



2026

# European River Cruising

Introducing two new riverboats in France and a new River Seine cruise



Welcome to Tauck. We invite you to see the world as you've never seen it before. To travel the world with exclusive access, authentic local connections, insider knowledge, and unique, one-of-a-kind experiences..

As we enter our second century of travel, family owned for four generations, we keep raising the bar to find new ways to connect you more deeply with the places you explore.

## Travel beyond ordinary™



Named to *Travel + Leisure's*  
“World's Best Awards” River Cruise  
Lines list for 16 consecutive years

# A new chapter in river cruising

One of the greatest honors I've had here at Tauck, and one of those "best days I'll always remember," was being asked to be one of two Godmothers to ms *Andorinha* at her emotional christening in the summer of 2021. The christening was postponed until travel resumed after the long "pause" – the launch of ms *Andorinha*, and the start of her journeys on the Douro, took on a much deeper meaning of restart, renewal, and rebirth.

In 2026, I'm so pleased to announce the debut of two new riverboats in France – ms *Serene* on the River Seine and ms *Lumière* on the River Rhône. At Tauck, our 'small is big' philosophy is rooted in the belief that the little details and personal connections create the most meaningful travel experiences. That's why we've listened carefully to our guests to reimagine these new ships with fresh, thoughtful enhancements. From an expanded wellness area to inviting social spaces and spacious accommodations, every detail has been designed to elevate the guest experience while cruising along two of Europe's most storied rivers.

And with our incredible team on the river and ashore, you'll feel the Tauck difference in every thoughtful detail, every seamless moment, and every travel experience that becomes the story that stays with you long after you've returned home. No matter which river you decide to cruise, our #1 priority is for you to travel effortlessly, with peace of mind knowing that every aspect of your trip is taken care of. On behalf of all of us at Tauck, we truly look forward to welcoming you aboard!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Tombaugh".

Jennifer Tombaugh, CEO

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☞ River cruise operates in two directions – north/south or east/west



Scan the QR code for complete details on our six *Tauck Bridges* Family River Cruises.

*Cover photo: Château Gaillard, River Seine*  
Rendezvous on the Seine, **see page 32**





Prague

CZECH  
REPUBLIC

Cross-Continent  
3 Cruises (see p 120)

Passau  
Danube River

Salzburg

AUSTRIA

Cesky Krumlov

Dürnstein

Melk

Vienna

Bratislava

SLOVAKIA

Budapest

HUNGARY

CROATIA

The Danube  
4 Cruises (see p 102)

Vukovar

Belgrade

SERBIA

Iron Gate

Danube River

ROMANIA

Bran

Bucharest

BULGARIA

Ruse

Constanta

# The 2026 Tauck collection

*With more than 150 journeys on land, sea and river in 70+ countries and all seven continents, Tauck shows you the world like no one else can. Travel as small as you like with a choice of group sizes on our land journeys, including Small Groups (averaging 24 guests) and Even Smaller Groups (averaging 15 guests) – our most intimate journeys yet. Create timeless memories on family travel adventures. Explore Europe's great rivers aboard custom-crafted riverboats designed with more space for fewer guests. Embark on a small ship cruise that goes where the big ships don't. And discover the difference that a century of expertise, innovation, and passion for travel can make – explore the world, your way, with Tauck.*

## *Global Journeys and Safaris*

Tauck's global journeys in Asia, Australia, New Zealand, the Americas, and Africa (including our award-winning safaris) ensure seamless peace of mind travel in distant destinations; they feature the "world's best" hotels, expert local guides, and unique, unforgettable experiences.

## *European River Cruising*

On our all-inclusive river cruises, custom-crafted riverboats are designed with more space for fewer guests – a more intimate experience along the Danube, Rhine, Seine, Rhône and Douro rivers. Fully guided and carefully orchestrated, enjoy a unique vantage point from Europe's waterways.

## *Small Ship Cruising*

Destination-inspired, our cultural voyages and expeditions sail aboard a fleet of hand-picked small ships to ports of call in Europe, Asia, Antarctica, Latin America and North America, accommodating an average of 200 guests aboard.

## *Europe Land Journeys*

Our signature land journeys range from one week to two, travel on- and off-the-beaten path and are seamlessly orchestrated with cultural experiences, exclusive access to iconic sites, premium hotel stays and thoughtfully curated culinary tastings.

## *North America Land Journeys*

Rooted in our 100-year history, our national park and heritage tours across North America are enriched by our longstanding relationships and exclusive partnerships, including documentary filmmaker Ken Burns.

## *Tauck Bridges Family Adventures*

Specially designed for multi-generational families, our fully guided, all-inclusive family trips include a Galápagos cruise, an African safari, European river cruises, and land journeys in Japan, Europe, Peru, Costa Rica, and North America.



Saddle up for a family trail ride with a cowboy guide in hoodoo-filled Bryce Canyon. *Tauck Bridges Red Rocks & Painted Canyons*



Small ships explore must-see destinations, such as Dubrovnik in Croatia, as well as small ports and hidden harbors. *Venice & the Dalmatian Coast*



Tauck's unique access connects you to the real heart of Europe, such as Germany's picturesque Moselle Valley. *Romantic Capitals: Prague to Paris*



Game drives with expert trackers and a 6:1 guest to guide ratio provide unparalleled personalized experiences. *Kenya & Tanzania: A Classic Safari*



Take an after-hours tour of Graceland in Memphis, with dinner at Presley Motors Automotive Museum. *Music of America: Nashville to New Orleans*



Visit the Salvatore Ferragamo Museum, in Florence, for a Tauck exclusive wine tasting with a member of the family. *Classic Italy, Small Groups*

# The Tauck Difference

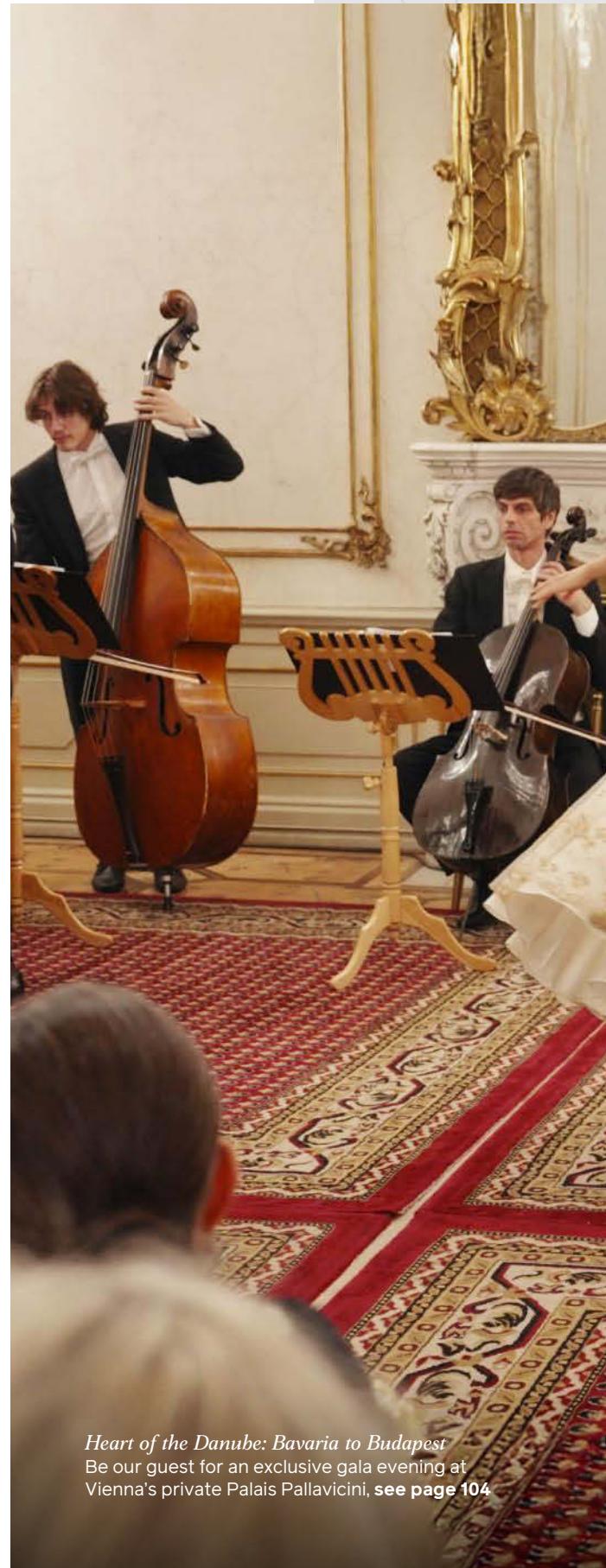
When you embark on a river cruise with Tauck, virtually every expense is included, assuring you of a relaxing, stress-free way to experience the heart of Europe. Unpack just once aboard our custom-crafted riverboats, intimately designed to cater to your comfort with premier amenities and more space for fewer guests. Enjoy a choice of seamlessly orchestrated shore excursions, led by expert local guides, along with exclusive experiences you can't have if traveling on your own. Included stays in landmark city-center hotels may bookend your cruise, offering you the added opportunity for more in-depth exploration. On every cruise, our goal is to provide you with the very best experience possible, with an uncompromising focus on service, quality, and value.

## *Closer connections to places and people*

Meet locals who share their daily lives, traditions, and cultural insights with you and enjoy opportunities to visit families in their homes for a personal glimpse into their world. Explore with historians and scholars who bring the past to life in ways that resonate today. Engage with artisans, chefs, and musicians who share their passion with you. Savor authentic regional specialties at wineries, restaurants, palaces, and more, and experience the world from a truly personal perspective – memorable moments of connection that enrich every Tauck river cruise.

## *Unique access, exclusive experiences*

Experience the Tauck difference with exclusive access just for Tauck. Be our guest at private dinners in family-owned palaces in Prague and Vienna, during after-hours evenings in remarkable venues like the Mauritshuis museum in The Hague, where the "Girl with a Pearl Earring" resides, on early-entry visits to iconic sites like Monet's home and painted gardens at Giverny, at private tastings in world-class wineries, and even opportunities to go beyond the velvet ropes at cultural landmarks such as the Baroque Libraries at Strahov Monastery. Each experience is carefully curated to fully immerse you in the destinations you explore with us.



*Heart of the Danube: Bavaria to Budapest*  
Be our guest for an exclusive gala evening at Vienna's private Palais Pallavicini, **see page 104**



*Top to bottom:*

Go beyond the velvet ropes in the Baroque Libraries at Strahov Monastery in Prague, [see page 108](#)

Monet's home and gardens are all yours to explore on an early opening visit, open just for Tauck, [see page 24](#)

Meet the *Girl with the Pearl Earring* during an exclusive dinner at the Mauritshuis museum in the Hague, [see page 60](#)



*Behind the ropes in Strahov Monastery*



*Cesky Krumlov with a Tauck Director and a local expert*



*Exploring Slovakia with a Tauck Director*



*Insider insights at the Mauritshuis Museum*



# Guided by the best

Boasting the most director-level staff on Europe's rivers, each of our river cruises is managed by a team of experienced Tauck Directors and a Tauck Cruise Director who take care of all the day-to-day details for you, onboard and ashore. Together with our local guides and experts, they assure your peace of mind wherever you go.

## *Attentive personal service*

With one Tauck Director for every 35 guests, the most director-level staff on Europe's rivers, and a guest to crew ratio of 3:1, you'll enjoy more personal, attentive service throughout your cruise. Hailing from 41 countries and speaking some 51 languages, our Tauck Directors share a passion for travel and genuine connections that bring destinations to life in ways that are both authentic and effortless – allowing you to fully immerse in the joys of exploration without a single worry.

## *Local guides and experts*

Enriching your discoveries with personal perspectives, insights and unique access, our local guides are chosen for their knowledge and dedication to delivering exceptional experiences to our guests. Exploring Europe with them on shore excursions limited to 15 guests enables you to connect with the locals, discover hidden gems off the beaten path and savor a true taste of daily life. Along with opportunities to cook with chefs, sip wine with vintners, delve into WWII history with scholars and view art with experts, you'll discover the essence of every destination.

# Small is big, with more advantages

## *Our fleet of riverboats*

Our riverboat fleet was specially designed with bigger cabins and more suites than other riverboats of the same size, including our innovative, one-of-a-kind loft cabins. All Tauck riverboats are custom-crafted to our high standards for comfort, spaciousness, and elegance, promising more living space and non-stop views – 80% of our cabins have French balconies – along with impeccable personal service from ship to shore by an experienced team of Tauck Directors, and a Tauck Cruise Director, who seamlessly take care of every day-to-day travel detail for you.

## *Crowd-free experiences*

Small groups aboard our riverboats are key to Tauck River Cruising, offering more flexibility and the most space per guest on Europe's rivers. We limit the number of guests onboard from 84 or 98 on our smaller riverboats to no more than 130 aboard our larger boats so you have room to roam or relax as you like without crowds or lines. Onshore, enjoy a choice of small group excursions and exclusive Tauck experiences private for our guests only, thoughtfully timed and intimately orchestrated to enable closer, more meaningful connections to people and places that make your Tauck river cruise uniquely memorable.



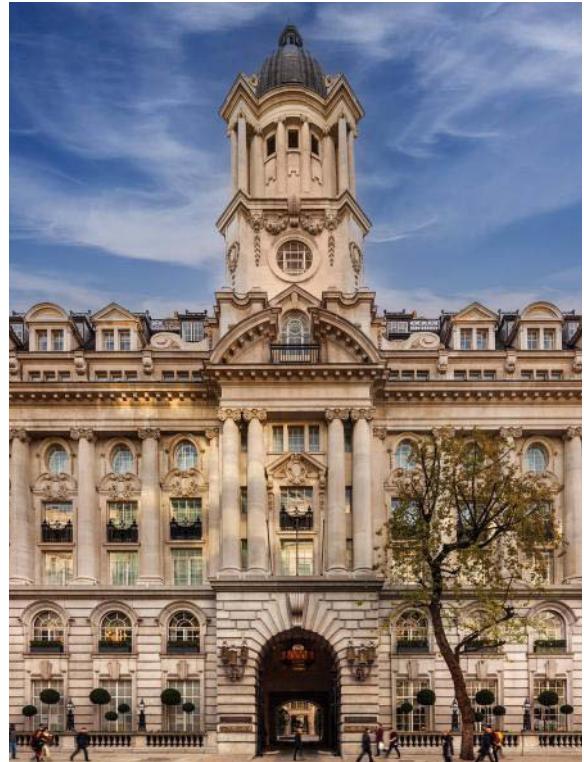
# Distinctively inclusive

River cruising with Tauck means carefree cruising with everything included in one upfront price that will not change due to currency fluctuations, inflation, and more – with no options sold, ever. If it means a better travel experience for our guests, we include it. Take a look at what you'll enjoy on every cruise for a journey designed with your interests in mind and tailored to you.

- Unique cultural experiences exclusive to Tauck
- All meals and snacks onboard and special ones ashore, regionally inspired; complimentary beverages, including all wine, spirits, beer, specialty teas, and more, onboard ship
- A choice of locally guided shore excursions, all included at no additional cost
- All gratuities to Tauck Directors, local guides, ship crew, and wait staff on included meals
- All on-tour transportation including airport or train transfers upon arrival and departure
- Entertainment, admission fees, tastings, and more
- Premier accommodations in the finest city-center hotels and resorts on select cruises



Scan the QR code to explore  
the distinctive dining experience  
aboard Scylla riverboats



## *Top to bottom:*

Spend three nights at elegant Fairmont Le Montreux Palace on *Cruising the Seine, plus Paris & London*, **see page 36**

Local dancers in France perform aboard your riverboat – *Rendezvous on the Seine* **see page 32**

## *Opposite page, top to bottom:*

While cruising the Rhine, enjoy excellent panoramic views from the top deck on *The Rhine and Moselle*, **see page 90**

Innovative loft cabins aboard our Inspiration class ships are uniquely designed to bring in more natural light, **see page 148**

A special evening awaits at Schloss Ehreshoven featuring a reception, dinner & music, *The Romantic Rhine*, **see page 74**

# What's New for 2026

*Thank you for inspiring us to continually raise the bar in enriching and innovative travel.*

*As we enter our next century, we are pleased to introduce a new destination for river cruising in France, and two brand new riverboats that are custom built for enjoying the seasonal pleasures of the Seine and the Rhône.*

*Bordeaux, Paris & The Seine*

Immerse in the wine-making legacies of France from Bordeaux to Provence as you experience a true taste of *la bonne vie* in France, **see page 24**





## New ways to experience France's rivers

With scenic rivers that link medieval towns and gracious cities from Burgundy to Provence, a culinary culture that pleases the palate, award-winning wine unrivaled anywhere, world-class art, historic landmarks, opulent palaces, and regal chateaux, it's no wonder France is one of our guests' most requested river cruise destinations. To accommodate the growing demand, we are launching more ways to experience the rivers of France in 2026.

### *Begin your Seine cruise in Bordeaux*

#### **Bordeaux, Paris & The Seine, 11 days (p. 24)**

Experience a new destination for Tauck - by popular demand! Our newest France river cruise begins with three nights in the sought-after city of wine, Bordeaux. Your accommodations at the lavish InterContinental Bordeaux – Le Grand Hotel immerse you in the culinary gems of this wine-inspired region on tastings and tours in Bordeaux and St. Emilion, before a *TGV* train ride to Paris for the start of your 7-night River Seine cruise to Normandy. *Magnifique!*

### *Meet our new sister ships*

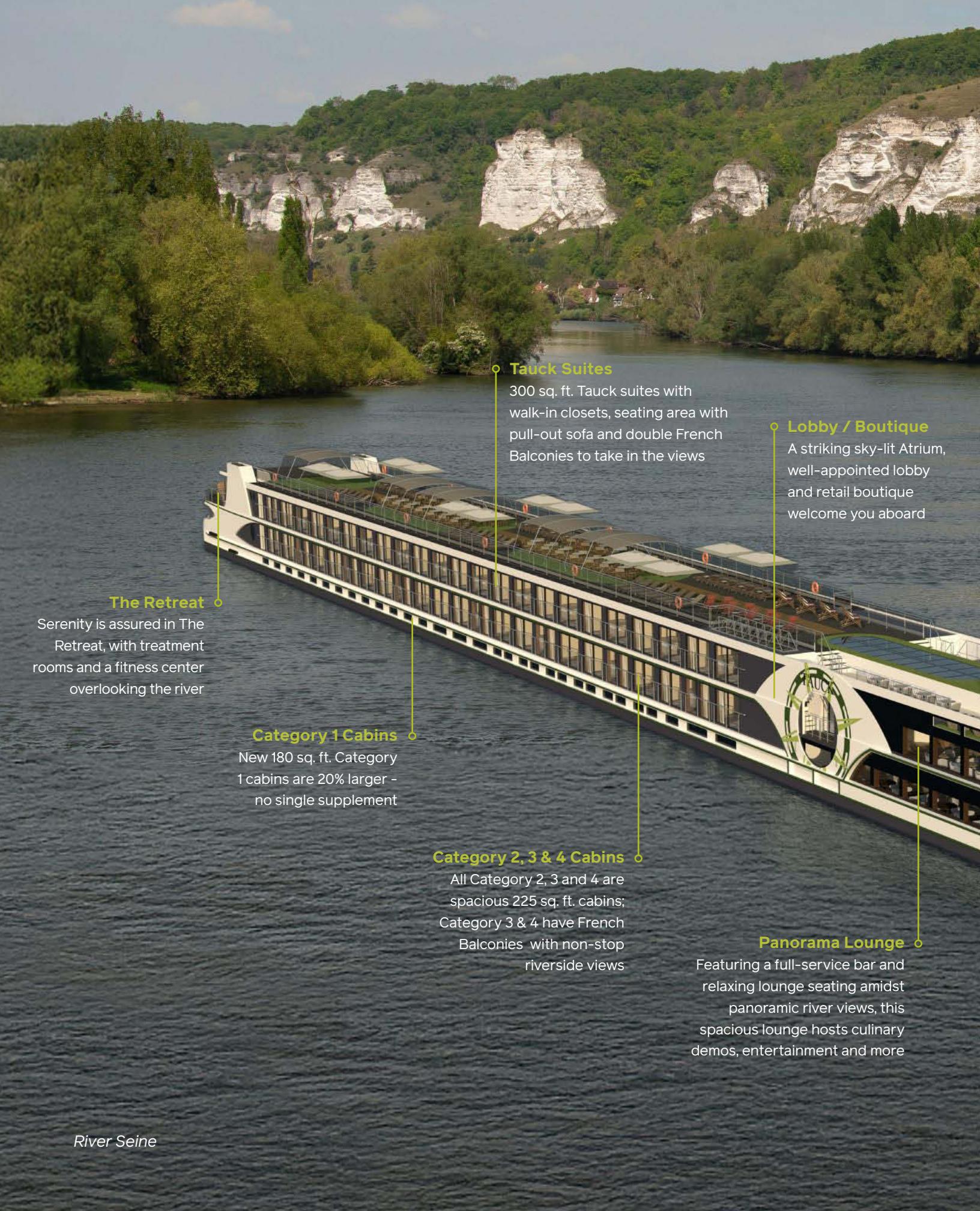
Joining our fleet of riverboats in France, our newly-built sister ships continue to provide more space with fewer guests onboard, along with added innovations designed to make the most of the pleasant climate and scenic delights on the rivers. Cruise aboard *ms Serene* on the Seine and *ms Lumière* on the Rhône, indulging in the premier amenities, personal service, and intimate ambiance you enjoy at Tauck's hotels, without the need to pack and unpack with every new destination. We look forward to welcoming you on board!

#### *Top to bottom:*

St. Emilion - Spend a day in St. Emilion, savoring the sights on a walking tour and a tasting lunch at a romantic château, [see page 24](#)

InterContinental Bordeaux - Le Grand - Your three-night stay at this grand hotel in the heart of Bordeaux indulges with a history of hospitality, [see page 24](#)

Introducing *ms Serene* - Custom built to reflect the serenity of cruising the River Seine, our new riverboat accommodates just 124 guests on board, [see page 146](#)



### **The Retreat**

Serenity is assured in The Retreat, with treatment rooms and a fitness center overlooking the river

### **Category 1 Cabins**

New 180 sq. ft. Category 1 cabins are 20% larger - no single supplement

### **Category 2, 3 & 4 Cabins**

All Category 2, 3 and 4 are spacious 225 sq. ft. cabins; Category 3 & 4 have French Balconies with non-stop riverside views

### **Tauck Suites**

300 sq. ft. Tauck suites with walk-in closets, seating area with pull-out sofa and double French Balconies to take in the views

### **Lobby / Boutique**

A striking sky-lit Atrium, well-appointed lobby and retail boutique welcome you aboard

### **Panorama Lounge**

Featuring a full-service bar and relaxing lounge seating amidst panoramic river views, this spacious lounge hosts culinary demos, entertainment and more



# Meet our new sister ships

*Introducing two new sister ships in France – inspired by the destination and perfect for enjoying the Rhône and Seine*

○ **Sun Deck**

Resort-style Sun Deck boasts a swimming pool and bar and is designed for enjoying the temperate climates and scenic beauty on the Rhône & Seine

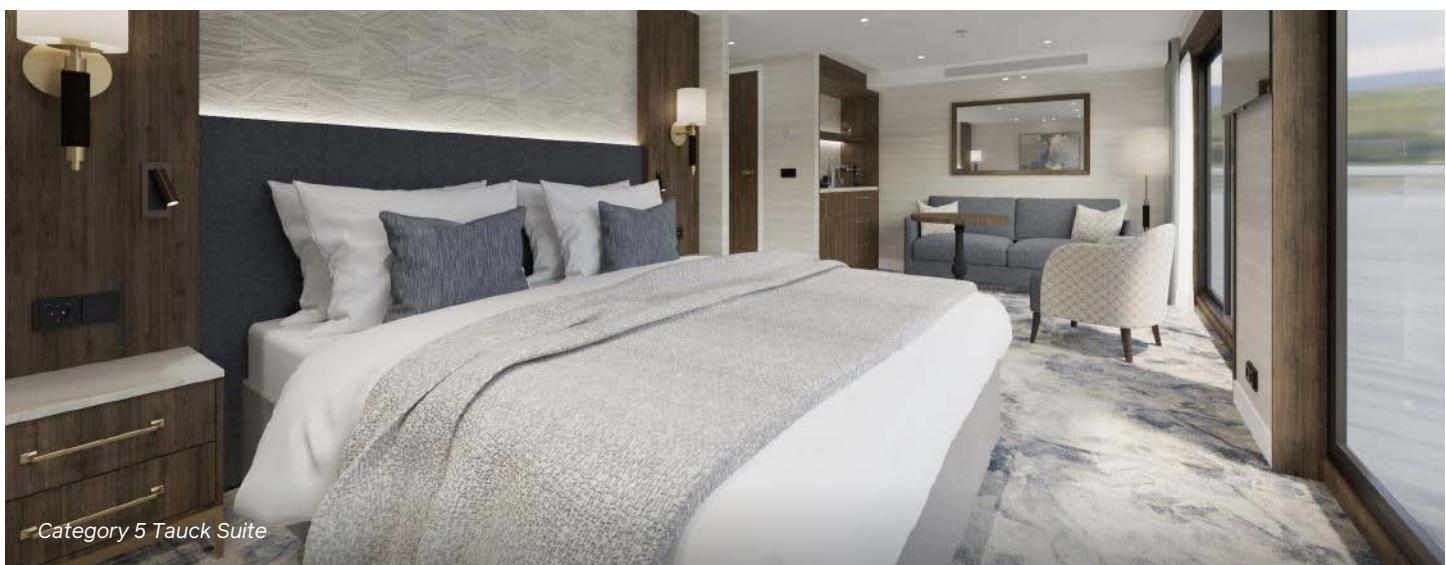
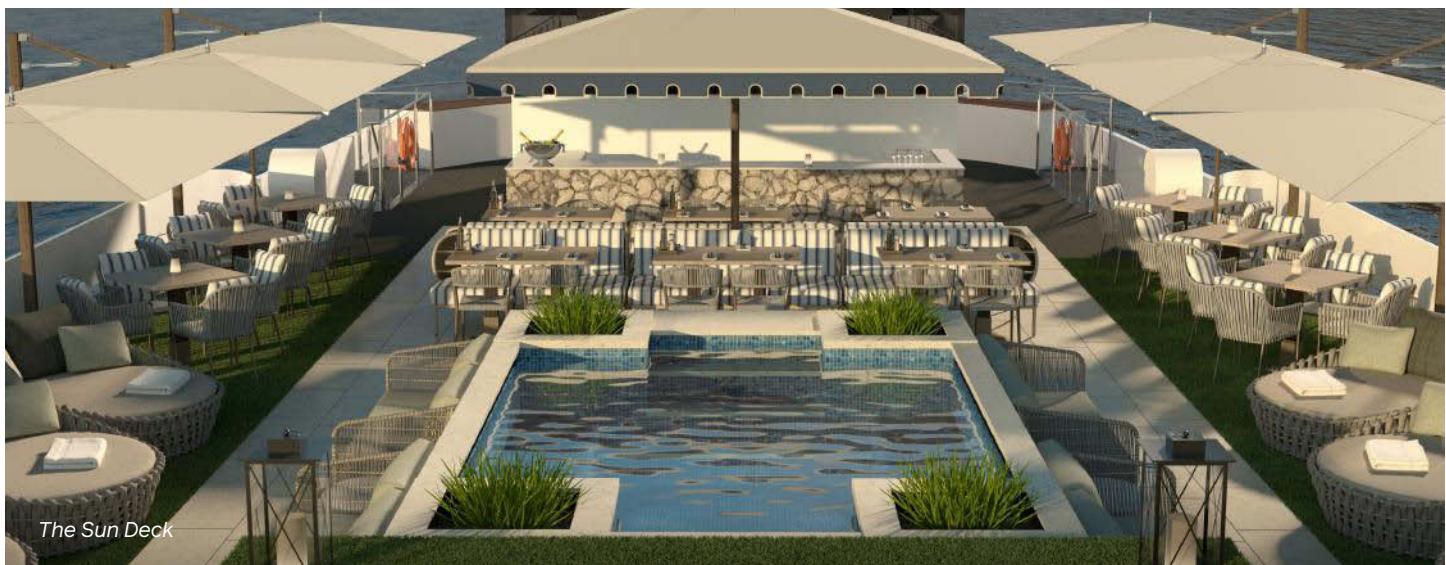
○ **Compass Rose**

Main dining room offers full service meals with carefully curated menus that change nightly; no reservations required

○ **Arthur's**

Arthur's offers casual dining in a cozy, club-like setting, with front of the ship views & all-day service; no reservations required





# Specially built for cruising in France

Ready to set sail in France in 2026, we are excited to launch two brand-new riverboats custom-designed to our high standards for comfort and elegance with guest feedback in mind. Cruise the Seine aboard ms *Serene*, our new 410-ft. long riverboat with a maximum capacity of 124 guests in just 62 cabins. On the Rhône, enjoy cruising aboard ms *Lumière*, 443-ft. long with a maximum capacity of 130 guests in 68 cabins. Both were custom-built for cruising France's rivers.

## *Arthur's: a fresh take on casual dining*

In addition to our Compass Rose dining room, Arthur's offers guests casual onboard dining options in a cozy, club-like setting at the front of the boat. Come in for breakfast, a morning coffee break, a light lunch, an afternoon snack, a glass of French wine or supper as you wish; open all day, there's never a need for reservations. Lined with floor-to-ceiling windows, Arthur's is the perfect place to join friends and family for an informal meal with the best views onboard.

## *More cabins for more spacious options*

Small is even bigger aboard ms *Serene* and ms *Lumière*, carrying on our tradition of offering more space per guest on Europe's rivers. Catering to a maximum of 130 guests, each ship boasts two full decks of cabins larger than 225 sq. ft. with French balconies for nonstop river views, including 20+ 300 sq. ft. Tauck Suites. They also feature 12 new 180 sq. ft. Category 1 cabins with 20% more space and larger bathrooms. With no single supplement charges, these cabins are a great option for both solo travelers and doubles. With a variety of distinctive design features enhancing our cruises on the Seine and Rhône, we can't wait to welcome you aboard!

## *The Retreat: celebrating wellness*

Your wellbeing is top of mind aboard our new riverboats. Steal away for a pampering service or energizing workout in The Retreat, newly designed in the back of the boat with a dedicated massage room and a well-equipped modern fitness center that overlooks the river. Enjoy a healthy snack at our new food, juice, and coffee bar, offering nutritional options to nourish and refresh as you like. And relax in our indoor and outdoor seating areas between fitness classes, amidst stunning riverside views.

## *Sun Deck: soak up the sun*

Taking full advantage of the temperate climate and relaxing cadence of the Seine and Rhône rivers, our top-of-the boat Sun Deck doubles as an onboard resort with a full-service bar and kitchen for the ultimate in al fresco dining, a refreshing swimming pool, and deckside seating ideal for taking in the sun and always picturesque scenery.

Please note that these are photorealistic renderings of a ship under construction and are not actual photographs of the ship.

# Supporting a thriving world

As we reflect on another incredible year of exploring our world together, we are proud to share the progress of our ongoing commitment to travel with purpose. At Tauck, our ethos has always been rooted in preserving the beauty and integrity of the destinations we visit, ensuring they thrive for generations to come.

## *Our focus: People, Places, and Planet*

**People:** Meaningful connections with the communities we visit remain central to our journeys. This year, we supported local livelihoods on every continent through grant projects, cultural preservation initiatives, and volunteer efforts. For over a decade, we've partnered with **Save the Rain** in Tanzania to fund community rainwater harvest systems, providing locals access to clean water, which supports healthy communities and families, allowing adults to be able to work and children to attend school.

**Places:** Preservation has been a cornerstone of Tauck for over a century. Our continued support of America's National Parks, through grants and employee volunteerism, reflects our enduring dedication to these national treasures. At **Minute Man National Historical Park**, we provided a grant to help efforts focused on the restoration and preservation ahead of the 250th anniversary of the Battle of Lexington and Concord. As part of this initiative, Tauck employees volunteered at our annual Family Service Day in 2025.

**Planet:** By traveling responsibly and in partnership with our global suppliers, we continually search for – and identify – opportunities to reduce our environmental impact worldwide, such as our partnership in Ecuador with **Galápagos Conservancy**. Tauck is the first company to underwrite a research and rewilding expedition to help restore the archipelago's native tortoises.

## *A vision for the future*

Our impact vision is paving the way for Tauck to deepen our commitment to responsible travel. By listening to the voices of the communities we visit, implementing sustainable practices, and continuing to assess and adapt, we aim to minimize our impact on the planet while maximizing the positive contributions we make.

## *Together, we make a difference*

Every journey we take together contributes to this mission. Whether it's a moment of connection with a local community, an opportunity to volunteer with one of our non-profit partners while on tour, or simply choosing to explore consciously, you are part of this journey toward a more sustainable future.

We are deeply grateful for your continued trust and partnership in this mission. Together, we can ensure that the wonders of our world remain vibrant and accessible for generations to come.



*Scan the QR code to learn more about Tauck Impact and our ongoing partnerships to the places we travel.*



*Save the Rain, Tanzania*



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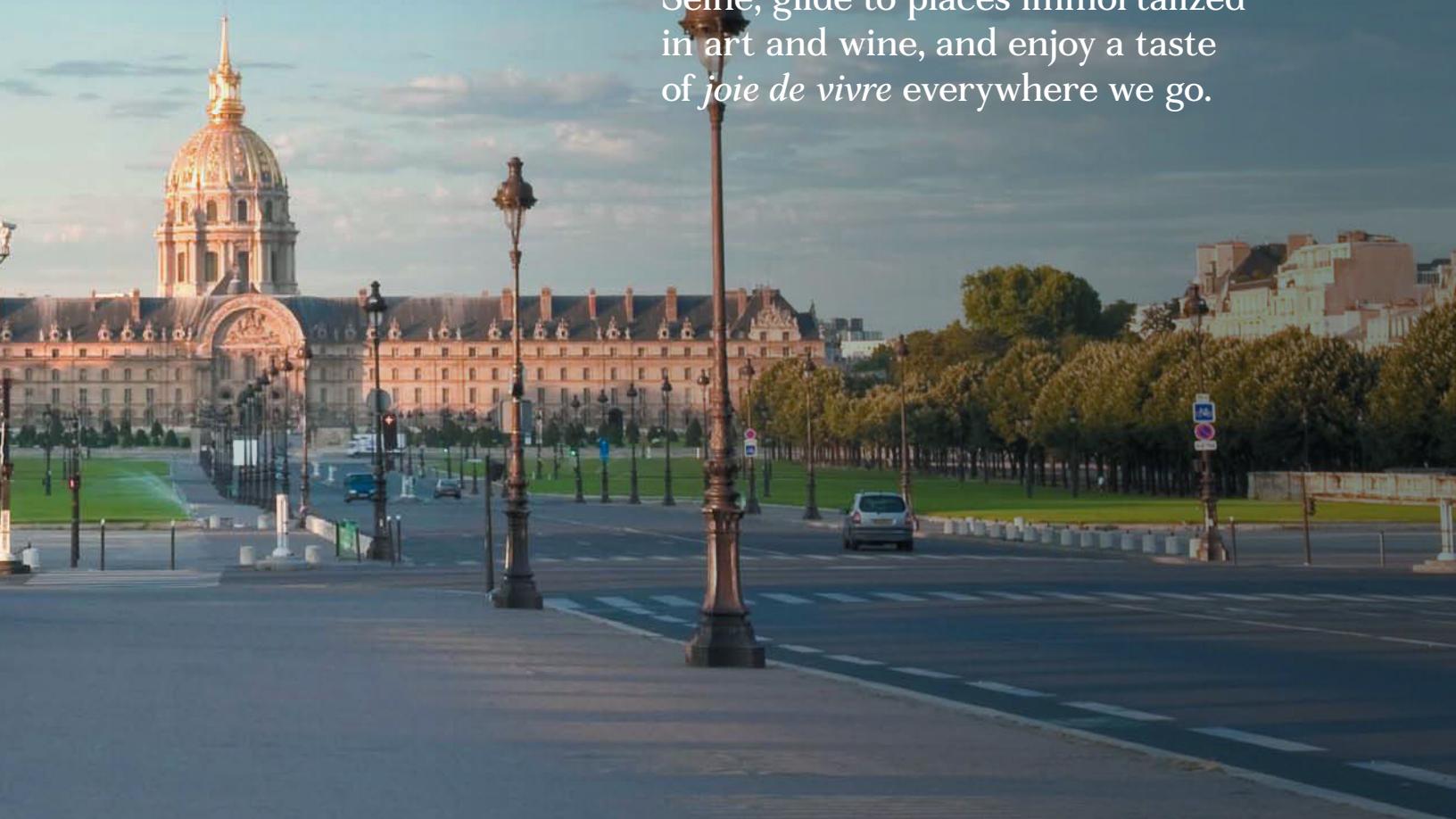
Save the Rain in Tanzania provides young girls and women clean water and the chance to further their education or work. To honor the restoration efforts at Minute Man National Historical Park, Tauck employees volunteered their time. The Galápagos Conservancy is on a mission to restore endangered species such as the rare Galápagos tortoise.



Paris, France

# The Seine

History lines the banks of the Seine as it gently flows from the heart of Paris to Normandy's poignant D-Day beaches. Bucolic in nature and beautiful to behold, it passes through painted settings and riverside towns, connecting you to the cultural gems of northern France aboard ships custom-built for Tauck. Join us in 2026 as we launch a new riverboat on the Seine, glide to places immortalized in art and wine, and enjoy a taste of *joie de vivre* everywhere we go.





