

# THE RHINE RIVER CRUISE

The Netherlands - Germany - France - Switzerland

ABOARD THE LUXURIOUS

5 STAR/DELUXE "M/S AMADEUS IMPERIAL"

SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 8, 2023



**Early-Bird Special!**  
Member ~~\$4,799~~, \$4,699  
Non-Member ~~\$4,899~~, \$4,799  
if reserved by February 24, 2023.  
**Hurry, at this price the trip will sell out quickly.**

The iconic waterways of Europe are calling on this enchanting river cruise! Enjoy an exceptional voyage along "Old Father Rhine", one of Europe's most captivating waterways, from Amsterdam at the North Sea to Basel, gateway to the Swiss Alps. Join us as we travel through four of Europe's most picturesque countries – The Netherlands, Germany, France and Switzerland. Explore their magnificent cities including Amsterdam, Cologne, Strasbourg, Heidelberg and beyond. Take in their diverse landscapes and impressive waterways, featuring a cruise across The Netherlands' IJsselmeer and along the Lorelei stretch of the Rhine with its splendid wealth of mythological associations.

For more details and reservations contact:  
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Reservations can also be made on our online booking engine  
[www.aventuraworld.com/booking](http://www.aventuraworld.com/booking). The group booking code is: VBQCAG



# THE RHINE RIVER CRUISE

## The Netherlands - Germany - France - Switzerland

9 Days/7 Nights

from **\$4,699** Member / **\$4,799** Non-Member Air & Cruise

(7) Cruise - Amsterdam to Basel

### CRUISE PROGRAM



### THE RIVERBOAT

Launched in 2020, the AMADEUS Imperial effortlessly blends the vibrant energy of a day of river cruising with an increasingly calm and intimate ship experience. This ship is made up of 4 decks and features facilities including the classic "Café Vienna", outdoor glass-shielded "River Terrace", Amadeus Club, Panorama Deck, Sun Deck with Lido Bar, Fitness Room, and Massage Room. 12 luxurious suites feature walk-out balconies, and 72 spacious deluxe cabins are equipped with luxurious bathrooms and walk-in closets. Majority of the cabins have automatically lowerable panoramic windows, offering a spectacular view of the passing scenery. The restaurant seats all passengers in one sitting and the experienced chefs serve both regional and international cuisines with a focus on fresh, local ingredients. The elegant Amadeus Imperial combines the luxuries of a deluxe hotel with innovative design and the first-class service provided by its dedicated crew.



Heidelberg

### TOUR FEATURES

- **ROUND TRIP AIR TRANSPORTATION** - Air transportation from Dallas-Fort Worth, TX
- **DELUXE ACCOMMODATIONS** - 7 nights on board the deluxe M/S Amadeus Imperial. All staterooms are equipped with private bathrooms, air-conditioning, direct-dial telephone and color TV with satellite channels
- **SUPERB CUISINE** - Superb dining with all meals included during your cruise (buffet breakfast, lunch, afternoon tea, dinner, and midnight snacks), coffee, tea, wine, beer and soft drinks with lunch/dinner (including Welcome Dinner and Captain's Gala Dinner)
- **WELCOME RECEPTION** - Welcome Captain's Cocktail Reception
- **DAILY ENTERTAINMENT** - Daily performances on board featuring folklore programs, music performances, lectures, and theme dinners
- **GREAT PORTS OF CALL** - We cruise to the fascinating and historic towns and cities of Amsterdam (overnight stay), Cologne, Cochem, Koblenz, Rudesheim, Mannheim, Speyer, Strasbourg, and Basel
- **SIGHTSEEING TOUR PROGRAM** - For your enjoyment, we have a city tour of Amsterdam with canal cruise, city walk of Cologne, Cochem (includes wine tasting), Rudesheim (including Music Museum), excursion to Heidelberg, and city tour of Strasbourg. Optional tours are available
- **CULTURAL DISCOVERY SERIES** - Our program encompasses cultural connections, in-depth learning on the local economy and social systems, and interaction with locals such as folklore shows, insightful and intriguing lectures, regional themed evenings and culinary demonstrations on board and visit to a local cheese farm to learn how Dutch cheese is made
- **PROFESSIONAL CRUISE DIRECTOR** - Assistance of an experienced cruise director onboard
- **PROFESSIONAL TOUR GUIDE** - Assistance of a professional local guide during transfers from airport/boat/airport
- **BAGGAGE HANDLING AND TRANSFERS** - Baggage handling for one piece of checked luggage outside of the airport to the boat
- **DELUXE MOTORCOACHES** - Touring by private deluxe air-conditioned motor coach
- **PORT TAXES & FEES** - All ship port taxes and fees

