

15-Day Splendours of Europe

The story of a continent told with a remarkable trip through history and culture.

An iconic glass-top canal boat cruise in Amsterdam marks the beginning of this extraordinary itinerary through the Netherlands, Germany, Austria, Slovakia, and Hungary. Promising natural beauty, medieval towns and hikes to hilltop fortresses, four capital cities offer a unique insight into the region's past, present, and future.



Niederwalddenkmal Monument in Rudesheim

Amsterdam to Budapest

Departing: April – October 2024

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Fisherman's Bastion, Budapest



? CRUISE FACTS

- **Distance covered (approx):** 1680km
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- **Locks:** 68
- **Bridges:** 647



Our suite of generous inclusions:

- Airport transfers to and from your Star-Ship
- 14 nights in a suite or stateroom of your choice, all with a river view
- 41 meals: 14 breakfasts, 13 lunches and 14 dinners including a Welcome and Farewell Reception & Dinner
- Complimentary wine, beer & soft drinks to accompany lunch & dinner on board
- Complimentary tea & coffee on board
- Complimentary bottled water in your suite or stateroom, restocked daily
- A variety of on board evening entertainment
- Complimentary Wi-Fi on board
- Complimentary bicycles on board
- First-class service from English-speaking crew and knowledgeable local guides
- Earn **EmeraldEXPLORER** loyalty points
- Complimentary River Cruise Cover
- All port charges and airport taxes
- All gratuities on board and onshore

Emerald**DISCOVERY** highlights unique to your itinerary:

- EmeraldPLUS**
 Exclusive visit to the Glass Art Museum in Wertheim with presentation
 Traditional Bavarian band performance on board
 Home-hosted coffee and cake with a Slovakian family
 Traditional Hungarian folklore show on board

- EmeraldACTIVE**
 Guided bike tour to Waterland ●●●
 Active walk to Niederwalddenkmal ●●●
 Guided active walk to Mildenburg Castle ●●○
 Guided bike tour along the Danube River ●●●
 Guided hike to Dürnstein Castle ●●●
 Guided bike tour in Vienna ●●●
 Guided hike to Bratislava castle ●○○
 Hike to Buda Hill ●●●

- Included Excursions**
 13 excursions, including visits to UNESCO World Heritage-listed sites

- DiscoverMORE**
 11 optional excursions, available at an additional cost – see pages 118-121

See page 10 for **EmeraldACTIVE** difficulty level details



Cologne, Germany

Day 1 Amsterdam

Welcome to Amsterdam, a postcard-worthy destination of picturesque canals, cafés, and art galleries. Here, you'll be met at the airport and transferred to the comfortable surrounds of your Emerald Cruises Star-Ship. After boarding, you can enjoy some time to explore the cobbled streets and gabled houses at leisure. This evening, join your fellow guests for dinner on board.

Meals: Dinner

Day 2 Amsterdam

This morning, explore the Dutch Golden Age, as you board a glass-top canal boat cruise to explore the UNESCO World Heritage-listed canal system or enjoy a guided bike tour to Waterland.

Both excellent ways to experience the city in all its authenticity, take to its charming waterways, passing iconic buildings and elegant merchant residences that reflect a time when Amsterdam was one of the most lucrative ports in the world. If you're feeling more active, then explore on two wheels, cycling alongside a backdrop of historical villages and traditional windmills.


Upon returning to your ship, your first day of sailing will take you through the Dutch countryside to the Rhine.

Included Excursion



Canal cruise

Built during the Dutch Golden Age to transport goods around the city, Amsterdam's magnificent canals are more numerous than Venice's, with more bridge crossings than in Paris. Above the waters, the 17th-century, gable-roofed canal houses run along the tree-lined boulevards in a splendid multicoloured vision.

 Guided bike tour to Waterland

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 3 Cologne

Founded by the Romans in 50 AD, the cathedral city of Cologne is one of the oldest cities in Germany and the largest on the Rhine. The historic capital of the Rhineland, this illustrious city has been generously peppered with ancient architecture, from Roman ruins to medieval structures, despite much of the inner city being completely destroyed during WWII.

Join your local guide and explore the city, including the Old Town with its beautiful squares, historic monuments and contemporary architecture. Your tour will conclude at the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Cologne Cathedral, whose filigree twin towers form an iconic part of the skyline. During your free time, shop for souvenirs or explore further before returning to your Star-Ship.