New for 2026

# Bordeaux, Paris & The Seine

*The flavors of France truly entice with a three-night stay in Bordeaux, where world-renowned wines await. Savor the essence before exploring architectural treasures and gardens galore in Versailles. Capture Monet moments in Giverny, and sail along the River Seine.*

**11 DAYS FROM \$6,990**  
Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

*Saint-Émilion*

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Taste world-famous wine in Bordeaux, renowned as the world's wine capital, during an interactive visit to a museum with tastings
- Step into a Claude Monet masterpiece with a Tauck Exclusive early-opening to Monet's Garden at Giverny, enjoyed without the crowds
- Explore The Palace of Versailles with a private guide, including some of the 700 rooms such as the Hall of Mirrors and the Gardens of Versailles

## DAY 1

### Arrive Bordeaux

**Tour begins: 6:00 PM.** A transfer is included to your stay at the InterContinental Bordeaux – Le Grand Hotel. Join us this evening for a welcome reception and dinner at your hotel, and meet your fellow travelers. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### Food, wine, & art in Bordeaux

Welcome to the most famous wine region in the world. Bordeaux has nearly 6,000 wineries and 272,000 acres of vineyards. Your first morning begins with a choice of excursion; choose a more active e-bicycle ride\* to a family-owned 16th-century chateau and vineyard for a hike along the nature trails, and compliments with a wine tasting at the end. Alternatively, discover the beautiful city of Bordeaux with local insights on an orientation drive en route to La Cité du Vin, a wine museum where you'll learn about its influence as a universal cultural heritage. Touring a wine museum would only be complete with a tasting – which you'll enjoy in their decorated tasting room. Following your choice of explorations this morning, and free time for lunch, join us for a foodie walking tour with a focus on the local gastronomic cuisine. Enjoy an evening at leisure to explore and dine as you please. **Meals B**

## DAY 3

### Saint-Émilion & Entre-Deux-Mers

After breakfast at your hotel, depart for the quaint medieval town of Saint-Émilion, a UNESCO World Heritage Site named after Saint Aemilianus, a Breton monk who lived in the 8th century. Much like Bordeaux, Saint-Émilion is known for its world-famous wineries, where Romans planted vineyards that date back to the 2nd century AD. Join our local guide for a more challenging walking tour through its hilly cobblestone streets, followed by a visit to a local château for a tour, wine tasting, and a lunch that entices with local flair. Dinner is at your hotel. **Meals BL**

## ■ DAY 4

### TGV Train to the “City of Light,” Paris

From the world-renowned wine region to “la ville lumière,” (the city of light) Paris, where your river cruise awaits. Paris earned its sobriquet during the Enlightenment, a philosophical movement that began in the early 17th century, in recognition of its importance as the center for art, education, and intellectual pursuits. After a scenic high-speed train ride, embark your ship, settle in and join us for a welcome reception and dinner aboard your floating hotel for the next seven nights. **Meals BD**

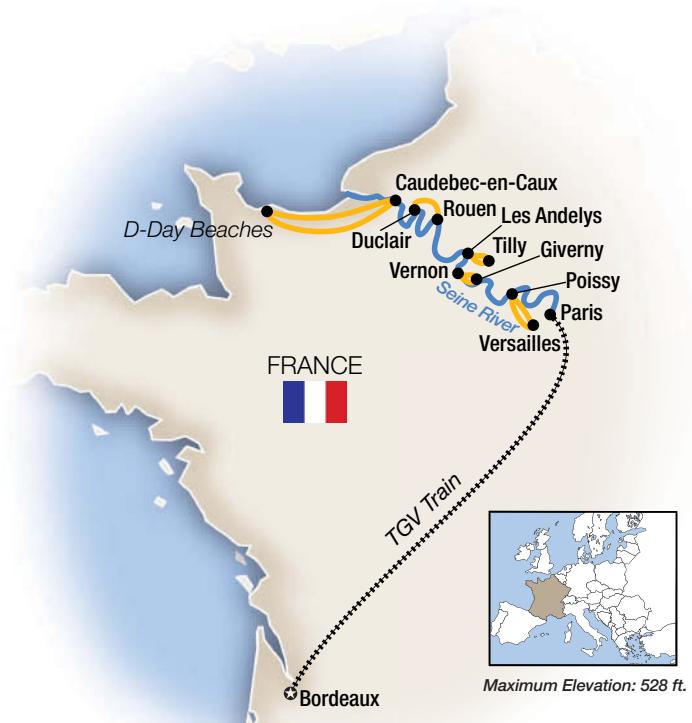
## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 7 Cruise Days

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InterContinental Bordeaux - Le Grand Hotel
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- 5 Paris
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- 7 Rouen
- 8 Normandy / D-Day beaches
- 9 Les Andelys
- 10 Giverny / Monet house and gardens
- 11 Disembark Paris

#### Map Detail



## ■ DAY 5

### Discovering the dazzling city of Paris

A full day in Paris excites with your choice of must-see sights. After breakfast aboard your riverboat, join a local guide for a walking tour through the Latin Quarter, passing Sorbonne University, the Panthéon, and ending in Luxembourg Gardens, voted the "most beautiful garden in all of Europe." Alternatively, take a guided coach tour that offers a comprehensive overview of the most iconic sights from the Eiffel Tower to the Champs-Élysées. Enjoy lunch and time to relax before an onboard wine presentation and local entertainment. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 6

### The Palace and Gardens of Versailles

Explore Versailles your way today. Join our local guide for a tour inside the Palace of Versailles, a former hunting lodge turned royal residence, and a lavish testament to French royalty. Following your inside tour, walk through the Gardens of Versailles, containing over 400 statues, making it the world's largest open-air sculpture museum. Return to your riverboat to learn local insights from your Tauck Director, following a cocktail hour, and dinner at leisure. Your ship charts for Rouen this evening. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### A day of history & an exclusive elegant evening

Admire the morning views of enchanting Rouen as the ship docks, and join us for a guided walking tour through the heart of the city. Highlights include the magnificent Cathédrale Notre-Dame de Rouen as well as the historic Joan of Arc Square and Church. Return to the ship for lunch at your leisure and enjoy free time to explore Rouen at your own pace. Cruise to Duclair this evening for an evening that is exclusive to Tauck guests at the 16th-century Chateau du Taillis. Enjoy a magical dining experience at the chateau, complete with fine cuisine and an ambiance that transports you to another era. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 8

### Discover the beaches of the Battle of Normandy

Embark on a journey through history to the poignant landscape of the Battle of Normandy. Arrive at Pointe du Hoc, where the rugged cliffs were scaled by American forces on June 6th, 1944. Your expert guide will recount the courage and sacrifices made that changed the tide of World War II. A short drive brings you to Omaha Beach, the largest assault area, stretching over six miles. After lunch in Normandy's countryside, visit the American Cemetery, a tranquil resting place overlooking Omaha Beach. Reflect on the day's emotions during cocktail hour, followed by dinner at your leisure. **Meals BLD**

## World-famous wine in Bordeaux

Indulge in the delights of the Bordeaux wine region with a visit to La Cité du Vin, "The City of Wine" – a wine museum in the heart of the district. Immerse in a unique sensory experience with interactive elements that teach winemaking skills, wine through the ages, and the epic tale of how Bordeaux became internationally celebrated for its wines & celebrate your visit with a glass of wine in their tasting room.

## ■ DAY 9

### Les Andelys & Tilly, France

Explore history and scenery on a walking tour of Les Andelys led by an expert local guide, discovering its timeless allure. Choose a more active option to descend to the village for a closer look at life along the river. Mid-morning, venture to Tilly for an authentic taste of Normandy at a family-run farm, savoring cider and Calvados tastings. Enjoy a scenic drive back to Les Andelys, where you'll reconnect with the ship as it sets course for Vernon. Upon arrival, join your Tour Director for an insightful orientation walk, uncovering the town's rich history and charm. Cap off the day with a chef's signature dinner followed by lively entertainment. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 10

### A Monet-inspired day along the Seine

This morning, enjoy a scenic drive to Giverny for a Tauck Exclusive early access visit to Monet House and Gardens, a serene oasis of inspiration for the master of Impressionism. Stroll through vibrant flower beds and water lily ponds, capturing the essence of Monet's iconic works (Nov. 2 departure will visit Vernon instead.) After a morning immersed in artistry, return to the ship in Vernon and join renowned artist Mark Alsterlind for an interactive painting class inspired by your visit to Giverny. Learn techniques tied to Monet's masterpieces as you create your own Impressionist-inspired art – a perfect keepsake from your journey. Enjoy dinner at your leisure. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 11

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Paris.* Disembark ship by 9:00 AM. Fly home anytime. A transfer is included from your ship to Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport. Please allow three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



Discover unique architecture at La Cité du Vin, designed to symbolize wine swirling in a glass. Inside the Palace of Versailles, explore gold-leaf art, and during your stay at the InterContinental Bordeaux, experience history, culture and architecture all in one.

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

### BEGINS BORDEAUX – MS SERENE

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5
Jul 30 Nov 2	\$7,240	\$7,740	\$8,990	\$9,190	\$9,690
May 27 Sep 29	\$8,740	\$9,240	\$10,490	\$10,690	\$11,190

### BEGINS BORDEAUX – MS SAPPHIRE

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Aug 18	\$6,990	\$7,240	\$7,390	\$8,140	\$8,740	\$8,990	\$9,690
Apr 19 Oct 23	\$7,890	\$8,140	\$8,290	\$9,040	\$9,640	\$9,890	\$10,590
Jun 8	\$8,490	\$8,740	\$8,890	\$9,640	\$10,240	\$10,490	\$11,190

**Sold Out /**

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### 2026 LAND / CRUISE PRICE INCLUSIONS

25 meals (10 Breakfasts, 7 Lunches & 8 Dinners), airport and train station transfers, cruise fare, port charges, applicable fuel surcharges, and gratuities to Tauck Directors, Tauck Cruise Director, ship staff, local guides & drivers, and on all included meals. Unlimited complimentary beverages aboard ship include regional wine, beer & premium spirits, in addition to specialty coffee, tea and soft drinks. Tauck's private shore excursions and distinctive inclusions valued at \$4,181.

International Airfare is additional; call Tauck for special rates. Museums and attractions may be subject to closure due to state, local or religious holidays; for this reason, the day-by-day itineraries may differ for certain departures – because of Versailles closings on Mondays, or special events, the order of the cruise days may be different. This cruise includes a fair amount of walking in each city. For all bike rides, hikes and activities marked with an asterisk (\*), participation is at your own risk and requires a signed liability waiver to be provided. Shore Excursion Selection: Tauck will contact guests 90 days prior to departure to assist with shore excursion selections. Itinerary is subject to change. Certain exceptions may apply; select departures may feature different hotels of similar standard to those noted – visit [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) or ask at booking. Please go to **General Information** for additional information, including our **Cruise Protection Plan and Activity / Pace details**.

**Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2**

# Impressions from the Seine: Paris to Normandy

*Follow the Seine to Normandy on a week long tour, exploring timeless stories that define Northern France – from the beaches of D-Day, along the Cider Route, and in fabulous Paris.*

**8 DAYS FROM \$5,190**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

## Uniquely Tauck

- Attend a private tour and evening of dinner and music at the breathtaking Château du Taillis
- Enjoy a Tauck Exclusive early-opening visit to Monet's house and gardens in Giverny, where the artist's famous landscapes come to life
- Guided visits include historic Rouen and a visit to a farm along Normandy's Cider Route
- A local expert accompanies your visit to the World War II beaches of Normandy, with special insights and stories about the June 6, 1944 historic events



*Paris, France*

## ■ DAY 1

### Arrive Paris / Embark ship

**Tour begins: 4:00 PM, Paris.** A transfer is included from Charles de Gaulle Airport or Gare de Lyon, Charles de Gaulle or Gare du Nord railway stations to your riverboat; check-in time is 4:00 PM. Join us for a briefing followed by a welcome reception and dinner. **Meals D**

## ■ DAY 2

### Sightseeing in Paris

Paris is home to charming arrondissements and instantly recognizable icons, from the Arc de Triomphe watching over the Champs-Élysées to the lamplit bridges spanning the beautiful waters of the River Seine. You'll have a choice of excursions this morning, including an orientation tour and a visit inside the magnificent Opéra Garnier. Alternatively, go on a walking tour of the Latin Quarter and Saint-Germain and learn about the rich literary history of the area as you stroll through Luxembourg Gardens, past the neoclassical Panthéon and historic Sorbonne University. This afternoon, enjoy free time to explore Paris as you choose. Return to the riverboat in the late afternoon for a wine presentation onboard. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 3

### Château de Versailles

Imitated throughout history and around the world, nothing compares to the original Château de Versailles. Just 15 miles from the center of Paris, Versailles was the epicenter of French royal power until 1789, and epitomized the royal lifestyles of Old World Europe. Standing on the grounds of a once humble hunting lodge, the palace at Versailles was built to impress, inside and out. Your visit here includes a look inside the most famous of its many rooms, among them the gilded Hall of Mirrors decorated with paintings, gilded statues, massive arches, shimmering crystal chandeliers, and some 357 mirrors. Step inside the king's over-the-top royal apartments, adorned with lavish Italian-style decoration, marble paneling, and painted ceilings. Then head outside to walk in the palace garden; spread across close to 2,000 acres, it is one of the biggest gardens in the world. The original landscaping took about 40 years to complete; approximately 210,000 flowers and 200,000 trees are planted every year. Return to the riverboat mid-afternoon and continue your Seine cruise. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 4

### Memories in Rouen & a special evening

Experience Rouen, the historic capital of Normandy, immortalized in art and prose. Iconic bell towers punctuate the skyline with half-timbered houses, narrow lanes, and storied squares. On your visit with a local guide, hear tales

## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 7 Cruise Days

#### Day Destination

- 1 Embark Paris
- 2 Paris
- 3 Versailles
- 4 Rouen / Duclair
- 5 Caudebec-en-Caux
- 6 Les Andelys / Vernon
- 7 Vernon / Giverny / Paris
- 8 Disembark Paris

#### Map Detail





## Travel Normandy's Cider Route

The terroir of Normandy is ideal for apple orchards, with over 800 varieties. Visit a farm, learn the secrets of cider-making and, of course, enjoy a tasting.



## Explore Château de Versailles

A visit to Château de Versailles reveals the story of French kings and excessive luxury. Explore its lavish state apartments or formal gardens at your leisure.



## Dock in Paris for two nights

With its shimmering lights, storied boulevards, and timeless allure, Paris invites endless discoveries while docked along the Seine for two unforgettable nights.

of the triumphs and trials of Joan of Arc as you follow in her footsteps. You may recognize the Cathédrale Notre-Dame de Rouen the moment you see it; the Impressionist Claude Monet painted it more than thirty times. Be sure to look up when you come to the Rue du Gros-Horloge and take in the city's astronomical clock installed on a Renaissance arch spanning the street; this marvel of engineering has been renowned for its time-keeping efficiency since 1527. You'll have free time to explore the city as you please before tonight's Tauck Exclusive. Join us for a reception, a private tour, and dinner with music at 16th-century Château du Taillis – a Renaissance treasure renowned for its lovely setting, stately gardens and arboretum. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 5

## The Beaches of Normandy

Today's poignant visit to the beaches of Normandy revisits the Allied invasion of Normandy in World War II, led by a local expert who is knowledgeable about the day's events, the heroics, and the losses of this historic Allied operation on June 6, 1944, as well as the Allied liberation of Western Europe. See Pointe du Hoc where US Army Rangers scaled the 100-foot crater-riddled cliffs and seized the German artillery pieces to keep them from firing on the American troops landing at Omaha and Utah beaches. Visit Omaha Beach, one of the five landing areas of the Normandy Invasion of World War II, today dotted with the remains of German bunkers. Pause at the Normandy American Cemetery and Memorial overlooking Omaha Beach and the English Channel, the final resting place for more than 9,300 troops who lost their lives in World War II. Meet your riverboat back in Caudebec-en-Caux. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 6

## Les Andelys & a tasting along the Cider Route

Look up as your riverboat sails into Les Andelys to see the ruins of Château Gaillard atop its hillside perch. Built by Richard the Lionheart, King of England, in 1197, the castle was considered the mightiest royal fortress of its time, built to resist an invasion by the king of France. Take a walking tour of the town and the ruins above, getting a glimpse of the castle's fortifications and savoring the views of the river and town from above. For a change of perspective, drive into the countryside where apples are king. An appetizing visit to a farm offers a taste of freshly pressed cider and aged brandy, accompanied by pâté and fruit preserves (confiture). Cruise to Vernon, arriving in time for an orientation walk of the town, intriguing with its Middle Age architecture. Return to the riverboat and enjoy onboard entertainment in the lounge. **Meals BLD**



*ms Sapphire offers a seamless combination of luxury and comfort, revealing the greatness of Paris and historic riches of Normandy.*

## ■ DAY 7

### Painted impressions in Giverny

A Tauck Exclusive early opening visit to Claude Monet's house and gardens in Giverny provides an opportunity to experience the home and the changing light of day as the artist did. Go inside his pink and green-shuttered house, left exactly as it was when the artist and his family lived here, and stroll through gardens you may have seen in paintings on your museum visit in Paris. Here, you'll see Monet's famous Japanese bridge and the water lily pond. Return to the riverboat, where you can attend a painting class led by an American artist who lives in the south of France; he shares insights into the Impressionist artists and reveals some of their painting techniques. We invite you to join us this evening for our farewell reception followed by dinner. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 8

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Paris.* Disembark by 9:00 AM; transfer is included from Tauck's riverboat to Charles de Gaulle airport or Charles de Gaulle, Gare de Lyon, or Gare du Nord train stations. Allow 3 hours for check-in. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

### BEGINS PARIS – MS SAPPHIRE

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Jul 27	\$5,190	\$5,440	\$5,590	\$6,340	\$6,940	\$7,190	\$7,890
May 17							
Sep 6, 22	\$6,790	\$7,040	\$7,190	\$7,940	\$8,540	\$8,790	\$9,490

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### 2026 LAND / CRUISE PRICE INCLUSIONS

20 meals (7 Breakfasts, 6 Lunches & 7 Dinners), airport & train station transfers, cruise fare, port charges, applicable fuel surcharges, and gratuities to Tauck Directors, Tauck Cruise Director, ship staff, local guides & drivers, and on all included meals. Unlimited complimentary beverages aboard ship include regional wine, beer & premium spirits, in addition to specialty coffee, tea and soft drinks. Tauck's private shore excursions and distinctive inclusions valued at \$2,631.

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**Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2**



# Rendezvous on the Seine

*Cruise round-trip from Paris and delve deeper into Normandy. Gain insight into WWII at Mémorial de Caen, the D-Day beaches, and the American Cemetery. Discover Joan of Arc's legacy in Rouen, explore medieval charm at Honfleur, savor the region's cider traditions, and more.*

**10 DAYS FROM \$6,890**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

*Château de Versailles*

## Uniquely Tauck

- Enjoy a private tour and evening of dinner and music at Château du Taillis, set on a parkland estate in Duclair; built in 1530, the exquisite Italian Renaissance château is an architectural showcase
- A Tauck Exclusive early-opening tour of artist Claude Monet's beloved house and gardens in Giverny includes sites that inspired his paintings
- In Normandy, cider is an art; visit a farm to taste the region's elegantly crafted apple ciders & calvados

## ■ DAY 1

### Arrive Paris / Embark your riverboat

*Tour begins: 4:00 PM.* A transfer is included upon your arrival from Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport or the Gare de Lyon, Charles de Gaulle or Gare du Nord train stations to your riverboat on the Seine. Settle into your cabin, then we invite you to join us this evening for cocktails, canapés and dinner aboard ship. **Meals D**

## ■ DAY 2

### Choice of sightseeing in Paris

Your first full day in Paris promises to delight with a choice of sightseeing. Join us for an orientation tour of city landmarks with a visit to Les Invalides to see Napoleon's Tomb. Alternatively, take a guided walking tour of the historic Marais district – or a third choice, a robust walking tour featuring the "Islands of Paris," Île de la Cité (where Notre-Dame is located), and Île Saint-Louis. The afternoon is free to explore as you please. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 3

### Palace life in Versailles

Prepare to be dazzled when your guide takes you inside Château de Versailles, built by Louis XIV, to see a vestige of excess amidst opulently decorated rooms. Once the seat of absolute power in France, this UNESCO World Heritage site captivates with its Hall of Mirrors, gilded salons, and lavish gardens – an enduring symbol of royal grandeur. A guided tour of the château's gardens inspires with statues, patterned flower beds, lakes, fountains, and more palatial sights. Meet your riverboat and sail for medieval Rouen, home to Joan of Arc memorial sites. You'll have an opportunity to attend an onboard lecture this afternoon – and this evening, dine at your leisure. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 4

### Historic monuments in Rouen

Arrive in Rouen after breakfast this morning. Victor Hugo called Rouen "the city of a hundred spires," and while the ravages of war destroyed many of the steepled buildings he was referring to, those that still stand today are rich with historical associations. A locally guided city tour visits the Gothic Cathédrale Notre-Dame, immortalized in close to 30 paintings by Impressionist artist Claude Monet, and the Place du Vieux-Marché, site of Joan of Arc's untimely death. After lunch, enjoy time to explore Rouen on your own. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 5

### Mémorial de Caen or seaside Honfleur

After you dock today it's your choice of included shore excursions. Drive to Caen for a guided visit of the Mémorial de Caen, a museum and war memorial commemorating World War II and dedicated to peace; it is regarded

## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 9 Cruise Days

#### Day Destination

- 1 Embark Paris
- 2 Paris
- 3 Château de Versailles
- 4 Rouen
- 5 Le Havre / Caen or Honfleur
- 6 Normandy Beaches
- 7 Caudebec-en-Caux
- 8 Les Andelys, Vernon
- 9 Giverny / Paris
- 10 Disembark Paris

#### Map Detail





## Exclusive evening at Château du Taillis

Spend an exclusive evening at a 16th-century Renaissance château on a Tauck Exclusive night with a private reception and dinner, complete with music.



## Poignant visit to Normandy

A visit to the code-named beaches of D-Day is a poignant experience, accompanied by a local guide well versed in World War II history and the region.



## Exclusive early opening visit in Giverny

Enjoy a private early-access tour of Monet's house and gardens, where you can leisurely explore the inspiration for so much of his art before the crowds arrive.

as one of the best World War II museums in France. Alternatively, you can drive to Étretat to see its stunning white cliffs, then continue to Honfleur, one of the most charming fishing ports in all of Normandy, for free time to explore. See a parade of Renaissance architecture and half-timbered houses along its cobbled streets as you discover for yourself why this colorful town was so beloved by artists like Claude Monet. Back aboard ship, a lecture by our expert about D-Day provides insights into some of the sites you'll see during tomorrow's full day of guided exploration. Dinner is onboard at your leisure. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 6

#### Sands of time at D-Day beaches

2024 marked the 80th anniversary of D-Day, an operation that began on June 6, 1944, when a massive armada of troops, with more than 5,000 ships and 13,000 aircraft, converged on the heavily fortified France coastline to begin the liberation of Western Europe. The D-Day beaches along Côte de Nacre have stood as poignant reminders of the historic Allied operation. The wartime code names for the beaches along this 50-mile stretch still exist – Utah, Omaha, Gold, Juno, Sword – paying proud tribute to the heroism of the thousands of soldiers who lost their lives here. Our expert local guide shares insights during stops at Pointe du Hoc, Omaha Beach and the American Cemetery, located on a bluff overlooking Omaha Beach. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 7

#### Jumièges Abbey & an exclusive evening

Spend the morning at leisure aboard ship or join your Tauck Director for a casual walk in Caudebec-en-Caux. After lunch, drive along the "Route des Fruits" en route to Jumièges Abbey, once one of the great Benedictine abbeys of France. First built in 654, this wealthy limestone abbey grew to house 700 monks and 1,500 lay brothers in its first 50 years. Destruction came in waves when it was attacked by Viking raiders between 841 and 940, rebuilt in the 11th century, then razed again in a succession of French wars. Today, it stands unrivaled in a park-like setting that evokes memories of its former grandeur – what Victor Hugo called "the most beautiful ruin in France." This evening an exclusive Tauck experience awaits in the French countryside at 16th-century Renaissance-style Château du Taillis, set on a parkland estate with gardens, where the red carpet is rolled out for a private reception, dinner and musical entertainment for Tauck guests only. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 8

#### Château Gaillard & a sip of cider

Arrive in Les Andelys. Taking full advantage of its hilltop perch overlooking the river, Château Gaillard is the crowning centerpiece. Depart the clifftop for a taste of Normandy cider; with over two thousand varieties



Visit Château Gaillard, a medieval fortress dramatically overlooking the Seine in Normandy, a haunting reminder of its dramatic past.

of apples, Normandy is naturally proud of its cider and of Calvados – apples have played an important part in Normandy's history, with apple orchards having taken root in Roman times. Visit a local farm for a taste of fresh-pressed apple cider, brandy and pâté en route to your riverboat. Cruise to Vernon for a late afternoon arrival; if you wish, join your Tauck Director for a walk in this historic town. **Meals BLD**

#### ■ DAY 9

#### Monet's home & gardens at Giverny

First up – a Tauck Exclusive pre-opening visit that brings you to Claude Monet's home and gardens, so familiar from his paintings – from the house to the wisterias, azaleas and water lilies. You'll find easels displaying works-in-progress in his garden studio, with time to walk pathways that are bordered by seasonal blooms – without crowds – and go through the tunnel that leads to the Water Garden and the oft-painted Japanese Bridge. Celebrate your final night along the Seine at the captain's farewell reception and dinner, returning to Paris. **Meals BLD**

#### DAY 10

#### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Paris.* Disembark before 9:00 AM and fly home anytime; a transfer from your riverboat to Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport, Gare de Lyon or Gare du Nord train stations is included. You should allow three hours for your flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE PRICE PER PERSON

### BEGINS PARIS – MS SERENE

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5
Apr 8					
Jul 24	\$7,190	\$7,790	\$9,090	\$9,390	\$9,890
Aug 18					
Apr 24	\$7,990	\$8,590	\$9,890	\$10,190	\$10,060
Jun 22					
May 3, 21					
Sep 14	\$8,590	\$9,190	\$10,490	\$10,790	\$11,290
Oct 9					

### BEGINS PARIS – MS SAPPHIRE

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Jul 9							
Aug 12	\$6,890	\$7,190	\$7,390	\$8,090	\$8,740	\$9,090	\$9,890
Aug 28	\$7,690	\$7,990	\$8,190	\$8,890	\$9,540	\$9,890	\$10,590
Oct 17							
May 8							
Jun 2	\$8,290	\$8,590	\$8,790	\$9,490	\$10,140	\$10,490	\$11,290
Sep 29							

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## 2026 LAND / CRUISE PRICE INCLUSIONS

26 meals (9 Breakfasts, 8 Lunches & 9 Dinners), airport and train station transfers, cruise fare, port charges, applicable fuel surcharges, and gratuities to Tauck Directors, Tauck Cruise Director, ship staff, local guides & drivers, and on all included meals. Unlimited complimentary beverages aboard ship include regional wine, beer & premium spirits, in addition to specialty coffee, tea and soft drinks. Tauck's private shore excursions and distinctive inclusions valued at \$3,220

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Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

# Cruising the Seine, plus Paris & London

*A tale of two cities and a 9-day river cruise on the Seine that winds through medieval towns and ports, experiencing stories of the past while connecting with life in the present.*

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**12 DAYS FROM \$7,990**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

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## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Attend a private evening at Château du Taillis, including a tour, dinner and music – and have cocktails at historic Château de Bizy
- Enjoy an early-opening visit to artist Claude Monet's home and gardens at Giverny
- Normandy boasts over 50 varieties of apples – enjoy a tasting tour at a farm along with a tasting of apple cider and Calvados, a brandy
- Spend two nights in the heart of London including an after-hours visit to the Churchill War Rooms



*London*

## DAY 1

### Arrive London

*Tour begins: 6:00 PM, Rosewood London.* A transfer is included from Heathrow Airport or Gatwick Airport or London's Waterloo or St. Pancras train stations to historic Rosewood London, in the heart of the city near Covent Garden. This evening, we invite you to join us at the hotel for a welcome reception and dinner. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### London's icons & a secret war room

Morning sightseeing gives you a good introduction to the major landmarks (such as Westminster Abbey, Buckingham Palace, Trafalgar Square, St. Paul's Cathedral and more). The afternoon is free to spend exploring London as you please before a truly special experience – an after-hours visit to one of London's most popular attractions, the Churchill War Rooms – the underground “nerve center” where Winston Churchill strategized World War II campaigns and the Allied route to victory – and history was made. You'll also be able to visit the interactive Churchill Museum, which offers a deeper look into his leadership, legacy, and personal life. **Meals B**

## ■ DAY 3

### Under the Channel to France / Embark

Depart London for passage to France via the Eurostar train that travels under the English Channel. In just about three hours, you'll arrive in Paris, where your riverboat awaits at its dock along the River Seine. Join us this evening for a welcome reception and dinner aboard the riverboat, which is docked in Paris for the next two nights. **Meals BD**

## ■ DAY 4

### The magnificent sights of Paris

A local guide shares insights on the architecture and history of Paris on a morning orientation tour, including sights such as the Arc de Triomphe, Grand Palais, Place de la Concorde, the Opera House, the Eiffel Tower and the Jardin des Tuileries. You'll have an opportunity to explore Paris as you please for a few hours, perhaps visiting the city's famed museums or returning to one of the iconic sites introduced earlier this morning. Return to the riverboat early afternoon, joining us for an onboard chocolate demonstration and wine tasting later in the day. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 5

### Explore Versailles

Today you'll have an opportunity to visit the opulent Château de Versailles (day of visit subject to change). Go inside the palace to admire its opulent interiors, where

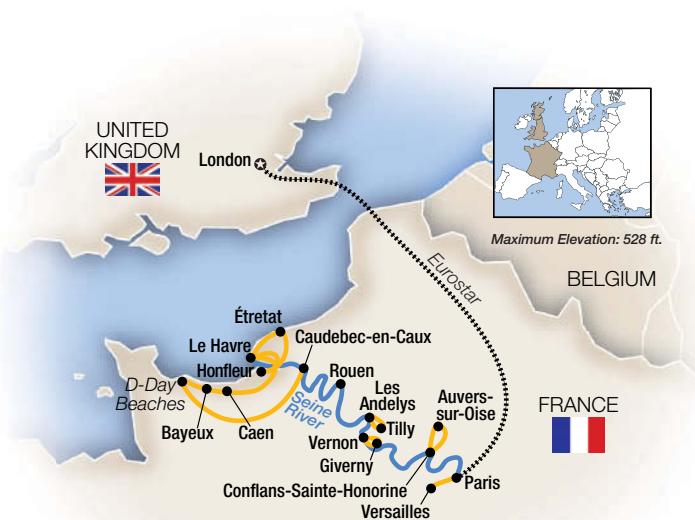
## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 9 Cruise Days

#### Day Destination

- 1 Arrive London  
Rosewood London
- 2 London
- 3 London / Embark Paris
- 4 Paris
- 5 Paris / Versailles
- 6 Conflans-Sainte-Honorine / Auvers-sur-Oise
- 7 Vernon / Giverny
- 8 Rouen / Duclair
- 9 Le Havre / Etretat / Honfleur
- 10 D-Day Beaches
- 11 Les Andelys
- 12 Disembark Paris

#### Map Detail



history and grandeur truly come to life, and walk through the meticulously designed gardens, a masterpiece of landscape architecture filled with fountains, sculptures, and tree-lined pathways. Your riverboat docks in Conflans-Ste-Honorine tonight. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 6

### Vincent van Gogh in Auvers-sur-Oise

Disembark for a drive to Auvers-sur-Oise, where the artist Vincent van Gogh spent his last days, for a walking tour of the town. You may recognize scenes from van Gogh's artwork – he painted nearly 70 canvases during his time there; visit his room #5 at the Auberge Ravoux, not rented since his death in 1890. Sail for Vernon late this afternoon and have dinner aboard ship. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### Giverny and Monet's home & gardens

Drive to Giverny this morning for a Tauck Exclusive visit to artist Claude Monet's house and gardens, where you'll feel as if you have entered one of his painted landscapes. Go inside his pink and green shuttered farmhouse, maintained as it was when the artist and his family lived here. Then step outside where Monet revolutionized painting in the 1870s by painting scenes exactly as he saw them. Stroll through the floral grounds, complete with a Japanese garden and floating lily pond. Return to Vernon for time to explore; if you wish, you can join your Tauck Director for a bicycle ride\* on a scenic path from Vernon to Giverny. We invite you to join us for a late afternoon cocktail reception at Château de Bizy, "the Versailles of Normandy" that was once home to Louis XV, prior to returning to your riverboat for the chef's signature dinner this evening. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 8

### Medieval Rouen, city of Joan of Arc

This morning, sail to Rouen, home to a treasure trove of immortalized sites, including the Cathédrale Notre-Dame de Rouen. This medieval city is steeped in history, most notably as the place where Joan of Arc was tried and burned at the stake in 1431. Enjoy time at leisure this afternoon. A special evening awaits you at Château du Taillis, a grand 16th-century Renaissance château set on a park-like estate in the Normandy countryside. Enjoy a private tour, reception, and dinner in the elegant ballroom, accompanied by live music. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 9

### Seaside Étretat or Caen Memorial

You'll have a choice of sightseeing excursions this morning. Explore Étretat to see its famous sculpted cliffs and visit the charming seaside town of Honfleur, which was once famous as an artists' enclave, where Impressionism was

## After-hours – Churchill War Rooms

Step back in time – after hours – and explore the Cabinet War Rooms and the acclaimed Churchill Museum, uncovering behind-the-scenes insights into how the British government steered World War II – and the man who led it with unwavering resolve during Britain's darkest hours. This exclusive experience brings history to life, offering a deeper understanding of Churchill's leadership and legacy.

born; or visit the Caen World War II memorial and museum, and Bayeux. Return to the riverboat this afternoon for an onboard D-Day lecture, insightful discussions, and time at leisure to reflect on the day. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 10

### Historic Normandy Beaches

Travel to the beaches of Normandy, where the D-Day landings occurred in June of 1944; explore poignant sites with a local expert who shares insights about WWII. See the cliffs at Pointe-du-Hoc, where US rangers, using ropes and ladders, scaled the steep terrain to capture German fortifications, and visit Omaha Beach. Pause at the American Cemetery and Memorial, overlooking Omaha Beach, and return to the riverboat late afternoon. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 11

### Château Gaillard and a sip of cider

Wake up in Les Andelys on one of the most beautiful bends on the River Seine. Join a local guide for a walking tour that includes the imposing ruins of Château Gaillard, built in 1198, and the village below. In Tilly, visit a farm for a tasting tour of the apples grown there. Normandy is not known as a wine-producing region, but it does produce large amounts of apple cider; apples are also used to make Calvados, an apple brandy renowned in this region. Sample fresh pressed cider and spirited Calvados, which is served with locally made pâté and confiture, before your return to the riverboat and the final sailing to Paris. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 12

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Paris.* Disembark by 9:00 AM; fly home anytime. A transfer is included from the riverboat to Charles de Gaulle Airport or Paris Orly Airport, and Gare de Lyon, Charles de Gaulle or Gare du Nord train stations. Allow a minimum of three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



Explore Churchill's War Rooms in London, walk in the footsteps of van Gogh in picturesque Auvers-sur-Oise, and toast the moment at an exclusive cocktail reception amid the elegant salons and manicured gardens of Château de Bizy.