### OPTIONAL ZÜRICH EXTENSION TOUR FEATURES

- **FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATIONS** - Hotel accommodations for 2 nights
- **SUPERB CUISINE** - 2 buffet breakfasts included
- **SIGHTSEEING TOUR PROGRAMS** - Sightseeing, including local guide and all entrance fees as follows: A city tour of Zürich
- **PROFESSIONAL TOUR DIRECTOR** - Assistance of a professional Tour Director for the entire length of the tour
- **BAGGAGE HANDLING AND TRANSFERS** - Baggage handling for one piece of checked luggage outside of the airport

### DESTINATION HIGHLIGHTS

Pack and unpack only once • Deluxe accommodations • Gourmet cuisine • Riverboat experience • Hillside castles & storybook villages • Spectacular scenery & lush vineyards • Grand cathedrals, historic cities & medieval towns • Rhine Gorge, a UNESCO World Heritage site • Dutch ingenuity • Picture-perfect German riverside towns • Beautiful city of Amsterdam & canal cruise • Cologne, jewel of the Rhine • World famous Cologne Cathedral • Picturesque town of Cochem • Wine tasting • 2,000-year-old city of Koblenz • Idyllic Rudesheim, winemaking town • Siegfried's Music Museum • Romantic city of Heidelberg • Charming Speyer • Sophisticated & multicultural French town of Strasbourg • Vibrant Basel • Cultural & contemporary Zürich

**Day 1 Depart USA** Depart the US for Amsterdam, Holland. Meals and refreshments are served on board.

**Day 2 Arrive to Amsterdam** Today you arrive in Amsterdam, the capital of The Netherlands and after clearing customs and immigration, you will be met by your Aventura World tour representative. Enjoy the scenery as Amsterdam's vivid history and modern allure come to life. Known for its winding canals, Amsterdam's center is made up of approximately 90 islands connected by some 400 bridges. Upon arrival you will travel to your riverboat – this will be your floating vacation home for the next seven nights. Enjoy some leisure time to explore and get to know the deluxe vessel...stroll along the sun deck, relax with a treatment in the spa, visit the onboard hair salon or make new friends over a cocktail at the bar. This evening you will be treated to a Welcome Cocktail Reception before your Welcome Dinner with beautiful views of the Rhine River. (D)

**Day 3 Amsterdam - Utrecht – City Tour with Canal Cruise** Join in a city tour and canal cruise showing you some of Amsterdam's highlights from a local's perspective. With a knowledgeable private guide by your side, visit the "Dam", Amsterdam's central market square, dominated by the Royal Palace, as well as the famous Museum District. You will also see the Albert Cuyp Market, the beautiful buildings along the canal and the windmill on the Amstel. This is followed by a one-hour boat trip on Amsterdam's famous canals, during which you will see many famous sights of Amsterdam from the water. This afternoon, the vessel continues with a cruise on the IJsselmeer, one of the largest inland freshwater lakes in Holland. This evening, join your fellow travelers for dinner. (B,L,D)

**Day 4 Cologne – City Walk** Enjoy the breathtaking views as we cruise along towards the great city of Cologne where we will arrive this afternoon – our ship will dock in a location that is within easy reach of the city center. Here, your city tour will take you to explore Cologne's most important sights, strolling along its quaint cobblestone corridors, and getting a true feel for daily life as you delve into the central old quarter. See the famous Cologne cathedral with its impressive spires that dominate the skyline situated in the splendid Roncalliplatz Square, and discover the hay market and the old market. Board the ship again as we continue towards Cochem. (B,L,D)

