



## Cruise Details

Name:	The Majestic Rhine & Glacier Express
Reference:	EMERALDESFZ220827-2
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	River
Cruise Rating:	Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Sky
Regions:	Rhine
Departs On:	22 Aug 27
Departs From:	Zurich
Arrives On:	01 Sep 27
Arrives At:	Mainz
Cruise Nights:	10
Total Vacation Days:	11

## Itinerary

### Day 1: Zurich (Switzerland)

Your adventure begins in the vibrant city of Zurich, Switzerland's cosmopolitan capital. Known for its glimmering lake, charming old town streets, and rich culture. Tonight, enjoy a welcome drink at your hotel with your Tour Director and fellow travellers, setting an exciting mood to the day ahead.

Arrives On: 22 Aug 27

### Day 2: Zurich (Switzerland)

After breakfast, you will travel by comfortable coach from Zurich to the charming town of Chur. Here, you will board the world-famous Glacier Express Train for a panoramic journey to Zermatt. Along the way, you will be treated to breathtaking views of Switzerland's dramatic Alpine landscapes.  
Upon arrival in Zermatt, enjoy free time to wander the car-free village at your own pace, discovering scenic streets, traditional shops, and cosy cafés, with the iconic

Matterhorn as your backdrop.<br /><br />The day concludes with an overnight stay in Zermatt.</p></p>

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#### Day 2: Zermatt (Switzerland)

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#### Day 3: Zermatt (Switzerland)

<p><p>Bask in the fresh mountain air and explore Zermatt on an included tour. As you explore, your local guide will share captivating stories and insider knowledge that reveal the village's rich history and unique character. From its traditional chalets to sweeping alpine vistas, every corner offers a postcard-perfect view.<br /><br />Tonight enjoy your final night in this charming alpine village.</p></p><p><strong>Included Excursion</strong><br /><span>Guided tour of Zermatt</span></p><p><strong>DiscoverMORE</strong><br /><span>Visit to Gornergrat Matterhorn (extra expense)</span></p>

Arrives On: 24 Aug 27

#### Day 4: Zermatt (Switzerland)

<p><p>Bid farewell to Zermatt's mountain landscapes as you are transferred to Basel, where your luxury river cruise awaits. En route, enjoy a short break in Montreux, known as the jewel of the Swiss Riviera, nestled on the shores of sparkling Lake Geneva and surrounded by palm trees and snowcapped peaks. Continuing onward, you'll arrive in the vibrant city of Basel. Here, you'll embark on your Emerald Star-Ship, where a warm welcome from the crew and fellow guests await.</p></p>

Arrives On: 25 Aug 27

#### Day 4: Basel (Switzerland)

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#### Day 5: Breisach (Germany)

<p><p>Your journey through the heart of Europe will commence with a tour of Colmar. A magical place, Colmar resembles the imagery found within a beloved fairy tale. Your included tour of the town will enable you to traverse its cobblestone lanes, passing medieval half-timbered façades and window boxes full of brightly coloured flowers. If you're feeling more active, you may instead wish to embark on a guided bike tour from Breisach to Colmar.</p></p><p><strong>Included Excursion</strong><br /><span>Guided tour of Colmar</span></p><p><strong>EmeraldACTIVE</strong><br /><span>Guided bike tour to

Colmar

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Guided tour of Freiburg with market tasting (extra expense)

Arrives On: 26 Aug 27

#### Day 5: Colmar (France)

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#### Day 6: Kehl (Germany)

This morning, your Star-Ship will dock in Kehl, where you will be transferred across the river to Strasbourg, a city perfectly encapsulating the region's medieval charm. Strasbourg is a city best explored via its quaint waterways. You'll explore the historic architecture on a canal tour through the UNESCO World Heritage-listed city centre.

Relax on board as you pass through the idyllic surrounds of Petite France and conclude in the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Neustadt imperial quarter, where many of Strasbourg's noteworthy buildings are based. This afternoon, enjoy free time to explore at leisure.

**Included Excursion**

Canal boat tour in Strasbourg

Arrives On: 27 Aug 27

#### Day 6: Strasbourg (France)

Arrives On: 27 Aug 27

#### 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. Tonight, as part of your EmeraldPLUS experience, you're invited to join an exclusive private concert in a historical venue.

**Included Excursion**

Guided walking tour of Baden-Baden

**EmeraldPLUS**

Evening Concert on the Rhine

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Baden Baden Spa Experience (extra expense)

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Entrance to the Casino (extra expense)

**EmeraldACTIVE**

Guided hike to Altes Schloss

Arrives On: 28 Aug 27

#### Day 8: Mannheim (Germany)

<p><p>Strolling down Heidelberg's cobblestone streets, you may find yourself as entranced as the German Romanticist thinkers before you. Heidelberg is a living representation of the legend-steeped cityscapes depicted by the romanticists, its peaceful surroundings beckoning exploration.</p><p>Today, you'll explore Heidelberg Castle or opt to hike from Mount Königstuhl to Heidelberg for awe-inspiring panoramas.</p></p><p><strong>Included Excursion</strong><br /><span>Guided tour of Heidelberg</span></p><p><strong>EmeraldACTIVE</strong><br /><span>Hike from Mount Königstuhl to Heidelberg</span></p><p><strong>DiscoverMORE</strong><br /><span>Vineyards hike and wine tasting in Bad Durkheim (extra expense)</span></p>

Arrives On: 29 Aug 27

#### Day 9: Koblenz (Germany)

<p><p>Koblenz is an ancient city often considered to be the gateway to the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Rhine Gorge. The Romans originally built a city here as a stronghold, but the area is now known for its idyllic beauty, and peaceful parks full of colourful flowers. Today, you will be able to relax during a guided tour of the city, including a cable car ride across the confluence of the Rhine and Moselle rivers to Ehrenbreitstein Fortress.</p></p><p><strong>Included Excursion</strong><br /><span>Walking tour of Koblenz</span></p><p><strong>EmeraldACTIVE</strong><br /><span>Bike tour in Koblenz</span></p><p><strong>DiscoverMORE</strong><br /><span>Eltz Castle visit (extra expense)</span></p><p><strong>DiscoverMORE</strong><br /><span>Moselle Valley & Cochem Castle Visit (extra expense)</span></p>

Arrives On: 30 Aug 27

#### Day 10: Rüdesheim (Germany)

<p><p>This morning enjoy the peaceful and inspiring sailing through the Rhine valley, and discover the fascinating legends of the Rhine during your EmeraldPLUS onboard.</p><p>In the afternoon, you'll arrive in Rüdesheim, a captivating city known for its authentic atmosphere and traditional appeal. Here, in the home of cuckoo clocks, oompah bands, and Bavarian beer, the Rhineland's charm is found around every corner.</p><p>Your included tour will be a visit to Siegfried's Mechanical Music Cabinet Museum, a half-timbered tower with vaulted ceilings and painted frescoes that houses one of the best collections of music boxes in the world. You will also get the opportunity to ride on the charming minitrain and taste famous Rüdesheimer coffee, made with one of the most famous brandies in Germany.</p></p><p><strong>Included Excursion</strong><br /><span>Visit to Siegfried's Mechanical Music Cabinet Museum</span></p><p><strong>EmeraldPLUS</strong><br /><span>Legends on the Rhine</span></p>

Arrives On: 31 Aug 27

#### Day 11: Mainz (Germany)

After breakfast, it is time to say farewell to your fellow guests and disembark for your transfer to the airport, taking memories of Petite France and fairy tale-like settings with you.

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#### Day 11: Frankfurt (Germany)

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