

# SEASON'S GREETINGS FROM THE RHINE

AMSTERDAM TO FRANKFURT – 5 DAYS / 4 NIGHTS



RHINE VALLEY IN WINTER

For a short but mighty blast of Christmas cheer, this cruise from Amsterdam to Frankfurt can't be beat. Along the way, you'll see and learn about both the everyday and special Advent traditions along the legendary Rhine River. Stops include the cozy wine village of Rüdesheim in the heart of the castle-filled Rhine Valley; majestic Cologne, whose Old Town mirrors the charm of a winter wonderland; and other fascinating ports. You'll have plenty of time to experience each destination's unique beauty and treasures, including the Christmas Markets! Each city, village, and town celebrates in their own way, but the delicious foods, enticing aromas, and sparkling atmospheres are universal!

## ITINERARY

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| Day 1 – Amsterdam | Day 4 – Rhine Valley / Rüdesheim |
| Day 2 – Amsterdam |                                  |
| Day 3 – Cologne   | Day 5 – Frankfurt                |



## DATES IN 2027

3 Dec, 19 Dec



## RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE EVENT

Further enhance your cruise with unforgettable experiences. In Amsterdam, the city's daytime brilliance is only eclipsed by the city at night! With atmospheric music setting the mood, cruise through the 17th-century canals, enjoying a drink and your choice of decadent dessert. Float past islands, bridges, the famous Anne Frank House, and splendid patrician homes from the Dutch Golden Age.



COLOGNE

## DAY 1 – AMSTERDAM

Welcome to Amsterdam, capital of the Netherlands and the show-stopping “Venice of the North”, where more than 62 miles (100 km) of canals zigzag through the city. Embark your Riverside luxury ship, get settled, and meet fellow cruisemates during your first onboard dinner. This evening, don’t miss our RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE dessert cruise through the romantic canals of Amsterdam.

## DAY 2 – AMSTERDAM

Goedemorgen (good morning)—the magnificence of Amsterdam awaits! You can spend time with the Dutch masters at the Rijksmuseum; visit the Royal Palace of Amsterdam; follow in the final footsteps of Holocaust diarist Anne Frank during a virtual reality experience; or other great RIVERSIDE CHOICE excursion options. You can see a complete list of offerings on our website.

## DAY 3 – COLOGNE

Relax on the ship this morning, with time to sleep in, enjoy a leisurely breakfast, or schedule a pampering massage or spa treatment. After lunch, the ship arrives in Cologne for a guided stroll through the historic district, visit to the awe-inspiring cathedral (symbol of the city and home to the Shrine of the Three Magi), and chance to make merry at one of Germany’s breathtaking Christmas Markets. Immerse yourself in the pre-Christmas ambiance, complete with twinkling

lights, beautiful carols and church bells, gingerbread and almond cookies, and, of course, sizzling wursts (sausages), hot off the grill!

## DAY 4 – RHINE VALLEY SCENIC CRUISING /RÜDESHEIM

The morning begins with scenic cruising through the Rhine Valley, where dozens of medieval castles adorn both sides of the river and the ominous Rock of the Loreley awaits with its foreboding legend. On board, don’t miss our UNIQUELY RIVERSIDE Rüdesheimer Coffee demonstration and tasting. After lunch, arrive in the cozy wine village of Rüdesheim, where the Winzerexpress train shows off the sights with commentary about the area’s history and culture. Afterward, there’s time to soak in the Christmas atmosphere along the Drosselgasse, a 15th-century cobblestone lane lined with Old World architecture. Consider warming yourself with a Rüdesheimer Coffee in the very place it was invented.

## DAY 5 – FRANKFURT

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

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