**Day 5 Cochem – City Walk with Wine Tasting** This blissful morning takes you on a scenic cruise along the Moselle River to Cochem, a quaint small-town beckoning for you to explore on today's featured walking tour where you will take-in, among other sights, Reichsburg Castle, perched on a rock high above the town and Moselle Valley, dotted with vineyards and lush landscapes. Legend and folklore come to life as you make your way through its interwoven streets lined with charming cottages to reach the town square where half-timbered houses set the stage for discovering Cochem's beauty at its best. Today's romantic adventure continues with a tasting of Moselle wines to close out this glorious day in Cochem. (B,L,D)

**Day 6 Koblenz /Rüdesheim - City Walk** Today begins in the charming town of Koblenz, which stands at the confluence of the Rhine and the Moselle. Spend a morning at leisure or take an optional tour of Koblenz, one of the oldest and most beautiful towns in Germany, with over 2,000 years of history. Your insightful guide reveals the treasures of this town to you at every turn. From its old quarter that was rebuilt after suffering severe damage in WWII to the romantic streets between the Liebfrauenkirche (Church of Our Beloved Lady) and the St. Castor Basilica. From there, discover Emperor Wilhelm Memorial at the famous German Corner and the town's landmark the Schängel Fountain at the town hall. In the afternoon, enjoy the scenic cruising through the Upper Middle Rhine Valley as the ship skirts around the 132-meter Lorelei Rock, and then we visit the famed wine town of Rüdesheim. Board the fun winemakers express passing the picturesque streets, alleys, and vineyards of Ruedesheim to Siegfried's Mechanical Music Cabinet Museum, featuring beautiful automated instruments and pianos including one of the largest collections of mechanical music boxes, made from the 18th to the 20th centuries. Take some time to explore the town's long narrow street, the Drosselgasse, lined on both sides with wine taverns selling the local vintages. (B,L,D)

**Day 7 Mannheim – Tour of Heidelberg/Speyer** A morning of adventuring awaits today. From Mannheim this morning, we travel on a deluxe motorcoach to one of Germany's most beautiful cities, Heidelberg. Towering over the town is Heidelberg Schloss, a magnificent red sandstone ruin that once protected the city. A walking tour of the Old Town conveys the spirit that once lured writers and artists: Mark Twain, Victor Hugo and Robert Schumann, among others. The town is home to the country's oldest university, founded in 1386. Our guided tour includes a special visit to the city's imposing castle, a red sandstone ruin overlooking the Neckar River. On from there, we head to the enchanting old town to Karl-Theodor Bridge with its imposing two-tower bridge gate. Next, we visit the Holy Ghost Church of the Late-Gothic period as well as the town hall and the "Zum Ritter" Renaissance building. This afternoon we cruise along to Speyer, an old imperial city on the Rhine with a rich and turbulent past. Religious architecture steeped in history, impressive facades of various styles, winding alleys and romantic squares characterize it. Today's optional guided walk includes a visit to the city's impressive and spiritual cathedral. Tonight, we will join together and celebrate at the included Captain's Gala dinner. (B,L,D)



**Day 8 Strasbourg – City Tour** Today you arrive in Strasbourg, France, the ancient capital of Alsace and one of Europe's most well-known and beautiful cities. Enjoy breakfast and then take a guided tour of the city. You will see the European Parliament building and tour the inside of the vast and famous cathedral, which features carvings as delicate as lacework. The richness and sheer density of Strasbourg's historic buildings have led to the entire city center being adopted as a UNESCO World Heritage site. A riverboat takes you to discover the medieval charm of the Petite France quarter, a former mill and tanner district. View the area's iconic half-timbered houses, the Ponts Couverts, and the Palais de Rohan, before we cast off towards Basel in Switzerland. (B,L,D)

**Day 9 Basel to USA or extend your stay with an optional Zürich extension** After breakfast onboard, you'll disembark in Basel, Switzerland. Transfer to the airport for your flight home. (B)

#### OPTIONAL ZÜRICH EXTENSION

**Day 9 Basel – Zürich** Upon arrival to port in Basel and after your breakfast onboard, you will be met and transferred to Zürich. Along the way, you will experience beautiful Swiss scenery before arriving at your hotel. The remainder of the day is at leisure. Zürich is known as one of the world's most livable cities. Recognized as a savvy, hard-working financial center, Switzerland's largest and wealthiest metropolis has also appeared in the 21st century as one of central Europe's trendiest destinations. Much of the ancient center, with its winding lanes and tall church steeples, has been kept lovingly intact. Yet Zürich has also enthusiastically embraced modern trends. Welcome and enjoy! (B)