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

### BEGINS LONDON – MS SERENE

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5
Jun 29	\$8,290	\$8,890	\$10,190	\$10,490	\$10,990
Aug 7					
Aug 25	\$9,290	\$9,890	\$11,190	\$11,490	\$11,990
Oct 25					
Jun 4	\$9,990	\$10,590	\$11,890	\$12,190	\$12,690
Oct 16					
May 10	\$10,290	\$10,890	\$12,190	\$12,490	\$12,990
Sep 3, 21					

### BEGINS LONDON – MS SAPPHIRE

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Apr 2							
Jul 16	\$7,990	\$8,290	\$8,490	\$9,190	\$9,840	\$10,190	\$10,990
Aug 1							
Apr 11	\$8,990	\$9,290	\$9,490	\$10,190	\$10,840	\$11,190	\$11,990
Apr 27	\$9,690	\$9,990	\$10,190	\$10,890	\$11,540	\$11,890	\$12,690
May 22							
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Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2



# The Seine: Holiday Magic

*Glide along the River Seine during one of the most wondrous times of the year, settled aboard your floating hotel warmly designed to make you feel at home. Take in the spirit of the season with culinary feasts, festive traditions and landmark sites dressed in their holiday best that dazzle the streets.*

**8 DAYS FROM \$4,290**  
Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

*Château Vaux-le-Vicomte, France*

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Enjoy private afternoon tea at Château Vaux-le-Vicomte with time to explore as you wish
- A private tour and a holiday cocktail party with live entertainment at Château de Bizy, built in 1740
- Holiday merry making aboard ship including musical entertainment & onboard holiday activities
- Visits to Christmas markets in Paris, including Tuileries Garden

## ■ DAY 1

### Arrive Paris / Embark Ship

**Tour begins: 4:00 PM, Paris.** A transfer is included from Paris Charles de Gaulle or Orly airport or Gare de Lyon or Gare du Nord train stations directly to your riverboat. Join us for a welcome reception and dinner. **Meals D**

## ■ DAY 2

### The joys of Paris at holiday time

Kick off the holiday season by taking in the sights of Paris with a wonderful excursion in the city. After lunch onboard, visit the Tuileries Garden Christmas markets lining the River Seine from the Louvre to the Place de la Concorde; these Marchés de Noël welcome with festive traditions and culinary treats that make Paris even more magical at this time of the year. A shuttle will be available to bring you to the markets to explore at your leisure. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 3

### The Cluny Museum or Sainte-Chapelle

A choice of excursions includes a visit to the impressive Musée de Cluny in the lively Latin Quarter. Built atop the ruins of a second-century Roman bath, it houses one of the world's finest collections of French medieval art. A guided tour reveals the famous *Lady and the Unicorn* tapestries, dating to the 1500s. Or, join a local guide for a visit to Gothic Sainte-Chapelle on the Île de la Cité, a royal chapel enshrined within the city's 13th-century Palais de Justice. Enjoy lunch onboard, then join your Tauck Director for a visit to a Christmas market, where more Parisian treats await. Sample hot mulled wine (vin chaud), roasted chestnuts, and delicious warm-from-the-oven baguettes, sausages, cheese, and chocolates while you view trees aglow with lights. Dine onboard ship tonight at your leisure and join us for a musical performance. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 4

### Château de Vaux-le-Vicomte

Indulge in a leisurely morning today as you take the opportunity to sleep in or watch Paris wake up, café in hand, from aboard your riverboat. Enjoy a holiday brunch before driving to the moated Château de Vaux-le-Vicomte in nearby Maincy for lunch and an afternoon of royal delights. Built by the ill-fated finance minister to King Louis XIV and the inspiration for the Château de Versailles and numerous palaces across Europe, the beautiful château showcases the work of three of the greatest architects, designers and landscape gardeners of France's prosperous "Grand Siècle," the same team that the King later called upon to design his palace at Versailles. Boasting décor that has remained intact since the 17th century the 100+-room château, surprisingly intimate, has been owned by the same

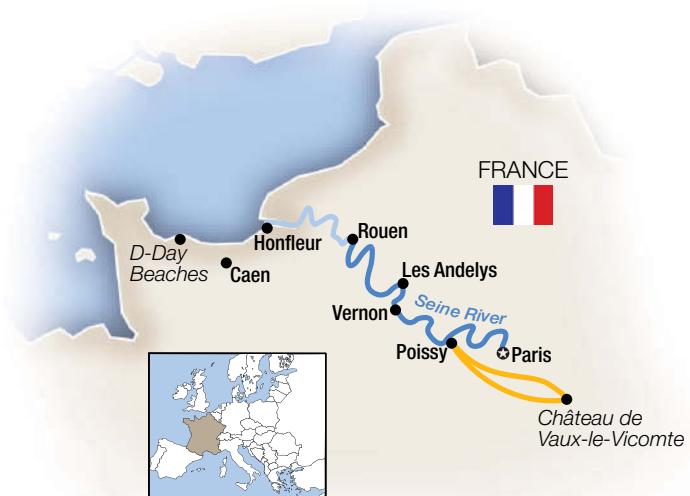
## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 7 Cruise Days

#### Day Destination

- 1 Embark Paris
- 2 Paris
- 3 Paris
- 4 Maincy / Château de Vaux-le-Vicomte
- 5 Normandy
- 6 D-Day beaches or Rouen
- 7 Les Andelys & Château Bizy
- 8 Disembark Paris

#### Map Detail



Maximum Elevation: 528 ft.



## Lunch at Château de Vaux-le-Vicomte

Wander the grand salons, magnificent gardens, and spectacular apartments after lunch at Château de Vaux-le-Vicomte, France's largest private château.



## Private tour of Château de Bizy

Owned by the Jubert family since the 14th century, Château Bizy has long been a statement of luxury and elegance that you'll discover on a private afternoon.



## Paris in the holiday season...

With classical holiday music cheering the streets and hot chocolate in hand, explore the charms of the holiday season in Paris, with twinkling lights and carousel rides.

family for five generations and remains France's largest private Château and estate. Enjoy a private afternoon tea before returning to the riverboat. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 5

## Charms of Normandy

Spend the morning enjoying onboard activities as your riverboat sails to Rouen, resplendent with Gothic churches, including the Cathédrale Notre-Dame, often painted by Impressionist Claude Monet, a cobblestoned pedestrian center charming with medieval half-timbered houses and historic sites immortalized by stories of Joan of Arc. Disembark ship after lunch for a walking tour in a riverside town with a visit to a Christmas market. Back onboard, enjoy an interactive art demonstration with a local artist who shares his talents with you. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 6

## D-Day beaches or Rouen Fine Arts Museum

Spend the day as you wish, choosing the excursion that interests you most. Embark on a guided visit to the D-Day landing beaches in Normandy (Omaha Beach and Arromanches), and the American Cemetery. Alternatively, stay in Rouen for free time and a guided tour of its famous Fine Arts Museum, established by Napoléon Bonaparte in 1801. Dinner is back aboard ship. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 7

## Les Andelys & Château Bizy

Arrive in Les Andelys this morning, crowned by the ruins of the medieval fortress of Château Gaillard. Built in 1196 in just one year by Richard the Lionheart, Duke of Normandy and King of England, the château was constructed to keep watch over the Seine and the valley, protecting nearby Rouen from the attacks of the King of France. Today, it offers superb views of the surrounding landscapes. Enjoy festive activities before driving to Château Bizy for a private tour and an afternoon holiday cocktail reception with musical entertainment. Reboard your riverboat in Vernon and depart for Paris this evening. Join us for a farewell dinner onboard ship tonight. **Meals BLD**

### DAY 8

## Journey home Paris

*Tour ends: Paris.* Disembark ship by 9:00 AM. A transfer is included from the riverboat to Paris Charles de Gaulle or Orly airports, Gare de Lyon or Gare du Nord train stations. Allow 3 hours for check-in. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

### BEGINS PARIS – MS SERENE

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5
Dec 16, 30	\$4,490	\$4,940	\$5,740	\$5,890	\$6,090
Dec 2, 9, 23	\$4,790	\$5,240	\$6,040	\$6,190	\$6,390

### BEGINS PARIS – MS SAPPHIRE

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Dec 13	\$4,290	\$4,490	\$4,640	\$5,190	\$5,590	\$5,740	\$6,090
Nov 29	\$4,590	\$4,790	\$4,940	\$5,490	\$5,890	\$6,040	\$6,390
Dec 6							

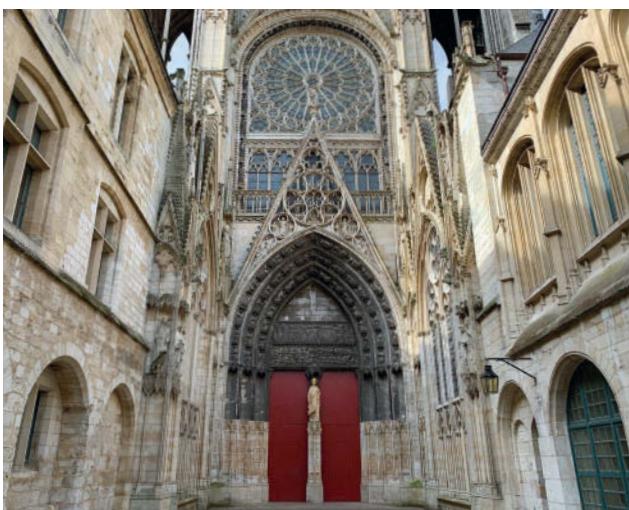
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### 2026 LAND / CRUISE PRICE INCLUSIONS

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### Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2



Walk the historic D-Day beaches, where the Battle of Normandy comes to life. Embrace the holiday spirit aboard your riverboat, indulging in moments of decadence. Along the way, marvel at the Gothic splendor of Cathédrale Notre-Dame de Rouen.



*Gordes, France*



# *The Rhône & Saône*

Imagine waking up to a picturesque parade of quintessentially French villages, café au lait in hand, as the romantic Rhône River makes its way south from Lyon to Provence. Step ashore for private wine tastings, châteaux dinners, artful finds and more, immersing in an inspiring tableau of history, culture and fine cuisine. Indulge in culinary specialties, a taste of truffles, world-famous wines and reverie on the Riviera, or discover Burgundy pleasures along the Saône as you choose a cruise that makes your dreams come true.

# Savoring France: Paris, Lyon & Provence

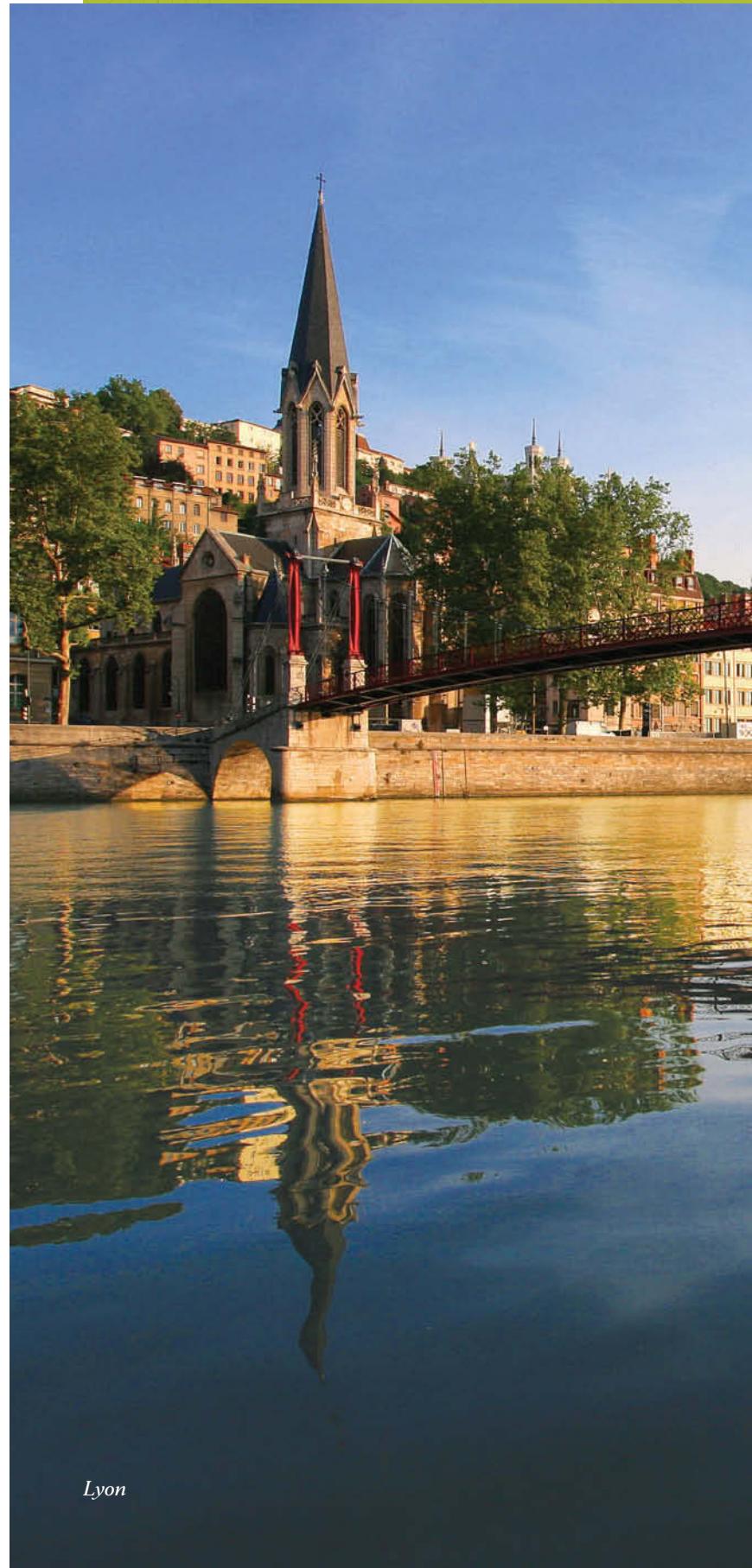
*Discover the soul of France – food, art & wine – along the River Rhône. Savor French culinary heritage at Le Cordon Bleu, dine at Fouquet's, and enjoy Provençal flavors in Camargue.*

10 DAYS FROM \$6,990

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

## Uniquely Tauck

- Savor a taste of aristocratic life from the Middle Ages through modern times with an exclusive reception and gala dinner in the 12th-century Duché d'Uzès
- Celebrate Parisian cuisine flair with dinner at Fouquet's brasserie on the Champs-Élysées (a celebrity favorite), and a private pastry class at the famed culinary school Le Cordon Bleu Paris
- Exploring one of the world's greatest wine-producing areas with Tauck has its benefits, such as private wine tastings along the Rhône, the Beaujolais and Châteauneuf-du-Pape regions



*Lyon*

## DAY 1

### Arrive Paris

*Tour begins: 6:00 PM, InterContinental Paris Le Grand.* A transfer is included from Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport or the Gare de Lyon, Gare du Nord or Charles de Gaulle station to InterContinental Paris Le Grand, your landmark hotel in the heart of the city. Culinary pleasures start tonight at our welcome reception and dinner at Fouquet's brasserie, famous for celebrity dining since 1908. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### A moveable feast in Paris

Enjoy a pastry class at Le Cordon Bleu Paris, where you'll learn firsthand the secrets of the pâtisserie trade – including how to craft an authentic pastry. An orientation tour familiarizes you with the city's iconic landmarks; then embark on a walking tour that will provide you with a taste of cuisine that is traditional to the region. The rest of the day is yours to explore Paris as you wish. **Meals B**

## DAY 3

### Train to Lyon / Embark ship

Spend free time as you like this morning, then catch the TGV high-speed train to the city of Lyon, at the confluence of the Rhône and Saône rivers, where trade, culture and history have long intertwined. Embark your riverboat and settle into your cabin before joining us for a briefing and a welcome reception that is followed by a welcome dinner in the Compass Rose restaurant. **Meals BD**

## DAY 4

### Lyon & Beaujolais pleasures

Lyon is considered the "culinary capital of France." You'll discover why during a tasting at the famous Les Halles de Lyon, the celebrated indoor food market that's been a fixture in Lyon since 1850 and offers an unbelievable array of breads, cheeses, fresh fruits and vegetables, sausages, wines, chocolates; it's said that the best chefs in Lyon shop here. But Lyon is also a city with a venerable history, as you'll discover on a sightseeing tour of Vieux Lyon, the old Renaissance part of the city and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and the gracious Basilica of Notre-Dame de Fourvière, built atop the ruins of an ancient Roman forum. This afternoon, it's off to the Beaujolais countryside for a wine tasting and a visit to the little village of Oingt, in a region renowned for its charming ochre-yellow houses. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 5

### Viviers or Grignan and truffle tasting

Your riverboat cruises this morning to Viviers, a walled city with origins in the 5th century on the right bank of the Rhône – one of the best-preserved medieval towns that you're likely to see in all of France. Your choices today

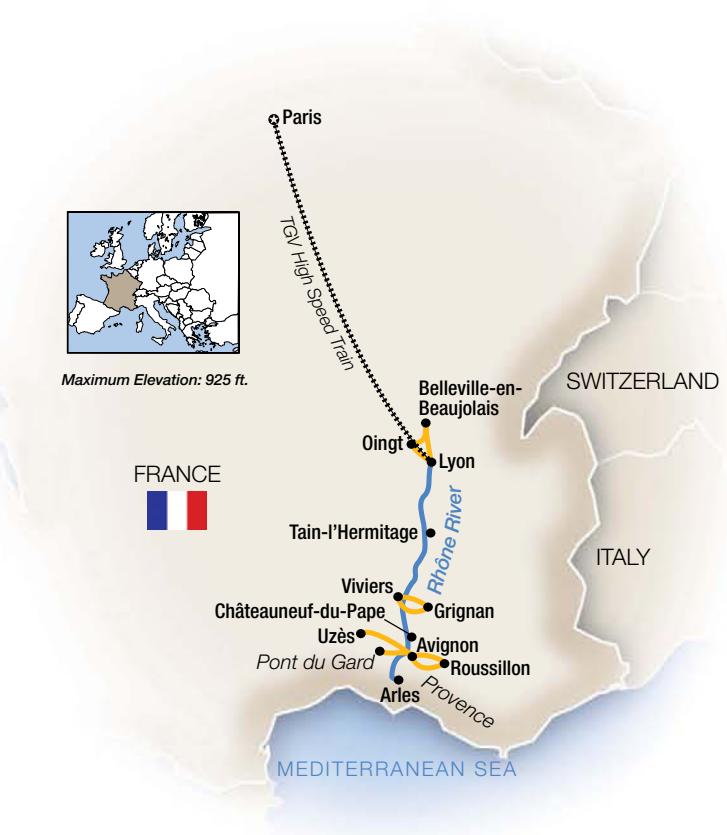
## Voyage at a glance

### 7 Cruise Days

#### Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Paris  
InterContinental Paris Le Grand
- 2 Paris
- 3 TGV to Lyon / Embark Lyon
- 4 Lyon
- 5 Viviers / Grignan
- 6 Arles
- 7 Avignon / Uzès
- 8 Roussillon / Châteauneuf-du-Pape
- 9 Tain-l'Hermitage
- 10 Disembark Lyon

#### Map Detail





## Visit a private ranch in the Camargue

A welcome by horseback ushers in a farm-fresh Provençal feast, a heartfelt serenade, and an opportunity to witness thrilling gardian skills of the French cowboys.



## Gala evening at Duché d'Uzès

Enjoy an elegant evening at an architectural gem – a 12th-century château in the Rhône wine region where a tour of the grounds, reception, and a grand dinner await.



## A day well spent in Avignon

Explore charming Avignon, with a choice of a scenic cycling excursion or a guided tour of the grand Palais des Papes where popes once ruled.

include a walking tour of Viviers with your local guide, including views of the 12th-century cathedral and Maison des Chevaliers, followed by a lively game of pétanque (a form of boules, and a popular outdoor game shared among friends) with the locals. Or, drive to Grignan for a walking tour of town and a truffle farm tour and tasting, where you'll observe how specially trained dogs unearth those precious truffles – for centuries called the "diamond of the kitchen." Back aboard the riverboat, sail for Provence. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 6

#### Arles and lunch at a Camargue ranch

In Roman times, Arles was a major capital and a center of religion with its own arch, circus, baths, and an arena for 10,000 spectators. By the time Vincent van Gogh found it in 1888, Arles was a quiet and tranquil town bathed in magical light and hues of yellow and blue that the artist immortalized in paintings. Explore Arles your way this morning, choosing a guided bicycle ride\* in the Arles countryside, or joining our local guide for a walking tour. Visit a private ranch in la Camargue, where you'll dine on farm-grown Provençal specialties, enjoy a musical serenade, and see the region's iconic white horses, fleet-footed gardians (cowboys), and the famous black bulls they raise here. As you cruise to Avignon, try your hand at painting a chocolate art piece. An accordionist performs on deck after dinner. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 7

#### Avignon and an evening at Duché d'Uzès

This morning, your sightseeing choices include a bicycle excursion\* in Avignon; a visit to Palais des Papes, a grand medieval palace that was once home to popes; a guided tour that brings you along the streets of Avignon for an exploration of the city's history and Jewish heritage that dates back to the 13th century; or a scenic mini-train tour through Avignon's historic center, winding past medieval streets, charming squares, and ancient ramparts. Join us this evening for a Tauck Exclusive event – a special evening at the restored château and grounds of medieval Duchy of Uzès. Your evening includes a tour, cocktail reception and a gala dinner in this 12th-century Duke's castle, providing you with a revealing look at aristocratic life from the Middle Ages through modern times. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 8

#### Roussillon / Châteauneuf-du-Pape

Travel into the Luberon region known for trees sculpted by strong-minded mistral winds, narrow scenic roads, and tidy buildings of stone. In Roussillon, discover a village with a picturesque central square and building façades distinguished by their painted shades of ochre on a walking tour. The town sits in the middle of one of the world's largest natural deposits of ochre, and its



Dine in Paris at Fouquer's, an iconic brasserie blending timeless elegance with classic French cuisine in a historic setting.

livelihood was once linked to this colorful natural pigment. Sail on to the village of Châteauneuf-du-Pape. The life of this hillside village still centers around growing and producing wine; the vines thrive here, nestled in low hills and flourishing in a Mediterranean climate, with more than 200 days of sunshine and rain-bearing winds in winter that enable the soil to store water for the long hot days of summer. Taste some of the village's revered Châteauneuf-du-Pape wines at a premier wine estate before returning to the ship for the Chef's signature dinner. **Meals BLD**

#### ■ DAY 9

#### Valence & Tain-l'Hermitage

Dock in Tain-l'Hermitage in Côtes du Rhône wine country for a choice of excursions. Do a wine & cheese tasting at a local co-op winery, recognized for its prestigious "cru" wines, or embark on an active hike through the vineyards of Tain-l'Hermitage, learning about the region's rich wine history and indulging in a jaw-dropping view at the top of the hill. This evening, attend a farewell reception and dinner. **Meals BLD**

#### DAY 10

#### Journey Home

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■ Indicates Cruise Day

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

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DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5
Mar 26					
Jul 3	\$6,990	\$7,490	\$8,740	\$8,940	\$9,940
Aug 2					
Jun 21					
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May 8, 15					
Jun 9					
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Sep 3, 28					

8-day Cruise-only from \$5,350 per person double

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**Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2**



# French Escapade: Paris to The Riviera

*Experience the timeless elegance of Paris, the rhythms of life along the Rhône, and the allure of the French Riviera; delight in exclusive château visits, private vineyard tastings, a Provençal ranch experience, and unforgettable culinary delights – a cruise as refined as France itself.*

**14 DAYS FROM \$8,990**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

Monaco

## Uniquely Tauck

- Attend an exclusive, private evening with a private tour, dinner and cocktails at Duché d'Uzès
- Taste daily life in Chalon-Sur-Saône on a walking tour that samples sweet and savory local specialties or enjoy a wine tasting visit in Burgundy
- Enjoy a warm welcome at a private ranch in the Camargue – a banquet of Provençal specialties, a musical serenade, the cowboys (gardians) and the regions famed white horses and black bulls

## DAY 1

### Arrive Paris

*Tour begins: 6:30 PM, InterContinental Paris Le Grand.* A transfer from Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport, Gare de Lyon Station, Charles de Gaulle Station or Gare du Nord Station to Intercontinental Paris Le Grand in the heart of the city, is included. We invite you to join us for a welcome cocktail reception and dinner this evening. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### Paris sightseeing

Drive by the iconic sights of Paris on an orientation tour this morning that may include the Arc de Triomphe, Grand Palais, Place de la Concorde, Opera Garnier, the Eiffel Tower, and the Jardin des Tuileries, enjoying expert insights from your local guides along the way. Enjoy the “City of Light” at your leisure, as you please, for the remainder of the day. We’ve arranged admission to one of the city’s finest museums, where every gallery invites you to explore artistic and cultural masterpieces that have shaped Paris for centuries. **Meals B**

## ■ DAY 3

### TGV train to Lyon / Embark your riverboat

Enjoy a morning at leisure before boarding the high-speed TGV train to Lyon, where you’ll embark your riverboat in late afternoon. After a briefing by your ship captain and crew, join us for a welcome reception and dinner. **Meals BD**

## ■ DAY 4

### Chalon-sur-Saône and wine tasting in Rully

Dock in Chalon-sur-Saône and drive to the walled city of Beaune for a locally guided walking tour, with sightseeing choices that include wine tasting at a vineyard in Rully, Burgundy, or a walking tour of Chalon-sur-Saône with tastings at local culinary shops. Dine at your leisure aboard the riverboat tonight. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 5

### Château de Cormatin in Burgundy

Disembark ship in Tournus, then head out to explore southern Burgundy, a landscape of vineyards, rolling hills, and historic estates bathed in tradition. Visit the elegantly preserved 17th-century Château de Cormatin, with its moat, drawbridge, turrets, gilded rooms, and manicured grounds, featuring a restored pleasure garden with intricate boxwood hedges, sculptures, fragrant blossoms, and serene water features evoking centuries of refinement and artistry. Dock in Mâcon in the late afternoon; your riverboat spends the evening in port. **Meals BLD**

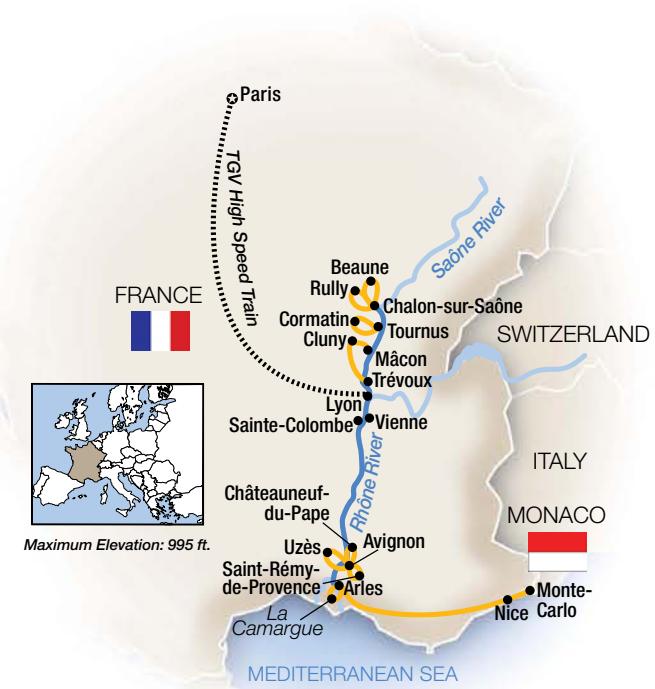
## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 9 Cruise Days

#### Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Paris  
InterContinental Paris – Le Grand
- 2 Paris
- 3 TGV to Lyon / Embark Lyon
- 4 Beaune / Chalon-sur-Saône
- 5 Tournus / Cormatin
- 6 Mâcon / Cluny
- 7 Lyon
- 8 Vienne
- 9 Avignon / Uzès
- 10 St-Rémy / Châteauneuf-du-Pape
- 11 Arles / La Camargue
- 12 Disembark Arles / Nice / Monte-Carlo  
Fairmont Monte-Carlo
- 13 Monte-Carlo
- 14 Depart Nice

#### Map Detail



## ■ DAY 6

### Cluny Abbey

Arrive in Mâcon on the Saône River this morning for guided exploration in Cluny. During the reign of Charlemagne, monastic influences inspired a revival in art, education and culture; learn more on a visit to Cluny Abbey. Return to the riverboat for an afternoon cruise to Lyon. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### Lyon, culinary capital of France

Wake up in the 2,000-year-old city of Lyon, culinary capital of France and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Sightseeing today includes a visit to Fourvière Hill and the historic Catholic Basilica, overlooking the city with views of ancient Roman theaters that are still in use today. Take a walking tour through Vieux Lyon before lunch onboard ship. The riverboat departs for Vienne in late afternoon. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 8

### A choice in Roman Vienne

Conquered by the Romans and transformed into a Roman colony in 47 BC under Julius Caesar, Vienne is a treasure trove of ancient sites. View the Corinthian columns of the Temple of Augustus and Livia, the Pyramid and Roman ruins on a walking tour with a local guide, and ride a small train to Mont Pipet to see the little temple and an ancient 13,000-seat theatre that dates back to the first century and still hosts events today. Alternatively, embark on a guided bicycle tour along a section of the ViaRhôna cycling path beside the River Rhône. Return to the riverboat for lunch and continue on your cruise to Avignon. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 9

### Explore historic Avignon & a gala dinner in Uzès

A choice of sightseeing in Avignon includes a walking tour and visit inside the Palais des Papes; alternatively, take a guided walking tour along Avignon's historic streets learning about the city's history, including its Jewish heritage dating back to the 13th century; or a mini-train tour of the city. After a free afternoon, join us for a night at Duché d'Uzès, a medieval castle dating back to the 11th century, for a Tauck Exclusive evening featuring a cocktail reception and gala dinner. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 10

### Saint Rémy & Châteauneuf-du-Pape

With your riverboat docked in Avignon for the morning, you have a choice of a morning excursion to Saint-Rémy-de-Provence – home to the ruins of the Roman city of Glanum; alternatively, you can visit Pont du Gard, a remarkable ancient Roman aqueduct that stands as a testament to Roman engineering. Return to the ship then travel to a wine tasting at a private vineyard with a sommelier who

## Discover the French Riviera

Experience the glamour of the French Riviera with a two-night stay at Fairmont Monte-Carlo, ideally perched between the Mediterranean and the legendary Casino. Take in Nice's scenic boulevards, explore Monaco's regal charm, and embrace Monte-Carlo's unmatched sophistication, where history, culture, and Riviera elegance blend seamlessly for an unforgettable stay.

introduces you to locally produced Châteauneuf-du-Pape wines – they are known for their rich aromas, bold flavors, and velvety finish. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 11

### Arles & country life in the Camargue

Explore Arles today on a choice of a walking tour of its medieval streets or a challenging, two-hour bicycling excursion\* in the countryside. Then it's off to la Camargue, France's "Wild West," for a private Provençal lunch and cowboy demonstration at a working ranch. Enjoy music by an accordionist onboard ship late this afternoon. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 12

### Explore Nice and arrive in Monte-Carlo

Disembark ship in Arles and travel to Nice where a guided walking tour reveals its fabulous markets, elegant boulevards, and azure coastline. Continue on to glamorous Monte-Carlo for a two-night stay. **Meals B**

## DAY 13

### A day well spent in the Principality of Monaco

Begin the day with a guided tour of Monte-Carlo that shows you the iconic Casino, the charming old town, the Oceanographic Museum, the Cathedral, and Palais Princier de Monaco, home to the Grimaldi family. Enjoy breathtaking Mediterranean panoramas before time to explore as you please. This evening, celebrate your journey with a farewell reception and dinner at Fairmont Monte-Carlo. **Meals BD**

## DAY 14

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Nice.* Fly home anytime. A transfer from Fairmont Monte-Carlo to the Nice Côte d'Azur Airport, Nice Ville Train Station or Nice Riquier Train Station is included. Allow three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



*From the glamour of Monte-Carlo's iconic casino to an opportunity to bicycle through historic Arles and a wine tasting in Châteauneuf-du-Pape – where centuries of tradition shape every vintage – experience the timeless flavors of the Rhône Valley.*

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

### BEGINS PARIS – MS LUMIÈRE

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5
Jul 15 Aug 9	\$8,990	\$9,590	\$10,890	\$11,190	\$11,690
Apr 2 Oct 30	\$9,290	\$9,890	\$11,190	\$11,490	\$11,990
Apr 20	\$9,990	\$10,590	\$11,890	\$12,190	\$12,690
May 22 Sep 10 Oct 5	\$10,490	\$11,090	\$12,390	\$12,690	\$13,190

10-day cruise-only from \$6,790 per person double

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**Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2**

# La Belle Vie: The Rhône, Geneva & The Riviera

*Experience a taste of the good life on the French Riviera in the south of France, in medieval towns along the Rhône River, on private visits to a ranch in Provence and a castle in Uzès, at wine tastings in Burgundy and Châteauneuf-du-Pape, and a two-night stay in Geneva.*

14 DAYS FROM \$9,190

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

## Uniquely Tauck

- Visit a private ranch in the Camargue for a lunch of Provençal specialties, a cowboy demonstration, and a look at the region's centuries-old herding traditions passed down through generations
- Attend an exclusive Tauck evening at Duché d'Uzès, dating back to the Renaissance, featuring a private tour, dinner and cocktails
- Experience wine tasting in Burgundy or enjoy a walking tour with tastings in Chalon-Sur-Saône



## DAY 1

### Welcome to Marseille

*Tour begins: 6:30 PM, InterContinental Marseille – Hotel Dieu.*  
A transfer is included from Marseille Province Airport or Marseille train station to InterContinental Marseille – Hotel Dieu. We invite you to join us for a cocktail reception and dinner this evening at the hotel. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### A day in Marseille

You'll begin your day exploring Marseille, France's vibrant Mediterranean gateway, with a guided tour that provides you with views of the city's iconic highlights, from the striking Basilique Notre-Dame de la Garde with its sweeping harbor views to the atmospheric Old Port, where colorful fishing boats and cafés set the scene. Afterward, the rest of the day is spent as you please – perhaps exploring the charm of Le Panier, the historic heart of Marseille, with its narrow streets and artistic flair. Stroll along the Corniche, visiting museums, or indulging in the city's renowned Provençal cuisine. **Meals B**

## ■ DAY 3

### Aix-en-Provence & embark ship in Arles

Travel to Aix-en-Provence this morning, viewing the illuminated landscapes that inspired artists Vincent van Gogh and Paul Cézanne. See oft-painted Mont Sainte-Victoire before you are joined by a local guide for a walking tour of the fountained city. Continue on to Arles, where your riverboat awaits. **Meals BD**

## ■ DAY 4

### Arles & the cowboys of the Camargue

A choice of excursions today includes a walking tour of medieval Arles or a challenging, two-hour bicycling excursion\* in the countryside. Visit a private ranch in La Camargue for a lunch of farm-grown Provençal fare, a musical serenade, and a chance to see the fleet-footed gardians (cowboys) and the region's famous black bulls and iconic white horses. Enjoy dinner onboard as your riverboat sets off for Avignon. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 5

### Avignon & a gala dinner in Uzès

Explore Avignon on a walking tour of the walled town with a visit to the Palais des Papes; a tour of the city's Jewish heritage sites, dating to the 13th century; or a mini train ride around the city. Spend the afternoon as you wish before a Tauck Exclusive gala evening at Duchy d'Uzès, a Renaissance wonder with a 16th-century façade and lavish ducal apartments. You'll attend a cocktail reception that's followed by dinner and musical entertainment. **Meals BLD**

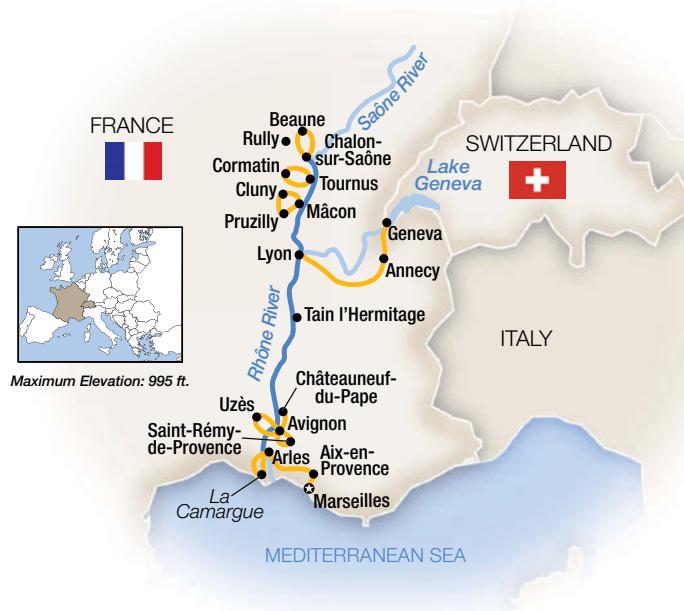
## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 9 Cruise Days

#### Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Marseille  
*InterContinental Marseille – Hotel Dieu*
- 2 Marseille
- 3 Aix-en-Provence / Embark Arles
- 4 Arles / La Camargue
- 5 Avignon / Uzès
- 6 St-Rémy / Châteauneuf-du-Pape / Pont du Gard
- 7 Tain l'Hermitage
- 8 Mâcon / Cluny
- 9 Chalon-sur-Saône / Beaune
- 10 Tournus / Cormatin
- 11 Lyon
- 12 Disembark Lyon / Annecy / Geneva  
*Hotel President Wilson*
- 13 Geneva
- 14 Depart Geneva

#### Map Detail



## ■ DAY 6

### Wine tasting at Châteauneuf-du-Pape

Begin the day with a choice – an excursion to Saint-Rémy-de-Provence, where a guided walking tour reveals insights about the Roman city of Glanum, or a visit to Pont du Gard. Return to the ship for lunch, followed by an afternoon wine tasting at one of the select vineyards permitted to produce Châteauneuf-du-Pape – literally “the New Castle of the Pope” – the most famous of the Côtes du Rhône wines; your host shares secrets of the terroir as you sample estate-crafted red and white wines from a region that's been producing wine for more than 2,500 years! The boat sets off for Tain l'Hermitage this evening. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### Explore the vineyards of Tain l'Hermitage

Arrive in the heart of Côtes du Rhône wine country this morning, where you'll have a choice of two sightseeing excursions. Visit a local orchard (with tastings) and ride a mini-train through the Tain l'Hermitage heritage vineyards. Or, go on a fascinating 2.5-mile hike through the heritage vineyards of Tain l'Hermitage where you'll learn about the history of the region's wine. Your riverboat charts a course for Mâcon this afternoon. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 8

### Arrive in Mâcon and on to Cluny

Disembark the riverboat in Mâcon on the Saône River this morning for a visit to Cluny and a tour of its Benedictine Abbey. Founded in 910, it was the largest Christian building in the world until the construction of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. After time to explore Cluny on your own, reboard your riverboat and cruise to Chalon-sur-Saône. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 9

### Chalon-sur-Saône & beyond

Dock in Chalon-sur-Saône. Beaune is the “wine capital” of the Burgundy region and one of France's most important wine centers. Today's sightseeing includes a guided walk through Beaune, discovering its rich history and architectural charm. Stroll through the heart of this storied town, where centuries of tradition are reflected in well-preserved streets and landmarks. You'll have a choice of wine tasting at a vineyard in Burgundy or a walking tour with tastings of local specialties in Chalon-sur-Saône. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 10

### Château de Cormatin

Wake up in Tournus this morning for a day of exploration steeped in history. Drive through a landscape of vineyards, orchards, red-tiled farmhouses, medieval cathedrals, and historic country estates, stopping for a visit to 17th-century Château de Cormatin. Its moated castle, drawbridge,

## Alpine magic

Two nights in Geneva include a visit to the French Alps where you'll explore historic Annecy's rich history and charming canals on a walking tour led by a local guide. Immerse in the town's medieval charm and lakeside traditions, from the enduring heritage of Alpine fishing and handcrafted goods to regattas and a celebrated culinary heritage centered on fresh lake fish, cheeses, and regional wines.

turrets, gilded rooms and pleasure garden transport you back in time. Spend the remainder of the day cruising, and join us for the Chef's Signature Dinner tonight. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 11

### Lyon, where food is king

Spend the day in Lyon, culinary capital of France and inviting with historic splendors. Drive to the hilltop district of Fourvière for a view-filled visit to the Basilica of Notre-Dame-de-Fourvière before a tour of medieval Vieux Lyon and free time to explore the sights as you please. Enjoy entertainment tonight after dinner onboard. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 12

### Disembark in Lyon & on to Annecy and Geneva

Disembark ship in Lyon for a journey to Switzerland today. Stop en route in the lakeside town of Annecy, France, for a walking tour along cobbled streets, past gorgeous winding canals, and pastel-colored houses. After free time to explore, travel to Geneva for a two-night stay. **Meals B**

## DAY 13

### A final day at Lake Geneva

Today you'll experience the timeless appeal of Geneva. View the city's Old Town, where cobblestone streets and historic architecture offer glimpses into its storied past – and the tranquil beauty of Lake Geneva, a backdrop to this cosmopolitan city's vibrant cultural life, inspires. Your afternoon is free to spend as you please in Geneva. Join us this evening for a farewell reception and dinner at your hotel, located along the promenade. **Meals BD**

## DAY 14

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Geneva.* Fly home anytime. A transfer from Hotel President Wilson, a Luxury Collection Hotel, Geneva to Geneva Airport or Gare de Genève is included; allow three hours for check-in. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



From the lakeside charm of Annecy to a wine tasting at historic Château de Rully in Burgundy, and a walk through Arles where Roman ruins and van Gogh's inspirations whisper, your journey weaves together natural beauty, rich history, and artistry.

