



Cruise Details

Name: Legendary Rhine & Moselle
Reference: EMERALDEWGM080926-1
Operator: Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type: River
Cruise Rating: Luxury
Ship: Emerald Astra
Regions: Rhine and Moselle

Departs On: 08 Sep 26

Departs From: Frankfurt

Arrives On: 15 Sep 26

Arrives At: Mainz

Cruise Nights: 7

Total Vacation Days: 8

Itinerary

Day 1: Frankfurt (Germany)

Welcome to Germany. You'll be met at the airport and then transferred to your award-winning Emerald Cruises Star-Ship in Mainz. Here, you'll be welcomed on board by your friendly captain and crew. Please book your flight to arrive into Frankfurt prior to 04:00 PM.

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Day 2: Rüdesheim (Germany)

<p><p>This morning we will visit Schloss Johannisberg Winery in the picturesque Rheingau. Famous for its stunning vineyard views and centuries of Riesling production, this winery is a must for wine lovers and those who appreciate beautiful landscapes.

If you are feeling more active, you can opt for a hike to the Niederwalddenkmal, a monument located in the Niederwald, near Rüdesheim am Rhein in Hesse. It overlooks the Rhine Valley and was built in the late 1800s to commemorate the Unification of Germany.</p></p><p>EmeraldPLUS
Visit to Schloss Johannisberg Winery</p><p>EmeraldACTIVE
Hike to Niederwalddenkmal</p>

Arrives On: 09 Sep 26

Day 3: Bernkastel-Kues (Germany)

<p><p>Start your fascinating day with a stroll through the picturesque town of Bernkastel. Founded around 3,000 B.C., Bernkastel is nestled along the banks of the Moselle River and home to well-preserved buildings that date back to 1416 A.D. Embark on a guided walking tour, where you'll have the opportunity to stroll through the medieval marketplace which reveals timber-framed houses, castle ruins and a town gate. Alternatively, join an active hike to the Landshut Castle Ruins, majestically perched atop a rocky ledge.</p></p><p>Included Excursion
Walking tour of Bernkastel</p><p>EmeraldACTIVE
Guided hike tour to Landshut Castle Ruins</p><p>DiscoverMORE
Wine Experience in Bernkastel (extra expense)</p>

Arrives On: 10 Sep 26

Day 4: Trier (Germany)

<p><p>In southwest Germany, close to the border of Luxembourg, the city of Trier, founded by the Romans in the late 1st century B.C., is a hidden treasure and often referred to as the 'Rome of the North'. During today's guided tour, explore the ruins of the old city baths, a hive of activity during ancient times and the Porta Nigra, the best-preserved Roman city gate north of the Alps.</p></p><p>Included Excursion
Guided tour of Trier</p>

Arrives On: 11 Sep 26

Day 5: Cochem (Germany)

<p><p>Today, you will enjoy the enchanting town of Cochem during a guided tour of its well-preserved sites. You'll see the remains of the historic town wall with its old fortifications, as well as the town hall and its many other gems.

If you feel more active, join our guided bike tour

along the Moselle, where you'll ride through scenic landscapes, lush vineyards, and charming riverside paths that showcase the natural beauty of the region.

In the end of your morning tour you are invited for local wine tasting with a beautiful view of Cochem and the Moselle. During your visit you will learn more about the viticulture of the region and what inspired many generations of wine-makers.

Included Excursion

Guided tour of Cochem

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Guided bike tour along the Moselle

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Wine-tasting at Hieronimi

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Grand-Prix car race experience (extra expense)

Arrives On: 12 Sep 26

Day 6: Koblenz (Germany)

Today, embark on a walking tour through Koblenz, a city steeped in history and brimming with fascinating landmarks. As you explore the city's historic streets, you can observe the blend of old and new that defines this vibrant urban scape. Afterwards, enjoy a visit to a traditional beer garden, a beloved local spot in Germany. Beer gardens represent the heart of social life here, where friends and families gather to unwind and connect. The casual setting reflects a time-honoured culture that values community and camaraderie, making it the perfect place to experience the local German way of life while enjoying a refreshing beverage.

Included Excursion

Koblenz walking tour and beer garden visit

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Guided bike tour

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Visit to Marksburg Castle (extra expense)

Arrives On: 13 Sep 26

Day 7: Mainz (Germany)

Your day will start with a guided tour of Mainz and a visit to the impressive sandstone cathedral of the stunning Old Town, which reveals medieval market squares and well-preserved, half-timbered houses. The town is famous as the birthplace of Johannes Gutenberg who invented the first printing press and manufactured his first books in the 15th century, including the Gutenberg Bible.

Included Excursion

Walking tour of Mainz

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Gutenberg Museum visit & workshop (extra expense)

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Eberbach Abbey with Tasting (extra expense)

Arrives On: 14 Sep 26

Day 8: Mainz (Germany)

</p><p>This morning after breakfast, it's time to bid farewell to your fellow guests and disembark your Star-Ship for your transfer to the airport, leaving with cherished memories of the wondrous treasures of this charming waterway.</p></p><p><p>This itinerary is a guide only and may be amended for operational reasons such as high and low water. As such, the cruise may operate altered from that stated above. Please refer to our terms and conditions for further information.</p></p>

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Day 8: Frankfurt (Germany)

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