



Cruise Details

Name:	London, Jewels of the Rhine & Swiss Glaciers
Reference:	EMERALDELGN290726-1
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	River
Cruise Rating:	Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Astra
Regions:	Rhine
Departs On:	29 Jul 26
Departs From:	London (Greenwich)
Arrives On:	11 Aug 26
Arrives At:	Zurich
Cruise Nights:	13
Total Vacation Days:	14

Itinerary

Day 1: London (Greenwich) (England)

Welcome to London, the historic capital of Great Britain. Upon arrival at the airport, you'll be transferred to your hotel for your exciting 3-night stay in this enthralling city. Feel free to rest and relax, ready for your marvelous adventure ahead, or explore this centuries-old, multicultural metropolis at your own pace. Immerse yourself in London's vibrant atmosphere, wander through London's history-drenched streets, or enjoy a leisurely stroll along the River Thames or through its beautiful urban parks.

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Day 2: London (Greenwich) (England)

Join a guided city tour to discover some of London's most iconic and historical landmarks, including Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey, and Buckingham Palace, the official royal residence. Experience the buzz of the West End, home to the world-famous theatre

district, take in the sights of Trafalgar Square, and witness the traditional Changing of the Guard, all the while soaking up the capital's storied heritage.

Included
Excursion

Guided tour of London

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Afternoon tea (extra expense)

Arrives On: 30 Jul 26

Day 3: London (Greenwich) (England)

Today is yours to leisurely explore the rest of London at your own pace. You might consider taking in the panoramic views across the city from the iconic London Eye, a visit to the esteemed British Museum, or strolling through the verdant urban landscape of Hyde Park. You could also check out the striking street art in Shoreditch, or enjoy a show at one of the many renowned theatres in the West End.

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Guided Tour of Camden and Borough Market (extra expense)

Arrives On: 31 Jul 26

Day 4: London (Greenwich) (England)

This morning after breakfast, you'll be transferred from your London hotel to St. Pancras station, where you'll join the train bound for The Netherlands and Amsterdam Centraal station. Upon arrival in this delightful Dutch city, you'll then embark on your luxury European cruise, taking with you memories of impressive London landmarks, captivating royal heritage and traditional English afternoon tea.

Arrives On: 01 Aug 26

Day 4: Amsterdam (Netherlands)

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Day 5: 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.

In the afternoon enjoy sailing on the Rhine River, perhaps grab a drink on the Sun Deck and watching the passing scenery before joining the welcome dinner.

Included Excursion
Excursion to

Alkmaar

EmeraldACTIVE

Guided bike tour to Waterland

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Dutch Delights (extra expense)

Arrives On: 02 Aug 26

Day 6: Düsseldorf (Germany)

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 this day we will arrive in Cologne, famous for its Gothic Cathedral. This afternoon you can immerse yourself in the city's lively atmosphere, indulge in delicious local cuisine, and experience the unique charm of the city.

Included Excursion

Walking tour of Duesseldorf

Included Excursion

Guided tour of Cologne's Old Town

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German Beer Experience (extra expense)

Arrives On: 03 Aug 26

Day 6: Cologne (Germany)

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Day 7: Koblenz (Germany)

Immerse yourself in fairy tale-like surroundings today as we cruise to Koblenz, a town with a postcard-worthy backdrop of vineyards and mountain ranges. Your included walking tour of this Roman town will unveil the twin-towered façade of the Church of Our Lady, the point at which two of Europe's great rivers meet at the German Corner.

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

Included Excursion

Walking tour of Koblenz

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Moselle Valley & Cochem Castle visit (extra expense)

Arrives On: 04 Aug 26

Day 8: Mannheim (Germany)

This morning, you will discover Heidelberg. The idyllic UNESCO City of Literature has inspired the likes of Mark Twain and famed British artist William Turner. A guided tour of the town will unveil its rich history, starting at the Renaissance ruins of Heidelberg Castle, where the

carefully curated gardens host serene water features, sculptures and colourful flowerbeds. If you are feeling more active, you can also join a hike that will give you fantastic views over Heidelberg. And tonight, our EmeraldPLUS invites you to join a magical private concert in a historical venue.

Included Excursion
Guided tour of Heidelberg

EmeraldACTIVE
Active hike from Mount Königstuhl to Heidelberg

EmeraldPLUS
Private Evening Concert on the Rhine

Arrives On: 05 Aug 26

Day 9: Kehl (Germany)

This morning, you'll dock in Kehl to be transferred by coach to the picturesque town of Strasbourg, where a medieval past is yours to discover among cobbled squares surrounded by half-timbered houses.

During your included excursion, you will have the opportunity to discover the heart of Alsace in Strasbourg and embark on a journey through the typical flavours of this region.

Included Excursion
Flavours of Alsace

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Baden Baden Spa experience (extra expense)

Arrives On: 06 Aug 26

Day 9: Strasbourg (France)

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Day 10: 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. As part of your visit, you will also have the opportunity to sample authentic Black Forest delicacies. If you're feeling more active, you can 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

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Guided tour of Colmar (extra expense)

Arrives On: 07 Aug 26

Day 10: Freiburg im Breisgau (Germany)

Arrives On: 07 Aug 26

Day 11: Basel (Switzerland)

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

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Day 11: Zermatt (Switzerland)

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Day 12: Zermatt (Switzerland)

Zermatt lies at the foot of the Matterhorn, which could be described of one of the world's most famous mountains. This picturesque village entrenched on the Swiss Alps is also a sustainable destination for being car-free zone, and for having its original character preserved. Enjoy a guided walking tour in this elegant village. In the afternoon, enjoy free time or take part on the DiscoverMORE tour cog rail journey from Zermatt to the 3089-metre-high Gornergrat mountain summit.

Included Excursion
Guided tour of Zermatt

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Visit to Gornergrat Matterhorn (extra expense)

Arrives On: 09 Aug 26

Day 13: Zermatt (Switzerland)

This morning, you will experience the highlight of this tour, which is the rail journey through the Swiss Alps, know as the Glacier Express. Sit back and relax while contemplating at the amazing views of the Alps. When you arrive at the station, you will be taken by coach to Zurich for your overnight stay.

Arrives On: 10 Aug 26

Day 14: Zurich (Switzerland)

After breakfast, it is time to bid farewell to your fellow guests and transfer to the airport, taking with you cherished memories of the Rhine and Swiss mountain landscapes.

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Arrives On: 11 Aug 26

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