 Guided tour of Cologne's Old Town

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 4 Rudesheim

Today's cruising will be one of the highlights of your trip, as we meander through the fairy tale-like surrounds of the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Rhine Gorge. Hilltop castles and fortresses will be yours to admire as we sail. We will pass the infamous Lorelei Rock, where sailors are said to have been lured onto treacherous rocks by an enchanting siren, and the impressive Pfalzgrafenstein Castle, a former stronghold.

This afternoon, arrive in Rudesheim, a town with a vibrant wine-growing heritage. You will have the choice of either riding on the Winzerexpress mini-train and visiting Siegfried's Mechanical Music Cabinet Museum or, if you're feeling active, taking a guided active walk to Niederwalddenkmal.




Discover the delights of Amsterdam

 EmeraldACTIVE



Active walk to Niederwalddenkmal Monument

Within the picturesque landscape of the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Rhine Gorge, you'll discover the Niederwalddenkmal Monument, regarded as a national monument of Germany. Symbolising the re-establishment of the German Empire after the Franco-Prussian War, the central motif depicts Germania raising the imperial crown. The walk offers stunning views of the Rhine Valley countryside, culminating in panoramic vistas at the site of the monument.

 Visit to Siegfried's Mechanical Music Cabinet Museum

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 5 Miltenberg – Wertheim

Welcome to Miltenberg, a picturesque village on the Main, boasting an inimitable feeling of medieval Bavaria with its 15th century half-timbered buildings.

On your included walking tour, stroll down the cobblestone streets, lined with these colourful houses and view the Gothic Merchant Hall, an impressive symbol of past affluence. Alternatively, enjoy a guided active walk through the forest to Mildenburg Castle. This iconic landmark now houses a wonderful collection of contemporary art and old masters.

Later, we'll venture to the charming town of Wertheim where, as part of your EmeraldPLUS programme, you'll have an exclusive glassblowing presentation at the Glass Art Museum.



Würzburg, Germany






View of the stone bridge, Regensburg, Germany

 EmeraldPLUS



Exclusive visit to the Glass Art Museum in Wertheim with presentation



Welcomed into the beautiful half-timbered house of the Glass Art Museum in Wertheim. Explore an array of glassware souvenirs and enjoy a glassblowing presentation during which you'll experience the versatility and playfulness of glass artistry.

-  Guided active walk to Miltenburg Castle
-  Guided tour of Miltenburg
-  Vineyard visit & Franconian wine

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 6 Würzburg

Known as the 'Pearl of the Romantic Road', Würzburg, is the centre for grape-growing, the product of the sloping vineyard-laden hills which surround the former capital of Franconia. The architects behind the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Würzburg Residence drew inspiration from a spectrum of different styles, including Viennese Baroque and secular features from Italy, but it was heavily damaged during WWII. Enjoy learning about how this impressive building was restored to its former glory on a guided tour.


-  Walking tour of Würzburg and a visit to the Bishop's Residence
-  Excursion to Rothenburg

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 7 Bamberg

This morning, relax on the Sun Deck with a drink in hand or witness the beauty of Europe's waterways from the plush surrounds of your cabin as we cruise to Bamberg. The UNESCO World Heritage-listed town boasts one of the largest medieval centres in Europe, with around 2,400 listed buildings gracing its streets.



Feel the magic of the past as you explore the city with your local guide, marvelling at the opulence of the New Residence, once resided in by the prince bishops and now home to a plethora of old German and Baroque paintings from the Bavarian State collection. Enjoy a tranquil stroll around the Rose Garden to round your day off peacefully.

-  Guided tour of Bamberg

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 8 Nuremberg

Embark on a sightseeing tour of the historic city of Nuremberg, including the architectural wonders that have inspired famous artists for centuries and exploring the effects that the war years had. After your tour, enjoy time to explore Nuremberg at leisure, passing half-timbered houses that were beautifully reconstructed following the war.




-  Guided tour of Nuremberg
-  World War II tour

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 9 Regensburg

This morning, you'll sail the final stretch of the fascinating Main-Danube Canal to Regensburg. As you continue sailing down the Danube, one of Germany's best-preserved medieval cities welcomes you with two millennia of history. For almost 150 years, the Old Town Hall was the seat of parliament. Dating back to the 13th century, it consists of the Town Hall Tower, the Imperial Chamber building, and the Town Hall. Wander the streets with your guide, as the romantic narrow alleys of the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Old Town enable you to live through the city's history.

One of your tour highlights will be the 12th-century Stone Bridge, a medieval structure crossing the Danube. Enjoy time to explore Regensburg at leisure after your guided tour or return to your Star-Ship for some peace and tranquillity. Tonight, enjoy a traditional Bavarian band performance on board.