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

### BEGINS MARSEILLE – MS LUMIÈRE

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5
Jul 24 Aug 18	\$9,190	\$9,790	\$11,090	\$11,390	\$11,890
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**Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2**



*Ghent, Belgium*



# *Belgian & Dutch Waterways*

Scenic beauty in the Netherlands and Belgium unfolds along waterways lined with history – and bicycles, abloom with flowers, and dressed in art. Brussels and Amsterdam welcome with urban delights. Bruges, Ghent and Delft charm with cultural gems – and pottery. Meet the Old Dutch Masters, sample chocolate, beer and stroopwaffels, and explore landscapes alive with windmills, canals and castles that speak volumes about daily life.



# Holland & Belgium in Spring

*Discover landscapes dressed in their seasonal best as you cruise inland waterways vibrant with local color and alive with a taste of daily life, from the Golden Age to present day. Tulips bloom as you discover Dutch Masters, windmills, and canals and savor settings regionally distinctive.*

**9 DAYS FROM \$5,690**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

*Keukenhof Gardens*

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Attend a private evening at the Mauritshuis in the Hague, home to a world-class collection of art including Vermeer's *Girl with the Pearl Earring*
- Visit Keukenhof Gardens in Lisse to walk among the tulips, daffodils, and hyacinths that are on display for only two months a year
- Enjoy an early-opening visit to the open-air Zuiderzee museum before the day's crowds arrive, reflecting the rich maritime history of the region

## ■ DAY 1

### Arrive Brussels

**Tour begins: 4:00 PM, Brussels.** A transfer is included from Brussels Airport to your riverboat, where embarkation begins at 4:00 PM. Join us for a welcome cocktail reception followed by dinner aboard ship tonight. **Meals D**

## ■ DAY 2

### Discover Antwerp

Wake up in Antwerp this morning for an orientation tour of the city and a guided walk through the historic center and the Old Market Square. A choice of excursions this afternoon includes a visit to the Red Star Line Museum or a brewery tour to local pubs for tastings of Belgian beers. Enjoy dinner at leisure onboard ship tonight. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 3

### Explore Ghent or Bruges

Enjoy a choice of excursions today in Ghent or Bruges. Join our local guide for a walking tour of Ghent and a canal boat ride, plus a visit to Ghent Cathedral. Or, embark on a full day excursion to Bruges that includes a guided walking tour, lunch, and free time to explore on your own. Enjoy dinner onboard ship tonight, as your riverboat charts a course for Dordrecht. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 4

### The windmills of the Kinderdijk

Arrive in the historic city of Dordrecht. Disembark for a short drive to Kinderdijk, where 19 original 18th-century windmills are preserved today as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, for a choice of excursions. Take in the sights like the locals do on a bicycle ride through the village, or visit the windmills with a local guide who shares historical insights about these iconic treasures. Return to Dordrecht for a walking tour and boat ride before returning to your ship. Tonight, you'll have an opportunity to enjoy onboard musical entertainment after dinner. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 5

### Rotterdam – the “Gateway to Europe”

Arrive in Rotterdam, renowned for its cutting-edge architecture and vibrant cultural life. Choose to spend the day your way, either enjoying a food-focused walking and coach tour of the city or driving to Delft for a visit and tile painting workshop at The Royal Delft Museum, followed by time at leisure in Rotterdam. Tonight, join us for a Tauck Exclusive evening at the Mauritshuis museum in The Hague. Enjoy a private dinner, live music and a tour showcasing its Dutch Golden Age paintings, including the *Girl with a Pearl Earring* by Johannes Vermeer. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 8 Cruise Days

#### Brussels to Amsterdam

##### Day Destination

- 1 Embark Brussels
- 2 Antwerp
- 3 Bruges or Ghent
- 4 Dordrecht
- 5 Rotterdam
- 6 Keukenhof
- 7 Enkhuizen
- 8 Amsterdam

#### Amsterdam to Brussels

##### Day Destination

- 1 Embark Amsterdam
- 2 Amsterdam
- 3 Enkhuizen
- 4 Keukenhof
- 5 Dordrecht
- 6 Rotterdam
- 7 Bruges or Ghent
- 8 Antwerp
- 9 Disembark Amsterdam
- 9 Disembark Brussels

#### Map Detail





## Rotterdam, Gateway to Europe

Experience a taste of daily life in modern-day Rotterdam as you embark on a food-focused tour of the city amidst its renowned architectural gems and stunning harbor.



## The open-air Zuiderzee Museum

Located in Enkhuizen, Zuiderzee Museum is a living showcase of the cultural heritage and maritime legacy of the region, yours to explore on an early-opening visit.



## Keukenhof Gardens in Lisse

With 7 million flower bulbs planted every year across 79 acres, Keukenhof Gardens is one of the world's largest, and most colorful, flower gardens.

### ■ DAY 6

## Magical Keukenhof Gardens

You're off this morning for a flower-filled visit to Keukenhof Gardens in Lisse, "the most beautiful spring garden in the world." A rolling carpet of color, Keukenhof is one of Europe's most iconic – and fragrant – places to experience springtime in all its glory. Your visit here offers a choice: explore the gardens on foot or join a local guide on a bicycle ride around them, followed by time to walk through the gardens. Spend the morning here and have lunch. Return to your ship and cruise to Enkhuizen, enjoying the picturesque scenery that lines the river. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 7

## Enchanting Enkhuizen

Disembark your riverboat in the pretty town of Enkhuizen this morning. Discover the region's rich maritime heritage as you ride aboard a ferry to the open-air Zuiderzee Museum, where an early-opening visit enables you to experience its cultural delights before the day's crowds arrive. After lunch, enjoy time at leisure in Enkhuizen or experience an interactive sailing trip aboard a centuries-old sailboat on the IJsselmeer. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 8

## Amazing Amsterdam

Explore Amsterdam today on a choice of excursions. Take a canal boat cruise through the city's historic network of 17th-century canals, followed by a guided tour of the Rijksmuseum. View renowned works by the Dutch Masters, including Rembrandt's *The Night Watch* and Vermeer's *The Milkmaid*. Alternatively, embark on a full-day excursion to the Dutch countryside, including a guided tour of a family-owned tulip farm and a visit to a historic vegetable auction house. Return to your riverboat for a farewell reception and dinner. **Meals BLD**

### DAY 9

## Journey Home

*Tour ends: 9:00 AM, Amsterdam.* A transfer is included from the riverboat to Amsterdam's Schiphol Airport or Centraal Train Station; all guests must disembark the riverboat by 9:00 AM. Fly home anytime; allow a minimum of three hours for check-in. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



Scan the QR code to see photos from this tour.



From your tile painting workshop at the Royal Delft Factory to your Tauck Exclusive dinner at the Mauritshuis in the Hague, home to works by the Dutch Old Masters, and a bicycle ride in Kinderdijk, enjoy a taste of life in the Netherlands.

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE PRICE PER PERSON

BEGINS BRUSSELS OR AMSTERDAM – MS TREASURES

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Apr 1*	\$5,690	\$5,965	\$6,140	\$6,865	\$7,490	\$7,790	\$8,540
Apr 9, 17*, 25	\$6,290	\$6,565	\$6,740	\$7,465	\$8,090	\$8,390	\$9,140

BEGINS BRUSSELS OR AMSTERDAM – MS GRACE / MS JOY

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Apr 1, 4	\$5,690	\$6,115	\$6,565	\$6,865	\$7,490	\$7,790	\$8,540
Apr 28*	\$5,890	\$6,315	\$6,765	\$7,065	\$7,690	\$7,990	\$8,740
Apr 9*, 12*, 17, 20, 25*	\$6,290	\$6,715	\$7,165	\$7,465	\$8,090	\$8,390	\$9,140

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Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

# Heart of Belgium & Holland

*Spend a week cruising the inland waterways of Belgium and the Netherlands where daily life unfolds in bicycle rides and guided visits to Dutch villages, culinary tastings in Belgian cities, ale in Antwerp, architecture in Rotterdam, art and a canal boat ride in Amsterdam, a private castle dinner just for Tauck and much more.*

8 DAYS FROM \$4,690

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

## Uniquely Tauck

- Discover the gems of Rotterdam on an architecturally themed tour or a beer tasting tour at city breweries, traveling on foot and by water
- Explore the quintessentially Dutch town of Gorinchem, flower filled and windmill rich, and the most beautiful fortified city in the Netherlands
- Tour the Royal Museum of Fine Arts in Antwerp seeing works by the Old Dutch Masters in an art collection that spans the centuries



Volendam

## ■ DAY 1

### Arrive Brussels / Embark riverboat

*Tour begins: 4:00 PM.* A transfer is included from Brussels Airport or train station to your riverboat; check-in time is 4:00 PM. Join us for an onboard briefing, followed by a welcome reception and dinner tonight. **Meals D**

## ■ DAY 2

### Discover the best of Brussels

Enjoy a day in Brussels, exploring the sights with local guides who share insider anecdotes about life here, past and present, on a choice of excursions. See landmark sights that speak volumes about history on a locally guided Art Nouveau tour, which showcases Art Deco architecture and the Guild Houses lining Grand-Place, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Alternatively, join a local guide for a tour of city highlights, including the Atomium, the flagship building of the 1958 Brussels World's Fair. After free time, return to the riverboat as it sets sail for Antwerp. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 3

### Art & Ale in Antwerp

Belgium's largest port city, Antwerp has long been a magnet for art lovers and diamond traders. It was one of Europe's most important – and one of its richest – cities in the mid-16th century when merchants traded sugar and diamonds here. Golden Age artists Peter Paul Rubens, Anthony Van Dyck and Frans Snyders called Antwerp home in the 17th century and Renaissance monuments and a still unfinished 13th-century cathedral enrich the variety of architectural styles that grace its medieval heart. Join a local guide on a walking tour of Antwerp that explores the historic gems of this lively town, from bustling Grote Markt to medieval guild houses, baroque churches, UNESCO World Heritage Sites and atmospheric squares. After lunch onboard ship, a choice of excursions includes a visit to the recently reopened Royal Museum of Fine Arts to see its impressive collection of art from the 14th through the 20th century, including an impressive hall dedicated to the works of its native son, Peter Paul Rubens. Or, embark on a toast-worthy Belgian beer tour and tasting. Spend the afternoon exploring as you wish; a shuttle will be available to bring you back to the riverboat. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 4

### Sightseeing in Bruges or Ghent

Get set for a day of Belgian delights as you choose. Drive to Bruges, renowned as one of Europe's best preserved cities, for a walking tour along cobblestone lanes to market squares where medieval towers, churches and whitewashed almshouses reflect its storied past. Visit Old Market Square in the ancient heart of town and see the 13th-century belfry that soars over the rooftops. You may

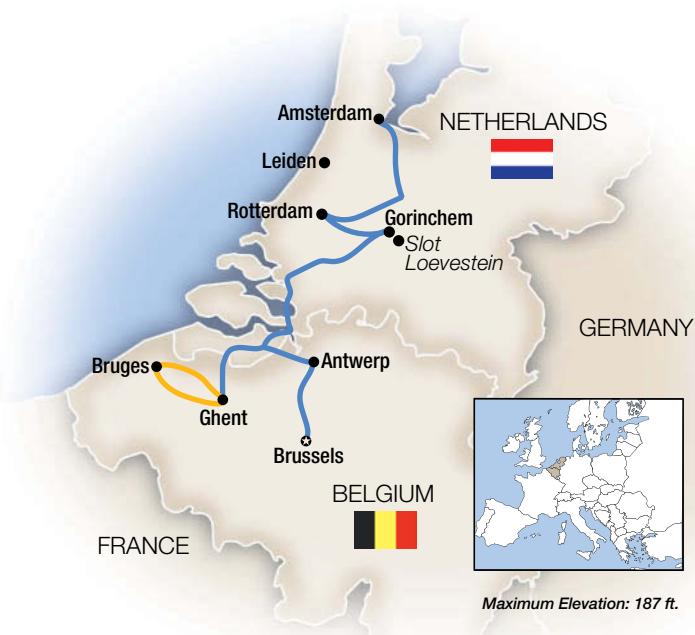
## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 7 Cruise Days

#### Day Destination

- 1 Embark Brussels
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- 5 Gorinchem
- 6 Rotterdam or Leiden
- 7 Amsterdam
- 8 Disembark Amsterdam

#### Map Detail





## An evening at Slot Loevestein

Spend the evening on a private island, open exclusively for Tauck guests, enjoying a special dinner at a 14th-century castle set within a nature reserve.



## The heartbeat of Bruges

Explore the city of Bruges, one of the best-preserved medieval towns in Europe and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, on a walking tour with a local expert.



## Antwerp as you like

Discover the architecture of Antwerp on a guided walking tour, then choose a Belgian beer tasting or a visit to the Royal Museum of Arts.

also choose to explore Ghent on a walking tour with a local guide. Ghent's pedestrian-only historic center invites with its medieval architecture, where centuries-old guild halls line the harbor. Your riverboat charts a course towards Gorinchem tonight. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 5

## Gorinchem & a castle dinner

Voted "one of the most beautiful fortified towns in the Netherlands," Gorinchem was founded in 1000 AD, fortified in the 13th and 14th centuries, and today boasts the largest fully intact fort in the Netherlands. A quintessential Dutch town with flowers, windmills, and charming cobbled streets, it is surrounded by green polders with grazing cows, waterways, and picturesque open fields. Join our local guide for a walking tour of its historic heart, viewing its canals, the well-preserved Renaissance-style and medieval architecture, and parks and gardens. Originally part of the Dutch Waterline of defense, the historic city center remains a well-preserved walled fortress. Explore as you wish this afternoon and join us for a Tauck Exclusive dinner at Slot Loevestein. Set in a nature reserve on a private island, this 14th-century castle has served as a prison, residence, and toll station; tonight, the island and castle are open exclusively for Tauck guests. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 6

## Leiden or Rotterdam

Enjoy a choice of guided shore excursions as your riverboat is docked in Rotterdam, founded as a fishing village in the 13th century. A living monument to Holland's Golden Age until it was bombed to rubble during World War II, the city today welcomes with world-class architecture and urban design, along with surviving traces of Old Rotterdam in Delfshaven (Delft Harbor) and Oude Haven (Old Harbor). You may choose to stay in town and explore the sights on an architecture-themed tour or enjoy a beer tasting experience at various city breweries, traveling on foot and by water taxi. Alternatively, you may embark on a guided excursion to Leiden, the birthplace of Rembrandt, and home to charming architecture, canals and historic sights, including the Netherlands' oldest university. Set sail for Amsterdam late this afternoon. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 7

## The artful life in Amsterdam

Spend the day in Amsterdam, the world-famous 17th-century capital of Holland, known for its artistic heritage, historic canals, and narrow houses with gabled facades – living legacies of its Golden Age. Art masterpieces hang in its acclaimed museums, including the Rijksmuseum, where the Old Masters hold court. Bicycles and canal boats are key to the city's character; gardens



*The largest fully intact fortified city in the Netherlands, Gorinchem is also one of its prettiest, with windmills, canals, charming streets, and an island castle that is open exclusively to Tauck guests for a private evening you'll long remember.*

bloom with Dutch bulbs; and its cultural treasures rank among Europe's most significant. Begin the day with a canal boat cruise on Amsterdam's 17th-century grachten (canals) before a choice of excursions. Take a guided tour of the Rijksmuseum, seeing such works as *The Milkmaid* by Vermeer, *Self-portrait* by Van Gogh, *The Merry Family* by Jan Steen and Rembrandt's *The Night Watch*, followed by free time. Or, join a local guide on a bicycle excursion to Volendam; see how water shapes the landscape through dikes, windmills and small bridges, then visit a local farm to learn about cheesemaking before returning to Amsterdam. Enjoy a farewell toast before dinner. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 8

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Amsterdam.* Disembark your riverboat this morning by 9:00 AM. A transfer is included from your riverboat to Amsterdam's Schiphol Airport or Centraal Station. Fly home anytime. Allow a minimum of three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

### BEGINS BRUSSELS – MS INSPIRE / MS GRACE

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Aug 19 Oct 28	\$4,690	\$5,090	\$5,540	\$5,840	\$6,440	\$6,690	\$7,390
May 6 Jun 3, 17 Oct 7	\$5,490	\$5,890	\$6,340	\$6,640	\$7,240	\$7,490	\$8,190

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### 2026 LAND / CRUISE PRICE INCLUSIONS

20 meals (7 Breakfasts, 6 Lunches & 7 Dinners), airport and train transfers, cruise fare, port charges, applicable fuel surcharges, and gratuities to Tauck Directors, Tauck Cruise Director, ship staff, local guides & drivers, and on all included meals. Unlimited complimentary beverages aboard ship include regional wine, beer and premium spirits, in addition to specialty coffee, and soft drinks. Tauck's private shore excursions & distinctive inclusions valued at \$1,888.

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**Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2**



# Yuletide Spirit: Brussels to Amsterdam

*Enjoy the festive season aboard a Tauck riverboat filled with seasonal delights, cruising along ribboned waterscapes & storybook villages aglow with twinkling lights and a host of winter charm.*

**8 DAYS FROM \$3,590**  
Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

Brussels

## Uniquely Tauck

- Get a sense of 17th-century Holland on a visit to the Zaanse Schans neighborhood & windmills
- Discover The Hague on foot with a local guide, and see "Escher in the Palace," an exhibit on the works of M.C. Escher at Queen Emma's winter palace
- Choose between a guided walking tour of Rotterdam including stops to taste local delicacies or a tour of the Royal Delft porcelain factory

## ■ DAY 1

### Arrive Brussels and embark riverboat

*Tour begins: 4:00 PM.* A transfer is included from Brussels Airport directly to your riverboat, where embarkation begins at 4:00 PM. Settle into your cabin, and we invite you to meet your fellow travelers this evening at a welcome reception followed by dinner in Compass Rose. **Meals D**

## ■ DAY 2

### Brussels in winter

Today, tour Europe's most cosmopolitan city, beginning at the Grand-Place, a UNESCO World Heritage Site where ornate 17th-century guildhalls surround a cobblestone square. Then, take in the festive Winter Wonders markets, home to a towering Christmas tree and life-size Nativity scene. Enjoy a leisurely afternoon to experience Brussels your way before returning to the riverboat for a chocolate demonstration, then set sail toward Antwerp. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 3

### Gems of Antwerp

In December, the festive Antwerp Christmas Market lights up the city's medieval Grote Markt square, with over 100 market stalls selling handcrafted gifts and sweet treats. This morning, a guided tour highlights Antwerp's historical center, followed by free time to explore the Winterfest Market at your own pace. Alternatively, stay aboard this afternoon for a Belgian beer tasting. After dinner, enjoy an evening of musical entertainment on the ship. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 4

### City sightseeing in Bruges or Ghent

This morning, embark on a sightseeing tour of your choice. Travel to the fortified medieval city of Bruges, discovering its charming squares and narrow cobblestone lanes, with a stop for a waffle tasting. Alternatively, explore the historic city of Ghent on a guided walking tour, visiting the City Museum and experiencing one of the most coveted paintings in the world, Jan van Eyck's *Adoration of the Mystic Lamb* at St. Bavo's Cathedral. Return to the riverboat for dinner in the Compass Rose this evening. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 5

### A taste of Rotterdam or a day in Delft

Today, choose between a guided walking and coach food tour in Rotterdam, or an exploration of Delft and its legendary porcelain. In Rotterdam, striking architecture and bold outdoor sculptures transform the city into an open-air gallery. Step inside the historic Pilgrim Church, where travelers once gathered before setting sail on the Mayflower, then dive into the flavors of the Netherlands at

## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 7 Cruise Days

#### Brussels to Amsterdam

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#### Amsterdam to Brussels

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#### Map Detail





## Art in The Hague

Connect with Dutch Masters as you admire Rembrandt and Vermeer at the Mauritshuis, or explore the mesmerizing optical prints at Escher in the Palace.



## Royal Delft Pottery Factory

Since 1653, the Royal Delft Pottery Factory has crafted its iconic blue-and-white porcelain, and your visit offers a glimpse into its history and craftsmanship.



## Bruges, if you wish...

Stroll the cobblestone streets of Bruges past medieval buildings, lively market squares and canals, picturing what life was like here centuries ago.

the bustling Markthal – sampling aged cheeses, rich port, and crispy kibbeling. Complete your tasting adventure with a craft beer at Pelgrim Brewery. Or, venture to Delft, where time seems to stand still in the city that inspired Golden Age artist Johannes Vermeer. Stroll the charming historic center, uncovering medieval treasures, before visiting the Royal Delft factory to see the world-famous blue-and-white pottery come to life. Take part in a hands-on workshop to try the craft for yourself. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 6

## Holidays in The Hague

A leisurely morning drive brings you to The Hague, the international city of peace and justice, set along the North Sea. Explore its historic and cultural treasures at your own pace with a choice of visits: admire Vermeer's *Girl with a Pearl Earring* and Rembrandt's masterpieces at the Mauritshuis Museum or challenge your perception with M.C. Escher's mind-bending optical illusions at Escher in the Palace. Embrace the festive spirit at the Royal Christmas Fair on Lange Voorhout, where twinkling wooden chalets tempt with handcrafted gifts and Dutch winter treats like warm stroopwafels and freshly fried oliebollen. This evening, cruise to Amsterdam and join us for a memorable Chef's Signature Dinner tonight. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 7

## Amsterdam, historic windmills & light festival

Arrive early this morning in Amsterdam, the "Venice of the North," and explore its rich history and culture. Visit the renowned Rijksmuseum, home to over a million artifacts and masterpieces from Dutch Masters such as Rembrandt, Vermeer, and Frans Hals. Or, step into the past at Zaanse Schans, where iconic windmills, traditional green wooden houses, and historic workshops bring 17th- and 18th-century Holland to life. This evening, glide along Amsterdam's canals, where thousands of twinkling lights and illuminated artworks cast a festive glow over the city's historic waterfront. **Meals BLD**

### DAY 8

## Journey Home

*Tour ends: Amsterdam.* Disembark your riverboat by 9:00 AM this morning and fly home anytime. A transfer is included from the riverboat to Amsterdam's Schiphol Airport or Amsterdam Centraal station. Allow a minimum of three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

BEGINS BRUSSELS OR AMSTERDAM – MS GRACE

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Dec 15*	\$3,590	\$3,890	\$4,290	\$4,490	\$4,890	\$5,040	\$5,390
Dec 1*, 8, 22	\$3,790	\$4,090	\$4,490	\$4,690	\$5,090	\$5,240	\$5,590

\*Indicates Amsterdam to Brussels Southbound direction

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## TRIPLES AND SPECIAL SOLO TRAVELER SAVINGS

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Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2



*From gliding through Amsterdam's twinkling canals during the Light Festival to marveling at the light displays and enjoying the melodies of street carolers, the magic of Christmas comes alive at every turn of your river cruise.*



*Bacharach, Germany*

# *The Rhine*



Culturally and historically one of the great working rivers of Europe, the Rhine River winds through western Europe on a six-country crossing from the Alps to Amsterdam. Along the way, it engages with medieval villages and powerhouse cities; industrial heartlands; art and architecture; tastings locally flavored; and storied sights that tell tales of historic kingdoms, Golden Age riches, Alsatian bounty, and a picture-perfect valley that's home to breathtaking landscapes, some 40 hilltop castles centuries old, and charming Middle Ages towns.

# The Romantic Rhine: Amsterdam to Basel

*A perfect intro to river cruising – sail the Rhine for a week, going Dutch in Amsterdam, dining in a German palace, exploring the charms of Strasbourg, and savoring Swiss Alpine gems.*

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**8 DAYS FROM \$5,990**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

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## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Enjoy a Tauck Exclusive reception and dinner at Schloss Ehreshoven, a picture-perfect palace estate nestled at the edge of the Rhineland
- Glide through the UNESCO World Heritage Site of the Upper Middle Rhine Valley, with onboard commentary by your Tauck Director
- Take a gondola ride to the top of Mt. Pilatus in the Swiss Alps descending by cogwheel train for a day in Lucerne or an Alsatian wine tasting excursion with a castle tour



*Château du Haut-Koenigsbourg*

## ■ DAY 1

### Arrive Amsterdam & embark riverboat

*Tour begins: 4:00 PM.* A transfer is included from Schiphol International Airport or Amsterdam Centraal Station to your riverboat; check-in time aboard ship is 4:00 PM for all guests. Join us for a welcome reception followed by dinner aboard your riverboat this evening. **Meals D**

## ■ DAY 2

### The art of daily life in Amsterdam

Your first morning in Amsterdam begins with a choice to take a boat cruise on Amsterdam's iconic grachten (canals), gliding past picturesque 17th-century canal houses, old merchant houses from the Dutch Golden Age, and charming bridges, before a guided tour at the famed Rijksmuseum to see world-famous works by the old Dutch Masters. Or, take a ferry ride to the countryside for a guided bicycle adventure steeped in nature, culture, and history in North Holland, viewing polders, lush meadows, traditional farmhouses and quintessential Dutch villages. Meet your riverboat in Utrecht for an afternoon and evening spent cruising to Germany. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 3

### A day in Köln & an exclusive dinner in the country

After a full morning of cruising and brunch onboard, arrive in Köln (Cologne) for a choice of an active or more leisurely guided walking tour that views landmark city sights including the immense twin-towered Kölner Dom (Cologne Cathedral), whose construction took six centuries. Completed in 1880, UNESCO declared this Gothic "Dom" a World Heritage Site in 1995, recognizing its cultural value as "a testament to the longevity of faith." Following time at leisure to explore, enjoy a taste of royal life during a Tauck Exclusive reception and dinner at Schloss Ehreshoven, located in a postcard-perfect estate setting surrounded by woodlands at the edge of the Rhineland. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 4

### Koblenz & cruise the Middle Rhine Valley

Your riverboat arrives this morning in Koblenz. The city's roots date back to the days of the Romans, when its location made it a powerful controller of trade along its major waterways. A choice of excursions includes an independent clue-filled scavenger hunt with tastings at local shops and an opportunity to ride a cable car across the Rhine to the Ehrenbreitstein Fortress amidst scenic views, or a bicycling excursion\* along the Rhine-Lahn cycle path that follows an easy riverside trail through forest, meadows, and Riesling winelands. The entire afternoon is spent cruising through the beautiful Middle Rhine Valley, the most famous and romantic section of the Rhine with castles, vineyards, and small villages. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 7 Cruise Days

#### Day Destination

- 1 Embark Amsterdam
- 2 Amsterdam or North Holland
- 3 Köln (Cologne)
- 4 Koblenz
- 5 Speyer or Heidelberg
- 6 Strasbourg / Baden-Baden
- 7 Lucerne or Alsatian wine route
- 8 Disembark Basel

#### Map Detail





### Evening at Schloss Ehreshoven

Dine like royalty in the parkland setting of a moated 14th-century grand Baroque manor house during an exclusive reception and dinner for Tauck guests only.



### Strasbourg's timeless charm

Enjoy France for a day in La Petite France, a historic district of Strasbourg. View canals lined with 16th-century half-timbered houses and flower-filled balconies.



### Bicycling like the locals do

Take a bicycling excursion outside of Amsterdam; pedal to Riesling winelands on riverside trails in Koblenz, or discover Strasbourg on a locally guided bicycle ride.

### ■ DAY 5

#### Speyer or Heidelberg & its hilltop castle

Following a morning cruise, arrive in Mannheim for a choice of excursions. You may choose to explore Speyer, a town that thrived on river trade in the 10th and 11th centuries, including a visit to the impressive Technik Museum, dedicated to every form of technology that moves, from vintage cars to a space shuttle, and a walk to Speyer Cathedral, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with its stained-glass windows and roof made entirely of stone. Or, embark on an excursion to Heidelberg, where narrow lanes, shops and pubs housed in 17th-century structures in the Altstadt are kept lively by the cadence of student life. Visit the romantic ruins of Heidelberg Castle, which Mark Twain wrote about in *A Tramp Abroad*; from its terrace and gardens, the sweeping views impress along with the feel of 600 years of history. Return to the ship for a cocktail reception followed by dinner onboard as your riverboat charts a course towards Strasbourg, France. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 6

#### Sights of Strasbourg & Baden-Baden

Your day begins in the Alsatian cultural capital of Strasbourg, France, home to the charming canals and half-timbered houses of La Petite France, stately city residences, a Gothic cathedral, and welcoming winstubs. After guided sightseeing, enjoy free time to explore on your own. Alternatively, explore the sights on a locally guided bicycle excursion\*. This afternoon, enjoy an optional visit to the German spa resort town of Baden-Baden, at the edge of the Black Forest, on a walking tour. Return to the ship for the chef's signature dinner and an evening that's spent cruising the Rhine. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 7

#### Lucerne & Mt. Pilatus or Alsace Wine Route

You have a choice of shore excursions today. Drive to Lucerne and head for the heights of Mt. Pilatus aboard a gondola, ascending from Kriens to the summit (Oberhaupt) – nearly 7,000 ft., then descending back down to Alpnachstad aboard the world's steepest cogwheel train. Then, explore Lucerne – the lakeside "city of lights" – as you wish. City landmarks include the Kapellbrücke, a covered wooden footbridge crossing the Reuss River that dates back to the 1330s, an octagonal Water Tower, narrow lanes and lovely squares. Lucerne is the quintessential Swiss city, with a cobalt lake ringed by Alpine peaks, a perfectly preserved medieval Altstadt (Old Town), candy-colored houses and waterfront promenades that make walking and wandering pure pleasure. Or, discover a taste of local life along the Alsace Wine Route, one of the most famous in Europe. Founded in 1953, it meanders through the famous wine-growing region and is France's



*Under the shade of chestnut trees, savor the crisp malty flavors that have been perfected over centuries at one of Speyer's beloved biergartens. Soak in the warm hospitality and enjoy time with your fellow travelers.*

oldest wine trail. Wine has a long-standing tradition in Alsace and the region's white wines are some of the best in Europe, thanks to the regional weather conditions and rich diverse soil. Drive to Château du Haut-Koenigsbourg, originally built in the 1200s. Burned, abandoned and restored to its former glory in 1899, the castle presents a picture of a mountain fortress of the Middle Ages; after your visit, continue to a French Alsatian town for lunch and a wine tasting. The day concludes for everyone in Basel, which has been a major crossroads of travel and intellectual exchange since the 15th century. Join us this evening for the farewell dinner aboard ship. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 8

### Journey Home

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■ Indicates Cruise Day

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

### BEGINS AMSTERDAM – MS GRACE / MS INSPIRE

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Jul 15, 29	\$5,990	\$6,390	\$6,840	\$7,140	\$7,740	\$7,990	\$8,690
Apr 8 Oct 21	\$6,590	\$6,990	\$7,440	\$7,740	\$8,340	\$8,590	\$9,290
Apr 22 Aug 26	\$6,990	\$7,390	\$7,840	\$8,140	\$8,740	\$8,990	\$9,690
May 13, 20 Sep 9	\$7,490	\$7,890	\$8,340	\$8,640	\$9,240	\$9,490	\$10,190

### BEGINS AMSTERDAM – MS TREASURES

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
May 3 Jun 14	\$7,490	\$7,740	\$7,890	\$8,640	\$9,240	\$9,490	\$10,190

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**Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2**



# The Rhine, Swiss Alps & Amsterdam

*Spend two nights basking in Alpine beauty in Switzerland, before cruising to the Netherlands. Visit the casino or spa in Baden-Baden, cruise through vineyards, villages and fairy tale castles in the Middle Rhine Valley, wave at Dutch windmills and discover the charms of Utrecht, your way.*

**10 DAYS FROM \$6,990**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 3

Colmar, France

## Uniquely Tauck

- Journey to the highest railway station in Europe at the Jungfraujoch by cogwheel train for amazing views of the snow-clad Bernese Alps
- Spend a private evening with dinner and a tour at Schloss Ehreshoven, a grand Baroque estate in Engelskirchen
- Enjoy panoramic views when you cruise picturesque Lake Lucerne and on an orientation walk introducing you to key Lucerne sites

## DAY 1

### Arrive Zürich & journey to Bern

*Tour begins: 6:30 PM, Hotel Bellevue Palace.* A transfer is included from Zürich Airport or the train station (Zürich or Bern Hauptbahnhof) to the Bellevue Palace Bern, surrounded by the Aare River and distant Alpine peaks. A landmark hotel for over 150 years, the beautiful Bellevue Palace is the official guest house of the Swiss government, and welcomes with views of the Bernese Alps and a history of hospitality that continues to attract celebrities and heads of state. Join us for a welcome dinner with musical entertainment at the hotel. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### The Jungfraujoch or exploring Bern

You have a choice of sightseeing adventures today. Head for the snow-capped mountains on a full-day excursion to the Jungfraujoch, known as the "Top of Europe." Drive to the village of Lauterbrunnen for a train ride to Kleine Scheidegg, then board a cogwheel train for the scenic climb to Jungfraujoch, the highest railway station in Europe; a guided tour at the top includes the ice caves, the Sphinx Observatory, and the Alpine Experience exhibit, followed by free time and a cable car ride back down the mountain. Alternatively, explore the eclectic charms of Bern on a walking tour – with a focus on the history of chocolate. Bern played a key role in the world of chocolate, with residents such as Lindt, Tobler and Bloch; chocolate tasting is included. Sights include the Parliament Building, the house where Einstein wrote his "Theory of Relativity," and the Zytglogge, a 16th-century astronomical clock. **Meals BL**

## ■ DAY 3

### A day in Lucerne / Embark ship

Drive to lakeside Lucerne for a boat cruise on Lake Lucerne, followed by a brief orientation walk, and time at leisure to stroll through Lucerne's market squares, seeing burghers' houses, church spires, and the ramparts of the medieval old town. If you wish, join your Tauck Director for a fast-paced walk to the Lion Monument and medieval city walls. Drive to Basel this afternoon to embark your ship. Enjoy a welcome toast before dinner onboard. **Meals BD**

## ■ DAY 4

### Colmar in the Alsatian wine country

Dock in Breisach, then drive to Colmar, France, in Alsatian wine country. View its beautifully preserved medieval architecture, half-timbered houses and gardens, cobbled streets, arches and sculpted fountains on a walking tour and a visit to the Unterlinden Museum or join a local guide for a bicycling excursion through Alsatian vineyards. Sail through the Upper Rhine Plain this afternoon. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 7 Cruise Days

#### Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Zürich / Bern  
Hotel Bellevue Palace
- 2 Jungfraujoch or Bern
- 3 Lucerne / Embark Basel
- 4 Breisach / Colmar
- 5 Karlsruhe / Baden-Baden
- 6 Rüdesheim / Middle Rhine Valley
- 7 Köln (Cologne)
- 8 Dordrecht / Kinderdijk
- 9 Utrecht
- 10 Disembark Amsterdam

