

VINES, WINES & CASTLES OF THE RHINE, MOSELLE & MAIN

DÜSSELDORF TO FRANKFURT – 8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS



MOSELLE LOOP

This week-long journey through western Germany is the perfect introduction to the fine art of luxury cruising. Begin in the cosmopolitan city of Düsseldorf before heading south into the spellbinding Rhine Valley, where three-dozen fairytale castles pose dramatically along both banks of the river. At Koblenz, take a detour onto the peaceful waters of the Moselle, traveling into a serene haven of Roman-era vineyards and world-class wines. Discover the medieval charms of Cochem, the colorful architecture of Bernkastel, and the Roman grandeur of Trier before returning to the picturesque reaches of the Rhine. Conclude your voyage along the Main River, disembarking in vibrant Frankfurt, enriched by this incredible journey of scenic beauty, rich culture, and impeccable luxury.

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Day 1 – Düsseldorf	Day 6 – Cochem/ Koblenz
Day 2 – Koblenz/ Rhine Valley	Day 7 – Rhine Valley/ Rüdesheim
Day 3 – Cochem	Day 8 – Frankfurt
Day 4 – Bernkastel	
Day 5 – Trier (Riol)	



DATES IN 2027

20 Jun, 11 Jul, 29 Aug, 19 Sep



RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE EVENT

Further enhance your cruise with unforgettable experiences—like a Rüdesheim original with a VIP twist! Visit a 15th-century knight's residence for a carnival-like music encounter at Siegfried's, then enter a recreated silent movie theater for a private champagne reception as a genuine silent film plays, accompanied by music performed on a restored historical organ!

DAY 1 – DÜSSELDORF

Welcome to Düsseldorf, an international business and financial center known for its fashion and art! Embark the luxurious Riverside Debussy and relax as you settle into your Suite with the assistance of your personal Butler.

DAY 2 – KOBLENZ / RHINE VALLEY SCENIC CRUISING

Morning arrival in ancient Koblenz at the confluence of the Rhine and Moselle Rivers. Led by a local expert, see the best of the Old Town and the iconic German Corner monument. Then, re-board your ship and grab your camera, because words won't do justice to the wonders of the Rhine Valley. As a vital trade route since prehistoric times, this region grew in power and wealth, seeing the construction of more than three dozen hilltop castles during the Middle Ages. Combined with the steep terraced vineyards, fairytale villages, and enduring legends like the Rock of the Loreley, you've got a riverscape like no other. To add to the experience, enjoy a Rudesheimer Coffee-making demonstration on board, followed by a tasting of the unforgettable local specialty!

DAY 3 – COCHEM

During the night, your ship crossed onto the peaceful waters of the Moselle River, pushing westward for morning arrival in Cochem. Sights include the Old Town gate and watchtower, beautiful half-timber houses, and 700-year-old fortifications that still stand today. RIVERSIDE CHOICE offers a visit to 11th-century Reichsburg Castle; a wine-lover's nature hike and cable car ride; and more. A full list of excursions is available on our website.

DAY 4 – BERNKASTEL

Awaken this morning in Bernkastel, where steep-sloped Riesling vineyards dot the landscape and evidence of human habitation dates back to 3000 BC. The medieval marketplace here is particularly eye-catching with its split-timber architecture and intriguing Spitzhäuschen ("Pointed House") from 1416. With RIVERSIDE CHOICE, consider a guided walk through the historical district, followed by tasting at a local winery; a hike to the ruins of Landshut Castle; or a ride through the environs of the middle Moselle in a classic VW Bulli, with a tasting of locally produced wines! Back on the ship for lunch, then join us for a UNIQUELY RIVERSIDE onboard presentation about Moselle Valley wines. Learn about the unique growing conditions here and enjoy a tasting. Evening arrival in Trier, Germany's oldest city.

DAY 5 – TRIER (RIOL)

A visit to Trier is like winning the lottery. You get to experience an incredible German city with a riveting history and impressive viniculture—and there's a bonus, because you'll quickly feel like you've been transported to ancient Rome. Let an expert guide impart the legends and secrets surrounding the 2nd-century Porta Nigra, the city's northernmost gate and symbol of Roman rule. Or, tour the Villeroy & Boch ceramics headquarters, beautifully housed in a former abbey on the banks of the Saar River, or spend time in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, one of Europe's tiniest countries.

DAY 6 – COCHEM / KOBLENZ

Today begins in Cochem, where sights include the Old Town gate, watchtower, half-timber houses, and 14th-century city walls. Excursions include visits to Reichsburg Castle or Castle Eltz; a wine-lover's hiking adventure; or time to investigate the craters and lava streams at Volcanic Eifel Nature Park. After dinner on board, history will spring to life as you accompany Koblenz's town watchman on his nightly patrol to ensure the safety of 1870s citizens.

DAY 7 – RHINE VALLEY WITH LORELEY ROCK / RÜDESHEIM

Today you've entered one of the river's prettiest sections. As a vital trade route since prehistoric times, this region grew in power and wealth, with more than three-dozen hilltop castles constructed during the Middle Ages and lining both sides of the river. After lunch on the ship, disembark in the lovely wine village of Rüdesheim. There are so many outstanding ways to see the sights here—by cable car, e-bike, Land Rover, or on foot. We also offer wine tastings, the chance to experience a Rudesheimer Coffee in the very place where it was invented, and our RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE visit to the town's must-see collection of musical curiosities at Siegfried's Mechanical Music Museum. Afterward, enjoy an old-time silent movie experience, complete with champagne.

DAY 8 – FRANKFURT

After breakfast, disembark your ship. For Riverside transfer details, see our website.

This cruise has extensions available, see our website for options.