-  Bavarian band performance on board
-  Guided tour of Regensburg
-  Sausage-making workshop

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 10 Passau

Passau is a picturesque city that has been shaped by the surrounding rivers over the years, sitting right on the confluence of the Danube, Inn and Ilz rivers. This memorable destination is dominated by large squares, magical promenades and romantic lanes. Cobblestone streets and graceful arcades welcome you in the beautiful city of Passau. On this morning's walking tour, stroll through streets lined by Baroque buildings dating back to the 17th century and look at the Gothic Town Hall, Bishop's Residence and St. Stephen's Cathedral, a wonderful example of Baroque architecture and home to the largest church organ in Europe.

Return for lunch on board and an afternoon peacefully cruising along the Danube.

-  Guided tour of Passau
-  Excursion to Salzburg
-  Excursion to Český Krumlov

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner






Vienna, Austria

Day 11 Melk – Dürnstein

Situated within Austria's wine-growing region, Melk is home to a 900-year-old Benedictine abbey, a UNESCO World Heritage-listed site, which is yours to explore today during an included tour. Your guide will take you through a series of opulent rooms, each adorned with the finest Italian Baroque architecture and ornate gold leaf walls, including the ancient monastic library, renowned for its extensive collection of medieval manuscripts.

Later, the Star-Ship sails through the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Wachau Valley and on to Dürnstein, one of the most enchanting villages in the Wachau wine region, where you can choose to hike to Dürnstein Castle, the site where Richard the Lionheart was imprisoned after returning from the Crusades.

Alternatively, enjoy an **EmeraldACTIVE** guided bike ride along the Danube from Melk to Dürnstein, passing famous vineyards and quaint towns.





-  Guided bike tour along the Danube
-  Guided hike to Dürnstein Castle
-  Tour of Melk Abbey

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 12 Vienna

Austria's breathtaking capital is recognised for its cultural legacy. As the former residence of Mozart and Beethoven, a multitude of imperial palaces represent a rich history, and the museum district boasts contemporary buildings, housing the work of some of the world's most prolific artists.

Explore the famous sights of the Ringstrasse and Vienna's city centre by coach and on foot or join a guided bike tour. Marvel at the Renaissance-style arches that adorn the façades of the Opera House, the Baroque Burgtheater and the Flemish Gothic Parliament before enjoying time to explore Vienna at leisure.

-  Guided bike tour in Vienna
-  Guided tour of Vienna
-  Viennese evening concert
-  Visit to Schönbrunn Palace

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner





Day 13 Bratislava

Set at the crossroads of ancient trade routes in the heart of Europe, Bratislava, the capital of Slovakia, is a place where Baroque palaces, boutiques and cafés adorn cobblestone streets. In the morning, enjoy a sightseeing tour, including the enchanting Old City or hike to Bratislava Castle.

Your local guide will take you through the heart of the city. Pass by the botanical gardens of the Episcopal Summer Palace, the Old Town Hall and its delightful Renaissance courtyard and the Slovak National Theatre, where busts of famous composers adorn the façade. After your tour, enjoy free time to explore at leisure.

This afternoon, a local family will be happy to welcome you into their home for some great conversation over traditional Slovakian sweets and coffee.

Bratislava Castle, Slovakia

-  Home-hosted coffee and cake with a Slovakian family
-  Guided hike to Bratislava Castle
-  Walking tour of Bratislava
-  Skoda tour of post-Communist Bratislava






Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 14 Budapest

Budapest is Eastern Europe's liveliest and most cosmopolitan city. Divided by the iconic Danube River, Buda and Pest on either side can be reached via the Chain Bridge, one of the city's most symbolic structures.

Enjoy a guided tour of the city with your local guide this morning. Alternatively, embark on a hike to Buda Hill, traversing winding cobblestone streets underneath the massive Baroque masterpiece that is Buda Castle.

This evening, you will enjoy a Hungarian folklore show before your farewell dinner.

-  Traditional Hungarian folklore show on board
-  Hike to Buda Hill
-  Guided coach tour of Budapest
-  Excursion to Szentendre
-  Jewish heritage tour

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner



Day 15 Budapest

After breakfast, it's time to say farewell to your fellow guests and disembark your Star-Ship for your transfer to the airport, taking memories of the delightful Danube and the remarkable Rhine with you.