#### Map Detail



## ■ DAY 5

### A day in Baden-Baden

Arrive in the city of Karlsruhe and travel to the Belle Époque spa town of Baden-Baden at the edge of the Black Forest. In the 19th century, the local healing hot springs and elegant casino attracted the wealthy elite from all over Europe along with many artists whose imaginations were sparked by the social scene; today, Baden-Baden has become known for its arts festivals and its thermal waters. A choice of excursions includes a locally guided walking tour with a visit to the Baden-Baden Casino; time to relax at the Caracalla Spa; or a bicycling excursion along the Rhine to Karlsruhe, with a visit to the palace gardens. Continue on your cruise this afternoon. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 6

### Rüdesheim & cruise the Middle Rhine Valley

Arrive in the 1,000-year-old winemaking town of Rüdesheim for a choice of excursions with free time to explore the town on your own. Choose between a visit to Siegfried's Mechanisches Musikkabinett, a museum dedicated to antique self-playing musical instruments, or a scenic e-bike ride with view of the Middle Rhine Valley. Enjoy a cup of Rüdesheimer Kaffee (an alcoholic coffee drink) at a local place before lunch and spend the afternoon cruising through the beautiful Middle Rhine Valley, which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### Explore all that is Köln

Discover Köln today, once a Roman provincial capital, and later a wealthy medieval trading port; the city was almost destroyed during World War II, but many of its architectural treasures have been restored including the towering Kölner Dom (Cologne Cathedral), a twin-spired masterpiece of High Gothic architecture. A choice of excursions includes a walking tour of the Old Town or a walking tour focusing on 1,700 years of the city's Jewish history. This evening, drive to Engelskirchen for a visit to its neighboring palace, Schloss Ehreshoven. Built in the 14th century and later expanded in the style of a grand Baroque manor house, the estate is surrounded by a moat, landscaped gardens, and a castle park. Schloss Ehreshoven is often used as a film location – but tonight it's the setting for Tauck's exclusive dinner with live entertainment. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 8

### The Kinderdijk windmills

Spend the morning cruising before arriving in Dordrecht, an important trading port in the Middle Ages, and embarking on an excursion to learn about the windmills of Kinderdijk (Child's Dyke); the flat landscape, crisscrossed

## The Jungfraujoch

Ride a cogwheel train up to the summit of the Jungfraujoch at the top of Europe, where breathtaking views of the Swiss Alps include the mountains' longest glacier, part of the first UNESCO Natural Heritage Site in the Alpine region. Enjoy time at leisure to visit the Ice Palace and the Sphinx Observatory for a memorable experience in one of the most beautiful places on Earth.

with canals, presents the largest concentration of historic windmills in The Netherlands. Explore Kinderdijk on a walking tour and a canal boat ride, or on a two-hour bicycle excursion\* along the canals. The 19 windmills, most of them built in the 18th century, are national monuments; for centuries, their massive wind-driven mechanisms have been used to pump water out of the polder and into reservoirs and canals, reclaiming land from the river. Dine at leisure aboard ship tonight. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 9

### Utrecht, canals, a castle & more

Arrive in Utrecht this morning for a day of Dutch discoveries as you choose. First settled by Romans, Utrecht is one of the Netherlands' oldest cities and for centuries its religious heart. Now a vibrant university city with a medieval core, it is ringed by pretty tree-lined canals with high gabled houses, historic buildings and open air cafés. Discover its charms on a walking tour and canal boat ride or embark on an excursion to De Haar Castle, one of the biggest and most luxurious castles in the Netherlands. Alternatively, join a local guide for a bicycle ride around the city. Depart for Amsterdam late afternoon and enjoy a farewell cocktail and dinner with entertainment aboard ship tonight. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 10

### Journey home

*Tour ends: Amsterdam.* Disembark and fly home anytime; a transfer from your riverboat to Amsterdam's Schiphol Airport or Centraal Train Station is included. You should allow a minimum of three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

BEGINS ZURICH – MS GRACE / MS INSPIRE

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Apr 13							
Jul 6, 27	\$6,990	\$7,390	\$7,840	\$8,140	\$8,740	\$8,990	\$9,690
Aug 3							
Apr 27	\$7,590	\$7,990	\$8,440	\$8,740	\$9,340	\$9,590	\$10,290
May 11							
Aug 31	\$8,590	\$8,990	\$9,440	\$9,740	\$10,340	\$10,590	\$11,290
Sep 7, 14, 21							

BEGINS ZURICH – MS TREASURES

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Oct 9	\$7,590	\$7,840	\$7,990	\$8,740	\$9,340	\$9,590	\$10,290
Jun 19	\$8,590	\$8,840	\$8,990	\$9,740	\$10,340	\$10,590	\$11,290

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## Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 3



*Savor the stunning scenic beauty of the Alps by train; visit Baden-Baden as you wish, enjoying the casino or time at the spa; and discover the windmills of Kinderdijk in the Netherlands on a canal boat ride or a bicycling excursion along the canals.*

# Rhine Enchantment, Amsterdam to Milan

*Explore five countries from Switzerland to the Netherlands including three nights in Milan and a 7-night Rhine River cruise steeped in art, cuisine and wine. Discover the “Last Supper,” villas on Lake Como, a taste of Düsseldorf, Alsatian treats, Swiss Alpine magic and life in a royal palace.*

11 DAYS FROM \$7,790

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 3

## Uniquely Tauck

- Join us for an exclusive gala dinner with entertainment at a historic palace, Tauck only
- A private viewing of Leonardo da Vinci's *The Last Supper* at the Santa Maria delle Grazie convent
- Enjoy a private boat ride on Lake Como including a lake-view lunch with time to explore Bellagio
- Explore Düsseldorf's Medienhafen on a walking tour to view modern architectural masterpieces or enjoy a city tasting tour



## ■ DAY 1

### Arrive Amsterdam / Embark ship

*Tour begins: 4:00 PM.* Transfers are included from Schiphol Airport or Amsterdam Centraal Station to your riverboat. We invite you to join us this evening for a welcome reception followed by dinner on board. **Meals D**

## ■ DAY 2

### Amsterdam & its canals

Dating back to the 17th century, canals (*grachten*) are an iconic symbol of Amsterdam; experience them aboard a canal boat cruise, passing historic bridges, gabled merchant houses, and sidewalk cafés bustling with local life. Next, explore the colorful sights of Amsterdam on a locally guided walking tour. Cruise for Düsseldorf this afternoon and enjoy dinner onboard. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 3

### A choice of discoveries in Düsseldorf

Arrive in Düsseldorf, known for its charming Altstadt (Old Town), for a choice of activities. Experience a "Taste of Düsseldorf" walking tour focused on the city's culinary traditions, along with some tasty local treats; tour modernized Medienhafen, Düsseldorf's old harbor area, transformed by striking architecture designed by renowned architects all over the world, including Frank Gehry, and enjoy a bird's eye view of the city from the Rhine Tower. Or, join a local guide for a bicycling excursion along the city's bustling waterfront. Back aboard ship, enjoy dinner at leisure as your ship cruises to Boppard, then on to the Middle Rhine Valley. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 4

### Boppard, Middle Rhine Valley & a palace dinner

Visit Boppard this morning, then enjoy a day of cruising the Middle Rhine Valley, designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Glide past fairy tale castles – there are 40 hilltop castles and fortresses here, erected over 1,000 years ago—along with historic towns and sloping vineyards – as you hear the stories of the Lorelei, the beautiful siren of the rocks. Arrive in Wiesbaden and join us for a Tauck Exclusive evening at Schloss Biebrich with dinner and entertainment (certain departures will have their gala evening at Schloss Bruchsal on Day 5; please inquire at booking). **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 5

### Charming Heidelberg

Arrive in Mannheim for a drive to the university town of Heidelberg and a guided walking tour of the city's landmark sights. See the ruins of Heidelberg Castle, a historic red sandstone compound high above the city;

## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 7 Cruise Days

#### Amsterdam to Milan

##### Day Destination

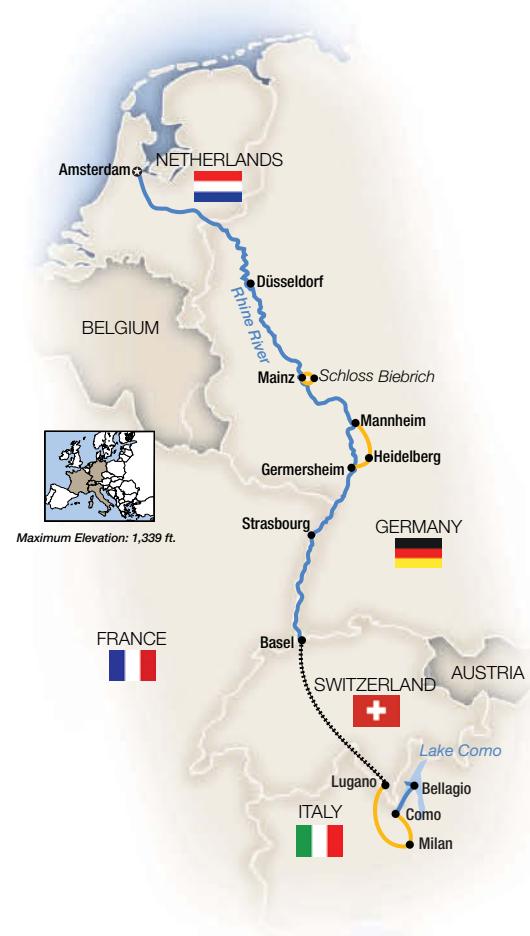
- 1 Embark Amsterdam
- 2 Amsterdam
- 3 Düsseldorf
- 4 Boppard / Middle Rhine
- 5 Heidelberg / Mannheim
- 6 Alsace
- 7 Basel
- 8 Disembark Basel / Lugano  
*Principe di Savoia or Westin Palace Milan*
- 9 Lake Como
- 10 Milan
- 11 Depart Milan

#### Milan to Amsterdam

##### Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Milan  
*Principe di Savoia*
- 2 Lake Como
- 3 Milan
- 4 Lugano / Embark Basel
- 5 Basel
- 6 Alsace
- 7 Heidelberg / Mannheim
- 8 Middle Rhine
- 9 Düsseldorf
- 10 Amsterdam
- 11 Disembark Amsterdam
- 12 Depart Milan

#### Map Detail



explore its Baroque Altstadt, rebuilt during the 18th century; and follow in the footsteps of Mark Twain, Goethe and the painter William Turner who were inspired by the landscapes you'll see today. Spend the afternoon enjoying a leisurely cruise aboard your riverboat. After dinner, join us for evening entertainment onboard. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 6

### Explore Strasbourg

This morning, disembark in historic Strasbourg, France for a choice of excursions. Choose to explore the city on a guided bicycle excursion that includes Old Town and its medieval alleys, half-timbered houses dressed in sherbet colors, and a grand Gothic cathedral that dates back to 1439. Or, enjoy a locally guided tour of the historic sights of Strasbourg with a tasting of local Alsatian wines. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### A choice of discoveries in Basel

Arrive in multicultural Basel, Switzerland, located at the juncture of the French, German and Swiss borders. Renowned as the Swiss Cultural Capital, Basel is home to some forty museums, including one of the oldest public art collections in the world. A choice of sightseeing includes a walking tour that inspires with insights about the city's art and architecture, including a self-guided visit to the world-class Basel Art Museum, boasting a history that dates back to 1661. Your other option today explores Basel's distinctive history and cultural traditions on a guided walking tour, with free time to explore the sights on your own this afternoon. Join us this evening for a farewell toast before dinner onboard your riverboat. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 8

### By rail through the Alps & on to Milan

After breakfast, disembark for a scenic train ride to the stunning lakeside city of Lugano for lunch and free time to explore. Drive across the border into Italy for arrival in Milan, a city that reigns as a world capital of fashion and design. You have reservations for a Tauck Exclusive experience this evening, a private viewing of Milan's *pièce de résistance*, Leonardo da Vinci's mural, *The Last Supper*, which adorns the dining room at the Santa Maria delle Grazie convent (select departures, subject to availability; the day of this visit may vary). **Meals B**

## DAY 9

### Villas & villages of Lake Como

Journey to Como for a full day tour of the beautiful Lake Como region. Begin with a boat ride for bellissima Bellagio, taking in the mountains that surround you, followed by free

## A gala evening at Schloss Biebrich

A stunning Baroque palace that was constructed between 1702 and 1744 as a summer residence for a prince, Biebrich Palace in Wiesbaden, Germany, reigns over the Rhine in unrivaled splendor. Intricate in design and architectural style, the palace is set amidst meticulously maintained English gardens picture-perfect for strolling. Enjoy a gala evening here as you experience a taste of royal life for Tauck guests only (select departures).

time in this town known as the "Pearl of the Lake." Continue on your cruise en route to a private lunch at a restaurant on the shores of the lake. Return to Milan for a free evening to explore and dine as you please. **Meals BL**

## DAY 10

### Discover Milan

Experience Milan on a sightseeing ride and a locally guided walking tour that includes Piazza della Scala, Piazza Belgioioso, Piazza San Fedele, Palazzo Marino, and the Piazzale del Duomo, home to the Gothic Cathedral of Milan, il Duomo. The afternoon is free to explore on your own. You might want to take in La Scala, one of the most famous opera houses in the world, where Maria Callas sang her heart out; Pinacoteca di Brera, a great art collection including works by Raphael, Bellini, Piero della Francesca, and Caravaggio; the fashion district, via Montenapoleone, Via Manzoni, and Corso Venezia. Be sure to taste the traditional flavors – sipping a Campari bitter apéritif and sampling dishes like yellow risotto and ossobuco. Join us for a farewell reception and dinner at your hotel. **Meals BD**

## DAY 11

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Milan.* Fly home anytime; a transfer from Principe di Savoia or Westin Palace Milan to Milan Malpensa or Linate Airports or Milan's Central Train Station is included. Allow three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

BEGINS MILAN OR AMSTERDAM –  
MS GRACE / MS INSPIRE

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Jul 1*, 19 Aug 5*	\$7,790	\$8,190	\$8,640	\$8,940	\$9,540	\$9,790	\$10,490
Aug 23 Oct 25	\$8,190	\$8,590	\$9,040	\$9,340	\$9,940	\$10,190	\$10,890
May 6*, 17 Sep 2* Oct 11, 14*	\$8,990	\$9,390	\$9,840	\$10,140	\$10,740	\$10,990	\$11,690

BEGINS MILAN OR AMSTERDAM – MS TREASURES

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Jul 2	\$7,790	\$8,040	\$8,190	\$8,940	\$9,540	\$9,790	\$10,490
May 7							
Jun 28* Oct 4*	\$8,990	\$9,240	\$9,390	\$10,140	\$10,740	\$10,990	\$11,690

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**Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 3**



Dine like royalty during a private gala evening at Schloss Biebrich, open for Tauck guests only... enjoy a private viewing of Leonardo da Vinci's "The Last Supper" during a three-night stay in fashionable Milan... and a canal cruise introduces Amsterdam.



# Rhine Connoisseur: Lake Geneva to Belgium

*Food and wine take center stage on this Belle-Époque cruise from Switzerland to Belgium. Indulge in the magic of Montreux during a 3-night stay, Alsatian specialties in Strasbourg, a taste of Düsseldorf, a medieval castle dinner in Gorinchem, ale in Antwerp and Belgian treats in Brussels.*

**11 DAYS FROM \$7,890**  
Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 3



## Uniquely Tauck

- Explore the historic Lavaux Vineyards on a mini train or on a guided walking tour, with wine tasting
- Ride a cable ride to Glacier 3000, savoring breathtaking views on a Peak Walk and more
- Go medieval during a Tauck Exclusive dinner in Slot Loevestein on a private island open only to Tauck
- Enjoy a taste of Düsseldorf on a food-inspired walking tour and a craft beer tasting tour

## DAY 1

### Arrive Geneva / Montreux

*Tour begins: 6:00 PM, Fairmont Le Montreux Palace.* A transfer is included from Geneva Airport, Geneva train station (approx. 1.5 hour drive) or Montreux train station to award-winning Fairmont Le Montreux Palace, ideally located in Montreux and nestled on the shores of Lake Geneva in Switzerland, overlooking the Alps and acclaimed as one of the top resort hotels in Switzerland. Note: Lake View rooms are guaranteed for guests in Cat 7 cabins only. Join us for a welcome dinner at your hotel. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### Lavaux Vineyards or Freddie Mercury

Internationally famous as a terraced wine-growing region on the shores of Lake Geneva, the Lavaux region is a designated UNESCO World Heritage Site that dates back to the 12th century when Cistercian monks built miles of terraces and walls on sloping glacial terrain for the purpose of cultivating wine. Explore the vineyards on a choice of excursions that includes a mini-train tour of the vineyards, and a wine tasting at a local cooperative wine cellar; or a gentle walk on unpaved paths through the vineyards, ending with a wine-tasting at a local winery. Alternatively, walk to the covered market before experiencing a multimedia tour with a local expert who shares insights on Queen, Freddie Mercury and the time the band spent in Montreux; during your tour, you will be supplied with a small tablet to see videos and photos that are not available to the general public, and listen to the music they made. After lunch on your own, visit the Charlie Chaplin Museum for a fun-filled experience. Spend the remainder of the day exploring Montreux as you wish. **Meals B**

## DAY 3

### Glacier 3000

Experience the height of adventure when you venture to Glacier 3000 in the Swiss Alps today, weather permitting. Ride a cable car to the summit for time to enjoy the attractions at the top. Walk across the Peak Walk by Tissot, the only suspension bridge connecting two peaks in the world, amidst head-turning scenery of the Matterhorn, Mont-Blanc and Jungfrau. Have lunch amidst the mountains' soul-stirring views, then ride a cable car back into town. Enjoy time at leisure back in Montreux and have dinner on your own. **Meals BL**

## ■ DAY 4

### Château Chillon / Embark ship in Basel

After breakfast, visit nearby Chillon Castle located in a spectacular setting on the shore of Lake Geneva. On a locally guided tour, view some of its 40 rooms, including the

## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 7 Cruise Days

#### Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Geneva / Montreux  
Fairmont Le Montreux Palace
- 2 Montreux or Lavaux
- 3 Glacier 3000
- 4 Chillon / Embark Basel
- 5 Strasbourg
- 6 Middle Rhine Valley
- 7 Düsseldorf
- 8 Gorinchem
- 9 Antwerp
- 10 Brussels
- 11 Disembark Brussels

#### Map Detail



Castellan's Dining Hall, with walls depicting painted family crests. Embark your riverboat in Basel; attend a Discovery Briefing with the ship's crew, then enjoy cocktails before dining onboard your ship tonight. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 5

### Specialties of Strasbourg, France

Spend the morning in Strasbourg, disembarking for a choice of excursions after breakfast. Join a local guide for an epicurean-inspired walking tour of its city center, along with tastings of wine, cheese and other Alsatian specialties. Or do as the locals do and explore the sights by bicycle\* as your local guide leads the way. Return to your riverboat for lunch and an afternoon of onboard activities. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 6

### Cruise the Middle Rhine Valley

Spend a leisurely morning cruising through the Middle Rhine Valley, a UNESCO World Heritage region renowned for its scenic beauty and fairy-tale castles. Your Tauck Director provides commentary as you glide past vine-covered, terraced slopes and rocky bluffs, sharing the stories of the Lorelei Rock and ancient castles standing watch onshore. Arrive in Koblenz this afternoon for a guided e-bike ride\* or a self-guided, clue-filled scavenger hunt in town, with local tastes. Enjoy dinner and musical entertainment onboard ship this evening. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### A taste of Düsseldorf

Wake up in Düsseldorf, known for its charming Altstadt (Old Town) and avant-garde architecture. Walk off the riverboat for a walking tour focused on the city's history, architecture and culinary traditions or experience a craft beer tour that visits a number of breweries for a sampling of the of dark Altbier varieties for which the region is known. After lunch, join our local guide for a bicycling excursion or spend time exploring the city as you wish. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 8

### Gorinchem & a private island castle

Join a local guide for a walking tour of Gorinchem, voted "the most beautiful fortified town in the Netherlands," followed by an optional visit to the Hendrik Hamel House or free time to explore the town as you wish. Join us tonight on a private island, open only to Tauck, as you enjoy an exclusive Tauck reception and dinner in a modern venue adjacent to 14th-century Slot Loevestein, a rustic medieval fortress that truly takes you back in time. **Meals BLD**

## Fairmont Le Montreux Palace

Built in 1906 on the shores of Lake Geneva in the heart of Montreux, Fairmont Le Montreux Palace is a jewel of Belle-Époque architecture, steeped in history and tradition amidst breathtaking scenic views. A favorite Swiss retreat for celebrities, musicians and dignitaries for over a century and an expansive spa designed to pamper and delight, you'll enjoy a most memorable three-night stay inside and out!

## ■ DAY 9

### A choice of activities in Antwerp

With a history dating to the Middle Ages, the port city of Antwerp was one of Europe's most important cities in the mid-16th century. Join a local guide for a walking tour of the Old Town this morning, learning about the history of the city and viewing its landmark sites with an insider's perspective. After lunch, visit the acclaimed Royal Museum of Fine Arts to view its collection of paintings, sculptures and drawings from the 14th to the 20th centuries, as well as the spectacular architecture of the building itself. Alternatively, embark on a beer tasting that showcases the city's famous Belgian ales. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 10

### The best of Brussels

Explore the best of Brussels today on your choice of guided excursions, including an informative city tour that views its landmark sights or a guided look at the Art Nouveau and Art Deco architecture that's found throughout the city. Belgian chocolate is renowned the world over; this afternoon, enjoy a chocolate demonstration that reveals its delectable secrets. Join us tonight for a farewell toast and dinner aboard the riverboat. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 11

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Brussels.* Disembark ship by 9:00 AM. Fly home anytime; a transfer from your riverboat to Brussels Airport is included. Allow three hours for flight check-in. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



*Your adventure begins at the magnificent Fairmont Montreux Palace, nestled on the shores of Lake Geneva and includes soul-stirring Alpine views during a visit to Glacier 3000. Your discoveries continue aboard your riverboat as it cruises the Rhine.*

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

BEGINS MONTREUX – MS GRACE / MS INSPIRE

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May 24							
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Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 3

# The Rhine and Moselle

*Enjoy a leisurely cruise from the Netherlands to Switzerland, through Germany, France and Luxembourg; get a true taste of Europe with regional specialties, folk traditions and a special dinner at a palace in Germany.*

**15 DAYS FROM \$8,590**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- In Cochem, visit the family-owned Schlagkamp Wine Museum, where centuries-old wine-making traditions come alive in a tasting of locally produced vintages
- Surrounded by a moat, gardens and a castle park, Schloss Ehreshoven in Germany is an elegant setting for our exclusive cocktail reception and dinner on the southbound direction of this cruise
- Enjoy a scenic cruise through Amsterdam's canals, gliding past storybook bridges and colorful flower-filled homes
- In Luxembourg, descend into the city's historic underground tunnels known as the kasematten, dating to 1644 – a special experience exclusive to Tauck guests only



*Cochem Castle, Moselle River*

## ■ DAY 1

### Arrive Amsterdam / Embark riverboat

*Tour begins: 4:00 PM.* A transfer is included from Amsterdam's Schiphol International Airport or Centraal Station directly to your riverboat, where you'll enjoy a welcome toast and dinner onboard tonight. **Meals D**

## ■ DAY 2

### Amsterdam's canals & the Rijksmuseum

A choice of shore excursions in Amsterdam today includes a visit to the Rijksmuseum to see world-famous works of art, or head to the countryside to visit a flower farm and vegetable nursery on a guided tour. This afternoon, explore the sights on your own; a shuttle is available to take you back to your riverboat. Enjoy a guided canal boat tour with refreshments before dinner onboard your riverboat, followed by a musical performance by locals. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 3

### Nijmegen & a day of choices

Disembark in Nijmegen for your choice to visit the art-filled Kröller-Müller Museum in De Hoge Veluwe National Park followed by lunch onboard and an optional drive to Arnhem for a visit to the Airborne Museum, rich with WWII history. Alternatively, visit Paleis Het Loo, a palace built over 300 years ago for the royal family, with a tour of the gardens. Rejoin your ship late afternoon. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 4

### Day of cruising & a palace dinner

Spend the morning cruising to Köln (Cologne). Disembark this evening for a drive to Engelskirchen and a visit to its neighboring palace, Schloss Ehreshoven. Built in the 14th century and later expanded in the style of a grand Baroque manor house, the estate is surrounded by a moat, landscaped gardens, and a castle park. Schloss Ehreshoven is often used as a film location, but this evening it's the elegant setting for an exclusive Tauck reception and dinner with entertainment. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 5

### A morning in Köln

Explore historic Köln (Cologne) on your choice of excursions; take a walking tour of the Old Town with a local guide, followed by free time, or a city tour that includes a visit to a WWII bunker. Spend a leisurely afternoon cruising towards Cochem and enjoy dinner onboard. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 6

### Cochem & a wine museum or Reichsburg Castle

Cruise this morning with arrival in Cochem. Choose to explore the town center on a walking tour, or hike up to

## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 14 Cruise Days

#### Amsterdam to Basel

*Day Destination*

- 1 Embark Amsterdam
- 2 Amsterdam
- 3 Nijmegen
- 4 Cruising the Rhine
- 5 Köln (Cologne)
- 6 Cochem
- 7 Luxembourg
- 8 Trier
- 9 Koblenz
- 10 Boppard
- 11 Heidelberg
- 12 Baden-Baden
- 13 Strasbourg
- 14 Basel or Zurich
- 15 Disembark Basel

#### Basel to Amsterdam

*Day Destination*

- 1 Embark Basel
- 2 Basel or Zurich
- 3 Strasbourg
- 4 Baden-Baden
- 5 Heidelberg
- 6 Boppard
- 7 Cochem
- 8 Luxembourg
- 9 Trier
- 10 Cruising the Moselle
- 11 Köln (Cologne)
- 12 Nijmegen
- 13 Amsterdam
- 14 Amsterdam
- 15 Disembark Amsterdam

#### Map Detail



Reichsburg Castle. In the afternoon, you may choose to enjoy free time in Cochem, or take a 10-mile electric bike ride\* from Cochem to Senheim. All will visit the Schlagkamp Wine Museum, including a wine tasting. Dinner is aboard the ship this evening. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### Journey to Luxembourg

After docking this morning, travel to the tiny country of Luxembourg. Begin with a poignant visit to the American Memorial Cemetery in Hamm, followed by a choice between a walking tour of Luxembourg's Old Town, or a visit to the underground tunnels known as kasematten, centuries-old battlements that are a UNESCO World Heritage Site. After free time to explore and have lunch in town, travel back to your riverboat on the Moselle where you'll spend the evening at your leisure. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 8

### Trier's Roman ruins

Visit Trier today, once a residence for Roman emperors. On a coach ride, followed by a walking tour, explore the town and its Marktplatz; see Porta Nigra, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a well-preserved Roman city gate north of the alps. Dinner is at your leisure this evening. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 9

### Cruise the Moselle River

Spend a leisurely day on the riverboat navigating the beautiful Moselle River en route to Koblenz. Your Tauck Director will provide onboard commentary along the way. This afternoon, stretch your legs with a walk into Koblenz. Enjoy dinner onboard this evening. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 10

### Boppard & the Lorelei

Arrive in Boppard for an orientation tour followed by a choice to view the Middle Rhine on a four-hour bicycling excursion\* or remain on the ship to cruise along the valley. Listen to the legend of the Lorelei as you see for yourself why this beautiful part of the river is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Everyone meets in Bingen where dinner aboard ship is at leisure. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 11

### Heidelberg or Mannheim Palace

This morning, choose to explore Heidelberg Castle, or enjoy a tour of one of Europe's largest Baroque structures, Mannheim Baroque Palace, followed by a concert highlighting classical works by the Mannheim school of composers. Dinner is onboard this evening. **Meals BLD**

## Cruising the Moselle River

Slower paced than its neighboring river the Rhine, but infinitely more charming, the Moselle begins in France, traverses Luxembourg and on into Germany where it slowly flows from Trier to Koblenz. The view is picturesque, from medieval villages that line the shore or hillsides lush with vineyards and castle ruins keeping eternal watch; the pace is slower and the experience... memorably enchanting.

## ■ DAY 12

### Baden-Baden & a spa visit

Arrive in Plittersdorf and travel to Baden-Baden, where a local guide will accompany you on a walking tour and a visit to the famous Baden-Baden Casino. Following lunch in town or on the ship, enjoy an optional visit to a spa to indulge in the baths, pools, and a sauna. This evening, join us for the chef's signature dinner. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 13

### A taste of France in Strasbourg

Wake up in Strasbourg, France, today for a walking tour of the Old Town and see the Cathedral. Alternatively, take a bicycle ride\* to view the picturesque, half-timbered houses, and charming small streets of La Petite France with free time to explore Strasbourg on your own. Dinner is on the ship this evening. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 14

### Basel or Zurich

Today, you have a choice of activities. Choose to spend the day in Basel for a walking tour focused on local traditions, with a couple of local treats to taste, or drive to Zurich for a walking tour and lunch at a historic Guild House. Return to the riverboat and join us for a farewell toast and dinner onboard ship. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 15

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Basel.* Fly home anytime. Disembark the riverboat no later than 9:00 AM; a transfer is included to Basel-Mulhouse International Airport, Basel's SBB train station or Zurich airport, or train station. You should allow three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



*Cruising Europe's rivers brings unforgettable experiences... Cochem Castle, high above the bend, enchants... a tasting at the Schlagkamp Wine Museum discovers unique flavors... and in Luxembourg, a visit to the American Memorial Cemetery is poignant.*

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

BEGINS AMSTERDAM OR BASEL –  
MS GRACE / MS INSPIRE

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Aug 12*	\$8,590	\$9,230	\$9,970	\$10,490	\$11,240	\$11,690	\$12,890
May 27*							
Jun 17	\$9,290	\$9,930	\$10,670	\$11,190	\$11,940	\$12,390	\$13,590
Sep 30*							

\*Indicates Amsterdam to Basel Southbound direction

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## SPECIAL SOLO TRAVELER SAVINGS

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## 2026 LAND / CRUISE PRICE INCLUSIONS

41 meals (14 Breakfasts, 13 Lunches & 14 Dinners), airport and train station transfers, cruise fare, port charges, applicable fuel surcharges, and gratuities to Tauck Directors, Tauck Cruise Director, ship staff, local guides & drivers, and on all included meals. Unlimited complimentary beverages aboard ship include regional wine, beer and premium spirits, in addition to specialty coffee, and soft drinks. Tauck's private shore excursions and distinctive inclusions valued at \$3,119.

International Airfare is additional; call Tauck for special rates. Please go to [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for Basel to Amsterdam day-by-day details. Museums and attractions may be subject to closure due to state, local or religious holidays. This cruise includes a fair amount of walking in each city. For all bike rides, hikes and activities marked with an asterisk (\*), participation is at your own risk and requires a signed liability waiver to be provided. Shore Excursion Selection: Tauck will contact guests 90 days prior to departure to assist with shore excursion selections. Itinerary is subject to change. Certain exceptions may apply (will be advised at time of booking). Please go to **General Information for additional information, including our Cruise Protection Plan and Activity / Pace details.**

**Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2**



# Autumn Along the Rhine: Munich's Oktoberfest

*Discover a rich cultural heritage along the Rhine River, visiting the Netherlands, Germany, France and Switzerland. Celebrate the world's largest "folk festival" in Munich at Oktoberfest with prime seating, and dressed in your very own fitted dirndl and lederhosen for the occasion.*

**10 DAYS FROM \$8,490**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 3

*Middle Rhine Valley, Germany*

## Uniquely Tauck

- Experience the original and largest Oktoberfest celebration in the world in Munich, with reserved seats in an exclusive Oktoberfest festival hall
- Discover Amsterdam on a private canal boat cruise followed by lunch at a historic restaurant
- Visit Heidelberg Castle with a guide, riding a funicular back into the Old Town for a beer-pairing lunch at an award-winning brewery where you'll meet the brew master and dine on regional fare

## ■ DAY 1

### Arrive Amsterdam & embark riverboat

**Tour begins: 4:00 PM, Amsterdam.** A transfer is included from Schiphol International Airport or Amsterdam Centraal Station to your riverboat; check-in time aboard ship is 4:00 PM for all guests. After a ship briefing, join us for a shanty choir performance and welcome reception followed by dinner aboard your riverboat. **Meals D**

## ■ DAY 2

### A taste of Amsterdam

Enjoy a privately guided cruise aboard a canal boat along Amsterdam's 17th-century canals, the heart of the old city. Take in the houseboats along the waterways, the curving bridges, the historic houses that line the banks, and watch Amsterdam's many bicyclists zipping through the streets bordering the canals. After lunch in a local restaurant, drive to Utrecht where your riverboat awaits. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 3

### Old Town Düsseldorf

Spend the morning sailing to Düsseldorf, enjoying a talk by your Tauck Director. After lunch, dock in Düsseldorf, a city with a thriving fashion and art scene, and disembark for a walking tour of Old Town, stopping to sample local craft beers. You'll have free time in town; possibilities include checking out the modern buildings designed by some of the world's leading architects in the revitalized district along the Rhine, visiting Museum Kunstpalast, or strolling the city's high-end shopping street, Königsallee. Return to your ship for dinner aboard. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 4

### Cruising along the Middle Rhine

Spend the day cruising along the Middle Rhine – "the Romantic Rhine" – passing countless castles and fortresses standing watch over the river. Your riverboat is surrounded by splendid scenery; lush vineyards cover the hillsides and historic towns line the riverbanks, seemingly unchanged by time. Dock in Rüdesheim for a brief walk around then enjoy entertainment onboard your ship this evening as you cruise to Mannheim for a morning arrival. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 5

### A day in Heidelberg

Dock in Mannheim this morning for a drive to enchanting Heidelberg on the Neckar River. A guided tour of Heidelberg Castle introduces you to the picturesque ruins of a pink sandstone edifice centuries old, sprawling high on a hill with breathtaking views of the river. Take a funicular down the hill to Old Town Heidelberg for a private beer-pairing lunch of local dishes at an award-winning brewery where you'll meet the brewmaster. Return to the ship for dinner this evening. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 7 Cruise Days

#### Day Destination

- 1 Embark Amsterdam
- 2 Amsterdam
- 3 Düsseldorf
- 4 Rüdesheim / Cruise the Middle Rhine
- 5 Heidelberg
- 6 Strasbourg
- 7 Lucerne
- 8 Disembark Basel / Munich  
*Hotel Bayerischer Hof*
- 9 Munich
- 10 Depart Munich

#### Map Detail



# Prost to Oktoberfest

Oktoberfest is celebrated all over the world and is the world's largest "Volksfest" (German for "people's festival"), featuring beer and a traveling carnival. The festivities first began on October 12, 1810, in Munich, when the future King Ludwig got married and invited the entire city to celebrate his new wife; the celebrations included a large feast and horse races. Despite its name, Oktoberfest actually starts mid-September and runs 16 days until the first Sunday in October.