**Day 10 Zürich – City Tour** After breakfast at your hotel you will explore Zürich on a half-day sightseeing tour of the city. Visit the Swiss National Museum, view the Zürich Opera House and the Old Town and then take to the water for a scenic ferry crossing of Lake Zürich. Then ride uphill by cogwheel train for panoramic views over the city, before taking a short cruise on Lake Zürich. What could be more Swiss than to top off the day with a stop at Lindt & Sprüngli chocolate shop? This afternoon enjoy some free time to shop and explore. (B)

**Day 11 Zürich to USA** After breakfast at your hotel, you will board the coach to Zürich airport for your homebound flight. (B)

(B) – Breakfast, (L) – Lunch, (D) – Dinner

**TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL** EASY 1 2 3 4 5 ACTIVE

#### TOUR PRICE

Chamber member tour price is \$4,699 member/\$4,799 non-member per person, double occupancy based on category C4. See registration form for further pricing.

For single occupancy, add Cat C4 \$999/Cat B4 \$1,299 (limited availability)

Fuel surcharges of \$330 and taxes of \$150 per person are included in the price and are valid at the time of printing but are subject to change.

Early Bird Special: Save on all Cabin Categories if booked by February 24, 2023. The price increases by \$100 per person after this date.

Please note: Though rare, it may be necessary to substitute hotels/ships and adjust itineraries at guide's/captain's discretion due to local conditions.

#### OPTIONAL ZÜRICH EXTENSION:

Zürich Extension: \$899 Double Occupancy or \$1,198 Single

# REGISTRATION FORM

(One per passenger)

METROPORT CHAMBER | THE RHINE RIVER CRUISE | SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER 8, 2023

We strongly recommend registration via our online booking engine [www.aventuraworld.com/booking](http://www.aventuraworld.com/booking). Please use booking code: **VBQCAC**

Please complete the form below (one per passenger) and e-mail it with a clear copy of your passport information page to Jennifer Reiser at Karen Granade at [karen.granade@sbcglobal.net](mailto:karen.granade@sbcglobal.net)

PLEASE WRITE LEGIBLY - NAMES MUST BE LISTED AS THEY APPEAR ON YOUR PASSPORT

Name: Mr. /Mrs. /Ms. : \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
First/Middle Name Last Name

Passport#: \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Issue: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Rooming as:  Single occupancy (C4+\$999/B4+\$1,299)

Double/Twin occupancy with: \_\_\_\_\_  
First/Middle Name Last Name

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

CABIN CATEGORY CHOICE - 1ST CHOICE \_\_\_\_\_ 2ND CHOICE \_\_\_\_\_

Cat C4\* \$4,699 member/\$4,799 non-member (Small panoramic window)  
Cat C1 \$4,899 member/\$4,999 non-member (Small panoramic window)  
Cat B2 \$5,199 member/\$5,299 non-member (Drop-down panoramic window)  
Cat A2 \$5,599 member/\$5,699 non-member (Drop-down panoramic window)  
Cat S2\* \$6,199 member/\$6,299 non-member (Walk-out exterior balcony)

Cat C2\* \$4,799 member/\$4,899 non-member (Small panoramic window)  
Cat B4\* \$5,099 member/\$5,199 non-member (Drop-down panoramic window)  
Cat B1 \$5,299 member/\$5,399 non-member (Drop-down panoramic window)  
Cat A1 \$5,699 member/\$5,799 non-member (Drop-down panoramic window)  
Cat S1\* \$6,299 member/\$6,399 non-member (Walk-out exterior balcony)

**SINGLE SUPPLEMENT:**  
\*Cat C4 \$999  
\*Cat B4 \$1,299  
\*Limited availability

OPTIONAL EXTENSION	YES	NO	PRICE
Zürich	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$899.00 (Double)
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$1,198.00 (Single)
TOTAL			\$ _____

Please Note: A minimum of 20 passengers is required to operate the extension.