Meals: Breakfast

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Journey Code: EWCR.1

	Apr 27 Oct 06	May 05, 10 Jun 15, 22	Jul 13, 14, 25 Aug 11, 16	Sep 08	Oct 22
Stateroom E, D	from	from	from	from	from
Full Fare	\$8,695	\$9,695	\$9,445	\$9,695	\$7,995
Earlybird including \$1,000pp saving	\$7,695	\$8,695	\$8,445	\$8,695	\$6,995
Super Earlybird (Jul/Aug) including \$3,500pp saving	-	-	\$5,945	-	-
Super Earlybird (all other months) including \$2,500pp saving	\$6,195	\$7,195	-	\$7,195	\$5,495
Panorama Balcony Suite C, B, A	from	from	from	from	from
Full Fare	\$11,145	\$12,145	\$11,895	\$12,145	\$10,445
Earlybird including \$1,000pp saving	\$10,145	\$11,145	\$10,895	\$11,145	\$9,445
Super Earlybird including \$3,000pp saving	\$8,145	\$9,145	\$8,895	\$9,145	\$7,445
Grand Balcony Suite S	from	from	from	from	from
Full Fare	\$12,625	\$13,625	\$13,375	\$13,625	\$11,925
Earlybird including \$1,000pp saving	\$11,625	\$12,625	\$12,375	\$12,625	\$10,925
Super Earlybird including \$3,000pp saving	\$9,625	\$10,625	\$10,375	\$10,625	\$8,925
Owner's One-Bedroom Suite SA	from	from	from	from	from
Full Fare	\$14,055	\$15,055	\$14,805	\$15,055	\$13,355
Earlybird including \$1,000pp saving	\$13,055	\$14,055	\$13,805	\$14,055	\$12,355
Super Earlybird including \$3,250pp saving	\$10,805	\$11,805	\$11,555	\$11,805	\$10,105

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Latest pricing and availability visit emeraldcruiises.com.au, call 1300 286 110 or contact your travel agent

*These departures operate in reverse order. To help you select your cabin, detailed cabin and deck plans can be found on pages 130-139.

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18-Day Splendours of Europe with Paris from \$7,620 per person*



Extend your Splendours of Europe river cruise and enjoy...

- Three nights in a centrally located hotel
- Breakfast daily
- A guided bus tour of Paris and a Seine cruise
- Coach transfer between Paris and Amsterdam
- Optional **DiscoverMORE**, Taste of Paris
- Optional **DiscoverMORE**, Retro car tour
- Transfers to and from the airport

Journey Code: EPAF/EPAR

18-Day Splendours of Europe with Prague from \$5,795 per person*



Extend your Splendours of Europe river cruise and enjoy...

- Three nights in a centrally located hotel
- Breakfast daily
- Coffee & cake at Lobkowitz Palace
- Coach transfer between Budapest and Prague
- Included guided walking tour of Prague
- Optional **DiscoverMORE**, Tastes of Czechia
- Transfers to and from the airport

Journey Code: EPGR/EPGR

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The story of a continent told with a remarkable trip through history and culture.

Begin your journey on the iconic Danube river with a traditional Hungarian folklore performance. Over the next fourteen days, sail through the stunning Wachau Valley and the Rhine Gorge, making your way to the canal city of Amsterdam. Along the way explore stunning cities and towns like Vienna and Cologne.



Amsterdam, Netherlands

Budapest to Amsterdam

Departing: April – November 2024

- Day 1 Arrive Budapest
- Day 2 Budapest
- Day 3 Bratislava
- Day 4 Vienna
- Day 5 Dürnstein – Melk
- Day 6 Passau
- Day 7 Regensburg – Kelheim
- Day 8 Nuremberg
- Day 9 Bamberg
- Day 10 Würzburg
- Day 11 Wertheim – Miltenberg
- Day 12 Rüdesheim – Koblenz
- Day 13 Cologne
- Day 14 Amsterdam
- Day 15 Depart Amsterdam



Koblenz, Germany



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Cologne, Germany

Day 1 Arrive Budapest

Welcome to Budapest, one of the most cosmopolitan cities in Eastern Europe. You will be met at the airport and transferred to the comfortable surrounds of your Emerald Cruises Star-Ship, where your friendly captain and crew will be waiting to greet you. This evening, relax on board as you watch an authentic Hungarian folklore show and indulge in a dinner of traditional cuisine.



A traditional Hungarian folklore show

Meals: Dinner

Day 2 Budapest

Budapest is a place of striking contrasts, with Buda on one side housing a generous scattering of the city's elegant landmarks and Pest on the other encapsulating Budapest's fascinating past. The two are separated by the mighty Danube, and you can explore them both by crossing the Chain Bridge, one of the most symbolic structures in the capital.

