



## Cruise Details

Name:	Amsterdam & Jewels of the Rhine & Zurich-Lucerne
Reference:	EMERALDEACZ011026-1
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	River
Cruise Rating:	Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Dawn
Regions:	Rhine
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Departs On:	01 Oct 26
Departs From:	Amsterdam
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Arrives On:	13 Oct 26
Arrives At:	Zurich
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Cruise Nights:	12
Total Vacation Days:	13

## Itinerary

### Day 1: Amsterdam (Netherlands)

Welcome to Amsterdam, the capital of The Netherlands famous for world-class museums, artistic heritage and elaborate canal system. You will be met at the airport and taken to your centrally located hotel, with a two-night stay included in your itinerary.

Arrives On: 01 Oct 26

### Day 2: Amsterdam (Netherlands)

This morning, your local guide will take you on a tour of Amsterdam, introducing you to a place of fascinating stories, spellbinding art and remarkable architecture. Amsterdam is considered one of the greatest small capitals in the world where your destination is never too far away. Your carefully planned walking tour will take you to one of world's greatest museums, the Rijksmuseum, hosting a collecting of over 8000 works including those of Dutch masters Rembrandt, Vermeer and Rubens.

**Included Excursion**

/><span>Walking tour of Amsterdam with Rijksmuseum visit</span></p>

Arrives On: 02 Oct 26

### Day 3: Amsterdam (Netherlands)

<p><p>Today, you will be transferred from your hotel to your contemporary Emerald Waterways Star-Ship. This evening, join your fellow guests for a welcome dinner on board.</p></p>

Arrives On: 03 Oct 26

### Day 4: Amsterdam (Netherlands)

<p><p>This morning, discover the charms of Alkmaar, a picturesque Dutch town a short distance from Amsterdam. Explore Alkmaar's historic centre, brimming with scenic canals and medieval buildings. Alkmaar is famous for its centuries-old cheese market, where traditional cheesemakers showcase their craft and engage in lively auctions. Immerse yourself in the local culture in this typically charming town. Alternatively, embark on a bike tour through the outlying Dutch countryside.</p><p>In the afternoon, sit back and relax as you cruise along the Rhine River, perhaps enjoying a drink on the Sun Deck and watching the wondrous scenery passing by. Later, join your fellow guests for a welcome dinner on board.</p></p><p><strong>Included

Excursion</strong><br /><span>Excursion to

Alkmaar</span></p><p><strong>EmeraldACTIVE</strong><br /><span>Guided bike tour to

Waterland</span></p><p><strong>DiscoverMORE</strong><br /><span>Dutch Delights (extra expense)</span></p>

Arrives On: 04 Oct 26

### Day 5: Düsseldorf (Germany)

<p><p>Today, join a walking tour of Düsseldorf, a vibrant city renowned for its stylish boutiques and charming Old Town. Stroll along the picturesque Rhine River, admire the stunning architecture, and discover hidden gems off-the-beaten path. Later today, you'll arrive in Cologne, one of Germany's oldest cities, famous for its UNESCO World Heritage-listed, Gothic Cathedral<strong>.</strong></p></p><p><strong>Included Excursion</strong><br /><span>Walking tour of Duesseldorf</span></p><p><strong>DiscoverMORE</strong><br /><span>Cologne beer experience (extra expense)</span></p>

Arrives On: 05 Oct 26

### Day 5: Cologne (Germany)

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### Day 6: Koblenz (Germany)

Immerse yourself in fairytale-like surroundings as we sail onwards to Koblenz, a town revealing a postcard-worthy backdrop of vineyards and mountain ranges. Your included walking tour of this Roman-era town will take in the twin-towered façade of the Church of Our Lady, the point at which two of Europe's greatest rivers converge at the German Corner. This afternoon, relish sailing through the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Rhine Gorge. Here, marvel at romantic castles dramatically resting atop tree-covered canyons and half-timbered medieval villages that appear almost suspended in time.