CALCULATE TRIP COST	Member	Non-Member	Member	Non-Member	
Trip cost <i>before</i> February 24, 2023:	\$ _____	\$ _____	Trip cost <i>after</i> February 24, 2023:	\$ _____	Use this subtotal to calculate your optional trip protection premium cost
Single supplement (if applicable):	\$ _____	\$ _____	Single supplement (if applicable):	\$ _____	
Optional Zürich extension:	\$ _____	\$ _____	Optional Zürich extension:	\$ _____	
Subtotal:	\$ _____	\$ _____	Subtotal:	\$ _____	

## TRAVEL PROTECTION PLAN:

We strongly recommend protecting your trip with our Optional Travel Protection Plan or upgrade to our Cancel For Any Reason Plan. The applicable premium must be paid upon registration. For full disclosure of coverage, please visit: [www.aventuraworld.com/files/travel-protection.pdf](http://www.aventuraworld.com/files/travel-protection.pdf). Policy rates are based on the total Tour Cost per person including taxes, optional tours and optional Zürich extension (your subtotal from above).

**\*\*Cancel For Any Reason protection plan is not available for residents of New York\*\***

Tour Cost:	\$4,501 to \$5,000	\$5,001 to \$5,500	\$5,501 to \$6,000	\$6,001 to \$6,500	\$6,501 to \$7,000	\$7,001 to \$8,000	\$8,001 to \$9,000
Policy Cost:	<input type="checkbox"/> \$318	<input type="checkbox"/> \$345	<input type="checkbox"/> \$379	<input type="checkbox"/> \$408	<input type="checkbox"/> \$442	<input type="checkbox"/> \$491	<input type="checkbox"/> \$554
Cancel For Any Reason Cost:	<input type="checkbox"/> \$477	<input type="checkbox"/> \$517.50	<input type="checkbox"/> \$568.50	<input type="checkbox"/> \$612	<input type="checkbox"/> \$663	<input type="checkbox"/> \$736.50	<input type="checkbox"/> \$831

YES, I accept travel protection

NO, I decline travel protection (not recommended)

## CALCULATE DEPOSIT:

Deposit: \$800.00 + Optional Zürich extension \$ \_\_\_\_\_ + Travel protection premium \$ \_\_\_\_\_ = Deposit Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Deposit due at time of registration.  
Final remaining balance due May 23, 2023.

## PAYMENT METHODS:

Make checks payable to Aventura World and mail to **Metroport Chamber - PO Box 74, Roanoke, TX 76262.**

To pay and reserve online, go to: <https://www.aventuraworld.com/booking>. Use the booking number at the top of this form. When paying by check, please fully complete the form and send the check/reservation form to the indicated address. When paying by credit card (not via the booking engine), please fully complete the form above and complete the calculate deposit worksheet. If you wish to pay more than just the deposit amounts, indicate this in the notes section. Once completed, please submit the reservation form to your group leader to send to Aventura World. We will email you a link to pay via credit card upon receipt. This email will come from [Aventuraworld@aventuraworld.com](mailto:Aventuraworld@aventuraworld.com). Please check your spam.

## CANCELLATION POLICY (NEW BOOKINGS):

Cancellations with 131 days or more prior to departure-full refund, the cost of trip cancellation & interruption insurance is retained, between 130 and 91 days prior to departure \$800 per person is retained, 90 and 61 days 60% is retained, 60 and 31 days 85% is retained, 30 days or less, or no show 100% of the package price is retained. **Aventura World recommends the purchase of Cancel for Any Reason (CFAR) travel protection insurance.**

Note: A person becoming a single as a result of the roommate's cancellation must pay the single supplement.

Aventura World reserves the right to adjust pricing based on currency fluctuations, gas increases, and government/airline-imposed charges.

I have read the schedule of activities for the Metroport Chamber - Rhine River Cruise program September 30-October 8'23 and accept the terms and conditions outlined on our website [www.aventuraworld.com/terms-conditions](http://www.aventuraworld.com/terms-conditions) and authorize \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be charged to my card (including optional tour/extension and insurance premium if applicable - from Deposit Due line above).

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

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