Today, you will have the opportunity to discover the city's history during a guided tour, including the Castle District, where sights of Buda Castle perched on top of a rocky outcrop overlooking the city are certain to delight. If you are feeling active, then you may instead choose to hike to Buda Hill, following a maze of cobblestone streets to the massive Baroque masterpiece towering overhead.



A guided tour of Budapest



A guided hike to Buda Hill

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 3 Bratislava

Bordering Austria and Hungary, the Slovakian capital is yours to discover today. Wander down cobblestone streets and witness the sheer majesty of ornate Baroque palaces as you explore with a local guide, passing the Renaissance courtyard of the Old Town Hall and the picturesque gardens of the Episcopal Summer Palace. Afterwards, enjoy free time to explore at leisure, perhaps perusing some of the quaint boutiques that line the streets. This afternoon, you will be welcomed into the home of a local family to learn about their culture over traditional sweet treats and coffee.



Home-hosted coffee and cake with a Slovakian family



A guided hike to Bratislava Castle



Skoda Tour of Post-Communist Bratislava



A walking tour of Bratislava

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 4 Vienna

A wave of culture paves the way for life in the Austrian capital, where some of history's most prestigious composers once walked the streets and found their inspiration, before taking to the opulent surrounds of the Vienna State Opera. Today, you will have the opportunity to pass iconic imperial palaces and a number of noteworthy buildings adorning the Ringstrasse, both by coach and on foot. Alternatively, embark on a guided cycling tour past idyllic riverbanks, monuments and lush parks before passing by Prater.



A guided bike tour



A guided tour of Vienna



A visit to Schönbrunn Palace



Viennese evening concert

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 5 Dürnstein – Melk

This morning, you will have the opportunity to hike to Dürnstein Castle, perhaps stopping to imagine how it would have looked when it held Richard the Lionheart captive following the Third Crusade. Alternatively, enjoy a guided bike ride from Dürnstein to Melk, passing noteworthy vineyards and settling down for lunch on the riverbanks. After visiting Dürnstein Castle, relax on the Sun Deck as you sail through the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Wachau Valley and on to Melk, nestled in the heart of the Wachau wine region.



St. Stephen's Cathedral, Vienna, Austria

Your local guide will take you on a tour of the spectacular 900-year-old Benedictine abbey, including its ancient monastic library and medieval manuscripts, saved by the monks from fires in the 13th century.

- A guided hike to Dürnstein Castle
- A guided bike tour along the Danube
- Vineyards Hike & Tasting in Weissenkirchen

Included Excursion



A tour of Melk Abbey

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 6 Passau

Sat on the confluence of the Danube, Inn and Ilz rivers, Passau is a postcard-worthy destination that has been shaped by the surrounding waterways. Maze-like romantic lanes weave through the city, opening up into large squares and magical promenades adorned with classical boutiques. This afternoon, join your local guide for a tour of Passau and discover a peppering of delightful Baroque buildings, some of which date back to the 17th century.



Schönbrunn Palace, Vienna, Austria

Stop to admire the silhouette of the hilltop Oberhaus Fortress and witness St. Stephen's Cathedral, home of the largest church organ in Europe. Later, return for an afternoon spent peacefully cruising through the heart of Europe.

- A guided tour of Passau
- Excursion to Salzburg
- Excursion to Český Krumlov

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 7 Regensburg – Kelheim

After breakfast, set out on an exploration of one of the best-preserved medieval cities in Germany, where more than two millennia of history is yours to discover. Your local guide will lead you through the heart of Regensburg's UNESCO World Heritage-listed Old Town, once home to the seat of parliament. Delightful historic patrician houses line the streets, a visible testament to the area's importance as a trading centre hundreds of years ago. Later, return to your Star-Ship to sail through the picturesque surrounds of the Main-Danube Canal, passing Kelheim as you make your way to Nuremberg.

- A Bavarian band performance
- A guided tour of Regensburg
- Excursion to a local brewery

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 8 Nuremberg

Today, the historic city of Nuremberg is yours to explore during an included sightseeing tour, touching on the architectural wonders that have acted as an inspiration for famous artists from around the world for generations. After your guided tour, enjoy time to explore Nuremberg at leisure, passing idyllic houses that were lovingly reconstructed following the destruction of the war years.

- A guided tour of Nuremberg
- A World War II tour

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 9 Bamberg

This morning, the UNESCO World Heritage-listed town of Bamberg awaits. Thousands of listed buildings can be found in the medieval town centre, an area bursting with character, charm and one of the best-preserved old quarters in Europe. Admire hundreds of ornamental façades as you explore the town with your local guide, passing the New Residence, a building that truly captures the opulence that was enjoyed by the prince bishops. Relax in the Rose Garden before witnessing the opulence of the medieval Altenburg Castle, overlooking the town.

