

# INSPIRING RHINE & MOSELLE: HOLLAND TO SWITZERLAND

AMSTERDAM TO BASEL – 12 DAYS / 11 NIGHTS



COCHEM

As you pass through four countries, which will emerge as your favorite? Holland, where the vibrance of Amsterdam is a real show-stopper? Germany, where each city, town, and village is more impressive than the last? The fairytale impressions in France...or the tri-national melting pot in Switzerland? Decisions, decisions! Your luxury ship whisks you along the waters of the Lower and Middle Rhine before turning onto the Moselle. There, everywhere you look, you'll see evidence of the Roman Empire's one-time influence. Re-entering the Rhine, enjoy a highlight passage through the castle-filled Rhine Gorge before crossing into the Upper Rhine. Between 1817 and 1876, this section of river was straightened, deepened, channelled, and made navigable by German engineers – incredible!

## ITINERARY

Day 1 – Amsterdam	Day 8 – Rhine Gorge/ Rüdesheim
Day 2 – Amsterdam	Day 9 – Mannheim/ Speyer
Day 3 – Cologne	Day 10 – Strasbourg
Day 4 – Koblenz/ Rhine Gorge	Day 11 – Breisach
Day 5 – Bernkastel	Day 12 – Basel
Day 6 – Trier (Riol)	
Day 7 – Cochem/ Koblenz	



## DATES IN 2026

1 Jul, 28 Oct



## UNIQUELY RIVERSIDE

UNIQUELY RIVERSIDE features an authentic destination experience that leaves an unforgettable impression. As you cruise through the stunning beauty of the Moselle Valley, learn the secrets behind the area's acclaimed wines. Join an expert oenologist for an onboard talk that introduces you to the distinct characteristics of the soil and steep nature of the vineyards. Then, taste several varieties yourself!

## DAY 1 – AMSTERDAM

Welcome to Amsterdam, grand capital of the Netherlands. This “Venice of the North” is also affectionately known as A'dam, Dansko, and Mokum, and each nickname has a fascinating backstory. Embark the luxurious Riverside Debussy and relax as you settle in. Tonight, meet fellow cruisemates at your first gourmet dinner on board, then feel free to head back out to explore as your ship remains in port overnight.

## DAY 2 – AMSTERDAM

Begin the day with breakfast your way before stepping off the ship to explore. A great selection of RIVERSIDE CHOICE excursions awaits, like time at the incomparable Rijksmuseum, a virtual reality tour that follows in the footsteps of Anne Frank, or a cruise along some of the 62-plus miles (100-plus km) of canals zigzagging through the city. See our website for a complete list of the excursions available on your cruise. Later, return to the ship for a relaxing afternoon of lunch and scenic cruising.

## DAY 3 – COLOGNE

A leisurely morning is followed by after-lunch arrival in monumental Cologne, whose skyline is defined by a dozen historical churches. Make the most of your time with a tour through the Old Town and famous twin-spired cathedral; a palate-pleasing chocolate or Kölsch Beer discovery; or a fun e-bike adventure to see the sights in an active way.



COLOGNE



MARKSBURG CASTLE

## DAY 4 – KOBLENZ / RHINE GORGE SCENIC CRUISING

Stop this morning in ancient Koblenz, where the Rhine and Moselle Rivers meet. Join a local expert to see the best of the Old Town and iconic “German Corner” monument. Alternatively, visit Marksburg, the only castle in the Rhine Gorge that has never been destroyed; or ride a cable car up to 16th-century Ehrenbreitstein Fortress. Afterward, reboard your ship and grab your camera, because words won't do justice to the wonders of the Rhine Gorge. As a vital trade route since prehistoric times, this region grew in power and wealth, with more than three-dozen hilltop castles and fortresses constructed during the Middle Ages. Combined with the fairytale villages and enduring Loreley legend, you've got a riverscape like no other.

## DAY 5 – BERNKASTEL

Awaken this morning in the heart of the ancient Moselle River Valley. A UNIQUELY RIVERSIDE onboard presentation and tasting offers a great introduction to Moselle Valley wines. After lunch, arrive in splendid Bernkastel, whose medieval marketplace is particularly eye-catching. Be sure to stop by the unique Spitzhäuschen (Pointed House), built in 1416. RIVERSIDE CHOICE offers an Old Town walk and wine tasting at a local winery; a hike up to the ruins of mighty Landshut Castle; or sightseeing from the seat of an electric bicycle!



REICHSBURG CASTLE, COCHEM

## DAY 6 – TRIER

Welcome to Germany's oldest city, carefully crafted over the past 2,000 years and heavily influenced by the Roman Empire. With your time here, sample the delectable wines, marvel at the Porta Nigra and other ancient Roman ruins, or join us for a day trip to neighboring Luxembourg, one of Europe's tiniest countries.

## DAY 7 – COCHEM / KOBLENZ

Today's agenda begins in Cochem, settled over 2,000 years ago by the Celts and Romans. Sights include the Old Town gate, watchtower, and the impressive city walls that were built in 1332. With RIVERSIDE CHOICE, you can visit Reichsburg Castle or Castle Eltz; embark on a wine lover's hiking adventure; or investigate the craters and lava streams at Volcanic Eifel Nature Park. After dinner on board, history will spring to life as you accompany the town watchman on his nightly patrol to ensure the safety of the citizens in 1870s Koblenz!

## DAY 8 – RHINE GORGE / RÜDESHEIM

Re-enter the heart of the Middle Rhine, disembarking in the lovely wine village of Rudesheim. There are so many outstanding ways to see the sights here – by cable car, electric bicycle, or Land Rover. We also offer wine tastings, the chance to experience an authentic Rudesheimer Coffee, 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 9 – MANNHEIM / SPEYER

Our spotlight shines first today on Mannheim, where the Rhine and Neckar Rivers meet. Hear about the city's unusual street layout and many inventions during a fascinating guided walk, then visit the massive Baroque palace. Or, consider an outing to Heidelberg to see its legendary castle ruin and charming Old Town. After lunch, turn your attention to 2,000-year-old Speyer, one of Germany's oldest cities. Consider wine tasting in the Old Town, an enriching Jewish heritage tour, or time perusing the fascinating Technology Museum.

## DAY 10 – STRASBOURG

Say "bonjour" to the exquisite French city of Strasbourg. Plenty of RIVERSIDE CHOICE excursions are on offer today, including a guided tour of the Old Town and beautiful cathedral, a relaxing canal cruise, e-biking, or wine tasting in medieval Obernai.

## DAY 11 – BREISACH

In Breisach, you'll discover the captivating gateway between the French Alsace region and Germany's legendary Black Forest. Excursion choices feature a wine cellar tasting experience; an active hike through Ravenna Gorge or e-biking; or an outing to Freiburg, the southernmost town in Germany.

## DAY 12 – BASEL

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



SPEYER