



Cruise Details

Name:	Jewels of the Rhine & Amsterdam
Reference:	EMERALDECAB241026-2
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	River
Cruise Rating:	Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Star
Regions:	Rhine
Departs On:	24 Oct 26
Departs From:	Basel
Arrives On:	02 Nov 26
Arrives At:	Amsterdam
Cruise Nights:	9
Total Vacation Days:	10

Itinerary

Day 1: Basel (Switzerland)

Welcome to Basel. On arrival, you'll be met at the airport and transferred to your Emerald Cruises Star-Ship, where your friendly captain and crew will be waiting to greet you. This evening, join your fellow guests for dinner on board.

Please book your flight to arrive into Basel prior to 03:00 PM.

Arrives On: 24 Oct 26

Day 2: Breisach (Germany)

Today, as part of your incredible EmeraldPLUS programme, you will visit the city of Freiburg. Considered the 'Capital of the Black Forest', Freiburg has lovely sights that will amaze you. You'll also have the opportunity to sample authentic Black Forest delicacies. If you're feeling more active, you can choose to join a guided bike tour in Breisach.

EmeraldPLUS Guided tour of Freiburg with

tasting

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Guided bike tour in Breisach

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Guided tour of Colmar (extra expense)

Arrives On: 25 Oct 26

Day 3: Kehl (Germany)

This morning, you'll arrive in Kehl and disembark your Star-Ship, then be transferred by coach to the picturesque town of Strasbourg. Here, an enthralling medieval past is yours to discover, including quaint cobblestone squares framed by wellpreserved, 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 culinary journey where you'll discover typical flavours of this region. Tonight, as part of your EmeraldPLUS experience, you're invited to join an exclusive private concert in a historical venue.

Included Excursion

Flavours of Alsace

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Baden Baden Spa experience (extra expense)

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Private Evening Concert on the Rhine

Arrives On: 26 Oct 26

Day 3: Strasbourg (France)

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Day 4: Mannheim (Germany)

Relax on board this morning following the meandering Rhine River and passing the confluence of the Rhine and Neckar. Travel by coach to Heidelberg, where you'll have the opportunity to learn about how it became a UNESCO City of Literature, having inspired the likes of Mark Twain and William Turner with its historical setting.

Your guided tour of the town will allow you to find your own inspiration among its delightful landmarks, including Heidelberg Castle, one of the most impressive Renaissance.

Included Excursion

Guided tour of Heidelberg

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Active hike from Mount Königstuhl to Heidelberg

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Rüdesheim with specialty coffee (extra expense)

Arrives On: 27 Oct 26

Day 5: Koblenz (Germany)

This morning enjoy sailing through the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Rhine Gorge. Here, romantic castles sit atop tree-covered canyons and half-timbered medieval villages appear suspended in time.

We'll take you into the heart of Koblenz, an ancient city pulled from the pages of a German fairy tale. Enjoy the picturesque backdrop of vineyards and snow-topped mountain ranges as your local guide takes you through open cobbled squares and down narrow streets, passing façades adorned with boxes of spring-blooming flowers. You'll also have the chance to see the point at which two of Europe's great rivers meet at the German Corner and Ehrenbreitstein Fortress, one of the largest preserved fortresses in Europe.

Included Excursion
Orientation Walk of Koblenz

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Moselle Valley & Cochem Castle visit (extra expense)

Arrives On: 28 Oct 26

Day 6: Cologne (Germany)

This morning, you'll will arrive in Cologne and have the chance to know one of Germany's oldest cities and get up close with the famous post card worthy Cathedral. After lunch, 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. Immerse yourself in the city's lively atmosphere, indulge in the delicious local cuisine, and marvel at the contrast of Düsseldorf's ancient and modern charms.

Included Excursion
Guided tour of Cologne Old Town

Included Excursion
Walking tour of Duesseldorf

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Cologne Beer Experience (extra expense)

Arrives On: 29 Oct 26

Day 6: Düsseldorf (Germany)

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Day 7: Amsterdam (Netherlands)

This morning, discover the charm of Alkmaar, a picturesque Dutch town just a short distance from Amsterdam. Explore its historic center, lined with charming 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 typical charming town. Alternatively, embark on a bike tour through the Dutch countryside.

Included Excursion
Excursion to Alkmaar

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Guided bike tour to

Waterland

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Private hidden Gems tour of Amsterdam (extra expense)

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Dutch Delights (extra expense)

Arrives On: 30 Oct 26

Day 8: Amsterdam (Netherlands)

After disembarking the ship, meet your Tour Director for a guided exploration of Amsterdam's highlights. Discover the city's charming canals, elegant architecture, and lively squares while learning about its rich history and local culture. Enjoy a delightful two-night stay in the city.

Arrives On: 31 Oct 26

Day 9: Amsterdam (Netherlands)

Today you will embark on a guided visit to the world-famous Rijksmuseum, one of Europe's most celebrated art galleries. Discover an extraordinary collection of Dutch masterpieces, including works by Rembrandt, Vermeer, and Frans Hals, that capture the spirit of the Golden Age. As you wander through the museum's grand halls, admire intricate details, vibrant colors, and powerful storytelling that reveal the Netherlands' rich artistic heritage. Your Tour Director will provide fascinating insights, bringing the history and artistry of these timeless works to life. After the visit, enjoy the rest of the day at your leisure to explore Amsterdam—perhaps take a canal cruise, visit the Anne Frank House, or simply relax at a cozy café along the water.

Included Excursion

Guided visit to Rijksmuseum

Arrives On: 01 Nov 26

Day 10: Amsterdam (Netherlands)

After breakfast, it is time to bid farewell to your fellow passengers as you leave your accommodation for your transfer to the airport, taking memories from a fascinating journey on the Rhine.

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