Included Excursion



A guided tour of Bamberg

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner



Bamberg, Germany

Day 10 Würzburg


Set alongside the Main River, Würzburg offers a perfect introduction to the Romantic Road, one of Bavaria's most popular tourism routes that links stunning medieval locations throughout the country. Your own charming journey of discovery will touch on the sloping vineyard-laden hills of one of the biggest wine-producing areas in Germany.

Today, you will have the opportunity to visit the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Würzburg Residence, perhaps stopping to admire the Viennese Baroque architecture and secular features from Italy. Your local guide will teach you about how the architects behind the Würzburg Residence drew inspiration from a spectrum of different popular styles.

After the tour, enjoy a guided walking tour of Würzburg, including the Gothic Marienkapelle and Town Hall.



Walking tour of Würzburg & Visit to the Bishop Residence

 A tour of Rothenburg


Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner




Nuremberg, Germany

Day 12 Rudesheim – Koblenz

Relax on your Star-Ship this morning until we reach Rudesheim, a town with a rich history of viticulture. When you arrive, ride the Winzerexpress to Siegfried's Mechanical Music Cabinet Museum to see spectacular displays, including rare music boxes that have stood the test of time in a postcard-worthy building with a half-timbered façade. Alternatively, enjoy an active walk through vineyards to see what makes this wine region so popular. After lunch, sail through the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Rhine Gorge, perhaps standing on the Sun Deck and watching for the castles and fortresses that pepper the surrounding hilltops.

 An active walk through the vineyards


 A visit to Siegfried's Mechanical Music Cabinet Museum

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 13 Cologne

Cruise along the Rhine from Koblenz to Cologne this morning, where an illustrious 2,000-year-old history awaits. The Romans founded Cologne in 50 AD, and it is one of the oldest cities in the country. This status has granted it a number of ancient monuments, including Roman ruins and medieval structures.

Enjoy a walking tour of the city today, as your local guide takes you through the Old Town, passing ancient bridges that survived the air raids of WWII, including the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Cologne Cathedral and its filigree twin towers, a recognisable aspect of the city's skyline. This evening, your crew will be delighted to welcome you to your Farewell dinner.

 A guided walking tour of Cologne's Old Town

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 11 Wertheim – Miltenberg


This morning, you will have the opportunity to explore the medieval glass-blowing town of Wertheim independently, perhaps stopping to admire the traditional craft that has put Wertheim on the map in a local museum. Then, travel by coach to the picturesque village of Miltenberg, a place that perfectly encapsulates traditional Bavarian life.

Enjoy a guided tour of the village, as your local guide leads you down an intricate network of cobblestone streets, each adorned with colourful houses. Centuries ago, this area benefited from trade that was brought by river traffic, and that past affluence can still be seen today.

Alternatively, embark on an active walk to Miltenburg Castle, where a wonderful collection of artworks can be found inside of a castle that was once little more than a set of ruins.



A guided tour of Miltenberg

 A guided active walk to Miltenburg Castle

 Vineyard Visit & Franconian Wine




Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner



Pfalzgrafenstein Castle, Rhine Valley, Germany

Day 14 Amsterdam

This morning, board a glass top canal boat cruise to venture down the UNESCO World Heritage-listed canal system that weaves across Amsterdam, passing elegant merchant's residences that reflect the prosperity of the Dutch Golden Age, a time when Amsterdam was an important trading centre. Afterwards, enjoy free time to explore at leisure. Alternatively, explore on two wheels, cycling from the comfortable surrounds of your Star-Ship to Waterland, passing a number of quintessentially Dutch villages and traditional windmills along the way.

-  A guided bike tour to Waterland
-  A canal cruise
-  Haarlem Discovery Visit

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner


Day 15 Depart Amsterdam

After breakfast, it's time to say farewell to your fellow guests and depart the Star-Ship for your transfer to the airport, taking memories of the postcard-worthy Rhine Gorge and idyllic Dutch countryside with you.