Your time in Munich for Oktoberfest will be an experience of a lifetime. Before the festival, you'll be fitted in your very own dirndls and lederhosen to wear for the occasion. Tauck has reserved seats for you in the center of the action in one of the city's most exclusive brewery tents. Enjoy a three-course lunch, traditional Bavarian live music, and a specialty beer brewed just for the occasion. Word to the wise: the local breweries make an especially strong beer for Oktoberfest, so pace yourself, or try a Radler (half lemonade, half beer). *Prost!*



## ■ DAY 6

### Exploring France's Alsace countryside

Your riverboat arrives in Strasbourg, France, where the picturesque Alsatian countryside is blanketed with vineyards and dotted with historic wine villages. A walking tour introduces you to the city, and historic treasures in La Petite France; discover regional specialties – and enjoy a wine tasting – at a local restaurant. Return to your riverboat, then join us for the chef's dinner. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### Mt. Pilatus & Lucerne

Dock in Basel for a day in Switzerland. You may choose to stay in Basel for an orientation walk and free time or drive to the base of Mt. Pilatus for a gondola ride to the summit. Enjoy the panoramic views then take the world's steepest cogwheel train ride down the mountain, a thrilling experience through stunning scenery. It's off to the lakeside city of Lucerne for an orientation walk that reveals the Renaissance paintings inside the iconic covered Chapel Bridge and the poignant Lion Monument. Join us for a farewell toast onboard before dinner tonight. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 8

### Disembark Basel / Lake Constance & Munich

Disembark your boat for a drive through Switzerland, stopping near Lake Constance en route to the legendary city of Munich. Upon arrival in Munich, you'll be fitted at your hotel for proper trachten; dirndl for the ladies and lederhosen for the gents, so you will be authentically ready for the Oktoberfest festivities the next day. Enjoy time to explore Munich as you please. **Meals B**

## DAY 9

### The original Oktoberfest

This morning, get dressed in your Bavarian attire for a full Oktoberfest experience. There are similar celebrations all over the world, but Munich is where it all began – a truly unique mix of beer consumption, Bavarian feasting, live brass bands, communal singing, and dancing. Enjoy prime seating at an exclusive brewery tent for a three-course lunch; a shuttle will take you back to your hotel after lunch, or stay and enjoy the festival until evening. Join us for a farewell reception and dinner at your hotel. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 10

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Munich.* A transfer is included to Munich Airport from Hotel Bayerischer Hof. Please allow three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



*The Rhine River has long been a shared trading route across Europe. From Lucerne, Switzerland – Heidelberg, Germany – and Alsace, France, discover cultural blends, medieval & Renaissance influences, and well-preserved architecture along your journey.*

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

BEGINS AMSTERDAM –MS GRACE / MS INSPIRE

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Sep 16, 23	\$8,490	\$8,890	\$9,340	\$9,640	\$10,240	\$10,490	\$11,190

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## 2026 LAND / CRUISE PRICE INCLUSIONS

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## Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 3

# Christmas Markets Along the Rhine

*Switzerland, France, and Germany sparkle with seasonal charm on our Rhine River cruise. Celebrate the holidays aboard your ship and onshore, discovering the magic in storied towns.*

**8 DAYS FROM \$3,990**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

## Uniquely Tauck

- Spend a day in Old Town Heidelberg, touring Heidelberg Castle; enjoy the holiday traditions of Alsace in Strasbourg, visit holiday markets in La Petite France; and travel by gondola up the Swiss Alps of Mt. Pilatus
- Walking tours include Basel, Köln, Heidelberg, Strasbourg, and the spa town of Baden-Baden
- Shore excursions include a visit to the self-playing instruments at Siegfried's Mechanical Museum and a tour the Casino Baden-Baden



*Christmas in Köln*

## ■ DAY 1

### Arrive Basel

**Tour begins: 4:00 PM.** Transfers are included from EuroAirport Basel-Mulhouse-Freiburg to the riverboat where embarkation begins at 4:00 PM; guests can also transfer from Zürich Airport or Zürich Hauptbahnhof to the riverboat in Basel. Guests enjoying a pre-stay in Basel will receive a transfer from the Tauck hotel to the ship. Meet your Tauck Directors at a welcome briefing this evening, and enjoy a reception followed by dinner. **Meals D**

## ■ DAY 2

### Lucerne & Mt. Pilatus at Christmastime

Wake up in Basel and journey to Switzerland's lakeside "City of Lights," Lucerne. Ascend Mt. Pilatus by gondola (weather permitting), taking in panoramic views of Lake Lucerne and the snow-dusted Alps. After lunch in town, explore Lucerne at your own pace, with time to visit its lakeside Christmas market, where festive stalls and Alpine scenery create a storybook setting. Alternatively, stay in Basel for a guided walk through the old town, followed by a visit to the city's Christmas market and lunch on your own. In the afternoon, return to the riverboat for a festive tree-trimming party paired with sweet delights. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 3

### Strasbourg & the Christkindelsmärik

Welcome to Strasbourg, the "Capital of Christmas," where nearly every street and building glows with festive lights and decorations. Set out on a guided walking tour of this French Alsatian city, whose entire center is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Around the Grand Île, the city transforms into a winter wonderland, with a dozen themed markets surrounding its Gothic cathedral, Strasbourg's architectural masterpiece. Wander cobblestone streets lined with half-timbered houses and scenic canals, uncovering Alsatian holiday traditions before visiting the Christkindelsmärik, one of Europe's oldest Christmas markets. As daylight fades, thousands of festive lights add a whimsical glow to the storybook charm of La Petite France. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 4

### A Black Forest Christmas in Baden-Baden

The festive glow of Baden-Baden's Christmas Market creates a fairy tale setting in this elegant spa town. Stroll past festive stalls, hear the bleating of sheep by the Nativity scene, and soak in the scent of roasted almonds. A guided tour of the Belle Époque Kurhaus casino, once praised by Marlene Dietrich as "the most beautiful casino in the world," reveals its opulent, palace-inspired halls. Enjoy the Chef's Signature dinner this evening. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 7 Cruise Days

#### Basel to Düsseldorf

*Day Destination*

- 1 Embark Basel
- 2 Lucerne or Basel
- 3 Strasbourg
- 4 Baden-Baden
- 5 Heidelberg
- 6 Rüdesheim
- 7 Köln
- 8 Disembark Düsseldorf

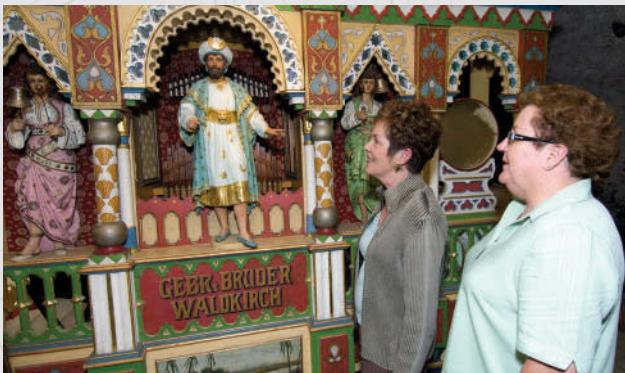
#### Düsseldorf to Basel

*Day Destination*

- 1 Embark Düsseldorf
- 2 Köln
- 3 Rüdesheim
- 4 Heidelberg
- 5 Baden-Baden
- 6 Strasbourg
- 7 Lucerne and Basel
- 8 Disembark Basel

#### Map Detail





## Siegfried's Mechanisches Musikkabinett

The Brömserhof is more than a 15th-century knight's residence - it's home to three centuries of self-playing mechanical musical instruments.



## Basel's Festive Heart

Explore Basel, Switzerland's cultural capital, as hundreds of stalls fill its historic center with two markets brimming with treats, activities, and crafts.



## Strasbourg: "Capital of Christmas"

Strasbourg's Christkindelsmärik features over 300 stalls, a towering Christmas tree and a festive ice-skating rink, creating a magical holiday atmosphere.

### ■ DAY 5

#### The spirit of the season in Heidelberg

With thousands of twinkling lights, bustling market stalls, and an ice rink beneath Heidelberger Schloss, Heidelberg's Weihnachtsmarkt feels like a snow globe come to life. Savor the scent of glühwein, watch skaters in Karlsplatz, and browse festive booths across five city squares. This morning, choose between a guided tour of the 13th-century castle ruins overlooking the city or a visit to Mannheim Palace, complete with a private concert by members of the Mannheim School of Music. After free time in Germany's oldest university town, rejoin the riverboat for an evening with live music onboard. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 6

#### Music, sweet treats & more in Rüdesheim

There's more Weihnachtsmarkt fun waiting for you in the romantic town of Rüdesheim this morning. Ride a mini-train (weather permitting) to Siegfried's Mechanisches Musikkabinett, a museum featuring an impressive collection of mechanical musical instruments, some dating back centuries, housed in the Bromserhof, a 15th-century knight's manor. Then, enjoy the famed Rüdesheimer coffee, made with local brandy, vanilla sugar, and chocolate. After some free time to enjoy the market, return to your riverboat for an afternoon of cruising through the Middle Rhine Valley, where vineyard-draped slopes and forested hills rise above the river, dotted with medieval ruins and castle remnants that whisper of centuries past. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 7

#### Historic Köln and on to Düsseldorf

Arrive early in Köln (Cologne). Enjoy a guided tour of this historic cultural center of the Rhineland in Köln, with its Christmas Market adjacent to the Gothic, twin-spired Kölner Dom. Spend time in Köln this afternoon as you please, then join us for the captain's farewell reception followed by dinner tonight as your riverboat spends the evening cruising to Düsseldorf. You may want to raise one last cup of glühwein and toast the wonderful time you've had discovering Christmastime along the Rhine. **Meals BLD**

### DAY 8

#### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Düsseldorf.* Disembark by 9:00 AM. Transfers are included from the riverboat to Düsseldorf Airport or train station. Guests enjoying a post-stay with Tauck will receive a transfer from the hotel to the airport. Please allow three hours for airport check-in. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

BEGINS BASEL OR DÜSSELDORF – MS *INSPIRE*

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Dec 16	\$3,990	\$4,290	\$4,690	\$4,890	\$5,290	\$5,440	\$5,790
Nov 25*							
Dec 2, 9*	\$4,190	\$4,490	\$4,890	\$5,090	\$5,490	\$5,640	\$5,990

\*Indicates Düsseldorf to Basel Southbound direction

**Sold Out /**

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## TRIPLES AND SPECIAL SOLO TRAVELER SAVINGS

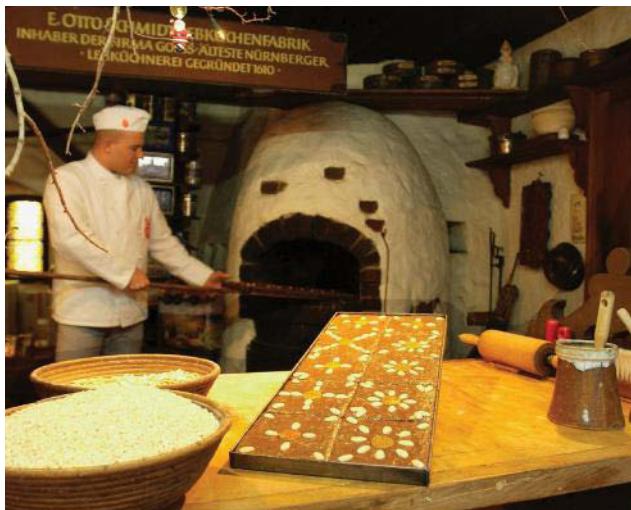
Triples available in Category 7 only, priced from \$5,211. On all departures, the single price in Category 1 is the same as the double price – no single supplement, which means savings of up to 50% for solo travelers! Single prices Category 2 and above start at 40% over the double price; please visit [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for complete pricing.

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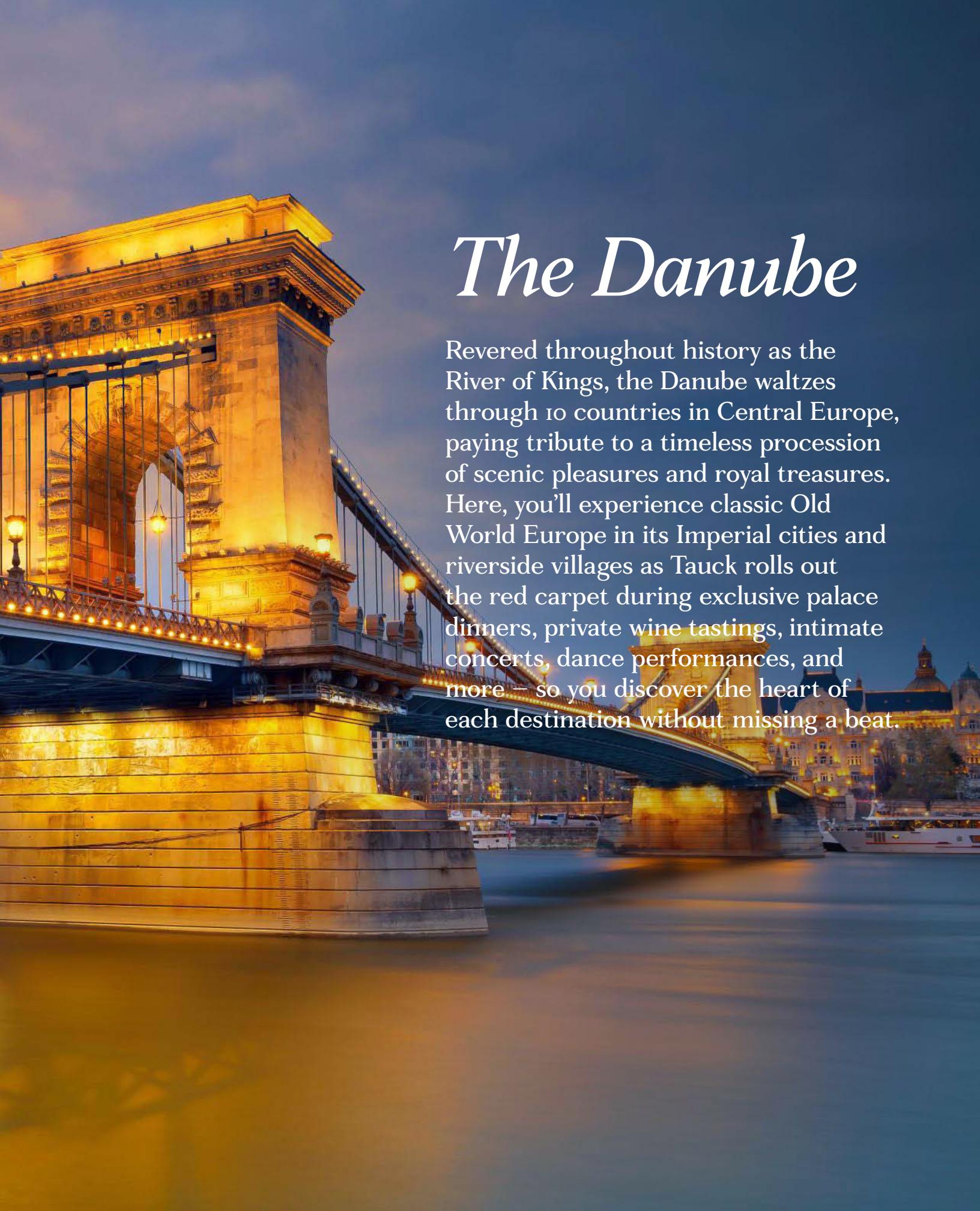
**Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2**



*Experience winter magic as you cruise the Rhine, discovering storybook towns and Christmas Markets, each with its own charm, delights, and traditions – from twinkling lights to the scent of glühwein, roasted chestnuts, and fresh-baked gingerbread.*



*Budapest, Hungary*



# *The Danube*

Revered throughout history as the River of Kings, the Danube waltzes through 10 countries in Central Europe, paying tribute to a timeless procession of scenic pleasures and royal treasures. Here, you'll experience classic Old World Europe in its Imperial cities and riverside villages as Tauck rolls out the red carpet during exclusive palace dinners, private wine tastings, intimate concerts, dance performances, and more – so you discover the heart of each destination without missing a beat.



# Heart of the Danube: Bavaria to Budapest

*Follow the graceful flow of the Danube on a week-long cruise through Germany, Austria, Slovakia, and Hungary. Along its scenic bends, uncover medieval fortresses and riverside towns steeped in history; each bend brings fresh perspectives, local flavors, and stories to explore.*

**8 DAYS FROM \$4,990**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2



*Cesky Krumlov*

## Uniquely Tauck

- Your choices of castle visits, from Krumlov Castle in Cesky Krumlov, Schloss Greinburg in Grein, or the ruins of Kuenringerburg, located high above the village of Durnstein
- Enjoy an exclusive gala evening with dinner and Viennese music at Palais Pallavicini
- Immerse in Slovakia's rich history with a choice of a walking tour in its car-free capital, Bratislava, or one of the best-preserved castles in Slovakia

## ■ DAY 1

### Arrive Munich & embark ship

*Tour begins: 4:00 PM.* A transfer is included from Munich International Airport directly to your riverboat. Settle in aboard the ship, then meet your fellow travelers this evening at a welcome cocktail reception followed by dinner. Your riverboat sets off along the Danube. **Meals D**

## ■ DAY 2

### Exploring Passau or Český Krumlov

Awaken in Passau today for a choice of sightseeing in this riverside town in Germany, or an excursion to Český Krumlov in the Czech Republic. Once a Roman outpost at the confluence of three rivers, Passau is more than 2,500 years old, a quintessential Bavarian town of pastel patrician houses, cafés, romantic cobblestone lanes and riverfront promenades, made for walking (many streets are closed to traffic). If you choose to stay in Passau, your walking tour immerses you in its storybook mix of Roman, Italian Baroque and German Gothic architecture. See St. Stephen's Cathedral; view the hilltop fortress where Passau's prince-bishops once resided; and peruse the 14th-century Rathaus (Town Hall). Later, if you wish, join your Tauck Director for a brisk walk to a hilltop fortress, or attend a public concert on the famous organ of St. Stephen's Cathedral, when available. Alternatively, travel to Český Krumlov, a well-preserved medieval town in a landscape of exceptional beauty. Your walking tour includes Krumlov Castle, one of the largest castle complexes in Central Europe. Return to the riverboat and join us for dinner tonight as you cruise to Grein. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 3

### Grein or the Mauthausen Memorial

Arrive in the typically picturesque riverside village of Grein, Austria, for a choice of sightseeing in Grein or a visit to the Mauthausen Memorial. Your visit begins with a guided walking tour of the village, which includes views of the Grein Theatre – since 1791, it has been the oldest operating theatre in Austria – and the historic town square with the adjacent Gothic St. Giles Church, known for its fine altar and stained glass. If you wish, visit Schloss Greinburg, the privately owned castle of the Ducal House of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, showcasing the history and lifestyle of one of the most significant ruling families in Europe (including Queen Victoria of England). Alternatively, pay a poignant guided visit to the museum and memorial on the site of the infamous World War II-era Mauthausen-Gusen concentration camp, approximately 20 kilometers east of Grein. You'll tour the camp's main complex, preserved as a museum and memorial to the victims of the last major concentration camp liberated by the Allies. Back onboard, enjoy dinner and local entertainment. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 7 Cruise Days

#### Munich to Budapest

*Day Destination*

- 1 Arrive Munich/Embark Vilshofen or Regensburg
- 2 Passau or Český Krumlov
- 3 Grein or Mauthausen
- 4 Dürnstein, Wachau Valley
- 5 Vienna
- 6 Bratislava
- 7 Budapest
- 8 Disembark Budapest

#### Budapest to Munich

*Day Destination*

- 1 Embark Budapest
- 2 Budapest
- 3 Bratislava
- 4 Vienna
- 5 Dürnstein, Wachau Valley
- 6 Grein or Mauthausen
- 7 Passau or Český Krumlov
- 8 Disembark Vilshofen

#### Map Detail





## Our Imperial, exclusive gala evening

Transport yourself to another era at a grand private palace in the heart of Vienna for an exclusive Tauck gala evening with dinner at Palais Pallavicini, built in 1784.



## Bicycling on the Danube

Cruising along the Danube is enchanting in many ways, and a bike ride nearby its vineyards and stone-castles allows you more time to immerse in its nature.



## Budapest's Parliament Building

Wake up alongside Hungary's largest building – it is a landmark inspired by 800 years of history, featuring 365 spires symbolizing each day of the year.

### ■ DAY 4

## Dürnstein, cycling & on to Vienna

This morning, your riverboat visits Dürnstein, in Austria's Wachau Valley, which offers you a choice of unforgettable sightseeing excursions. You may choose to explore the picture-perfect Austrian village of Dürnstein on a guided walking tour, with free time on your own – maybe a climb up to the brooding ruins of Kuenringerburg Castle high above the town. Another possibility is a challenging bicycling excursion through the Wachau Valley, starting and ending in Dürnstein. Rejoin the boat for lunch, and set off on a leisurely, breathtakingly scenic river cruise to Austria's capital, Vienna. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 5

## Imperial Vienna & a night at the Palace

You have two morning sightseeing choices today, all preceded by a tour of Vienna's landmark sights. Enjoy city sightseeing with a local guide, including a performance by a Viennese orchestra. Alternatively, after the guided tour of Vienna, visit the Imperial Treasury of Vienna at Hofburg Palace, home to a valuable collection of ecclesiastical treasures spanning over a thousand years of European history. After lunch aboard the riverboat or in town, your afternoon is free to explore on your own. We invite you to join us this evening at Palais Pallavicini for a Tauck Exclusive evening of dining and musical performances in elegant Viennese style. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 6

## Choices in & around Bratislava

A choice of activities awaits in or near Bratislava; one is a walking tour of the cobblestoned, vehicle-free historic center; medieval, Baroque and modern architecture mix as you visit sites that include the 13th-century Old Town Hall, Baroque Habsburg-era palaces, the Opera House, Slovak Philharmonic Hall, St. Martin's Cathedral, and the Primate's Palace, where you'll view rare 17th-century British tapestries. Alternatively, visit Cerveny Kamen Castle in the Little Carpathian Mountains, followed by a falconry demonstration. Dating back to the 13th century, "The Red Stone Castle" is one of the best-preserved castles in Slovakia, boasting historical artwork. Both excursions will journey to the countryside, lush with vineyards, for a wine-tasting and a rustic family-style lunch; rejoin the ship late afternoon, and cruise to Budapest. **Meals BLD**



Named after the medieval fisherman's guild that once defended this part of Budapest's Buda side, Fisherman's Bastion is a neo-Romanesque terrace built in 1902.

## ■ DAY 7

### Explore Budapest

Your cruise arrives this morning in Budapest, Hungary, a city divided by the Danube into the historic districts of Buda and Pest. A guided tour of the city begins with the Pest side and a drive along Andrassy Avenue to Heroes' Square with a stop by the Parliament and other sites. Explore Buda by viewing Castle Hill, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, then see Fisherman's Bastion with its Neo-Romanesque design, and admire the stained glass windows and centuries of history in Matthias Church (which may be closed on some days due to services). After lunch, spend the rest of the day as you please in this historic and artistic city. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 8

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Budapest, Hungary.* Fly home anytime. A transfer is included from the riverboat to Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport; please allow a minimum of three hours for flight check-in. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

### BEGINS MUNICH – MS SAVOR / MS JOY

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Aug 3	\$4,990	\$5,390	\$5,840	\$6,140	\$6,740	\$6,990	\$7,690
Apr 11 Oct 12	\$5,390	\$5,790	\$6,240	\$6,540	\$7,140	\$7,390	\$8,090
May 15 Sep 1	\$5,890	\$6,290	\$6,740	\$7,040	\$7,640	\$7,890	\$8,590

### BEGINS MUNICH OR BUDAPEST – MS ESPRIT

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Sep 27 Oct 4*	\$5,890	\$6,140	\$6,290	\$7,040	\$7,640	\$7,890	\$8,590

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## Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

*#1 Best-Selling  
Itinerary Worldwide*

# The Blue Danube

*Our most popular river cruise along the “river of kings” explores four capital cities – Budapest, Vienna, Bratislava, and Prague – beautiful riverscapes, such as Austria’s Wachau Valley – a glimpse of the past during exclusive evenings at private palaces – and a world of inspiration.*

12 DAYS FROM \$6,790

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

## Uniquely Tauck

- In Engelhartszell, you'll have an opportunity to visit a home to speak with local residents and learn about life in Upper Austria
- You'll have opportunities for privately guided bicycling excursions along the Danube
- Exploring Prague includes a special “behind the ropes” visit to Strahov Monastery – access the general public doesn't have



*Bratislava Castle, Slovakia*

## ■ DAY 1

### Arrive Budapest and embark

*Tour begins: 5:00 PM.* A transfer is included from Budapest's Ferenc Liszt Airport or Keleti train station to your riverboat. Join us for a welcome toast this evening prior to your first dinner aboard ship. **Meals D**

## ■ DAY 2

### Budapest's landmark sites

Budapest is split into the districts of "Buda" and "Pest" by the Danube River. This morning, you'll explore both sides of the city on a guided tour that includes the opulent State Opera House, Fisherman's Bastion, the late-Gothic-style Matthias Church (which may be closed for services on certain days), and the historic Castle District. Alternatively, you can join us for an active walk that includes all of the same sights. Your afternoon is free to explore as you please in Budapest prior to a Tauck Exclusive cocktail reception and dinner at the historic Akadémia Club in the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, a landmark of Hungarian intellect and cultural heritage by the Danube. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 3

### A choice of sightseeing in Budapest

Begin the day with a choice of sightseeing that includes a guided visit to the Hungarian Parliament that introduces the city's turbulent 20th-century history. Alternatively, learn about the city's historic thermal water springs on a visit to the famed Széchenyi Bath Spa. Reboard your riverboat this afternoon, and begin your cruise along the Danube River, bound for Bratislava, Slovakia. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 4

### Explore Bratislava, Slovakia

Our local expert shares insider anecdotes about Bratislava, before you head off to explore the city by foot or bicycle\*. On a walking tour of the city's historic center, see 17 centuries of history chronicled in sites including the Old Town Hall, Baroque Habsburg-era palaces, the Opera House, Slovak Philharmonic Hall and St. Martin's Cathedral. Or bicycle\* to the "Iron Curtain" area with a local guide who shares personal insights about life here, past and present. Tonight, a troupe of traditional Slovak dancers perform onboard the riverboat. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 5

### A day well spent in Vienna

Your riverboat arrives this morning in Vienna, where our local guides join you for a choice of city sightseeing walking tours following a scenic drive along the Ringstrasse. Your afternoon and evening are at leisure to explore as you please – perhaps one of the outstanding museums or the historic Vienna Prater amusement park. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 9 Cruise Days

#### Budapest to Prague

*Day Destination*

- 1 Embark Budapest
- 2 Budapest
- 3 Budapest
- 4 Bratislava
- 5 Vienna
- 6 Vienna
- 7 Dürnstein, Wachau Valley
- 8 Cesky Krumlov or Salzburg
- 9 Engelhartszell
- 10 Disembark\* / Prague  
*Andaz Prague*
- 11 Prague
- 12 Depart Prague

\*check at booking for  
disembarkation location

#### Prague to Budapest

*Day Destination*

- 1 Arrive Prague  
*Fairmont Golden  
Prague Hotel*
- 2 Prague
- 3 Prague / Embark\*
- 4 Engelhartszell
- 5 Cesky Krumlov or Salzburg
- 6 Wachau Valley, Dürnstein
- 7 Vienna
- 8 Vienna, Bratislava
- 9 Bratislava
- 10 Budapest
- 11 Budapest
- 12 Disembark Budapest

\*check at booking for  
disembarkation location

#### Map Detail



## ■ DAY 6

### A choice in Vienna & an Imperial Evening

Vienna's palatial treasures star today on your choice of sightseeing tours. Take a guided look inside the 1,441-room Schönbrunn Palace, the Habsburgs' summer residence; its history spans more than 300 years and reflects the different tastes, interests, and aspirations of successive Habsburg monarchs. Or, you can visit the Kunsthistorisches Museum, built in 1891 to house the art collections of the imperial family. Tonight, we invite you to attend a Tauck exclusive experience – a private Imperial Evening at opulent Palais Pallavicini, a private Baroque palace in Vienna that film buffs may have spotted in the 1940s film noir classic *The Third Man* – or more recently, in the streaming series *The Regime*. Welcome cocktails and dinner precede an unforgettable evening of musical performance, set in this elegant venue, celebrating the legacy of the composers who made Vienna Europe's center of music during the Habsburg era. Later this evening, cruise to medieval Dürnstein. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### Dürnstein & Wachau Valley cruise

Wake up in Dürnstein, where sightseeing choices include a walking tour along cobblestone streets for a closer look at the town's 16th-century Baroque houses and 13th-century Romanesque church, as well as a visit to Dürnstein Abbey and a wine tasting. If you wish, join us for a bicycling\* adventure in the Wachau Valley, Austria's lush wine-producing region. This afternoon, cruise the Wachau Valley (a UNESCO World Heritage Site), with commentary from your Tauck Director as you view vineyards, fairy tale castles, and ancient monasteries. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 8

### Salzburg sights or Cesky Krumlov

Sightseeing choices include a drive to Salzburg for a walking tour that features Old Town, Mirabell Gardens, and Mozart's birthplace. Alternatively, travel to Cesky Krumlov, which has been called a living gallery of elegant Renaissance-era buildings, for a walking tour that includes Cesky Krumlov Castle. A third option is to stay in Linz and explore as you please. Tonight, enjoy entertainment provided by local musicians. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 9

### Engelhartszell and opportunity for bicycling

This morning in Engelhartszell, you have an opportunity to visit a home where your host shares conversation and perhaps a taste of Austrian goodies. After your visit, a walking tour introduces you to 18th-century Engelhartszell Abbey or a visit to the lovely Schütz Art Museum. Reboard your riverboat early afternoon, and cruise to Germany.

## Lobkowicz Palace

Few experiences capture the essence of Old World Europe like an evening at a palace. At Prague's historic Lobkowicz Palace, a Baroque masterpiece still owned by the Lobkowicz family, a private tour unveils a remarkable collection of art and original musical manuscripts that chronicle six centuries of Central European history. The night continues with a wine reception and dinner in this storied setting.

If you wish, join us for a rigorous afternoon bicycle ride\* along the Danube to Passau (fairly strenuous, the ride is for experienced cyclists only). **Meals BLD**

## DAY 10

### Disembark / Regensburg & Prague

Disembark your ship for a choice of excursions. Join your local guide for a walking tour of Regensburg – boasting more than 1,400 historical structures, best explored on foot, then travel to Prague. Alternatively, journey to Prague for an exclusive visit to Strahov Library that takes you to places inaccessible to the general public, plus a short walk through Hradcany Castle. **Meals BL**

## DAY 11

### The legacy of many centuries in Prague

A choice of excursions this morning features a walking tour of the Josefov Quarter and Jewish heritage sites or a stroll through centuries of history in Prague's Old Town. Your afternoon is free to explore the city as you please. This evening, join us for a special evening at 16th-century Lobkowicz Palace at Prague Castle, featuring a reception, dinner and a private tour of the Lobkowicz Collection. Exclusive to Tauck guests, a family insider hosts the evening, which is certain to be long remembered. **Meals BD**

## DAY 12

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Prague, Czech Republic.* Fly home anytime. A transfer is included from Andaz Prague to Praha Hlavní Nadrazi train station or Václav Havel Airport Prague. Please allow a minimum of three hours for flight check-in. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



*As twilight falls over Prague, immerse in an evening of culture and elegance in this historic city; you'll find the opposite side of the day breathtaking as you wake to views of Dürnstein; and any time of day, Prague's Cathedral of St. Vitus inspires.*

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

### BEGINS BUDAPEST OR PRAGUE – MS ESPRIT

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Apr 4* Oct 25*	\$7,490	\$7,790	\$7,990	\$8,690	\$9,340	\$9,690	\$10,490
Apr 11	\$7,790	\$8,090	\$8,290	\$8,990	\$9,640	\$9,990	\$10,790
May 6*, 13	\$8,790	\$9,090	\$9,290	\$9,990	\$10,640	\$10,990	\$11,790

### BEGINS BUDAPEST OR PRAGUE – MS SAVOR / MS JOY

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Jul 7, 14, 18*, 25, 25*							
Aug 5*, 10*, 17	\$6,790	\$7,240	\$7,690	\$7,990	\$8,640	\$8,990	\$9,790
Apr 2* Oct 14*, 19*, 26	\$7,490	\$7,940	\$8,390	\$8,690	\$9,340	\$9,690	\$10,490
Apr 18* Aug 28*	\$7,790	\$8,240	\$8,690	\$8,990	\$9,640	\$9,990	\$10,790
May 22*, 25*, 29							
Jun 1, 9*, 12* Sep 4, 8*, 15, 15*, 26*	\$8,790	\$9,240	\$9,690	\$9,990	\$10,640	\$10,990	\$11,790
Oct 3							

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# The Black Sea to Budapest

*Experience an awe-inspiring legacy of history, culture and resilience as you cruise to cities and towns in Eastern Europe with deeper discoveries of Romania on a three-night stay in Bucharest and a cruise to Budapest. Enjoy a voyage that unveils the richness of lower Danube River.*

**13 DAYS FROM \$7,490**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

*Bran Castle, Romania*

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Enjoy a Tauck Exclusive dinner at the Royal White Palace of the Serbian Royal Family, built in the 1930s
- Visit the private home of a Croatian family who returned to Vukovar after the 1990s Yugoslav war as they share personal insights
- In Romania's capital, Bucharest, you have a choice of visits to the National Museum of Art of Romania or the opulent 80-room Ceaușescu Villa

## DAY 1

### Arrive Bucharest

*Tour begins: 6:00 PM, InterContinental Athénée Palace*  
*Bucharest.* A transfer is included from Bucharest Henri Coanda International Airport or Bucharest Gara de Nord Train Station to InterContinental Athénée Palace Bucharest in the heart of the city. Join us this evening for a Tauck Exclusive at the Bragadiru Palace, complete with musical entertainment. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### Castle discoveries

A choice of sightseeing today echoes the legacy of 15th-century Romanian prince Vlad Tepes (a.k.a. "Vlad the Impaler"), thought to be the historical model for *Bram Stoker's Dracula*. You may choose to take a full-day excursion to Transylvania's 14th-century Bran Castle, which Tepes once used as a fortress during his military campaigns; the excursion includes a visit to the castle and free time in Bran. Alternatively, you can travel on a full-day excursion into the Carpathian Mountains to the mountain resort town of Sinaia and visit a nearby castle. Or, drive to Târgoviste to visit the formal royal court of Vlad the Tepes a.k.a. Dracula, and the military barracks museum where the trial and execution of Romania's Communist leader, Ceaușescu, took place. Return to Bucharest, where the remainder of the day is free. **Meals BL**

## DAY 3

### Discovering more of Bucharest

Discover more of Romania's capital on a morning sightseeing tour with our local guides, ending in Bucharest's Old Town, plus a choice of visiting the National Museum of Art of Romania or Ceaușescu Villa (when available). The rest of the day is yours to spend pursuing what interests you most in this fascinating city. **Meals B**

## DAY 4

### Romania's Black Sea coast / Embark ship

Before embarking your riverboat today, drive to Romania's popular Black Sea coast for lunch and beach time, then on to the port city of Constanța. Here, in what was originally the ancient Greek colony of Tomis, you'll view numerous Greek and Roman antiquities, an Art-Nouveau casino, and a monument to the Roman poet Ovid, then board your riverboat in Constanța to launch your Danube cruise. Meet the captain and crew at a welcome reception, followed by dinner on board at your leisure. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 5

### Bulgarian art in Ruse or Ivanovo

Your cruise continues in Bulgaria; largely off limits during four centuries of Ottoman rule and decades behind the

## Voyage at a glance

### 7 Cruise Days

#### Bucharest to Budapest

*Day Destination*

- 1 Arrive Bucharest  
*InterContinental Athénée Palace Bucharest*
- 2 Transylvania, Sinaia or Targoviste
- 3 Bucharest
- 4 Embark Constanta
- 5 Ruse
- 6 Vidin
- 7 The Iron Gates
- 8 Belgrade
- 9 Vukovar
- 10 Mohacs / Pécs
- 11 Disembark Budapest  
*Al Habtoor Palace*
- 12 Budapest
- 13 Depart Budapest

#### Budapest to Bucharest

*Day Destination*

- 1 Arrive Budapest  
*Al Habtoor Palace*
- 2 Pest
- 3 Embark Budapest
- 4 Mohacs / Pécs
- 5 Vukovar
- 6 Belgrade
- 7 The Iron Gates
- 8 Ruse, Bulgaria
- 9 Constanța
- 10 Disembark Bucharest  
*InterContinental Athénée Palace Bucharest*
- 11 Transylvania, Sinaia or Targoviste
- 12 Bucharest
- 13 Depart Bucharest

#### Map Detail



Iron Curtain, the country's rich natural beauty and history is yours to discover today. Disembark in Ruse for a choice of sightseeing. Join us for a tour of the Basarbovo rock church, or embark on a vigorous hike to the rock churches in the village of Ivanovo, whose stony chambers, carved into steep, cliffside caves, reveal stunning medieval frescoes inside; a visit is richly rewarding. Everyone meets in Ruse for the riverboat. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 6

### Cruise the Danube & time in Bulgaria

Enjoy picture-perfect views of the passing landscapes along the Danube River, charting for Bulgaria. Once docking in Vidin, Bulgaria, join us for a walking tour of the town's cobblestone streets, including a visit to Baba Vida fortress. Back onboard this evening, enjoy musical entertainment, followed by the Chef's dinner. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### King Decebalus & the Iron Gate

Spend today aboard your riverboat as you sail along the Serbian / Romanian border, enjoying great views of the Transylvanian Alps. Keep an eye out for a kingly face carved into the Danube's rocky bank on the Romanian side; it's a monument to the 2nd-century Dacian King Decebalus, and it is the tallest rock sculpture in Europe. The ship arrives in Belgrade overnight. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 8

### A choice in Belgrade

Wake up in Belgrade, Serbia's capital at the juncture of the Danube and Sava rivers. Choose to spend the morning cycling along the Sava River with a local guide, or join our local guides for a city tour that includes visits to Tito's Memorial and the formidable Kalemegdan Fortress along with views of busy Slavija Square, Parliament, Republic Square and City Hall. After lunch onboard, the afternoon is free to spend as you please. Onboard entertainment by Serbian performers during cocktail hour precedes dinner this evening. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 9

### Understanding Croatia's history in Vukovar

Your riverboat crosses the border from Serbia to Croatia and arrives in historic Vukovar today. Join in on an onboard lecture to learn about Croatia's turbulent history by a local expert. Visit with a local family to hear their stories and enjoy homemade refreshments in their private home. You'll have time at leisure in Vukovar before the riverboat continues on to Hungary tonight. **Meals BLD**

## Welcome dinner at Bragadiru Palace

Named after Dumitru Marinescu Bragadiru, one of Romania's most important industrialists, 19th-century Bragadiru Palace – sumptuously decorated and architecturally resplendent – sets the stage for a Tauck Exclusive evening. Learn about the storied history of this monumental building and enjoy a private cocktail reception and gala dinner with traditional entertainment and live music.

