

## Magical Rhine and Moselle Rivers

### Highlights...

Amsterdam • 7-Night River Cruise • Rhine River • Cologne • Moselle River • Cochem • Wine Tasting • Koblenz • Rudesheim • Siegfried's Mechanical Music Museum • Mannheim • Speyer • Strasbourg • Lucerne • Zurich



10 Days • 22 Meals: 8 Breakfasts • 6 Lunches • 8 Dinners

#### Collette experiences

- Set out on a 7-night cruise along the Rhine.
- Discover lovely Strasbourg on a guided tour.
- Take in the sounds of barrel organs and medieval instruments at Siegfried's *Mechanisches Musikkabinett*.

#### Must-see inclusions

- Explore the picturesque town of Rudesheim.
- Cruise the famous canals of Amsterdam and join a local guide for a city tour.
- Stroll Cologne's Old Town during a walking tour.

#### Culinary inclusions

- Enjoy a Captain's Gala Dinner aboard your ship.
- Visit one of Cochem's renowned wine cellars.
- Enjoy unlimited regional wines with every dinner onboard.

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Discover a dramatic waterway where winding valleys give way to riverside cities and Alpine hamlets. Venture along the Rhine and Moselle and spend time in beloved European cities, getting a taste of the local culture in each stop along the way.

#### Day 2: Amsterdam, Netherlands - Tour Begins - Board Cruise Ship

Your tour opens in Amsterdam, a city of narrow canals and stone bridges, where you will board your ship. Your home for the next seven nights, this ship offers an array of amenities including outside staterooms, unlimited wine with every dinner, and daily onboard musical performances. This evening, meet in the lounge for a cocktail reception followed by a welcome aboard dinner. *Today dinner will be included.*

#### Day 3: Amsterdam

Embark on a tour of Amsterdam with a local expert before seeing the city from a different perspective, voyaging along the city's centuries-old canal system. Sail by charming cafés and famous 16th-century row houses stacked side-by-side. In the evening, relax as your ship departs the Netherlands and makes its way to Germany. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 4: Cologne, Germany

As the sun rises, glide along the Rhine River and pass through the picturesque German landscapes dotted with medieval towns. Your journey brings you to Cologne, where you will join a guide for a walking tour of the city's Gothic Old Town. Wander along cobblestone streets and admire the Cologne Cathedral, the Roman Dionysus mosaic, and the Romanesque church of St. Martin. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 5: Moselle River - Cochem

Cross into the Moselle River to Cochem, a storybook town overlooking the water. Embark on a guided tour through the town and into Reichsburg Castle, a fortress perched high above the surrounding area. End your tour in one of Cochem's wine cellars, introducing you to the culture with a local winemaker and a tasting of regional Mosel wines. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 6: Koblenz - Rudesheim

Continue on to Koblenz and get to know this 2,000-year-old city on a walking tour. See how the city has been reborn after WWII, which took a heavy toll on the main structures. You'll pass through the renovated old town and see Schaengel Fountain. Your next stop is Rudesheim, which you'll explore with an expert guide. Visit the city's famous Siegfried's *Mechanisches Musikkabinett* (Mechanical Music Museum) and hear the traditional music of barrel organs and medieval instruments. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 7: Mannheim - Speyer

The river takes you to Mannheim where you will have free time to explore this German city and its parks on your own. Perhaps you will join an optional excursion to Heidelberg, an ancient city of Renaissance buildings and castle ramparts. Later, sail to Speyer, one of Germany's oldest cities, and step back in time on a walking tour to explore the Old Gate and the Jewish baths. End your day at the Captain's Gala Dinner – a lively celebration of food, music and entertainment. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 8: Strasbourg, France

Cross the French border and experience Strasbourg, a fairytale town that blends centuries of international influences to create its own unique culture. Walking through the old quarter, Petite France, take in the iconic timber-framed houses, the Cathedral of Notre Dame, and Place de la République. Make the most of some free time to explore this perfectly preserved town before returning to your ship. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 9: Basel, Switzerland - Disembark Ship - Lucerne - Zurich

Disembark your ship and travel to Lucerne, the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake." On a leisurely paced *Altstadt* (Old Town) walking tour, see the hidden treasures of this 800-year-old city, including the covered Chapel Bridge and the Lion Monument. Tonight enjoy dinner with your fellow travellers before ending your day in Zurich. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

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#### Day 10: Zurich - Tour Ends

Wish the river valleys goodbye as your tour comes to a close today. *Today breakfast will be included.*

### Experience It! The Rhine River

To know the Rhine River is to know Europe. Running from the Swiss Alps through Germany, this vital waterway eventually flows into the North Sea. Historically important and visually stunning, the Rhine provides the perfect "highway" from which to explore the heart of the Old World. From your cruise ship, you will see fairy-tale castles, endless vineyards and ancient cities. Legendary landmarks like Lorelei Rock, which soars high above the river, complete a perfect picture. Travel from Amsterdam, the Netherlands to Basel, Switzerland in style. Along the way, you gain a new perspective that only a river and land travel experience can offer.

#### Your itinerary at a glance

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 8	<i>MS Amadeus Imperial</i>
Day 9	Hilton Garden Inn Zurich Limmattal, Zurich

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Private yachts to small ships, iconic rivers and fjords to open sea, **Cruising** offers a new perspective of the world. Local experts guide the way on land, introducing travelers to each new destination through included cultural experiences, iconic sights, and regional cuisine.