Meals: Breakfast

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	Stateroom E, D	from	from	from	from
Full Fare	\$8,695	\$9,695	\$9,445	\$7,995	\$7,495
Earlybird including \$1,000pp saving	\$7,695	\$8,695	\$8,445	\$6,995	\$6,495
Super Earlybird (Jul/Aug) Including \$3,500pp saving	-	-	\$5,945	-	-
Super Earlybird (all other months) including \$2,500pp saving	\$6,195	\$7,195	-	\$5,495	\$4,995
Panorama Balcony Suite C, B, A	from	from	from	from	from
Full Fare	\$11,145	\$12,145	\$11,895	\$10,445	\$9,945
Earlybird including \$1,000pp saving	\$10,145	\$11,145	\$10,895	\$9,445	\$8,945
Super Earlybird including \$3,000pp saving	\$8,145	\$9,145	\$8,895	\$7,445	\$6,945
Grand Balcony Suite S	from	from	from	from	from
Full Fare	\$12,625	\$13,625	\$13,375	\$11,925	\$11,425
Earlybird including \$1,000pp saving	\$11,625	\$12,625	\$12,375	\$10,925	\$10,425
Super Earlybird including \$3,000pp saving	\$9,625	\$10,625	\$10,375	\$8,925	\$8,425
Owner's One-Bedroom Suite SA	from	from	from	from	from
Full Fare	\$14,055	\$15,055	\$14,805	\$13,355	\$12,855
Earlybird including \$1,000pp saving	\$13,055	\$14,055	\$13,805	\$12,355	\$11,855
Super Earlybird including \$3,250pp saving	\$10,805	\$11,805	\$11,555	\$10,105	\$9,605

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*These departures operate in reverse order. To help you select your cabin, detailed cabin and deck plans can be found on pages 130-139.

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18-Day Splendours of Europe with Paris from \$7,620 per person*



Extend your Splendours of Europe river cruise and enjoy...

- Three nights in a centrally located hotel
- Breakfast daily
- A guided bus tour of Paris and a Seine cruise
- Coach transfer between Paris and Amsterdam
- Optional **DiscoverMORE**, Taste of Paris
- Optional **DiscoverMORE**, Retro car tour
- Transfers to and from the airport

Journey Code: EPAF/EPAR

18-Day Splendours of Europe with Prague from \$5,795 per person*



Extend your Splendours of Europe river cruise and enjoy...

- Three nights in a centrally located hotel
- Breakfast daily
- Coffee & cake at Lobkowitz Palace
- Coach transfer between Budapest and Prague
- Included guided walking tour of Prague
- Optional **DiscoverMORE**, Tastes of Czechia
- Transfers to and from the airport

Journey Code: EPGR/EPGR

Extend your stay

We are small ship experts championing the intimate and spacious lifestyle that takes you to the very heart of each destination we visit. Each of our eight award-winning boutique Star-Ships sailing the rivers of Europe has an excellent staff-to-guest ratio, striking the perfect balance and ensuring there'll always be someone available to answer your questions.

A popular choice for guests wishing to extend their holiday and discover a new city, the most recent additions to our collection are Copenhagen, Sevilla, Munich Oktoberfest, and the Swiss Glacier Express. Take a look at which extended stay corresponds to your chosen itinerary. These city stays can only be purchased with a cruise.



Paris, France



Copenhagen city stay - from \$1,350pp twin share*

Inclusions:

- Three nights in a centrally-located hotel
- Breakfast daily
- Transfers to and from the airport
- **EmeraldPLUS** Guided city tour with visit to the Amalienborg Palace
- Flights to and from Amsterdam

Available on:

- *Splendours of Europe* - see page 38
- *Jewels of the Rhine* - see page 82



Munich & Oktoberfest city stay - from \$1,295pp twin share*

Inclusions:

- Two nights in a centrally-located hotel
- Breakfast daily
- Transfers to and from the airport
- Guided city tour of Munich
- Entrance to Oktoberfest and a table in the tent

Available on:

- *Danube Delights* - see page 66



3 Night Glacier Express programme – from \$1,905pp twin share*

Inclusions:

- Two nights in Zermatt in a centrally-located hotel
- One night in Zurich in a centrally-located hotel
- Breakfast daily
- Transfers to and from the airport
- Guided city tour of Zermatt
- Glacier Express 2nd Class Train from Zermatt to Chur

Available on:

- *Jewels of the Rhine* – see page 82



Aix-en-Provence city stay – from \$1,270pp twin share*

Inclusions:

- Two nights at a hotel in Aix-en-Provence
- A guided tour of Aix-en-Provence
- Breakfast daily
- Transfers to and from the airport

Available on:

- *Sensations of Lyon & Provence* – see page 98



Sevilla city stay – from \$1,060pp twin share*

Inclusions:

- Three nights in a centrally-located hotel
- Breakfast daily
- Transfers to and from the airport
- Walking tour of Sevilla
- Flights to and from Porto

Available on:

- *Secrets of the Douro* – see page 108



Paris city stay – from \$1,215pp twin share*

Inclusions:

