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SUPPLEMENT  
for Solo  
Travelers**

# Cruise the Rhine & Moselle Rivers

Amsterdam to Basel

## Inspiring Moments

- ▶ Revel in **Amsterdam's wonderful ambience** as you float along its picturesque Golden Age canals.
- ▶ Feel enveloped in the **Rhine Valley's enchanting scenery** of hilltop castles, vine-laced slopes and medieval towns.
- ▶ Be awed by the Gothic grandeur of **Cologne Cathedral**, a masterpiece of human achievement more than 600 years in the making.
- ▶ Delight in the Alsatian flavor of Grande île, **Strasbourg's historic heart**.
- ▶ Take in the **serene Moselle River valley** from the castle high above Cochem.
- ▶ Experience five **UNESCO World Heritage sites**.



Amsterdam

Enjoy an intimate view of European history on this enriching journey to the Netherlands, Germany and France! Embark on a carefree, seven-night cruise that reveals the cultural riches of Old World cities and towns along storied rivers. You'll relish the beauty and vibrancy along Amsterdam's iconic canals, marvel at magnificent cathedrals in Cologne, Speyer and Strasbourg, and cruise through the legendary Rhine Gorge. Plus, tailor your experience with a choice of engaging, included excursions, such as museum visits, hiking, biking and culinary tours, in Amsterdam, Rudesheim, Heidelberg and Strasbourg!

## Day-by-Day Itinerary

### Day 1 | In Transit

Depart for Amsterdam, Netherlands. 🌐

### Day 2 | Amsterdam, Netherlands

Upon arrival, transfer 🚗 to the pier and embark the ship.

**Enrichment: Contemporary Europe.**

**Canals of Amsterdam.** Board a cruiser for a delightful perspective of this beguiling city, known for its more than 60 miles of tree-lined canals and waterways. Admire the gabled houses, locals of all ages pedaling by and the architecture of the bustling harbor.

### Day 3 | Amsterdam

🌐 **PYJ | Choose one of the following excursions:**

- **Rijksmuseum.** View fabulous art representing 800 years of Dutch history, including national treasures by Rembrandt, Vermeer and Hals, among others.
- **Waterland Bicycle Ride.** Embrace the Dutch cycling culture and ride through the lush Waterland area dotted with historic fishing villages. (Active)
- **Jordaan District Walking and Food Tour.** Pop into shops in this trendy district to try Dutch treats like sweet *poffertjes*, *kibbeling* and fresh cheeses.

Enjoy lunch on the ship, followed by some free time. Gather for tonight's Welcome Reception and Dinner.

### Day 4 | Cologne, Germany

**Free Time:** Relax and enjoy the onboard amenities as the ship cruises along the Rhine River toward Cologne.

**Cologne Walking Tour.** View the old town's historic landmarks and the cathedral's impressively ornamented exterior. Then, step inside to see the stone columns soaring up to the vaulted ceiling. After your guided walk, shop or linger in a café.

The ship departs Cologne this evening.

### Day 5 | Moselle River | Cochem

This morning, the ship cruises through a narrow portion

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## EXTEND YOUR STAY

**Amsterdam** | 2 Nights | PRE-Trip

**Interlaken** | 2 Nights | POST-Trip

{See website for details.}





of the Moselle River flanked by colorful villages and tiered vineyards and then docks in Cochem.

**Frühshoppen.** On board the ship, delight in this traditional German treat: a tasty glass of beer served with fresh pretzels, sausages and mustards.

**Cochem and the Reichsburg Castle.** Beautifully situated along a bend in the Moselle, Cochem charms with half-timbered houses, winding streets and hilltop Reichsburg Castle overlooking the town. Learn about its rich folklore on a guided walk and tour the castle.

#### Day 6 | Koblenz | Rhine Gorge | Rudesheim

The ship arrives in Koblenz this morning.

**Koblenz.** More than 2,000 years ago, the Romans established a settlement at the confluence of the Moselle and Rhine Rivers, the spot now occupied by lovely Koblenz. See the Church of Our Lady, the Jesuitenplatz and other highlights on a guided walk.

Have your camera ready as the ship sails through the Upper Middle Rhine Valley, a splendid, gently curving stretch with more than 40 castles and fortress ruins.

**Enrichment: Castles and Legends of the Rhine.**

**🌐PYJ | Choose one of the following excursions:**

• **Wines of the Rhine.** Ride a tram amid the vineyards near Rudesheim and along bustling Drosselgasse in the old town, then sample fine wines at a winery.

• **A Musical Walk in Time.** Ride a tram amid the vineyards near Rudesheim and along bustling Drosselgasse, then visit a captivating museum of self-playing, mechanical musical instruments.

The ship cruises overnight toward Mannheim.

#### Day 7 | Mannheim | Heidelberg | Speyer

The ship docks in Mannheim this morning.

**🌐PYJ | Choose one of the following excursions:**

• **Heidelberg Castle and Town.** Visit the grand, hillside castle overlooking the Neckar Valley, and take an easygoing walk in the romantic old town.

• **Hike Heidelberg's Philosopher's Way.** Hike up this famous path to the Philosopher's Garden and relish gorgeous views and some snacks. (Active) Return to the ship for lunch and cruise to Speyer.



**Speyer Walking Tour.** Admire the stately Romanesque cathedral, the burial place of emperors for almost 300 years; the 13th-century Old Gate; and other sites in the center of one of Germany's oldest cities.

#### Day 8 | Strasbourg, France

The ship arrives in the capital of France's Alsace region.

**🌐PYJ | Choose one of the following excursions:**

• **Strasbourg Panorama.** See the city's blend of German and French influences on a guided scenic tour/walk, and visit Notre Dame Cathedral.

• **Strasbourg Canal Cruise and Petite France Walking Tour.** Discover this charming quarter by boat and on foot, and visit Notre Dame Cathedral.

• **Culinary Strasbourg.** Sample authentic Alsatian dishes and wines in *winstubs*, small wine pubs, and other shops, and visit Notre Dame Cathedral.

**Free Time:** Savor an afternoon at leisure as the ship sails toward Basel, Switzerland.

This evening, share in a festive Farewell Reception and Dinner with your fellow travelers.

#### Day 9 | Basel, Switzerland | In Transit

Disembark the ship in Basel. Transfer 🔄 to the airport in Zürich for the return flight 🔄 to your gateway city.

## Included Features

**Accommodations** (with baggage handling)

– **Unpack once** and cruise for **7 nights** aboard the **exclusively chartered**, first-class MS Amadeus Cara.

**Extensive Meal Program**

– 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 7 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine, beer or soft drinks with lunch and dinner.

**Your One-of-a-Kind Journey**

– **AHI Travel Assurance** plan covers Accident and Sickness Medical Expense, Trip Delay and Emergency Evacuation for U.S. residents.

– **Enrichment by expert speakers** enhances your insight into the region.

– **Engaging excursions** showcase the local culture, heritage and history.

– 🌐 **Personalize Your Journey | PYJ |** A choice of excursions in selected locales.

– 🔄 **Electives** and free time to pursue your individual interests.

– 🌱 **AHI Sustainability Promise:** We strive to make a positive impact wherever we travel.

– Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.

– A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.

– Tipping of guides and drivers.

– Complimentary travel mementos.



## 2024 Departures & Pricing

May 17-25, 2024

Full Price from \$4,045

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**Special Price from \$3,795\***

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**Note:** Itinerary sequence and/or scheduled events may change. Walking is required on many excursions.

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