



## Cruise Details

Name:	Jewels of the Rhine & Glacier Express
Reference:	EMERALDESAZ040825-1
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	River
Cruise Rating:	Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Sky
Regions:	Rhine
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Departs On:	04 Aug 25
Departs From:	Amsterdam
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Arrives On:	14 Aug 25
Arrives At:	Zurich
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Cruise Nights:	10
Total Vacation Days:	11

## Itinerary

### Day 1: Amsterdam (Netherlands)

Fly from the UK to Amsterdam. Upon arrival in Amsterdam, you'll be greeted at the airport and transferred to your innovative Emerald Cruises Star-Ship, where your friendly captain and crew will welcome your arrival.

Arrives On: 04 Aug 25

### Day 2: Amsterdam (Netherlands)

Every narrow street and gabled façade in Amsterdam tells a tale of the Dutch Golden Age, a prosperous time when Dutch art was among the most acclaimed in the world. Today, relax during a glass-top canal boat tour through Amsterdam's elaborate UNESCO World Heritage-listed canal system, sailing through the city's medieval centre and past Roman patrician houses. Alternatively, embark on a guided bike tour to Waterland, passing quintessential villages, traditional windmills and flower fields. Enjoy sailing through the countryside and towards the Rhine River this

afternoon, perhaps enjoying a drink on the Sun Deck and watching the passing scenery before joining your captain for a gala dinner. </p></p><p><strong>Included Excursion</strong><br /><span>Canal cruise</span></p><p><strong>EmeraldACTIVE</strong><br /><span>Guided bike tour to Waterland</span></p>

Arrives On: 05 Aug 25

### Day 3: Cologne (Germany)

<p><p>Cologne is one of the oldest cities in Germany, effortlessly steeped in history and tales of the past, encapsulating a timeline that spans more than two millennia. Your included city tour will take you to the heart of its Old Town. </p></p><p><strong>Included Excursion</strong><br /><span>Guided tour of Cologne's Old Town </span></p>

Arrives On: 06 Aug 25

### Day 4: Koblenz (Germany)

<p><p>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 and Ehrenbreitstein Fortress, one of the largest preserved fortresses in Europe. </p><p>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. </p></p><p><strong>Included Excursion</strong><br /><span>Walking tour of Koblenz</span></p><p><strong>DiscoverMORE</strong><br /><span>Moselle Valley & Cochem Castle visit (extra expense)</span></p>

Arrives On: 07 Aug 25

### Day 5: Ludwigshafen (Germany)

<p><p>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. And tonight, our EmeraldPLUS invites you to join a magical private evening concert.</p></p><p><strong>Included Excursion</strong><br /><span>Guided tour of Heidelberg </span></p><p><strong>EmeraldACTIVE</strong><br /><span>Active hike from Mount Königstuhl to Heidelberg</span></p><p><strong>EmeraldPLUS</strong><br /><span>Private Evening Concert on the Rhine</span></p>

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### Day 6: 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. Your included walking tour of the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Old Town will touch on many of Strasbourg's highlights, including the astrological signs that adorn the façade of the Maison Kammerzell and the idyllic historic scenery around Petite France. This afternoon, enjoy free time to explore Strasbourg at your leisure.

**Included Excursion**  
Guided tour of Strasbourg

Arrives On: 09 Aug 25

### Day 6: Strasbourg (France)

Arrives On: 09 Aug 25

### Day 7: 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 go for a canoeing trip on the Rhine.

**EmeraldPLUS**  
Guided tour of Freiburg with tasting

**EmeraldACTIVE**  
Guided bike tour in Breisach

Arrives On: 10 Aug 25

### Day 7: Freiburg im Breisgau (Germany)

Arrives On: 10 Aug 25

### Day 8: 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.

Arrives On: 11 Aug 25

#### Day 8: Zermatt (Switzerland)

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#### Day 9: Zermatt (Switzerland)

Zermatt lies at the foot of the Matterhorn, which could be described as one of the world's most famous mountains. This picturesque village entrenched on the Swiss Alps is also a sustainable destination for being a 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

**DiscoverMORE**  
Visit to Gornergrat Matterhorn (extra expense)

Arrives On: 12 Aug 25

#### Day 10: Zermatt (Switzerland)

This morning, you will experience the highlight of this tour, which is the rail journey through the Swiss Alps, known as the Glacier Express. Sit back and relax while contemplating 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: 13 Aug 25

#### Day 10: Zurich (Switzerland)

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#### Day 11: Zurich (Switzerland)

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

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