

# Rhine River Cruise

Holland, Germany, France & Switzerland

**September 5 - 14, 2018 (Fly)**  
**(10 days - 9 nights)**



**Wed, Sept 5**

**Overnight flight to Amsterdam**

We motorcoach to DFW and board our overnight flight to Amsterdam, Netherlands where we begin our adventure.

**Thu, Sept 6**

**Amsterdam**

Your tour opens in Amsterdam where you will board your cruise ship for a 7-night cruise along the Rhine River. Your ship offers an array of amenities including outside staterooms, unlimited wine with every dinner, and daily onboard musical performances. This evening, meet in the lounge for a cocktail reception followed by a "welcome aboard" dinner.

**Fri, Sept 7**

**Amsterdam**

Join a local expert for a city tour of Amsterdam including a cruise along the city's centuries-old canal system. Board your canal boat and cruise by charming cafés and famous 16th-century row houses stacked side-by-side.

**Sat, Sept 8**

**Cologne**

As you glide down the river this morning, pass through the picturesque German landscape dotted with medieval towns. Your journey brings you to Cologne where you will join a guide for a walking tour of the city's Old Town with its narrow, cobbled streets. Admire the Cologne Cathedral, as well as the Roman Dionysus mosaic and the Romanesque church of St. Martin.

**Sun, Sept 9**

**Moselle River - Cochem**

Set sail on the Moselle River to Cochem where you will join a guided tour through this lovely town and Reichsburg Castle. The castle is set on a precipitous rock high above the town and offers breathtaking views of the Moselle Valley. End your tour of Cochem with an introduction by a local winemaker to

**Highlights Include:**

- 7-night cruise aboard the *MS Amadeus Silver III*
- Amsterdam, Netherlands
- Cologne, Germany
- Moselle River
- Cochem Wine Tasting
- Koblenz, Germany
- Rudesheim, Germany
- Siegfried's Mechanical Music Museum
- Mannheim, Germany
- Speyer, Germany
- Strasbourg, France
- Colmar, France
- Black Forest, Germany

one of Cochem's wine cellars where you will taste regional Mosel wines.

**Mon, Sept 10**

**Koblenz - Rüdesheim**

Continue on to Koblenz and get to know this 2,000-year-old city on a walking tour. See such sights as the town's old quarter, which was badly damaged during World War II and then rebuilt, as well as the Schaengel Fountain at the town hall. Your next stop is Rüdesheim. Set out on a tour of the city and its famous Siegfried's Mechanisches Musikkabinett (or Mechanical Music Museum) where you will be treated to the music of barrel organs and medieval mechanical instruments.

**Tue, Sept 11**

**Mannheim - Speyer**

The river takes you to Mannheim where you will have free time to explore the city on your own. Or, perhaps you will join an optional excursion to the town of Heidelberg. Later, sail to Speyer, one of Germany's oldest cities, and step back in time on a walking tour to explore such places as the Old Gate and the Jewish

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baths. A wonderful evening of food, music and entertainment awaits you at the Captain's Gala Dinner.

### **Wed, Sept 12**

### **Strasbourg**

Your journey takes you to Strasbourg, a provincial capital of France that blends centuries of Roman, French, German and Alsatian influences together, creating a unique character. Discover the history of the city on a guided tour of the old quarter, "Petite France," featuring the Cathedral of Notre Dame. Highlights also include Place de la République and Place d'Austerlitz. You will have free time to explore this perfectly preserved town before returning to your cruise ship.

### **Thu, Sept 13**

### **Zurich**

Today is filled with exploration! Disembark your ship in Basel, Switzerland and travel to the Alsace wine region to spend time in beautiful Colmar. Step back in time with a local guide on a walking tour of the Old Town highlighting its many architectural landmarks. Enjoy some free time to explore this charming city on your own. Next, drive to Titisee, a German resort town nestled alongside its picturesque lake hidden deep in the Black Forest. Savor some leisure time to browse the shops for the region's famous cuckoo clocks. You'll have an opportunity to meet a local artisan who demonstrates how these cuckoo clocks are made with traditional techniques. Then, enjoy a dinner of Black Forest regional specialties before arriving at your Zurich airport area hotel this evening.

### **Fri, Sept 14**

### **Zurich - DFW - Abilene**

Our tour ends today, leaving us with many pleasant memories. We will board our flight to DFW where our motorcoach will be waiting to return us to Abilene.

**Thank you for traveling with  
Bilbrey Tours!**



### **Price Includes:**

- Roundtrip transportation to DFW from Abilene
- Roundtrip air from DFW; call for other airports
- 7 nights accommodations
- Hotel baggage handling for 1 piece of luggage
- Meals: 8 breakfasts, 6 lunches or dinners
- Admissions to all included attractions per itinerary

Price **does not** include gratuities.

Price subject to fuel supplement surcharges by airlines or other vendors. **\*\*Single accommodations not available\*\***

### **Middle Deck**

**\$5959 per person (2 people per room)**

### **Upper Deck**

**\$6259 per person (2 people per room)**

**\$750 due upon booking**

**Final due January 4, 2018**

Travel Protection Insurance (optional and due upon booking) is available at a cost of \$360 per person. A complete outline of coverage is available upon request. Insurance is optional and may only be purchased with initial deposit. We strongly urge you to purchase this insurance to protect yourself in the event of a **medically related cancellation**. All cancellations must be reported to Bilbrey Tours, Inc. within 72 hours of the problem causing the need to cancel. All claims must be completed by attending physician.

***Medicare does not pay outside the United States.***

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