



Cruise Details

Name:	Berlin & The Majestic Rhine
Reference:	EMERALDEBFB040525-1
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	River
Cruise Rating:	Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Sky
Regions:	Black Sea and Mediterranean
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Departs On:	04 May 25
Departs From:	Berlin
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Arrives On:	13 May 25
Arrives At:	Basel
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Cruise Nights:	9
Total Vacation Days:	10

Itinerary

Day 1: Berlin (Germany)

Fly from the UK to Berlin. You will be met at the airport and transferred to your centrally located hotel in Berlin, your home for the next two nights.

Arrives On: 04 May 25

Day 2: Berlin (Germany)

Today, you will be invited on a guided tour of Berlin, where you can discover how its tangible history can be seen on every street. Enjoy learning about Berlin Cathedral and the iconic Berlin Wall, a feature point that holds the memory of how the city was both divided and reunited. After your tour, you are free to explore at leisure, perhaps discovering the creating lifestyles of the people who call Berlin their home.

Included Excursion A guided tour of Berlin

Arrives On: 05 May 25

Day 3: Berlin (Germany)

After breakfast, fly to Frankfurt and be transferred to the luxurious surrounds of your Emerald Cruises Star-Ship. This evening, join your fellow travellers for dinner on board.

Arrives On: 06 May 25

Day 3: Frankfurt (Germany)

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Day 4: Rudesheim (Germany)

Rudesheim is a charming town that perfectly encapsulates the spirit of Germany. Here, in the home of cuckoo clocks, oompah bands, and Bavarian beer, the Rhineland's charm is found around every corner.

Today, ride the Winzerexpress to Siegfried's Mechanical Music Cabinet Museum. Located in a 15th-century knight's tower, the vaulted ceilings and painted frescoes are home to exhibits of rare music boxes.

Included Excursion
A visit to Siegfried's Mechanical Music Cabinet Museum

Arrives On: 07 May 25

Day 5: Koblenz (Germany)

The ancient city of Koblenz is the gateway to the Rhine Gorge. Once a Roman stronghold, today, the area is full of postcard-worthy parks and flowers. Explore the picturesque surroundings during a guided tour of the city, including the German Corner, where the Moselle meets the Rhine. Absorb the panoramic views of the confluence and the Ehrenbreitstein Fortress, part of the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Rhine Valley. Later, sail through the Rhine Gorge and soak in the breathtaking vistas along the way.

Included Excursion
Walking tour of Koblenz

EmeraldACTIVE
Bike tour in Koblenz

DiscoverMORE
Moselle Valley & Cochem Castle visit (extra expense)

Arrives On: 08 May 25

Day 6: Ludwigshafen (Germany)

German Romanticism often depicts idealistic cityscapes and fairy tale-like scenes, full of Baroque buildings and charming narrow streets. It's easy to see why so many of the most notable poets and composers of the era lost themselves to the beauty of Heidelberg. Your guided tour of the historic university town will start in the grounds of Heidelberg Castle, once a royal residence. Visit some of the town's main highlights or, alternatively, hike from Mount Königstuhl to Heidelberg for awe-inspiring panoramas.

Included Excursion
Guided tour of Heidelberg

EmeraldACTIVE
Hike from Mount Königstuhl to Heidelberg

Arrives On: 09 May 25

Day 6: Heidelberg (Germany)

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Day 7: Rastatt (Germany)

This morning, you'll be transferred from your Star-Ship docked in Rastatt to the charming spa town of Baden-Baden, frequented by celebrities and royalty for centuries. If you're feeling active, you can embark on a guided hike to Altes Schloss, a fascinating castle ruin full of hidden dungeons and winding staircases. Enjoy panoramic views of the Black Forest and the Rhine Valley as you trace the footsteps of former residents. Alternatively, enjoy a guided walking tour of Baden-Baden, soaking in the elegant boutiques and timeless gardens before touring the backstage of the Baden Baden Opera Theater.

Included Excursion
Guided walking tour of Baden-Baden

EmeraldPLUS
Backstage Opera Theater Tour

EmeraldACTIVE
Guided hike to Altes Schloss

Arrives On: 10 May 25

Day 7: Baden-Baden (Germany)

Arrives On: 10 May 25

Day 8: Kehl (Germany)

This morning, we'll dock in Kehl and take a coach transfer to the medieval capital of France's Alsace Region, Strasbourg. Strasbourg is a city best explored via its quaint waterways, so today we'll embark on an EmeraldPLUS traditional canal boat tour. Relax as you pass through petite France, full of storybook canals, half-timbered houses and narrow lanes. Witness the covered bridges and the Vauban Dam before reaching the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Neustadt imperial quarter, where many of the city's administrative buildings are based. This afternoon, enjoy

free time to explore at leisure. </p></p><p>EmeraldPLUS
Canal boat tour in Strasbourg</p>

Arrives On: 11 May 25

Day 8: Strasbourg (France)

Arrives On: 11 May 25

Day 9: Breisach (Germany)

<p><p>Commence your magical morning with a tour of Colmar. As you walk down the cobblestone lanes, it's easy to imagine the characters from the Grimm's Fairy Tales here, where half-timbered façades are adorned with window boxes full of colourful blooms. Alternatively, embark on a guided bike tour from Breisach to Colmar. </p></p><p>Included Excursion
Guided tour of Colmar</p><p>EmeraldACTIVE
Guided bike tour to Colmar</p><p>DiscoverMORE
Guided tour of Freiburg with market tasting (extra expense)</p>

Arrives On: 12 May 25

Day 9: Colmar (France)

Arrives On: 12 May 25

Day 10: Basel (Switzerland)

<p><p>After breakfast, it is time to say farewell to your fellow guests and disembark your Star-Ship for your transfer to the airport for your flight to the UK, taking memories of the picturesque Rhine Gorge with you.</p></p><p>Flight to depart out of Basel after 10:00 AM.</p><p><p>This itinerary is a guide only and may be amended for operational reasons such as high and low water. As such, the cruise may operate altered from that stated above. Please refer to our terms and conditions for further information.</p></p>

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