## ■ DAY 10

### Antiquities and more in Hungary

Arrive in Mohacs, Hungary this morning for an excursion to Pécs and a tour of its 11th-century cathedral. Explore the fascinating Christian Necropolis, a complex dating back to the 4th century and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Your visit includes a stop at the Zsolnay Museum for a look at its stunning examples of Art Nouveau stoneware, tiles and pottery. Visit a winery in Villány for lunch, then return to Mohács. Tonight, attend the ship's farewell dinner as your Danube cruise draws to a close. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 11

### Disembark & explore Budapest

Bid your cruise farewell as you disembark in Budapest. Your explorations begin in Pest with a visit to St. Stephen's Basilica, the city's neo-Renaissance cathedral, and continues with views of Heroes' Square. When possible, visit the Parliament building. **Meals BL**

## DAY 12

### Budapest sights & a special farewell

Choose to spend the morning touring Budapest by bicycle with a local guide, or visit Castle Hill and Fisherman's Bastion. Revisit Budapest's WWII and Cold War days at the Sziklakórház ("Hospital in the Rock"), a re-creation of underground military medical facilities in a former secret bunker and hospital hidden below Buda Castle. If you wish, visit Dohany Synagogue with a Tauck Director before joining us for an exclusive farewell dinner at the Akadémia Palace in Budapest. **Meals BD**

## DAY 13

### Homeward bound

*Tour ends: Budapest, Hungary.* A transfer is included from Al Habtoor Palace, Budapest to Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport and Budapest-Keleti Station. Allow 3 hours for departure flight check-in. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

### BEGINS BUCHAREST OR BUDAPEST – MS ESPRIT

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Jul 23*, 31	\$7,490	\$7,740	\$7,890	\$8,640	\$9,240	\$9,490	\$10,190
Apr 20, 26* Oct 15*		\$7,790	\$8,040	\$8,190	\$8,940	\$9,540	\$9,790
May 22, 28* Jun 5, 11* Sep 17* Oct 9							
	\$7,990	\$8,240	\$8,390	\$9,140	\$9,740	\$9,990	\$10,690

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30 meals (12 Breakfasts, 9 Lunches & 9 Dinners), airport and train station transfers, cruise fare, port charges, applicable fuel surcharges, and gratuities to Tauck Directors, Tauck Cruise Director, ship staff, local guides & drivers, and on all included meals. Unlimited complimentary beverages aboard ship include regional wine, beer & premium spirits, in addition to specialty coffee, tea and soft drinks. Tauck's private shore excursions and distinctive inclusions valued at \$4,355.

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**Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2**



*From the elegance of Bragadiru Palace in Romania to the striking King Decebalus carving along the Danube, history and majesty surround you – culminating in an unforgettable evening at the White Palace in Belgrade, Serbia.*

# Christmas Markets Along the Danube

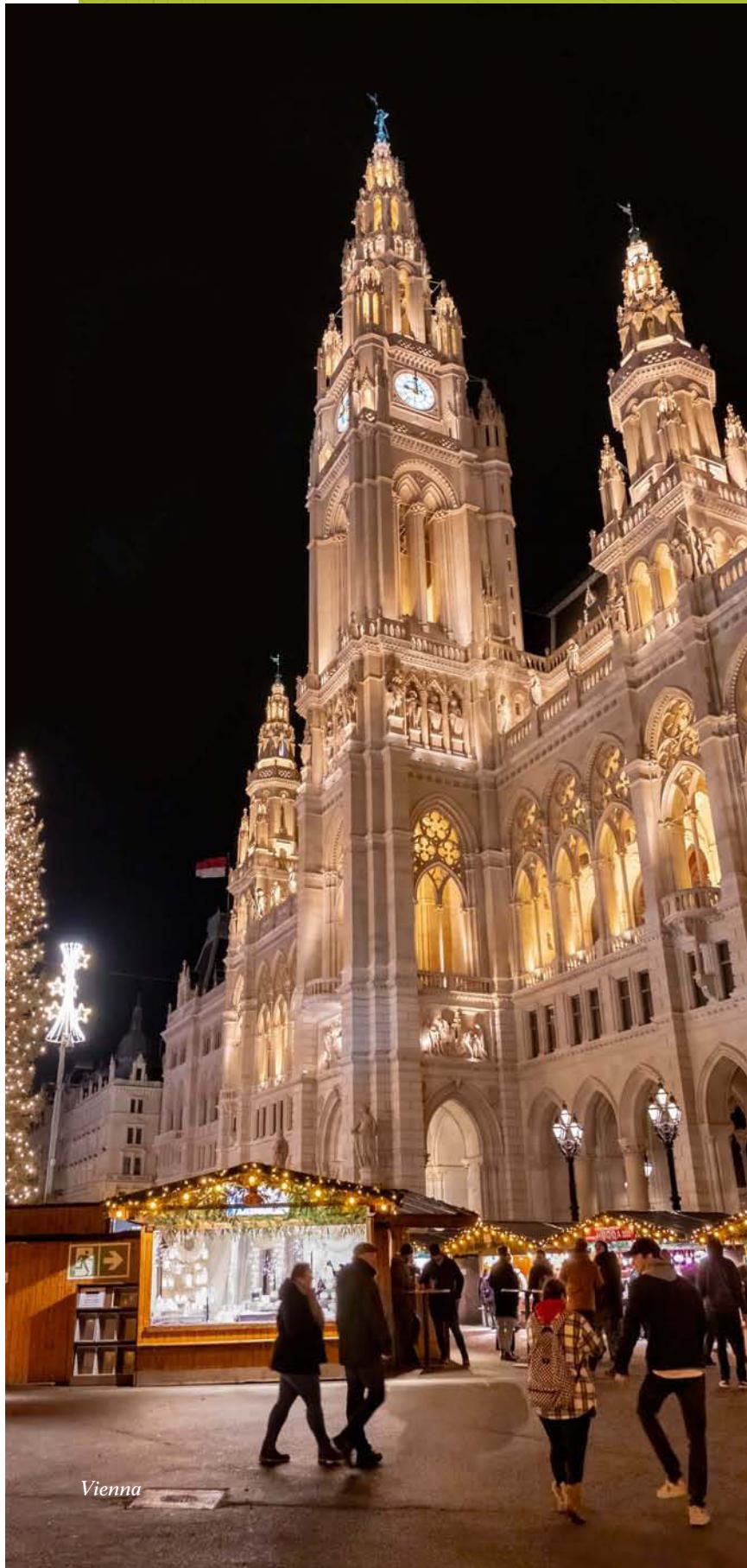
*Celebrate the spirit of the holiday season with festive events on and off your riverboat. Discover 700-year old holiday traditions at the Christmas Markets in Germany and Austria, with visits to Vienna, Salzburg, Passau, Regensburg and Nürnberg, with exclusive Tauck events.*

**8 DAYS FROM \$3,990**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

## Uniquely Tauck

- Attend an exclusive Christmas lunch and youth choir performance at Palais Pallavicini in Vienna, one of the city's few private palaces
- Enjoy a guided tour of Baroque Melk Abbey overlooking the Danube, filled with historic treasures collected over generations
- Embrace the holiday spirit beyond the Christmas markets with live musical performances and festive delights aboard your riverboat



## ■ DAY 1

### Arrive Nürnberg / Embark your riverboat

*Tour begins: 4:00 PM.* A transfer is included from Nürnberg Airport or Nürnberg Hauptbahnhof Station to your riverboat. After settling in, we invite you to join the captain for a welcome reception followed by dinner. **Meals D**

## ■ DAY 2

### Holiday time in Nürnberg

Dating back to the 16th century, the Christkindlesmarkt transforms Nürnberg into a "Little Town from Wood and Cloth," with twinkling stalls surrounding the 14th-century Schöner Brunnen fountain. Nearly two million visitors stroll its festive lanes, savoring lebkuchen, glühwein, and handcrafted treasures each year. This morning, choose between a poignant World War II tour or a Medieval walking tour before exploring the market at your own pace. Rejoin the riverboat for lunch and cruise toward Regensburg. This evening, celebrate with fellow travelers at a Christmas tree trimming party with holiday treats. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 3

### Rejoice in Regensburg

Step back in time in Regensburg, the best-preserved medieval city in Germany and an influential city during the Holy Roman Empire. After your guided walking tour, explore the intimate Christmas market in the city's medieval quarter. Locals and visitors alike feast on Regensburg's famous sausages, along with steamed dampfnudel, gingerbread, roasted chestnuts, and glühwein made from Bavarian claret. Join us this evening for a performance by the Regensburg Spitzweg Quartet, alumni of one of the world's oldest boy choirs, aboard the riverboat as they enchant with spirituals, madrigals, folk songs, and of course, holiday classics for a truly joyful night. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 4

### Christmas in the air... in Passau

Passau, the "City of Three Rivers," comes alive during the holiday season, as its historic Baroque center transforms into a festive winter wonderland. One of Germany's most visited Christmas markets, Weihnachtsmarkt, sets a magical scene in the shadow of St. Stephan's Cathedral, home to the largest pipe organ in Europe. This morning, enjoy a guided walking tour through Passau's 2,000-year-old streets before exploring the market at your own pace. Later, return on board for a discovery briefing before savoring a special Chef's Signature Dinner. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 5

### 'Tis the season in Salzburg & Linz

Salzburg is home to one of Europe's oldest and most enchanting Christmas markets, set in the heart of Cathedral

## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 7 Cruise Days

#### Nürnberg to Vienna

*Day Destination*

- 1 Embark Nürnberg
- 2 Nürnberg
- 3 Regensburg
- 4 Passau
- 5 Salzburg
- 6 Melk
- 7 Vienna
- 8 Disembark Vienna

#### Vienna to Nürnberg

*Day Destination*

- 1 Embark Vienna
- 2 Vienna
- 3 Melk
- 4 Salzburg
- 5 Passau
- 6 Regensburg
- 7 Nürnberg
- 8 Disembark Nürnberg

### Map Detail





## Nürnberg tradition since the 16th century

Opposite the Church of Our Lady, one of Germany's most famous Christmas markets fills the Hauptmarkt square with charm and tradition dating back to 1530.



## Salzburg: music, magic and tradition

Spend Christmas in Salzburg, Mozart's hometown, where hand-painted Christmas eggs, twinkling lights, and the scent of roasted almonds fill the Alpine air.



## Vienna – Imperial splendor

Celebrate the season in Vienna, where Imperial palaces, grand boulevards, and a magical parade of lights and the Christmas market create a fairy tale holiday experience.

Square. Here, the bells of Salzburger Dom echo over 100 wooden stalls, filling the Baroque city with holiday cheer. After a guided walking tour and time to explore the Christmas market, gather with fellow travelers for a festive lunch. Enjoy free time before returning to Linz for a different Christmas market experience. This evening, relax onboard with a live musical performance by the Austrian folk duo, Donau Klang. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 6

## Melk Abbey on the mighty Danube

A visit to one of the world's most famous monasteries inspires with Baroque architecture and facades, soaring ceilings, magnificent frescoes, gold and marble statues and artistic treasures. Black-robed Benedictine monks go about their simple daily lives here today, as they have done for hundreds of years. The Abbey's awe-inspiring library is a true treasure, housing an extensive collection of medieval manuscripts and musical works. From its terraces, take in breathtaking panoramas of the Danube winding through the Wachau Valley. From Melk, you'll cruise through the Wachau Valley this afternoon, arriving in Vienna after dinner tonight – just in time to visit the enchanting Christmas market sparkling in festive lights. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 7

## A royal Christmas in Vienna

Each Advent season, Vienna's 180-year-old Christmas market glows with twinkling lights, festive wreaths, and the warm scents of holiday treats. This morning, take in the city's holiday charm on a panoramic tour along the Ringstrasse, passing landmarks like the Vienna State Opera and Hofburg Palace. Then, tour the opulent Schönbrunn Palace, the Habsburgs' summer retreat, before browsing its imperial market. A memorable holiday lunch awaits at elegant Palais Pallavicini, where the angelic voices of a Viennese children's choir fill the air. The afternoon is yours to enjoy more of the city's many sights; there is so much to explore. This evening, raise a toast at the farewell reception before a final festive dinner – an unforgettable finale. **Meals BLD**

### DAY 8

## Journey Home

*Tour ends: Vienna.* Fly home anytime. Disembark the riverboat no later than 9:00 AM; a transfer is included from the riverboat to Vienna International Airport. Please allow at least 3 hours for airport check-in. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



Originating in Germany during the Middle Ages, Christmas markets flourished along the Danube as traders exchanged winter provisions during Advent. Experience the heart of these timeless traditions in cities like Nürnberg, Regensburg, and Vienna.

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE PRICE PER PERSON

BEGINS NÜRNBERG OR VIENNA – MS JOY / MS SAVOR

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Dec 15, 15*	\$3,990	\$4,290	\$4,690	\$4,890	\$5,290	\$5,440	\$5,790
Dec 1, 1*, 8, 8*	\$4,290	\$4,590	\$4,990	\$5,190	\$5,590	\$5,740	\$6,090

\*Indicates Vienna to Nürnberg westbound direction

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## TRIPLES AND SPECIAL SOLO TRAVELER SAVINGS

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## 2026 LAND / CRUISE PRICE INCLUSIONS

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Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

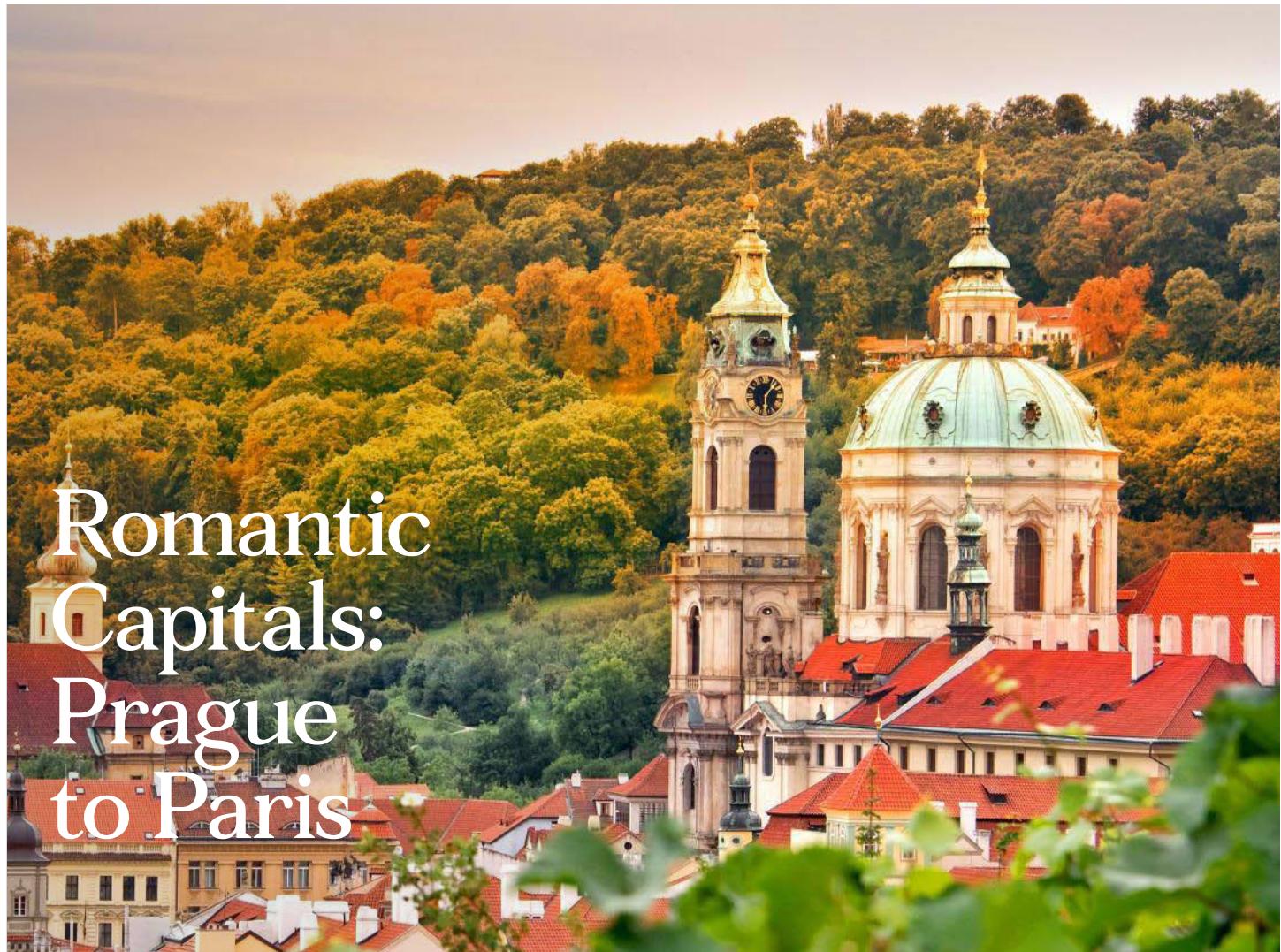


*Slovakia*

A wide-angle aerial photograph of a river system, likely the Danube, showing a large, sweeping bend. The river is a dark grey-blue, with a lighter, more reflective area near the shore. On the left bank, there is a small town with several buildings and a bridge crossing the river. The surrounding land is a mix of green fields and some brown, possibly agricultural, areas. The sky is overcast with a mix of white and grey clouds.

# *Cruise across the Continent*

Embark on a cross-continent cruise celebrating the cultural traditions and scenic beauty of multiple rivers and countries – all from the comfort of the same riverboat. Enjoy the ease of travel reminiscent of grand European voyages as you explore daily life on the Rhine, Main, and Danube rivers – from the North Sea to the Black Sea – or from Paris to Prague via the Moselle, Main, and Danube rivers – on extraordinary journeys.



# Romantic Capitals: Prague to Paris

*From the city of music, Prague, to the city of love, Paris, and all the fairy tale towns in between... our journey to these romantic capitals transits some of the most picturesque sections of the Rhine and Main rivers, cruises the Moselle, and visits wine regions plus destinations off-the-beaten path.*

**14 DAYS FROM \$9,790**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

Prague, Czech Republic

## Uniquely Tauck

- Enjoy a private evening at Schlosshotel Kronberg featuring a reception and dinner
- Stay in two iconic city center hotels, in the heart of Paris and Prague, with a two-night stay in each
- Take a private boat ride on the Seine River in Paris to see the Eiffel Tower
- Cruise four main rivers in Europe, the Danube, Rhine, Main and Moselle

## DAY 1

### Arrive in Prague

*Tour begins: 5:30 PM.* A transfer from Prague Václav Havel International Airport or Prague Hlavní Nádraží train station to Fairmont Golden Prague Hotel is included. Join us for a welcome dinner at the Lobkowicz Palace. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### City of a Hundred Spires

Prague is the largest city of the Czech Republic with rich history and Romanesque, Gothic, Renaissance, and Baroque architectures, nicknamed the "city of a Hundred Spires" due to the towers, turrets and steeples that paint its skyline. Learn its history with an option of culturally rich walking tours; choose to see the Old New Synagogue, Gardens of Prague, Saint Nicholas Church, and Charles Bridge, or alternatively, take a shorter walk to see highlights of Old Town including the Astronomical Clock (the oldest astronomical clock still in operation) and a visit to the City Hall. Have lunch, then join us for an underground tour of Prague, learning more about Vaclav Havel, a former Czech statesman and playwright. **Meals B**

## ■ DAY 3

### Drive to Regensburg and embark ship

Head for Regensburg this morning for a "taste of the town" lunch followed by a walking tour of Old Town to see Saint Peter's Cathedral and cross the Stone Bridge that links Old Town and Stadtamhof. Then it's off for Kelheim to embark your ship. Join us for a welcome dinner to mark the beginning of your cruise. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 4

### Nürnberg and unique sights

As the second largest city in Bavaria, Nürnberg is an impressive town that dates back to 1050. Walking tour choices today provide you a deeper insight into its history. First option is to join our local guide on an underground tour to explore the labyrinthine tunnels built in the 1380s. Alternatively, take a walking tour to view well-preserved landmarks such as the Imperial Castle, ornately decorated churches, and the walls that line the Old Town. Enjoy lunch on the ship as your Tauck Director shares an informal presentation about your journey ahead. Join us for a Chef's signature dinner tonight. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 5

### Your choice in Bayreuth or Bamberg

Dock in Bamberg and choose to drive to the town of Bayreuth to visit the former home of composer and theatre director, Richard Wagner, or visit Maisel Brewery, a family-owned brewery for tastings followed by a tour to

## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 9 Cruise Days

#### Prague to Paris

*Day Destination*

- 1 Arrive Prague  
Fairmont Golden Prague Hotel
- 2 Prague
- 3 Regensburg / Embark
- 4 Nürnberg
- 5 Bamberg or Bayreuth
- 6 Würzburg or Rothenburg
- 7 Homburg/Marktheidenfeld
- 8 Frankfurt
- 9 Cruise the Middle Rhine
- 10 Nürburgring/Moselle River
- 11 Trier
- 12 Disembark Trier / Luxembourg / Paris  
*L'Hotel du Collectionneur*
- 13 Paris
- 14 Depart Paris

#### Paris to Prague

*Day Destination*

- 1 Arrive Paris  
*L'Hotel du Collectionneur*
- 2 Paris
- 3 Luxembourg / Embark Trier
- 4 Trier
- 5 Koblenz/ Nürburgring
- 6 Cruise the Middle Rhine
- 7 Frankfurt
- 8 Homburg/Marktheidenfeld
- 9 Würzburg or Rothenburg
- 10 Bamberg or Bayreuth
- 11 Nürnberg
- 12 Disembark / Regensburg  
Fairmont Golden Prague Hotel
- 13 Prague
- 14 Depart Prague

### Map Detail



see Margravial Opera House, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. If you wish to stay in Bamberg, join us for a walking tour or a bike ride\*. Back aboard ship, if you wish you can join your Tauck Director for an onboard lecture. **Meals BLD**

#### ■ DAY 6

### Würzburg & Rothenburg ob der Tauber

The "Romantic Road" in Germany is a 220-mile scenic byway through historic cities. Germany coined this name in the 1950s, as post-war positivity to begin travel again. Today, choose to walk one of two cities; explore lavish baroque, rococo architecture and learn about post-WWII in Würzburg, or, take the short drive to Rothenburg ob der Tauber for a walking tour to see the medieval architecture and half-timbered houses. **Meals BLD**

#### ■ DAY 7

### Paper mill, piano collection or Blacksmith shop

Your ship arrives near Wertheim this morning, then you're off for the short drive to Homburg to explore the historic paper mill, a unique piano store or a Blacksmith workshop and museum. Enjoy lunch in town, then join us this evening for dinner onboard as you cruise for Frankfurt. **Meals BLD**

#### ■ DAY 8

### A taste of Frankfurt & a special evening

Before World War II, Frankfurt had many different architectural styles, and today, some central locations have been restored to their original style. Choose to explore these quarters on walking tours; one is more active to view historic cathedrals, and learn about its role post-WWII. Alternatively, take a more leisurely walking tour that ends in Old Town. Everyone will join together for a special tasting of local cuisine. Join us for a gala dinner at Schlosshotel Kronberg, a luxury castle hotel built in 1893. **Meals BLD**

#### ■ DAY 9

### Boppard & cruising the Middle Rhine

After cruising the picturesque Middle Rhine, dock in Boppard for a scenic bike ride\* or a stroll through town to learn more about its rich history dating back to Roman times. Return for dinner and cruise to Cochem. **Meals BLD**

#### ■ DAY 10

### Cochem or Nürburgring race track

Located in Western Germany, Cochem borders Luxembourg and France. You'll have choice of a walking tour or a drive to Nürburgring, the 13-mile motor racing track, built in the 1920s. View race cars with a local guide and learn about the history of racing. Lunch is on the ship with onboard commentary from your Tauck Director as you cruise on for Trier. **Meals BLD**

### Schlosshotel Kronberg

Built in 1893 for the dowager German Empress Victoria, Schlosshotel Kronberg is a castle turned into a five-star hotel designed with original furnishings, as well as the art collection and extensive library from the empress; it's also where the movie *Spencer* was filmed. Join us at Schlosshotel Kronberg for a private gala evening with dinner that will take you back in time.

#### ■ DAY 11

### Trier & farewell dinner aboard ship

This morning, choose between two guided walking tours through Trier, one is less active to learn about the city's rich Roman history or a faster pace to see more monuments and cathedrals listed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Enjoy free time to explore on your own before joining us for a Captain's farewell toast and dinner aboard the ship. **Meals BLD**

#### DAY 12

### Drive to Luxembourg then train to Paris

Disembark your ship in Trier and drive to Luxembourg. Despite its size, Luxembourg is the most powerful investment management center throughout Europe. Enjoy an orientation walking tour then lunch on your own. Afterwards, we'll hop on the train en route to the "city of love," Paris. **Meals B**

#### DAY 13

### Paris & Boat Ride on Seine River

Drive to the Latin Quarter for a visit to the Cluny Museum before a private boat ride along the Seine River from Notre Dame to the Eiffel Tower. Drive through Paris for an orientation tour to see iconic masterpieces such as Arc de Triomphe and Palais Garnier. Explore Paris as you please then join us for a farewell dinner at your hotel. **Meals BD**

#### DAY 14

### Journey Home

*Tour Ends: Paris, France.* A transfer from L'Hôtel du Collectionneur to Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport, Gare de Lyon Station, Charles de Gaulle Station and Gare du Nord Station is included. Allow 3 hours for check-in. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



Stay at Schlosshotel Kronberg, where elegance isn't just admired - it's yours for a gala evening... step into Lobkowicz Palace, where history comes alive in a setting fit for nobility... and cruise along the Seine, where centuries of stories linger along the riverbend.

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

BEGINS PRAGUE OR PARIS - MS SAVOR / MS JOY

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Aug 12*	\$9,790	\$10,240	\$10,690	\$10,990	\$11,640	\$11,990	\$12,790
Apr 25*							
Jun 28	\$10,790	\$11,240	\$11,690	\$11,990	\$12,640	\$12,990	\$13,790
Oct 21*							
May 4							
Jun 19*							
Aug 21	\$11,790	\$12,240	\$12,690	\$12,990	\$13,640	\$13,990	\$14,790
Sep 22*							
Oct 1							

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Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

# Amsterdam to Budapest by Riverboat

*A legendary cruise along the Rhine, Main and Danube, through five countries where you'll explore grand cathedrals, medieval monasteries, castles, vineyards, and some key UNESCO World Heritage Sites.*

**15 DAYS FROM \$8,390**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

## Uniquely Tauck

- An exclusive gala evening at Vienna's opulent Palais Pallavicini featuring dinner and live music
- Peek into the lives of Habsburg royals in grand Vienna palaces they called home – choosing a tour of Schönbrunn Palace, their summer retreat, or the Hofburg, their main Imperial residence
- Music lovers can choose an excursion to Salzburg, the Baroque hometown of Austrian wunderkind W.A. Mozart, where history and melody intertwine
- Take in world-famous art from the Dutch Golden Age at the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam, followed by a luncheon cruise along the city's 17th-century canals lined with merchant houses and bridges



## ■ DAY 1

### Embark Amsterdam

**Tour begins: 4:00 PM, Amsterdam.** A transfer is included from Amsterdam's Schiphol Airport or Centraal Station directly to your riverboat. Join us for dinner this evening. **Meals D**

## ■ DAY 2

### The canal city of Amsterdam

Enjoy a morning tour of Amsterdam that includes a guided visit to the Rijksmuseum to see famed works by the Dutch Old Masters. Hop aboard a canal boat for a luncheon cruise along its 17th-century grachten (canals), gliding beneath curved bridges and past stately merchant homes. Enjoy free time before driving to Nijmegen to rejoin your riverboat. Dine at leisure onboard. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 3

### Modern & ancient history in Köln

After a morning of cruising, arrive in Köln (Cologne), the oldest city in Germany, where a guided walking tour of city sights takes you by the twin-spired Kölner Dom (Cologne Cathedral), with free time to explore Cathedral Square and the Hohe Strasse pedestrian area this afternoon. Join us for dinner aboard ship tonight. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 4

### Rüdesheim & music or bicycling

Cruise to Rüdesheim, arriving for lunch at a local German restaurant with an old-world ambiance, and your choice of shore excursions. Visit Siegfried's Mechanisches Musikkabinett, an eclectic collection of mechanical musical instruments housed in a 15th-century castle in Rüdesheim. Alternatively, head out on a bicycling excursion followed by free time to explore on your own. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 5

### A full day cruising the Main

Enjoy stunning scenery as you cruise along the Main River today. Centuries-old castles, towering cathedrals, and fortified towns dot the shoreline and valleys in an endless procession of picturesque charm. Dine as you wish aboard the riverboat; your Tauck Director informs on the sights you will discover along the way. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 6

### Rothenburg or Würzburg

Arrive in Würzburg by afternoon for lunch and wine tasting, then head out for a choice of excursions. Visit the town's 18th-century Residenz, a lavish Baroque palace and UNESCO World Heritage Site, or, drive to the fairy tale town of Rothenburg, nestled on Germany's "Romantic Road," for a walking tour and time at leisure. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 14 Cruise Days

#### Amsterdam to Budapest

##### Day Destination

- 1 Embark Amsterdam
- 2 Amsterdam
- 3 Köln
- 4 Rüdesheim
- 5 Cruise the Main River
- 6 Würzburg or Rothenburg
- 7 Bamberg
- 8 Nürnberg
- 9 Regensburg
- 10 Passau or Salzburg
- 11 Melk / Vienna
- 12 Vienna
- 13 Bratislava
- 14 Budapest
- 15 Disembark Budapest

#### Budapest to Amsterdam

##### Day Destination

- 1 Embark Budapest
- 2 Budapest
- 3 Bratislava / Vienna
- 4 Vienna
- 5 Dürnstein / Melk
- 6 Passau or Salzburg
- 7 Regensburg
- 8 Nürnberg
- 9 Bamberg
- 10 Würzburg or Rothenburg
- 11 Cruise the Main River
- 12 Rüdesheim
- 13 Köln
- 14 Amsterdam
- 15 Disembark Amsterdam

#### Map Detail



## ■ DAY 7

### Beautiful Bamberg

Explore the Bavarian town of Bamberg, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, on a choice of excursions that include a walking tour of Old Town with its stunning cathedral and rose garden, or a challenging bike ride\* around the town (due to the hilly terrain, this activity is recommended for fit and experienced cyclists only). **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 8

### Nürnberg & the Main-Danube Canal

Arrive in Nürnberg for a choice of sightseeing; both walking tours introduce the city's historic legacy. Return to the ship; cruise through the Main-Danube Canal, a vital waterway that links the North Sea with the Black Sea. Learn about the canal from a local expert as you pass through 16 locks traversing the mountains. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 9

### Ancient Regensburg & on to Passau

With its roots as a Roman encampment on the Danube, the Bavarian town of Regensburg is home to more than 1,400 original historic buildings. A local guide will walk you by the town's 12th-century stone bridge, the 15th-century Altes Rathaus (Town Hall), the towering Dom St. Peter, and the remains of the Roman wall. Visit the princely House of Thurn und Taxis on a guided tour. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 10

### Passau or Salzburg

Arrive in the city of Passau, which dates back to Roman times. You have the choice of a walking tour that reveals Baroque treasures such as the town hall with its stained glass windows and St. Stephan's Cathedral, home to the largest cathedral organ in the world (inside cathedral visit may not be available on all departures); alternatively, you can take a guided bicycling excursion around the city, or go on a full-day sightseeing excursion to the Austrian city of Salzburg, birthplace of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. Enjoy an evening of musical entertainment aboard ship. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 11

### Melk Abbey & a palace in Vienna

Arrive in the town of Melk, Austria, where you'll step back in time on a guided tour of its 900-year-old Benedictine Abbey, perched on a rocky outcrop above the river. Inside this Baroque masterpiece are fine frescoes, early manuscripts, and a high altar. Tonight, attend an exclusive private evening in the Baroque Palais Pallavicini in the heart of Vienna, featuring dinner in a gilded ballroom with classical music and dance performances. **Meals BLD**

## Cruising the Main River

As the longest tributary of the Rhine, the Main River flows north connecting the Rhine and Danube rivers. Quaint medieval villages with ancient castles line the Main and are a true testimony to Germany's history and culture. As you cruise, enjoy a talk by your Tauck Director and marvel at the modern engineering system that's made cross-continent riverboating possible.

## ■ DAY 12

### An "Imperial" day in Vienna

Enjoy learning about Vienna on a sightseeing tour of this former capital of the Habsburg Empire. Choose a tour of Schönbrunn Palace, the Habsburgs' vast "summer residence," or a guided visit to the Sisi Museum and the Imperial Apartments inside the Hofburg. Explore the city or return to the riverboat for dinner on board. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 13

### A bit of Baroque in Bratislava

You'll depart Vienna this morning after breakfast and spend the morning cruising to Slovakia. Arrive in Bratislava, Slovakia's capital, early this afternoon; 17 centuries of history are chronicled on a walking tour led by a local guide. Highlights include Baroque palaces from the Habsburg era; a visit to the neoclassical Primate's Palace; St. Martin's Cathedral; and additional sites including Old Town Hall. Dinner is aboard the riverboat. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 14

### Both sides of Budapest

Dock in Budapest this morning, Hungary's remarkable capital. Standing on opposite banks of the Danube, Budapest's two distinct sections – Buda and Pest – were once independent cities. Discover both on a day of sightseeing that includes views of patriotic Heroes' Square in Pest; the Gothic-Revival Parliament building, an iconic feature of the Budapest skyline; and Fisherman's Bastion in Buda. Join us for our farewell dinner on board. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 15

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Budapest. Disembark in Budapest by 9:00 AM. A transfer is included from the riverboat to Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport or Budapest Keleti Railway Station. Allow three hours for flight check-in. **Meals B***

■ Indicates Cruise Day



Discover ancient treasures along the Rhine, Main, and Danube rivers on your journey. Step into imperial splendor at Schönbrunn Palace for a guided tour, and after a wine tasting off the ship, explore the Baroque grandeur of the Würzburg Residence.

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

BEGINS AMSTERDAM OR BUDAPEST –  
MS TREASURES OR MS ESPRIT

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Jul 12*, 26 Aug 9	\$8,390	\$8,790	\$9,040	\$10,290	\$11,040	\$11,490	\$12,690
Jun 21 Aug 23 Oct 18*	\$9,390	\$9,790	\$10,040	\$11,290	\$12,040	\$12,490	\$13,690
May 17*, 31 Sep 6*, 20	\$9,890	\$10,290	\$10,540	\$11,790	\$12,540	\$12,990	\$14,190

BEGINS AMSTERDAM – MS JOY

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
May 11	\$9,890	\$10,530	\$11,270	\$11,790	\$12,540	\$12,990	\$14,190

\*Indicates Amsterdam to Budapest Southbound direction

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## 2026 LAND / CRUISE PRICE INCLUSIONS

41 meals (14 Breakfasts, 13 Lunches & 14 Dinners), airport and train station transfers, cruise fare, port charges, applicable fuel surcharges, and gratuities to Tauck Directors, Tauck Cruise Director, ship staff, local guides & drivers, and on all included meals. Unlimited complimentary beverages aboard ship include regional wine, beer & premium spirits, in addition to specialty coffee, tea and soft drinks. Tauck's private shore excursions and distinctive inclusions valued at \$3,552.

International Airfare is additional; call Tauck for special rates. Please go to [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for Budapest to Amsterdam day-by-day details. Museums and attractions may be subject to closure due to state, local or religious holidays. This cruise includes a fair amount of walking in each city. For all bike rides, hikes and activities marked with an asterisk (\*), participation is at your own risk and requires a signed liability waiver to be provided. Shore Excursion Selection: Tauck will contact guests 90 days prior to departure to assist with shore excursion selections. Itinerary is subject to change. Certain exceptions may apply (will be advised at time of booking). Please go to [General Information for additional information, including our Cruise Protection Plan and Activity / Pace details](#).

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2



# Grand European Cruise

*For 25 days – on one extraordinary river cruise along the Rhine, Main and Danube rivers – you'll explore nine European countries from the North Sea to the Black Sea – and return home with a comprehensive, in-depth connection to Europe's most exciting capital cities and old-world towns.*

**25 DAYS FROM \$14,690**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

*Passau, Germany*

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Attend Tauck Exclusive evenings at palaces in Belgrade, Bucharest, and Vienna
- Meet a Croatian family in their home who share their insights into the 1990s war
- Travel the Main-Danube Canal, linking Europe's waterways, an engineering marvel
- Enjoy more active shore excursion choices, such as bicycling, along the rivers

# Voyage at a glance

## ■ 21 Cruise Days

### Amsterdam to Bucharest

Day	Destination
■ 1	Embark Amsterdam
■ 2	Amsterdam / Nijmegen
■ 3	Köln
■ 4	Rüdesheim
■ 5	Main River Cruising
■ 6	Würzburg or Rothenburg
■ 7	Bamberg
■ 8	Nürnberg
■ 9	Regensburg
■ 10	Passau or Salzburg
■ 11	Melk / Vienna
■ 12	Vienna
■ 13	Bratislava
■ 14	Budapest
■ 15	Budapest
■ 16	Mohács / Pécs
■ 17	Vukovar / Novi Sad
■ 18	Belgrade
■ 19	Cruising the Kazan Narrows / Iron Gate of the Danube
■ 20	Ruse
■ 21	Constanta / Black Sea Coast
■ 22	Disembark Constanta / Bucharest <i>InterContinental Athénée Palace Bucharest</i>
■ 23	Transylvania, Sinaia or Targoviste
■ 24	Bucharest
■ 25	Depart Bucharest

### Bucharest to Amsterdam

Day	Destination
■ 1	Arrive Bucharest <i>InterContinental Athénée Palace Bucharest</i>
■ 2	Transylvania, Sinaia or Targoviste
■ 3	Bucharest
■ 4	Embark Constanta / Black Sea Coast
■ 5	Ruse
■ 6	Vidin
■ 7	Cruising the Kazan Narrows / Iron Gate of the Danube
■ 8	Belgrade
■ 9	Vukovar
■ 10	Mohács / Pécs
■ 11	Budapest
■ 12	Budapest
■ 13	Bratislava / Vienna
■ 14	Vienna
■ 15	Wachau Valley / Melk
■ 16	Passau or Salzburg
■ 17	Regensburg
■ 18	Nürnberg
■ 19	Bamberg
■ 20	Würzburg or Rothenburg
■ 21	Main River Cruising
■ 22	Rüdesheim
■ 23	Köln
■ 24	Amsterdam
■ 25	Disembark Amsterdam

### Map Detail





### Bragadiru, Palace Evening in Bucharest

Attend an exclusive evening in the elegant ballroom of Bragadiru Palace in Bucharest, where dinner and musical entertainment highlight a special evening.