- Up to three nights in a centrally-located hotel
- Breakfast daily
- Guided bus tour of Paris and Seine cruise
- Transfers to and from the airport

Available on:

- *Sensations of Lyon & Provence* – see page 98
- *Splendours of Europe* – see page 38

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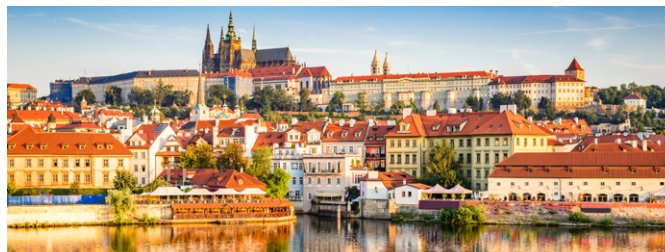
Budapest city stay – from \$515pp twin share*

Inclusions:

- Two nights in a centrally-located hotel
- Breakfast daily
- Guided city tour of Budapest
- Transfers to and from the airport

Available as a pre- or post-cruise extension on:

- *Enchantment of Eastern Europe* – see page 70



Prague city stay – from \$800pp twin share*

Inclusions:

- Up to three nights in a centrally-located hotel
- Breakfast daily
- Guided city tour of Prague
- Transfers to and from the airport
- Coffee and cake at Lobkovicz Palace

Available as a pre- or post-cruise extension on:

- *Splendours of Europe* – see page 38
- *Danube Delights* – see page 66
- *Danube Explorer* – see page 62
- *Christmas Markets on the Danube* – see page 117



Amsterdam city stay – from \$1,005pp twin share*

Inclusions:

- Two nights in a centrally-located hotel
- Breakfast daily
- Transfers to and from the airport
- Guided city tour of Amsterdam and a visit to the Rijksmuseum

Available as a pre- or post-cruise extension on:

- *Jewels of the Rhine* – see page 82



Berlin city stay – from \$615pp twin share*

Inclusions:

- Two nights in a centrally-located hotel
- Breakfast daily
- Fly from Frankfurt to Berlin or vice versa
- Guided city tour of Berlin
- Transfers to and from the airport

Available as a pre- or post-cruise extension on:

- *The Majestic Rhine* – see page 86



Lucerne & Zurich city stay – from \$1,825pp twin share*

Inclusions:

- Three nights in centrally-located hotels - 2 nights in Lucerne and 1 night in Zurich
- Breakfast daily
- Guided tour of Zurich
- Guided tour of Lucerne
- Transfers to and from the airport

Available as a pre- or post-cruise extension on:

- *Jewels of the Rhine* – see page 82
- *The Majestic Rhine* – see page 86
- *Christmas Markets on the Rhine* – see page 116
- *Christmas Time on the Rhine* – see page 97



Transylvania city stay – from \$1,610pp twin share

Inclusions:

- Four nights in centrally-located hotels - 3 nights in Brasov and 1 night in Bucharest
- Breakfast daily
- Guided City Tour of Brasov
- Guided tour of Bran Castle with lunch
- Peles Castle visit
- Transfer to and from Brasov
- Transfers to and from the airport

Available as a pre- or post-cruise extension on:

- *Enchantment of Eastern Europe* – see page 70



Discover Prague on a City Stay



Istanbul city stay – from \$930pp twin share*

Inclusions:

- Three nights in a centrally-located hotel
- Breakfast daily
- Flight from Istanbul to Bucharest
- Guided tour of Istanbul
- Bosphorus cruise
- Transfers to and from the airport

Available as a pre- or post-cruise extension on:

- *Enchantment of Eastern Europe – see page 70*



Nice city stay – from \$980pp twin share*

Inclusions:

- Three nights in a centrally-located hotel
- Breakfast daily
- Guided tour of Monte Carlo
- Transfer to and from the airport
- Transfer to and from ship in Arles

Available as a pre- or post-cruise extension on:

- *Sensations of Lyon & Provence – see page 98*



Lisbon city stay – from \$835pp twin share*

Inclusions:

- Three nights in a centrally-located hotel
- Breakfast daily
- Guided tour of Lisbon
- Transfer to and from the airport
- Transfer to and from ship in Porto

Available as a pre- or post-cruise extension on:

- *Secrets of the Douro – see page 108*



Madrid city stay – from \$800pp twin share*

Inclusions:

- Two nights in a centrally-located hotel
- Breakfast daily
- Guided city tour of Madrid
- Transfers to and from the airport
- Flight between Porto and Madrid

Available as a pre- or post-cruise extension on:

- *Secrets of the Douro – see page 108*

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