petite France" district, lifted straight from the pages of a fairytale. Wander through charming streets past the Cathédrale de Nôtre Dame with its famous astronomical clock. Alternatively, take a guided bike ride through the city and Parc de l'Orangerie. (B,L,D)

DAY 8 - AUGUST 29, 2025 - BREISCH, GERMANY

Breisach is your gateway to several different excursions. Step back in time with a visit to the enchanting Alsatian town of Colmar, which looks almost the same as it did in the 16th century. On your walking tour, admire historic architecture and perhaps get a glimpse of the Statue of Liberty, a small replica of the famous version in New York, to commemorate the sculptor's Colmar birthplace. Alternatively, head to Freiburg, founded in 1120 and home to the Freiburg's Münster, a Gothic cathedral said to have "the most beautiful spire on earth." (B,L,D)

DAY 9 - AUGUST 30, 2025 - BASEL, SWITZERLAND

After breakfast, bid farewell to Switzerland and prepare for your return flight home. (B)



RHINE RIVER CRUISE PACKAGE INFORMATION

Starting at \$5,355

*Cost per person based on Double Occupancy

INCLUSIONS

- Round trip transfers from Bloomington to Chicago O'Hare International Airport
- Round trip flight from O'Hare International Airport
- 7 night accommodations on the AmaStella
- · Unlimited food and non-alcoholic beverages while on the cruise
- Alcoholic beverages with lunch and dinner on the cruise
- · Several Excursions to choose from at each port (One per port is included)
- \$50 On-Board Credit per person
- Cruise Taxes and fees

All prices are in US dollars unless otherwise indicated. A non-refundable deposit of \$500.00 per person is required to confirm your booking. Final payment is due on or before April 25, 2025. Please see website for full terms & conditions.



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