**Collette's Flagship:** Collette's tours open the door to a world of amazing destinations. Marvel at must-see sights, sample regional cuisine, stay in centrally located hotels and connect with new and captivating cultures. These itineraries offer an inspiring and easy way to experience the world, where an expert guide takes care of all the details.

## Please Note:

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

Cabins are available on lower (Haydn), middle (Strauss) and upper (Mozart) decks. Please note that river cruises are smaller ships and only have a finite number of each cabin category available. Specific categories are available on a first come, first served basis. Every effort will be made to accommodate your cabin choice at time of reservation; however, if that cabin category is no longer available, the closest available category will be offered. Please inquire through our Client Care Center for any upgrade fees which will apply for different cabin categories. Suites are available (Amadeus Suites) on a very limited basis.

Gratuities for cabin stewards, bus boys and waiters on board the ship are not included.

Single accommodations are extremely limited. Triple and child accommodations are not available.

Ports of call are subject to change based on pier availability and weather conditions.

Coffee or tea is included at all meals. Wine, beer and soda are included with each dinner onboard the ship.

Smart casual wear is recommended throughout the trip. For the welcome and farewell dinners, a dinner dress for ladies and jacket and tie for gentlemen is recommended. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended throughout the trip.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

This itinerary is subject to change due to unforeseen changes in water levels, delays at the locks and other circumstances that may arise along the waterways. These changes may include items being missed during the tour; however, every effort will be made to substitute another attraction if possible.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport.

Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Air passengers will arrive into Amsterdam, Netherlands airport and depart from Zurich, Switzerland airport. All transfers will depart from/return to these airports.

The cruise line reserves the right to charge a supplemental fuel charge. Should this charge be incurred, you will be notified in advance.

Embarkation on day 2 is after 4:00 p.m.; on day 9, disembarkation is normally at 9:00 a.m.

#### IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov) for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

**IMPORTANT:** We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

*Effective for travel after January 2023, all visitors who do not need a visa to enter Europe will be expected to apply for an ETIAS travel authorization, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit <https://www.etiasvisa.com/>*

**The overall activity level of this tour is a level 1.** This means you're a leisurely traveler. You like to discover the energy of a new place, but typically take it easy. You can handle at least one flight of stairs, board a coach, and walk for 15-30 minutes at a time with little difficulty.

## Important reservation information:

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**\*Airfare:** For your convenience, we offer airfare for purchase with all vacation packages. If you purchase an air inclusive program, your airfare will be quoted inclusive of all fuel, taxes and fees. Your rates are subject to change until paid in full. Preassigned seats are limited and may not be available on every flight or departure date.

**Checked Baggage Charges:** Some airlines may impose additional charges if you choose to check any baggage. Please contact your airline or refer to its website for detailed information regarding your airline's checked baggage policies.

**Cancellation Charges for this tour:** After your seat reduction date has passed, a non-refundable deposit will be retained. For Cancellation between 60-16 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 30% of total price. For cancellation between 15-1 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 50% of total price. For cancellation on the day of departure and after: 100% of total price. For Ocean Cruises: For cancellation between 90-61 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 35% of total price. For cancellation between 60-31 days prior to departure: 60% of total price. 30 or fewer days prior to departure: 100% of total price. For River Cruises: including Europe, Russia, Egypt and China, 90-61 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 50% of total price. For cancellation between 60-31 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 85% of total price. For cancellation 30 or fewer days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 100% of total price. For Galapagos and Antarctica: A cancellation fee of 60% will apply for cancellation between 120-90 days prior to departure; A cancellation charge of 100% will apply for cancellation less than 90 days prior to departure. Cancellation protection is highly recommended and must be purchased at time of deposit. Air rates are subject to change until tour is paid in full. If Travel Protection Plan has not been purchased and a reservation is cancelled for any reason prior to departure - Air is 100% non-refundable once paid in full. Cancellation charges also apply to reservations made for "pre" and "post" night accommodations. Payment of a Per Person Travel Protection Plan Fee guarantees a full refund of all payments (including deposit), except the Travel Protection Plan Fee itself, made to Collette for travel arrangements in case of cancellation of your travel plans for any reason prior to the day of departure. The Travel Protection Plan Fee with Air only covers airline tickets you have purchased from Collette.

Exception: If you originally purchased nonrefundable airline tickets, Part B of the Travel Protection Plan may provide a refund for the airline tickets, taxes, or fees in the event of a cancellation for a covered reason (see Part B for more details). The Travel Protection Plan Fee does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's traveling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. However, the Part B travel insurance includes a single supplement benefit of \$1,000 for certain covered reasons as detailed in Part B. In this case, the single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels. Division of this charge between the two passengers involved is solely their responsibility. If insufficient funds are deducted from the canceling client, the traveling client will be charged the remaining portion of the single supplement. Cancellation waiver protects you from penalties in the event you have a need to cancel your entire inclusive tour package up to the day prior to departure. Cancellation waiver does not indemnify you from penalties if you chose to cancel partial tour components or air. If you chose to partially cancel your vacation, you will be responsible for a revision fee as well as any penalties that are incurred at the time of the cancellation. Upon cancellation of transportation or travel services where you, the customer, are not at fault and have not canceled in violation of the terms and conditions above, you will be refunded 100%. Please see your sales agent for more information, or review our brochure for details.

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