Cruise Details

Name:	Colors of Provence (Wine Cruise)
Reference:	AMAFG271111FCQ
Operator:	Ama Waterways
Cruise Type:	River
Cruise Rating:	Luxury
Ship:	AmaKristina
Regions:	Rhone and Saone
Departs On:	11 Nov 27
Departs From:	Arles
Arrives On:	18 Nov 27
Arrives At:	Lyon
Cruise Nights:	7
Total Vacation Days:	7

Itinerary

Day 1: Arles (France)

EMBARKATION - ARLES, FRANCE. Board your cruise in Arles. This evening, meet your fellow passengers as the ship moors overnight. (D)

Arrives On: 11 Nov 27

Day 2: 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 such well-known works as "The Irises" and "Starry Night." Many people consider Van Gogh's Arles period to be the most creative of his career. 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. 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. (B,L,D)

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Day 3: 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 in the morning. 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. You can visit three venues around Avignon to taste regional specialties including macarons, cheese and wine, and tapenades, or you can enjoy a bike tour through the city. During the afternoon, 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, visit a winery in the famed Châteauneuf-du-Pape wine region, where viticulture has been promoted since the 14th century. The unique soil composition here has earned the area a reputation for producing distinctive wines that are now popular the world over. Join a specialist from the winery on a private tour of the wine cellars and vineyards, an exclusive opportunity to learn about centuries-old winemaking methods. Following your tour, enjoy a tasting of the vineyard’s specialty wines. (B,L,D)

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Day 4: Viviers (France)

VIVIERS - TOURNON. Visit the magnificent hilltop village, Grignan. After visiting this enchanting Provencal town, go in search of the highly prized “Black Diamond,” truffles, with a farmer and his trustworthy canine companion. You can also explore Viviers on a guided walking tour, where you’ll see iconic sights such as Saint-Vincent Cathedral. Continue on with a peaceful hike along the trails outside Viviers, culminating in a panoramic view of the Rhône Valley below. You can also set off on a guided bike tour, exploring the beauty of Southern France as you ride along the Rhône River. Later in the day, be treated to a delicious pairing of red wine and chocolate at the beautiful Villa Caroube. (B,L,D)

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Day 4: Tournon-sur-Rhône (France)

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Day 5: Tournon-sur-Rhône (France)

TOURNON. Walk through the steep vineyards as you learn about the history and techniques of winemaking in this area. Following the guided tour, join your host for a tasting of the Hermitage wines for which this region is celebrated. Alternatively, take a steam 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. For a more active adventure, enjoy 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: 15 Nov 27

Day 6: Vienne (France)

VIENNE – LYON. 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. Take 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. 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." Or for those more interested in discovering why Lyon is France's culinary capital, visit the city's famed indoor food market, which has nearly five-dozen stalls selling countless gourmet delights. (B,L,D)

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Day 6: Lyon (France)

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Day 7: Villefranche-sur-Saône (France)

VILLEFRANCHE. Enjoy free time in Lyon or travel to the Beaujolais wine region—known as the Pays d'Or or "land of the golden stones." While there, indulge in a wine tasting at a traditional winery and learn about the history and techniques of their vineyard. (B,L,D)

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Day 8: Lyon (France)

LYON - DISEMBARKATION. Disembark your cruise in Lyon. (B)

Arrives On: 18 Nov 27

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