RHÔNE RIVER ROAMING WITH RHÔNE DELTA & PONT DU GARD

LYON TO AVIGNON - 8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS



TAIN L'HERMITAGE

Experience the best of southern France, known by the locals as le Midi! Visit Vienne, Viviers, Tarascon, Van Gogh's beloved Arles, and other inviting Rhône River ports. Highlights include Lyon's 2,000-year-old Old Town; Tarascon's medieval castle; Avignon's grand Palace of the Popes; and Châteauneuf-du-Pape for a wine tasting beyond compare! Personalize your cruise daily with RIVERSIDE CHOICE. Options include outings to Beaujolais, Aix-en-Provence, or the Camargue with its pink flamingos; or even active pursuits such as kayaking or eBiking. Al fresco dining atop the Vista Deck as you cruise through the lovely Rhône Delta is the pièce de résistance of your journey!



Day 1 - Lyon

Day 2 - Vienne

Day 3 - Tain

l'Hermitage

Day 4 – Viviers/ Châteauneuf-

du-Pape

Day 5 – Avignon

Day 6 - Arles/Port-Saint-Louis/

Rhône-Delta

Day 7 - Tarascon/

Avignon

Day 8 - Avignon



DATES IN 2025

6 Apr, 20 Apr, 4 May, 18 May, 4 Jun, 18 Jun, 2 Jul*, 16 Jul, 30 Jul, 13 Aug, 27 Aug, 10 Sep, 24 Sep, 19 Oct, 2 Nov

*departure during lavender season



RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE EVENT

Escape into an unrivaled world of flavors and South-of-France ambiance at Domaine de Panéry winery. As atmospheric music welcomes you, tour the estate's wine cave to learn about the process behind its award-winning organic reds, whites, and rosés. Then, enjoy a tasting surrounded by the delightful gardens, vineyards, and olive groves, followed by a multi course Dinner.

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DAY 1 - LYON

Welcome to 2,000-year-old Lyon, France's exciting gastronomic capital. Embark the luxurious Riverside Ravel and settle in – or, if you arrive early, join us for a guided stroll in the historical district. Tonight, meet your crew and fellow traveling companions during your first onboard dinner. Ship cruises overnight.

DAY 2 - VIENNE

Your day begins with breakfast as you cruise toward Vienne, a city with a long history as a colony of the Roman Empire. With your RIVERSIDE CHOICE selection of excursions, you can join a guided walk through the Old Town, featuring the 1st-century Gallo-Roman Temple, cathedral, and 13,000-spectator amphitheater, one of the largest in Gaul. Time at the Gallo-Roman Museum might also be interesting or the chance to see the sights from the seat of an eBike!

DAY 3 – TAIN L'HERMITAGE

Spend time today in Tain l'Hermitage, with a RIVERSIDE CHOICE of excursions. You might join a guided walk through neighboring Tournon to see its striking hilltop castle; visit whimsical Cheval Palace, the 19th-century creation of a simple postman who stumbled on a stone; or attend a tasting of rich French chocolate at Valrhona. The ship departs by early afternoon, with many great ways to make the most of your time on board. You can take advantage of the Riverside Ravel's wonderful amenities, socialize with new friends, or maybe attend an enriching talk or mixology demonstration!

DAY 4 – VIVIERS / CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE

Arrive early in tiny Viviers for some big RIVER-SIDE CHOICE experiences! How about a truffle-hunting lesson and visit of 17th-century Château Grignon; a guided hike through the Ardèche Gorge; or a prehistoric cave art encounter at Chauvet Cave 2, the world's largest cave replica? Later, reboard your ship for a lively onboard food and wine tasting with an informative and entertaining local expert. Then, arrive in Châteauneuf-du-Pape for a RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE tasting of the region's famous wines. Hear how historical popes were associated with the famous appellation, and how the wines are created with notes of berries, plums, and earthy spices. Ship remains in port overnight.

DAY 5 - AVIGNON

Welcome to Avignon, one-time home to Europe's powerful 14th-century pontiffs. Some wonderful RIVERSIDE CHOICE options are in store today, including a highlights of Provence tour featuring the water wheels of L'Isle sur la Sorgue, picture-perfect Sénanque Abbey, Luberon Natural Regional Park, a delightful lunch, and more!

DAY 6 – ARLES / RHÔNE DELTA SCENIC CRUISING

Today is dedicated to Arles' warm embrace – the very place where Vincent van Gogh spent more than a year capturing the beauty of the area on canvas. RIVERSIDE CHOICE includes a guided walk that follows in the artist's footsteps, a tasting of the area's amazing wines, or a spectacular sound and light show. Outings are also available to Aix-en-Provence or the Camargue with its pink flamingos and wild horses. This evening, head up to the Vista Deck for unhindered views of the scenic Rhône Delta and a delicious al fresco dinner aboard one of the only river vessels that prepares and serves UNIQUELY RIVERSIDE AI Fresco Dinner on the top deck while cruising. Ship cruises overnight.

DAY 7 - TARASCON / AVIGNON

The pleasant Provençal town of Tarascon greets you early this morning. How about a guided tour of its medieval castle, whose dungeons once held prisoners doomed during the French Revolution? Or, maybe a walking tour with wine tasting or eBiking to Avignon with a picnic en route! After lunch on the ship, return to Avignon for some wonderful RIVERSIDE CHOICE options at the 1st-century Roman aqueduct, Pont du Gard, including kayaking along the Gardon River below the monument. You can also remain in Avignon for an enjoyable eBiking tour - or head out on your own for some shopping. Tonight, your ship remains in port for a RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE cellar tour and tasting event followed by a multi course dinner at the beautiful Domaine de Panéry winery.

DAY 8 - AVIGNON

After breakfast, disembark the Riverside Ravel and enjoy complimentary transfers to the airport, train station, or central hotel.