



Cruise Details

Name:	Zurich to Copenhagen & Jewels of the Rhine
Reference:	EMERALDEDCS040926-2
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	River
Cruise Rating:	Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Destiny
Regions:	Rhine
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Departs On:	04 Sep 26
Departs From:	Zurich
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Arrives On:	17 Sep 26
Arrives At:	Copenhagen
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Cruise Nights:	13
Total Vacation Days:	14

Itinerary

Day 1: Zurich (Switzerland)

Straddling the northernmost tip of Lake Zurich, Zurich is one of the most beloved cities in Switzerland. Today, you will be able to explore the city at leisure, perhaps taking in its delightful lakeside setting or frequenting one of its many charming cafés. Included is a restful one-night stay in Zurich.

Arrives On: 04 Sep 26

Day 2: Zurich (Switzerland)

This morning, enjoy a walking tour of Zurich before you are transferred to Lucerne, an area known for its spectacular natural setting. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure to explore Lucerne, perhaps strolling down cobblestone streets in its colourful Altstadt. **Included Excursion**
A guided tour of Zurich

Arrives On: 05 Sep 26

Day 2: Lucerne (Switzerland)

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Day 3: Lucerne (Switzerland)

The awe-inspiring natural beauty enveloping Lucerne is a true delight, and yours to discover today during a guided tour of this small city. Lucerne effortlessly reflects what most people imagine when they think of a Swiss city, with a backdrop of snow-capped mountain ranges and tree-lined boulevards cutting through the city centre. Enjoy learning about the history of Lucerne as you visit the well-preserved medieval Altstadt, Chapel Bridge and the octagonal Water Tower.

Included Excursion
A guided tour of Lucerne

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Train and cable car to Rigi - Weggis (extra expense)

Arrives On: 06 Sep 26

Day 4: Lucerne (Switzerland)

This morning, journey by coach through idyllic landscapes as you carve a course to the Rhine-side town of Basel. When you arrive, you will be able to board your Emerald Cruises Star-Ship, where your friendly captain and crew will be waiting to welcome you. This evening, join your fellow guests for dinner on board.

Arrives On: 07 Sep 26

Day 4: Basel (Switzerland)

Arrives On: 07 Sep 26

Day 5: Breisach (Germany)

Today, as part of your marvellous EmeraldPLUS experience, you'll visit the delightful city of Freiburg. Considered the 'Capital of the Black Forest', Freiburg reveals lovely sights that will amaze you and you'll 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

EmeraldACTIVE
Guided bike tour in Breisach

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Guided tour of Colmar (extra expense)

Arrives On: 08 Sep 26

Day 6: 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 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 culinary journey where you'll discover typical flavours of this region. Alternatively, join a guided hike through the scenic Alsace region.

Included Excursion
Flavours of Alsace

EmeraldACTIVE
Guided hike in Alsace

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Baden Baden Spa Experience (extra expense)

Arrives On: 09 Sep 26

Day 6: Strasbourg (France)

Arrives On: 09 Sep 26

Day 7: Heidelberg (Germany)

This morning, relax on board your Star-Ship as you sail towards Germersheim, following the meandering Rhine River and passing the confluence of the Rhine and Neckar. Then travel by coach to Heidelberg, where you'll have the opportunity to learn about how this became a UNESCO City of Literature, having inspired luminaries such as American writer Mark Twain and British artist, William Turner, with its stunning historical setting. Your guided tour of Heidelberg will allow you to find your own inspiration among its dreamy landmarks, including Heidelberg Castle, one of the most impressive Renaissance ruins in all of Europe. Alternatively, revel in a guided hike from Mount Königstuhl to Heidelberg. Tonight, as part of your EmeraldPLUS experience, you're invited to join an exclusive private concert within 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: 10 Sep 26

Day 8: Koblenz (Germany)

Today, cruise to the 2,000-year-old town of Koblenz and discover its fairy tale-like surrounds, nestled on the confluence of the Rhine and Moselle rivers. Your local guide will take you through this Roman-era town, taking in the twin-towered façade of the Church of Our Lady and the German Corner, where these two inspirational waterways converge.

Included Excursion
Orientation Walk of

Koblenz

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Moselle Valley & Cochem Castle visit (extra expense)

Arrives On: 11 Sep 26

Day 9: Cologne (Germany)

This morning, you'll have the opportunity to explore Cologne at your own pace, one of Germany's oldest cities that is steeped in history and folklore.

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

Walking tour of Düsseldorf

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Cologne Beer Experience (extra expense)

Arrives On: 12 Sep 26

Day 10: Amsterdam (Netherlands)

This morning, discover charming Alkmaar, a picturesque Dutch town just a short distance from the iconic city of Amsterdam. Explore its historic centre, lined 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 quintessential Dutch town. Alternatively, embark on a bike tour through the Dutch countryside, cycling past traditional windmills.

Included Excursion

Excursion to Alkmaar

EmeraldACTIVE

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: 13 Sep 26

Day 11: Amsterdam (Netherlands)

Welcome to Denmark and Copenhagen, the fascinating capital city that is home to centuries of Danish royal family history. You'll be transferred from the airport to your hotel for your included 3-night stay, where you'll meet your fellow travellers and tour director.

Arrives On: 14 Sep 26

Day 11: Copenhagen (Denmark)

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Day 12: Copenhagen (Denmark)

Today, join a guided city tour and enthralling journey through the heart of Denmark's capital, where rich historical landmarks blend with picturesque waterways. As you glide through the serene canals, you'll pass by charming old buildings and iconic sights, such as the colourful Nyhavn district, where prolific Danish author Hans Christian Andersen, lived and drew inspiration for his literary fairy tales. Along the way, you'll also spot the regal Amalienborg Palace, the Copenhagen residence of the Danish royal family.

Included Excursion
Guided city tour of Copenhagen and canal cruise

Arrives On: 15 Sep 26

Day 13: Copenhagen (Denmark)

Begin your day with a visit to the striking Christiansborg Palace, once the home to kings and queens and today, seat of the Danish Parliament and Supreme Court.

The rest of the afternoon is yours to spend exploring Copenhagen at leisure, soaking up the sights of this enchanting Nordic city. You may wish to visit the world-famous Tivoli Gardens, or Rosenborg Castle, a four centuries-old Renaissance castle that houses the Danish crown jewels. Or perhaps relax at one of Copenhagen's delightful café terraces, or sample delicious open-faced sandwiches with a cold beer at one of the capital's many restaurants. Your tour director will be more than happy to help you plan your Copenhagen explorations.

EmeraldPLUS
Visit to Christiansborg Palace

Arrives On: 16 Sep 26

Day 14: Copenhagen (Denmark)

This morning after breakfast, it's time to bid a fond farewell to Copenhagen, leaving with memories of your marvellous Rhine Cruise and fairy-tales of the Danish capital.

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