**Included Excursion**  
Walking tour of Koblenz

**Discover MORE**  
Moselle Valley & Cochem Castle visit (extra expense)

Arrives On: 06 Oct 26

### Day 7: Heidelberg (Germany)

This morning, discover Heidelberg, a delightful UNESCO City of Literature that has inspired the likes of American writer, Mark Twain and British artist, William Turner. A guided tour of the town will unveil its rich history, starting at the Renaissance ruins of Heidelberg Castle, among the most important Renaissance structures north of the Alps. Here, carefully curated gardens are home to serene water features, sculptures and colourful flowerbeds. If you're feeling more active, you can also join a hike that will reveal panoramic views across Heidelberg. Tonight, as part of your EmeraldPLUS experience, you're invited to join an enchanting private concert at a historical venue.

**Included Excursion**  
Guided tour of Heidelberg

**EmeraldACTIVE**  
Active hike from Mount Königstuhl to Heidelberg

**EmeraldPLUS**  
Private Evening Concert along the Rhine

Arrives On: 07 Oct 26

### Day 8: Strasbourg (France)

Arrives On: 08 Oct 26

### Day 8: Kehl (Germany)

This morning, you'll arrive in Kehl and then be transferred by coach to the picturesque town of Strasbourg, where an enchanting medieval past awaits among quaint, cobblestone squares framed by well-preserved, half-timbered houses.

During your included excursion, you'll also have the opportunity to discover the heart of Alsace in Strasbourg and embark on a mouthwatering journey, discovering the traditional flavours of this region. Alternatively, join a guided hike in the heart of the Alsace region.

**Included Excursion**  
Flavours

of Alsace

**EmeraldACTIVE** Guided hike in Alsace

**DiscoverMORE** Baden Baden Spa Experience (extra expense)

Arrives On: 08 Oct 26

#### Day 9: Breisach (Germany)

Today, as part of your marvellous EmeraldPLUS experience, you'll visit the charming city of Freiburg. Considered the 'Capital of the Black Forest,' Freiburg offers lovely sights that will amaze you. As part of your visit, you'll also have the opportunity to sample authentic Black Forest delicacies. If you're feeling more active, choose to pedal your way through Breisach on a guided bike tour.

**EmeraldPLUS** Guided tour of Freiburg with tasting

**EmeraldACTIVE** Guided bike tour in Breisach

**DiscoverMORE** Guided tour of Colmar (extra expense)

Arrives On: 09 Oct 26

#### Day 9: Freiburg im Breisgau (Germany)

Arrives On: 09 Oct 26

#### Day 10: Basel (Switzerland)

Welcome to Switzerland and the quaint Rhine-side town of Basel. After breakfast, you will be transferred by coach to Lucerne, including a two-night stay.

Arrives On: 10 Oct 26

#### Day 10: Lucerne (Switzerland)

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#### Day 11: Lucerne (Switzerland)

Lucerne is known around the world for its spectacular setting, perfectly encapsulating a traditional Swiss city with a backdrop of snow-topped mountain ranges. Your morning will start with a guided tour of the city, touching on its well-preserved medieval Altstadt, delightful waterfront promenades and colourful buildings.

**Included Excursion** A guided tour of Lucerne

**DiscoverMORE** Train & cable car ride to Rigi – Weggis (extra expense)

Arrives On: 11 Oct 26

### Day 12: Lucerne (Switzerland)

This morning, transfer by coach from Lucerne to the cosmopolitan city of Zurich, known for its towering church steeples, winding cobbled lanes and contemporary centre. When you arrive, enjoy a guided tour of Zurich, followed by free time to explore its delightful lakeside setting, perhaps discovering its famous old town.

**Included Excursion**  
Guided tour of Zurich

Arrives On: 12 Oct 26

### Day 12: Zurich (Switzerland)

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### Day 13: Zurich (Switzerland)

After breakfast, it is time to bid farewell to your fellow guests and transfer to the airport, passing a backdrop of mountains and forests on your way.

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