



Cruise Details

Name:	Colors of Provence
Reference:	AMAFG241024FBV
Operator:	Ama Waterways
Cruise Type:	River
Cruise Rating:	Luxury
Ship:	AmaKristina
Regions:	Rhone
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Departs On:	24 Oct 24
Departs From:	Lyon
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Arrives On:	31 Oct 24
Arrives At:	Arles
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Cruise Nights:	7
Total Vacation Days:	8

Itinerary

Day 1: Lyon (France)

EMBARKATION – LYON, FRANCE. Board your cruise in Lyon. Tonight, meet your fellow passengers as the ship moors overnight. (D)

Arrives On: 24 Oct 24

Day 2: Lyon (France)

LYON – TREVOUX. Discover dynamic Lyon, starting in Fourvière Hill, part of the city's historic region that is now a designated UNESCO World Heritage Site and home to the 19th-century basilica Notre-Dame de Fourvière. Continue on to the old town of Lyon, followed by a guided walk through the St. Jean district, where you will be introduced to the city's unique covered walkways, known as "traboules." Alternately, indulge in rich cheeses, fresh breads and charcuterie in Les Halles Market or join a guided bike tour through the city designed with cyclists in mind. In the afternoon, travel to the Beaujolais wine region—known as the Pays d'Or or "land of the golden stones." Indulge in a

wine tasting at a traditional winery and learn about the history and techniques of their vineyard. (B,L,D)

Arrives On: 25 Oct 24

Day 3: Lyon (France)

LYON – VIENNE. Enjoy free time in Lyon. Pop into an outdoor café for an authentic French breakfast or visit one of the city's many amazing museums during your leisurely morning. Bid Lyon adieu and set sail for Vienne. (B,L,D)

Arrives On: 26 Oct 24

Day 4: Vienne (France)

VIENNE – TOURNON. Situated between the wine regions of Beaujolais and Côtes du Rhône lies Vienne with a Roman past that can be seen in its marvelously preserved ruins. Follow the footsteps of the ancient Romans on a walking tour to see the amazingly well-preserved Augustus and Livia Temple, the Saint Maurice Cathedral, a Gothic church that took more than 500 years to build, and St. Pierre Abbey—one of the oldest surviving churches in France, and now an Archaeological Museum. For those wishing to be more active, you can either take a guided bike tour along a portion of the ViaRhôna bike route or a guided hike from the ship to the Monastery at Mount Pipet. (B,L,D)

Arrives On: 27 Oct 24

Day 5: Tournon-sur-Rhône (France)

TOURNON. You have a choice of three excursions. Take an exclusive private train ride past magnificent landscape carved along the Gorge du Doux, stopping at the charming little station of Colombier le Vieux-Saint Barthélemy le Plain, where the train maneuvers in preparation for its return journey. Alternatively, lovers of wine and chocolate will want to visit Le Château de Tournon for a presentation and tasting on the pairing of red wine and chocolate. For a more active adventure, take a hike through the vineyards of Tain l'Hermitage, followed by a visit to a local winery where you'll sample some of the wines. (B,L,D)

Arrives On: 28 Oct 24

Day 6: Avignon (France)

AVIGNON. Avignon, aptly named the "City of Popes," was the center of the Catholic Church in the 14th century when its "Palais des Papes" was the equivalent of today's Vatican. Depending on your interests, you have three choices of excursions. Discover the history of Avignon on a guided walking tour that includes the Papal Palace and the well-preserved medieval walls surrounding the

historic center of town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Alternatively, you can go to another UNESCO World Heritage Site, the impressive Pont du Gard, a Roman aqueduct that is a masterpiece of ancient engineering. Or if you prefer, visit three venues around Avignon to taste regional specialties including macarons, cheese and wine, and tapenades. During the afternoon, you can enjoy free time in Avignon or go on a bike tour. You can also go in search of the highly prized "Black Diamond" truffles with a farmer and his trustworthy canine companion. In the evening, enjoy a short cruise to Pont d'Avignon bridge, illuminated against the night sky. (B,L,D)

Arrives On: 29 Oct 24

Day 7: Arles (France)

ARLES. Considered one of the most beautiful cities in France, Arles enchants. For art lovers, you'll wish to visit Saint Paul de Mausole Asylum, where Vincent van Gogh once lived and painted. Afterwards, go to the Carrières de Lumières, where you'll be treated to a spectacular presentation of art, sound and history projected on the walls of caves. Alternatively, venture to the medieval hilltop village, Les Baux de Provence, followed by a visit to an olive farm where you'll learn about age-old Provençal traditions from a master olive miller as well as sample the olive oil. Or for a different adventure, journey to Aigues-Mortes, known for its well preserved medieval walls and guard towers, followed by a visit to the beautiful Camargue National Park, a protected natural territory with more than 400 different species of birds. During the afternoon, you can join a walking tour of Arles highlighting top sights, including the Romanesque cathedral and Roman amphitheater; or take a guided bike tour to the Roman ruins. And for those who wish to delve further into Van Gogh's Arles, join a special walking tour along with a visit to the Vincent van Gogh Foundation, showcasing his legacy. (B,L,D)

Arrives On: 30 Oct 24

Day 8: Arles (France)

ARLES – DISEMBARKATION. Disembark your ship in Avignon. (B)

Arrives On: 31 Oct 24

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