

## **Cruise Details**

Name: Classic Christmas Markets

Reference: UNIWORLD48077

Operator: Uniworld

Cruise Type: River

Cruise Rating: Luxury

Ship: River Queen

Regions: Main

Departs On: 15 Dec 24
Departs From: Frankfurt

Arrives On: 22 Dec 24
Arrives At: Nuremberg

Cruise Nights: 7

Total Vacation Days: 8

# **Itinerary**

## Day 1: Frankfurt (Germany)

Arrive at Frankfurt International Airport. If your cruise package includes a group arrival transfer or if you have purchased a private arrival transfer, you will be greeted by a Uniworld representative and transferred to the ship.

Arrives On: 15 Dec 24

#### Day 2: Frankfurt (Germany)

Frankfurt is known as the "Mainhattan" of Europe, a financial powerhouse with soaring skyscrapers, but that's done nothing to diminish the cultural heart of the city. Frankfurt's old town, the Altstadt, is as charming as it gets, and has hosted some of the best Christmas markets on the continent for centuries. Opt to stay in town today for a "Taste of Christmas" walking tour featuring all sorts of sugary and savory treats, or alternatively, head out of town on an excursion to the Christmas market in Wiesbaden.

Arrives On: 16 Dec 24

#### Day 3: Wertheim (Germany)

Located at the confluence of the Tauber and Main rivers, Wertheim is a lovely village dating back over a thousand years. It epitomizes the friendly, slow-paced small-town atmosphere of many German villages; here, residents greet each other by name as they do their daily shopping for fresh bread and sausage in tiny shops. On your guided walking tour of the village, you'll hear a lot about daily life in Wertheim, as well as facts about the town and its history. Its many well-preserved medieval buildings—complete with low doors and tiny windows—attest to the inconveniences of life in the Middle Ages.

Arrives On: 17 Dec 24

#### Day 4: Würzburg (Germany)

This morning, you'll head off to see the Würzburg Residence, a baroque-style palace famous for its gigantic ceiling fresco. Later, visit the town's renowned Christmas Market, held in front of the old City Hall, for some one-of-a-kind gifts for friends back home. Beautifully decorated wooden booths are illuminated by the soft glow of Christmas lighting, and the air is filled with the scent of roasted chestnuts and the sound of Christmas carols. One of the best ways to embrace a different culture is through encounters with local residents, which you'll experience this afternoon in a typical Franconian village. Make new friends over hot drinks and homemade seasonal treats.

Arrives On: 18 Dec 24

#### Day 5: Kitzingen (Germany)

Rothenburg looks like something straight out of the pages of a storybook, with its medieval walls, cobbled streets, Gothic churches, and Hansel-and-Gretel houses. Join a local expert for an insightful walking tour, and then wander amongst the stalls at one of Germany's oldest Christmas markets

Arrives On: 19 Dec 24

#### Day 6: Bamberg (Germany)

The fact that Bamberg still exists today is something of a miracle—it survived WWII bombing virtually unscathed. It's a superb example of a medieval German city, one compact enough to explore on foot with a local expert. You'll also have free time to visit not just one but four Christmas Markets and a captivating amount of nativity scenes located along nativity trail.

Arrives On: 20 Dec 24

#### Day 7: Nuremberg (Germany)

For a holiday extravaganza, look no further than Nuremberg, which boasts the largest and grandest Christmas Market in all of Germany— and that's really saying something. The "Gingerbread Capital of the World" pulls out all the stops during the holidays, as you'll see for yourself on a panoramic tour guaranteed to put you in a festive mood. Stroll through the castle gardens and enjoy breathtaking views of the city, then walk through a maze of cobblestone lanes down to the central Market Square. There, spread out before the Church of Our Lady, is the largest Christmas Market in Germany.

Arrives On: 21 Dec 24

### Day 8: Nuremberg (Germany)

Disembark the ship. If your cruise package includes a group departure transfer or if you have purchased a private departure transfer, you will be transferred to the Nuremberg International Airport for your flight home.

Arrives On: 22 Dec 24

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