### Private Evening – Royal White Palace

Dine in Belgrade at the Royal White Palace, set within the same complex as the Royal Palace in Dedinje – a setting of royal elegance and home to Serbia's Crown Prince.



### Exclusive Evening – Palais Pallavicini

An extraordinary evening, in a gilded ballroom at a private palace in Vienna, includes a reception, silver service dinner and a classical music performance.

Navigate the heart of Europe on a continuous voyage along the Rhine, Main and Danube rivers aboard ms *Esprit*, exploring medieval towns, cathedrals, palaces, and some of the world's favorite capital cities – with distinctive Tauck Exclusive gala evenings and cultural experiences onshore. Immerse in regional history, cuisine, and culture on our 25-day journey that combines the itineraries of two of our most popular river cruises, *Budapest to the Black Sea* (p. 112) and *Amsterdam to Budapest by Riverboat* (p. 126).

Your cruise begins in Amsterdam with a boat ride along the 17th-century canals and a guided visit to the famed Rijksmuseum. Cruise the picturesque Upper Middle Rhine Valley and hear the legend of the Lorelei as you wind your way along the Rhine – and learn about the Main-Danube Canal as you travel through it.

A fascinating walking tour with a local guide in Bratislava, Slovakia, reveals its turbulent past – and a visit to Vienna is highlighted by an exclusive evening at a Viennese palace. In Hungary, spend two days in Budapest exploring both sides of the Danube, Buda and Pest, with visits to antiquities and a winery. In Vukovar, speak with a family in their home – they share how their lives were rebuilt in post-war Croatia. Cruise to Serbia, and attend a Tauck Exclusive dinner at the Royal White Palace of the Serbian Royal Family, built in the 1930s and set within the same complex as the Royal Palace in Dedinje, home to HRH Crown Prince Alexander II of Serbia and his family.

Cruising onward to Bulgaria, hike to the celebrated Rock Churches of Ivanovo or take a walking tour of lovely Ruse. Discover resort towns along Romania's Black Sea Coast and, on a choice of sightseeing, visit Bran Castle – or Peles Castle – or Târgoviște Citadel, court of the "real" Dracula. Your journey concludes with a three-night stay at InterContinental Athénée Palace Bucharest, in the heart of the city center within Romania's capital city – and a spectacular farewell evening at Bragadiru Palace.

Throughout your cross-continent cruise you'll also have opportunities to delve into history at iconic sites such as the ancient Christian antiquities in Pecs; Regensburg's private Thurn und Taxis Palace; 900-year-old Baroque Melk Abbey; and the Habsburgs' Schönbrunn Palace in Vienna. Explore the wine town of Rüdesheim; do some wine tasting at the Residenz in Baroque-era Würzburg; and past meets present in historic "Old Towns" along the rivers.

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## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

BEGINS AMSTERDAM OR BUCHAREST –  
MS *ESPRIT*

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5	CAT 6	CAT 7
Aug 6*	\$14,690	\$15,290	\$15,740	\$17,590	\$18,990	\$19,390	\$21,390
Jul 5	\$15,290	\$15,890	\$16,340	\$18,190	\$19,590	\$19,990	\$21,990
Aug 30	\$15,990	\$16,590	\$17,040	\$18,890	\$20,290	\$20,690	\$22,690

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**Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2**



*Sailing into Budapest, the Danube unveils a city of grandeur – majestic bridges, regal palaces, and timeless beauty. Wind through medieval Rothenburg and storybook villages, and visit historic sights such as Peles Castle in Romania on this extraordinary cruise.*



*Porto, Portugal*

# *The Douro*

Experience a winemaking legacy some 5,000 years old as you chart a course for cultural discoveries exclusive to Portugal's river of gold. Born in the mountains of Spain, chiseled in prehistoric cliffs of rock and schist, nestled in valleys vineyard rich, and bathed in natural beauty around every bend, the Douro dances its way past small towns and family-owned quintas to Porto where it kisses the Atlantic Ocean, with stories to tell – and Port to sell.



# Villages & Vintages: Cruising the Douro River Valley

*A taste of Portugal in one week that's never crossed your palate; discover the bohemian heart of the city that gave Port wine its name, with visits to lush vineyards and riverside villages.*

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8 DAYS FROM \$5,790

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 3

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## Uniquely Tauck

- An exclusive reception and private dinner at a family-owned winery, where you'll learn the Douro Valley's age-old Port winemaking process
- Pedal through the Vinho Verde wine country on a bicycle tour, where Portugal's celebrated "Green Wine" (fresh, light wine) is produced
- Visit Mateus Palace, a Baroque palace in Régua, or a winemaking estate (quinta) with an exclusive Port cocktail-making workshop



Douro Valley

## ■ DAY 1

### Arrive Porto

*Tour begins: 6:00 PM, Porto.* A transfer is included from Porto's Francisco Sá Carneiro Airport or Porto Campanhã train station to your riverboat. Join us for a welcome reception with dinner and onboard entertainment. **Meals D**

## ■ DAY 2

### Porto and the Douro Valley

Situated in northwest Portugal where the Douro meets the Atlantic Ocean, Porto has been known as the city from which authentic Port wine has been shipped throughout the world for nearly three centuries. You have a choice of sightseeing today; discover Porto by land, river, and air – starting from the historic riverfront Ribeira district, walking to Vila Nova de Gaia and riding a cable car for panoramic views. Alternatively, join a local guide for a walking tour that begins in the riverside Ribeira district, walking uphill to the Cathedral, crossing the top of the Luís I bridge and ending in Vila Nova de Gaia with a view overlooking Porto. Return to your riverboat late morning and begin sailing to the Douro River Valley, bound for the historic port of Peso da Régua. All along the winding river, rugged conical mountains and shale hills carved by concentric vineyard terraces tell of a winemaking history that's thousands of years old. In hospitable to most other kinds of farming, the terrain is perfect for Portugal's indigenous wine grapes, whose hardy roots can go down 30 feet or more in search of water. Since the latter half of the 17th century, when Portuguese vintners succeeded in creating a sweet fortified wine – now famous around the world as Port, named for the city of Porto – that could make the long sea voyage to Britain without spoiling, the Douro Valley has been the only supplier of true Port, the oldest demarcated wine region on Earth. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 3

### Peso da Régua and Pinhão

Dock in the historic town of Peso da Régua, once a busy hub where wooden boats called rabelos, laden with barrels of Port, sailed downriver to Vila Nova de Gaia. At Museu do Douro, housed in a renovated 18th-century mansion, multimedia exhibits offer a history of viniculture in the Douro Valley. This afternoon, pass through one of the largest locks on the Douro as you sail to the idyllic, vineyard-lined village of Pinhão, nestled at a dramatic bend in the river; Pinhão is known as the gateway to the valley's quintas (vineyards). From here it's a short drive to Quinta do Portal, a family-run estate in the Cima Corgo region where renowned Port and non-fortified wines are made. Enjoy a private reception and dinner with wine pairings, as well as an introduction to the winemaking process and famed vineyards. **Meals BLD**

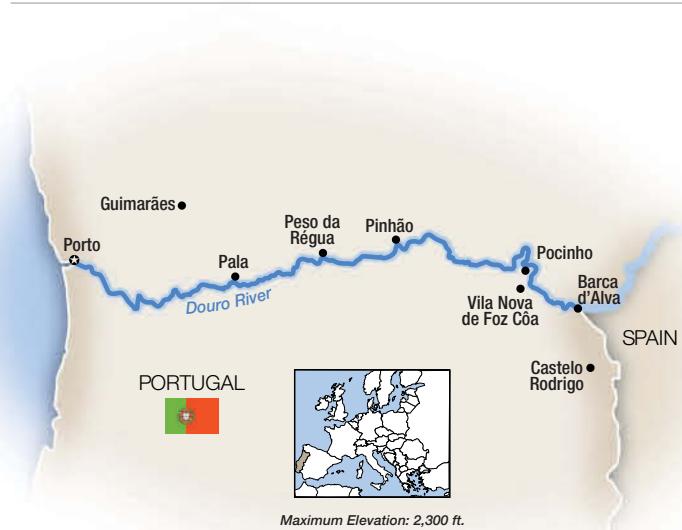
## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 7 Cruise Days

#### Day Destination

- 1 Embark Porto
- 2 Porto
- 3 Peso da Régua / Pinhão
- 4 Cruise the Douro
- 5 Pocinho
- 6 Pinhão / Peso da Régua
- 7 Guimarães or Vinho Verde Region
- 8 Disembark Porto

#### Map Detail





## Private dinner with wine pairings

Family-owned quintas have lined the Douro for centuries, perfecting wine-making techniques; attend a private dinner and wine pairing at Quinta do Portal.



## Two ways to discover Pinhão

Visit Pinhão's early-20th-century train station adorned with intricate blue azulejos, or embark on a vigorous hike through scenic vineyards with breathtaking valley views.



## Ancient stories in the Côa Valley

Step into the Vale do Côa Archaeological Park, home to thousands of open-air Paleolithic petroglyphs – a rarity in Europe, filled with artistry and mystery.

### ■ DAY 4

## Along the Douro to Vega de Terrón

The Douro River Valley and its unique landscapes of terraced mountains, villages, and wine estates unfold before you today as you spend a full day cruising from Pinhão. It's a great day to take advantage of your riverboat's amenities, enjoy commentary by your Tauck Director, or simply relax on the Sun Deck. In late afternoon, arrive in Vega de Terrón (Salamanca), where the Douro River forms the border between Spain and Portugal, and where the riverboat will dock for the night. The tranquil landscape, at a confluence of rivers, is beautiful and unspoiled – and rich in history. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 5

## Paleolithic art or wine tasting

You have a choice of sightseeing today. Tour a family-run quinta in the Douro Superior wine region, where sun-drenched vineyards yield exceptional wines. Learn about traditional winemaking techniques, explore the estate, and enjoy a guided tasting of locally produced reds, whites, and Port. Alternatively, travel to Museu do Côa in the Vale do Côa Archaeological Park, for stunning exhibits of rock art from the valley's Paleolithic era, discovered in the 1990s; unlike cave art found in other parts of Europe, the thousands of petroglyphs in the Côa region were created in the open air by the valley's earliest inhabitants, and the museum explores their mystery through state-of-the-art multimedia exhibits. Return to the riverboat for lunch and cruise back to Pinhão. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 6

## Pinhão or vineyard hike / Mateus Palace

Your choice of excursions this morning includes an opportunity to explore a taste of authentic Pinhão on a guided tour that views its early-20th-century train station, adorned with blue-painted tiles (azulejos); or a vigorous hike from the village of Provesende through the vineyards towards Pinhão, with striking panoramic views. Cruise to Régua, where you'll have two choices; visit the 18th-century Mateus Palace, a lavish Baroque residence now a museum with period furnishings and artwork, formal gardens, and a winery producing acclaimed rosé wines. Alternatively, join a local guide for a visit to a renowned winemaking estate called a quinta, rewarded with a Port cocktail-making class. Begin the return trip, docking overnight in verdant wine country where some traditional farms grow vines on pergolas and fences so high that amazingly, the grapes must be harvested with wooden ladders. **Meals BLD**



*Porto's waterfront rises above the Douro – historic architecture, hillside vineyards, and iconic bridges create a stunning panorama.*

## ■ DAY 7

### Guimarães or bicycle ride and on to Gaia

Drive to medieval Guimarães, known as the “Cradle City,” on a full day’s excursion; the kingdom of Portugal was born here after a famous battle in 1128. You can choose a walking tour of the city center, a UNESCO World Heritage site, whose treasures include the partially restored Castle of Guimarães, the opulent Palace of the Dukes of Braganza, and the 13th-century Church of São Miguel do Castelo. Or choose a bicycle excursion (recommended for experienced cyclists) through the Vinho Verde wine region to Amarante. Late afternoon, travel to Vila Nova de Gaia, across the river from Porto. Join us for a farewell reception and dinner aboard your ship this evening. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 8

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Porto.* A transfer is included from your riverboat to Porto’s Francisco Sá Carneiro Airport or Porto Campanhã train station. Please allow a minimum of three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

### BEGINS PORTO – MS ANDORINHA

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5
Jul 3	\$5,790	\$6,290	\$7,790	\$7,990	\$8,490
Apr 10 Aug 28	\$6,490	\$6,990	\$8,490	\$8,690	\$9,190
May 1, 22 Jun 12 Sep 18 Oct 9	\$6,990	\$7,490	\$8,990	\$9,190	\$9,690

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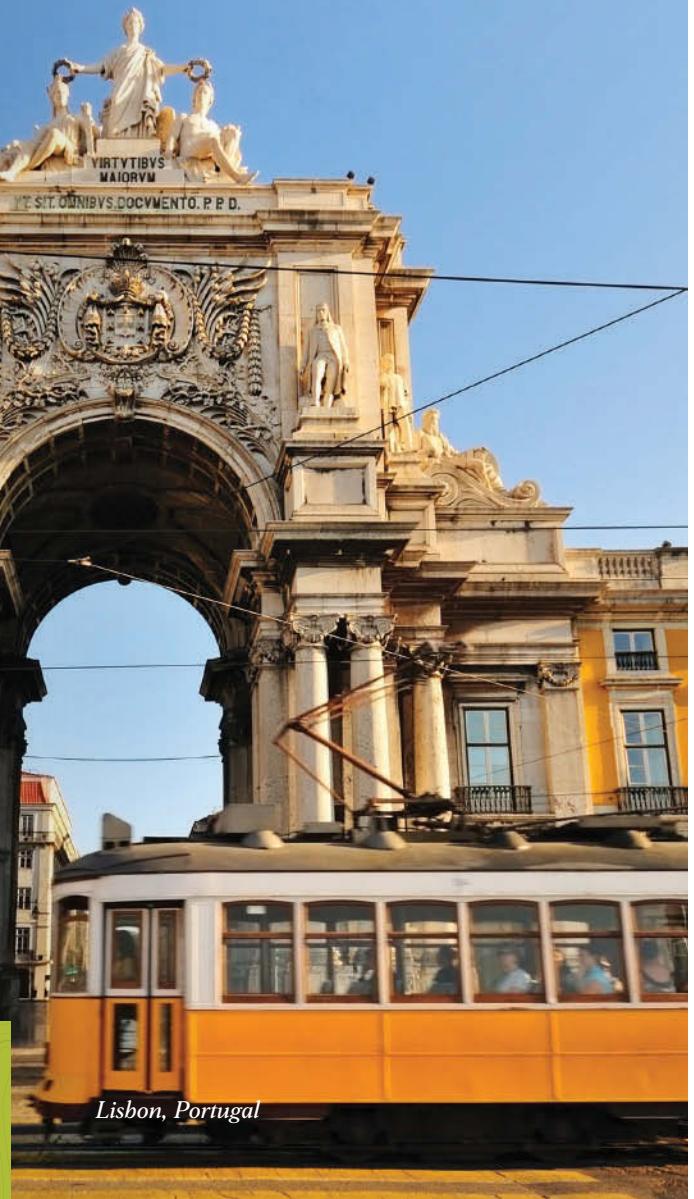
**Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 3**

# Exploring the Douro, plus Lisbon & Madrid

*Cruise Portugal's "River of Gold" in the heart of one of the world's oldest and most beautiful wine regions, the Douro Valley. Visit riverside Quinta estates for wine tastings and discover cultural treasures during stays in Lisbon and Madrid, from storytelling tiles to royal palaces and museums.*

**12 DAYS FROM \$7,990**

Activity Level 3 / Pace Level 3



*Lisbon, Portugal*

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Savor the cuisine of renowned Portuguese chef Rui Paula at his celebrated restaurant DOC
- Enjoy a Tauck Exclusive private welcome dinner at Palacio de Queluz, a royal residence
- Take a hike through lush vineyards en route to Pinhão, gateway to quintas of the Douro Valley
- Enjoy a guided tour of the Prado in Madrid, viewing world-famous Spanish art and more

## DAY 1

### Arrive Lisbon

*Tour begins: 6:00 PM, InterContinental Lisbon.* A transfer is included from Lisbon International Airport or Lisbon Oriente or Santa Apolonia train stations to your hotel, InterContinental Lisbon. Join us for a private visit and royal welcome dinner at lovely 18th-century Palácio de Queluz, graced with gardens inspired by French styles. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### Explore Lisbon or visit Sintra & Cascais

You have a choice of sightseeing excursions today. Explore Portugal's capital city on a locally guided tour to view landmarks such as Eduardo VII Park, the Monument to the Discoveries, or join us on a more active walk exploring Lisbon's terraces. Alternatively, drive to Sintra to visit its National Palace, and continue to the seaside town of Cascais for lunch as you please. Spend the rest of the day exploring Lisbon on your own. **Meals B**

## ■ DAY 3

### Coimbra / Embark ship in Porto

Drive to Coimbra this morning, Portugal's medieval capital for more than a century. A walking tour along the tiered, cobbled lanes of this hilltop city brings you to its esteemed university, founded in 1537, where its caped students evoke images of Harry Potter's Hogwarts School. Learn about student life, past and present. Continue to Porto, where your ship is docked on the Douro River. Embark ship late this afternoon and dine on board at your leisure. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 4

### Pleasures of Porto

Culturally rich and historically charming, Porto is a diverse and delightful city, revealing a fascinating portrait of art and architecture, wine and food, and stunning waterfront views. Explore the city by land, river and air on a choice of locally guided sightseeing excursions. Or, head out on a tour with a local expert who shares insights about Porto's historic wine trade, with a tasting at a port wine cellar in Gaia. Enjoy dinner and entertainment onboard. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 5

### Guimarães & Vinho Verde, or Arouca Geopark

Drive to the UNESCO World Heritage city of Guimarães this morning for a choice of excursions. The birthplace of Portugal, Guimarães is renowned for its well-preserved medieval buildings and national monuments. Explore its historic heart on a locally guided walking tour before a tasting tour and lunch at a terraced quinta (vineyard) in the Vinho Verde region, where they specialize in "green wines" uniquely produced here. Alternatively, drive to Arouca for a

## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 7 Cruise Days

#### Lisbon to Madrid

*Day Destination*

- 1 Arrive Lisbon  
*InterContinental Lisbon*
- 2 Lisbon or Sintra / Cascais
- 3 Coimbra / Embark Porto
- 4 Porto
- 5 Guimarães or Arouca
- 6 Peso da Régua
- 7 Pinhão
- 8 Pocinho
- 9 Barca d'Alva
- 10 Disembark Madrid  
*The Palace Hotel, Madrid*
- 11 Madrid
- 12 Depart Madrid

#### Madrid to Lisbon

*Day Destination*

- 1 Arrive Madrid  
*The Palace Hotel, Madrid*
- 2 Madrid
- 3 Embark Vega Terron
- 4 Barca de Alva
- 5 Pinhão
- 6 Peso da Régua
- 7 Guimarães / Amarante
- 8 Vinho Verde / Arouca
- 9 Porto
- 10 Disembark Porto / Lisbon  
*InterContinental Lisbon*
- 11 Lisbon or Sintra / Cascais
- 12 Depart Lisbon

#### Map Detail



very active excursion at Arouca Geopark to hike the largest pedestrian suspension bridge in the world and the iconic wooden Paiva Walkways that snake up and down the rocky hillsides along the Paiva River. Return to your riverboat late afternoon and enjoy dinner onboard. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 6

### A rendezvous in Peso da Régua

Its historic role in the production of port wine is written on the landscapes you'll see today when you step off the boat in Peso da Régua. Visit a local quinta for a guided vineyard tour and cocktail making session to learn how to make port cocktails. Or, join us for a guided tour of the Douro River Museum. Cruise to Folgosa this afternoon, where dinner entices with a special culinary experience at DOC ("Degustar Ousar Comunicar," translated to "Taste, Dare, Communicate"), savoring gourmet cuisine by Portuguese chef Rui Paula, with Douro's famous wines. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### Picturesque Pinhão

Enjoy a choice of shore excursions today. Choose a locally guided and active hike through the vineyards from the village of Provesende down to Pinhão or explore Pinhão on an orientation walk, viewing its tile-covered train station, before discovering its treasures on your own. Return to the riverboat for dinner. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 8

### A legacy of winemaking & rock art

Cruise through landscapes steeped in 2,000 years of history, enjoying a leisurely day along the Douro River that takes you through the heart of port wine country. Disembark in Pocinho for a visit to the Coa Museum, an open-air Paleolithic archaeological site that reveals rock art made some 20,000 years ago. Join us for the chef's signature dinner onboard the riverboat. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 9

### Pocinho and Barca de Alva

Enjoy a choice of shore excursions today that includes a tour, presentation and tasting at a beautiful, secluded wine estate or a hike through riverside landscapes. Rejoin your ship upriver, which will be docked near the border of Spain and Portugal. Dinner is at your leisure. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 10

### Historic Salamanca & on to Madrid

Disembark the ship this morning in Spain and drive to the UNESCO World Heritage City of Salamanca for a guided walking tour of its ancient heart, viewing the "living room of Salamanca," the elegant arcaded Plaza Mayor, its

## Exploring Madrid

On a two-night stay in the heart of Madrid, you'll glean insights when you explore landmark sites with local guides, including the 18th-century Royal Palace of Madrid (official residence of the royal family) and Museo del Prado. Spain's capital city is known for its plazas and grand boulevards, and on a city orientation tour, you'll view iconic architecture such as Plaza de Cibeles (right) and Palacio de Cibeles.

stunning 12th-century Romanesque Cathedral, and its esteemed 800-year-old university, one of the oldest in the world. Enjoy free time for lunch and exploring before continuing to Madrid for a two-night stay. Join us to sample neighborhood tapas bars right outside your hotel. **Meals B**

## DAY 11

### Madrid's Royal Palace & the Prado

Today, a choice of excursions include an orientation drive or a walking tour that both visit Madrid's 18th-century Royal Palace. It was home to a succession of Spanish kings, from Charles III to Alfonso XIII, and today is the official residence of the Spanish Royal Family in name only. Accompanied by a local guide, your visit to this 2,000-plus-room jeweled palace takes you on a journey through history and time-honored splendor as you view rooms and salons overflowing with art treasures and antiques. The palace is gilded, floor to ceiling, with fine fabrics, magnificent mosaics, crystal chandeliers, and more. Highlights may include the Reception Room, the State Apartments, and the Throne Room. You will also visit Museo del Prado today, one of the world's premier art museums with over 4,000 art masterpieces – including works by iconic Spanish artists Goya and Velázquez – many of them acquired by kings through the ages. Join us for a farewell cocktail reception and dinner at your hotel. **Meals BD**

## DAY 12

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Madrid.* Fly home anytime. A transfer is included from The Palace Hotel, Madrid to Madrid-Barajas Airport, or Atocha or Chamartin train stations. Allow a minimum of 3 1/2 hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



From the royal sites and plazas of Madrid to the vineyard-rich landscapes of Portugal's stunning Douro Valley to an authentic taste of Port in the historic city of Porto, you'll discover a variety of Iberian treasures that make your journey truly unforgettable.

## 2026 DATES / CRUISE USD PRICE PER PERSON

BEGINS LISBON OR MADRID – MS ANDORINHA

DATE	CAT 1	CAT 2	CAT 3	CAT 4	CAT 5
Mar 18*	\$7,990	\$8,490	\$9,990	\$10,190	\$10,690
Mar 25					
Jul 8, 22, 29*	\$8,290	\$8,790	\$10,290	\$10,490	\$10,990
Aug 12, 19*					
Apr 1*	\$8,790	\$9,290	\$10,790	\$10,990	\$11,490
Nov 4*					
Apr 15					
Jun 17	\$9,290	\$9,790	\$11,290	\$11,490	\$11,990
Oct 21*, 28					
Apr 22*					
May 6, 13*, 27	\$9,890	\$10,390	\$11,890	\$12,090	\$12,590
Jun 3*					
Sep 2, 9*, 23, 30*	\$9,990	\$10,490	\$11,990	\$12,190	\$12,690
Oct 14					

\*Indicates Madrid to Lisbon westbound direction

Please go to [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for up-to-the-minute space availability.

## SPECIAL SOLO TRAVELER SAVINGS

On all departures, the single price in Category 1 is the same as the double price – no single supplement, which means savings of up to 50% for solo travelers! Solo Travelers also enjoy Savings of \$1,000 per cabin in Category 3 and 4 on the Mar 18\*, 25; Jul 22, 29\*; Aug 12, 19\*, Oct 28; and Nov 4\* departures. Single prices Category 2 and above start at 40% over the double price; please visit [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for complete pricing.

## 2026 LAND / CRUISE PRICE INCLUSIONS

26 meals (11 Breakfasts, 6 Lunches & 9 Dinners), airport and train station transfers, cruise fare, port charges, applicable fuel surcharges, and gratuities to Tauck Directors, Tauck Cruise Director, ship staff, local guides & drivers, and on all included meals. Unlimited complimentary beverages aboard ship include regional wine, beer & premium spirits, in addition to specialty coffee, tea and soft drinks. Tauck's private shore excursions and distinctive inclusions valued at \$4,400.

International Airfare is additional; call Tauck for special rates. Please go to [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for Madrid to Lisbon day-by-day details; east and west itineraries are similar. Museums and attractions may be subject to closure due to state, local or religious holidays. This cruise includes a fair amount of walking in each city. For all bike rides, hikes and activities marked with an asterisk (\*), participation is at your own risk and requires a signed liability waiver to be provided. Shore Excursion Selection: Tauck will contact guests 90 days prior to departure to assist with shore excursion selections. Itinerary is subject to change. Certain exceptions may apply; select departures may feature different hotels of similar standards to those noted. Please go to **General Information for additional information, including our Cruise Protection Plan and Activity / Pace details.**

Activity Level 3 / Pace Level 3



*ms Grace, Germany*

# Tauck *Destination* Fleet





## ms *Serene* & ms *Lumière*

Our new riverboats boast deck plans optimized to carry on our tradition of more space per guest on Europe's rivers – the 410-foot ms *Serene* provides accommodations for 124 guests in 62 cabins, while the 443-foot ms *Lumière* has a maximum capacity of 130 guests in just 68 cabins. Over 80% of cabins on board the ships measure 225 sq. ft. or larger, including 20+ 300 sq. ft. Tauck Suites (Cat 5) with walk-in closets, large bathrooms with separate showers, and rainfall shower heads, and two French balconies with sliding floor-to-ceiling windows – just like Cat 7 Tauck Suites on other ships. Each ship also includes 12 new 180 sq. ft. Category 1 cabins

featuring 20% more space and larger bathrooms. In addition to our Compass Rose restaurant and Panorama Lounge, the ships boast reimagined common spaces and outdoor areas, including our new wellness and fitness center, The Retreat; a new swimming pool, deck seating, a full bar with dining service for al fresco meals on the Sun Deck; and Arthur's, a club-like restaurant for casual all-day dining where reservations are never required. They are custom built to our high standards for comfort and elegance with guest feedback in mind, designed to make the most of the picturesque scenery and pleasant temperatures along the Rhône and Seine.



Enjoy the Sun Deck with a full-service bar and kitchen for the ultimate al fresco dining, plus a swimming pool & deckside seating.



Category 5 Suites measure 300 sq. ft. and include a seating area, two French balconies, full bathroom and a roomy walk-in closet.

## ms *Serene*

Ms Serene will make her debut on the River Seine on select departures of *Bordeaux, Paris & the Seine* (p. 24), *Rendezvous on the Seine* (p. 32), *Cruising the Seine*, plus *Paris & London* (p. 36) and *The Seine: Holiday Magic* (p. 40).

## Ship Specifications

**Built:** 2026

**Registry:** Swiss

**Length:** 410 ft. / 125 m.

**Width:** 37 ft. / 11.4 m.

**Draft:** 4 ft. / 1.2 m.

**Maximum Number of Guests:** 124

**Number of Guest Cabins:** 62

**Crew Members:** 41

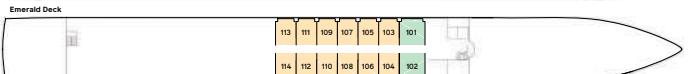
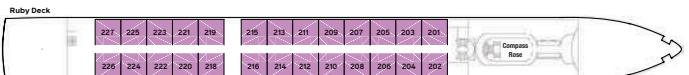
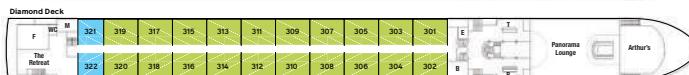
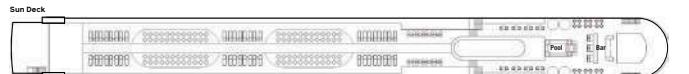
**Number of Decks:** 3 plus a Sun Deck

**Fully air conditioned:** Yes (European standard AC)

**Elevator:** Yes – all decks besides Sun Deck

**Internet:** WiFi available, service levels may vary

**Tauck Suite Cat 5:** Same as Cat 7 on other riverboats



Category 1  
(180 sq. ft.)

Category 2  
(225 sq. ft.)

Category 3  
(225 sq. ft.)

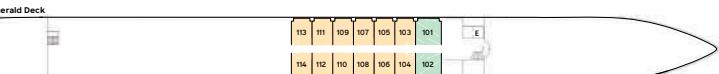
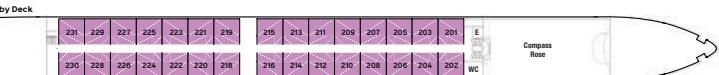
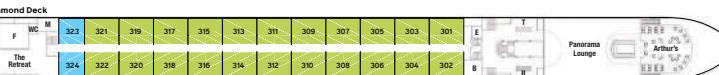
Category 4  
(225 sq. ft.)

Category 5  
(300 sq. ft.)

E = Elevator R = Reception Desk T = Tauck Desk B = Boutique F = Fitness Center M = Massage

Note: All Category 5 cabins are three-guest capacity suites with a pull-out sleeping couch

Please note these are photorealistic renderings of a ship under construction and are not actual photographs of the ship!



Category 1  
(180 sq. ft.)

Category 2  
(225 sq. ft.)

Category 3  
(225 sq. ft.)

Category 4  
(225 sq. ft.)

Category 5  
(300 sq. ft.)

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## ms *Inspire, Savor, Joy & Grace*

Tauck's 443-ft. (135-m.) riverboats – ms *Inspire*, ms *Savor*, ms *Joy* and ms *Grace* – are elegant reflections of the high standards that are consistent across Tauck's Destination Fleet, and carry on our tradition of providing more space per guest on Europe's rivers. With a maximum of 130 Tauck guests, these longer ships transport fewer passengers than most riverboats of comparable size in Europe. Of a 67 cabin total, we offer 22 Tauck Suites (300 square feet / 27.87 square meters) – the most of any riverboat on any European river. Guest amenities in these lush suites include separate seating areas, roomy walk-in closets and spacious bathrooms. All of our 443-ft. ships feature eight innovative loft cabins extending from the first to the second decks, affording more natural light and views of the passing scenery. Leisure facilities include a putting green as well as a plunge pool on the Sun Deck and a fitness center.

### Ship Specifications

**Built:** 2014 – 2016

**Renovated:** 2020 (ms *Savor* & *Inspire*)  
2023 (ms *Grace* & *Joy*)

**Registry:** Swiss

**Length:** 443 ft. / 135 m.

**Width:** 37 ft. / 11.4 m.

**Draft:** 4 ft. / 1.2 m.

**Maximum Number of Guests:** 130

**Number of Guest Cabins:** 67

**Crew Members:** 44

**Number of Decks:** 3 plus a Sun Deck

**Air Conditioning:** Yes (European standard AC)

**Elevator:** Yes – services all decks except the Sun Deck

**Internet:** WiFi available, service levels may vary



Gather on the top deck for panoramic views, lively conversation, and unforgettable moments as scenic landscapes unfold.



The lobby is the central hub of the riverboat, highlighted by a grand staircase atrium.

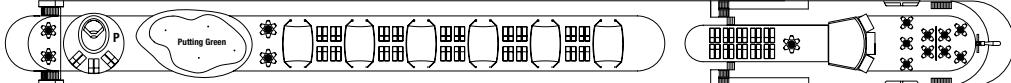


The Panorama Lounge, with its windows to the world, provides a great spot to meet and relax throughout the day.

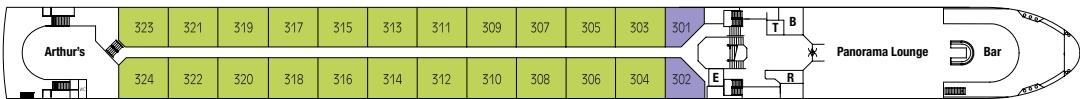


Category 3 two-story loft cabins are unique on the rivers, featuring a raised seating area and window.

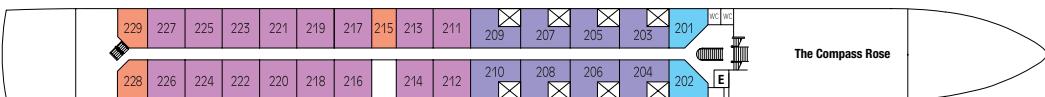
## Sun Deck



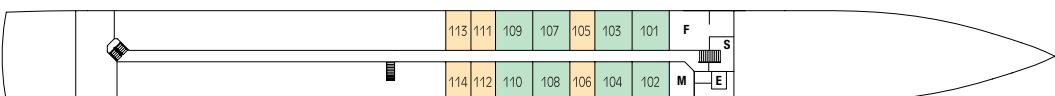
## Diamond Deck



## Ruby Deck



## Emerald Deck



## Deck Plans

- **Category 1**  
(150 sq. ft.)
- **Category 2**  
(150 sq. ft.)
- **Category 3**  
(225 sq. ft.)
- **Category 4**  
(190 sq. ft.)
- **Category 5**  
(190-225 sq. ft.)
- **Category 6**  
(225 sq. ft.)
- **Category 7**  
(300 sq. ft.)  
(three-guest capacity suites with a pull-out sleeping couch)

B = Boutique

E = Elevator

F = Fitness Center

H = Treatment Room

P = Plunge Pool

M = Massage

R = Reception Desk

S = Spa (on Inspire & Savor only)

T = Tauck Desk



## ms *Sapphire*, *Esprit* & *Treasures*

Our three 361-ft. (110-m.) riverboats boast a deck plan optimized to offer you the utmost in spaciousness. 69% of their cabins measure 225 square feet or larger, with French balconies, and accommodate no more than 98 guests; other similar-sized riverboats average about 150 guests. Amenities inside our 300-square-foot Tauck Suites include roomy walk-in closets, large bathrooms with separate showers and rainfall shower heads, and two French balconies with sliding floor-to-ceiling windows. These four 110-meter riverboats are as cozy as they are spacious. In addition to the main dining room, The Compass Rose, the ship also features Arthur's, a second dining venue offering casual fare; leisure facilities include a whirlpool and a putting green on the Sun Deck and a fitness center.

### Ship Specifications

**Built:** 2007 – 2011

**Refurbished:** 2017, 2018

**Registry:** Swiss

**Length:** 361 ft. / 110 m.

**Width:** 37 ft. / 11.4 m.

**Draft:** 4 ft. / 1.2 m.

**Maximum Number of Guests:** 98

**No. of Guest Cabins:** 49

**Crew Members:** 41

**Number of Decks:** 3 plus a Sun Deck

**Air Conditioning:** Yes (European standard AC)

**Elevator:** Yes – between the Ruby and Diamond decks; stairs (12 steps) between the other decks

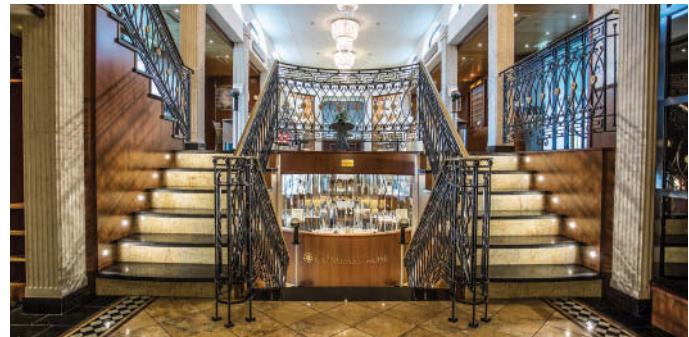
**Internet:** WiFi available, service levels may vary



*The Panorama Lounge and Bar is a perfect place to meet after a day exploring ashore.*



*Enjoy thoughtfully designed spaces aboard your ship —whether in comfortable lounges, on the Sun Deck, or by panoramic windows.*

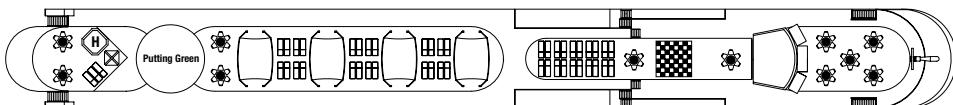


*The lobby is one of focal points onboard, with warm welcomes from the moment you board until you depart.*

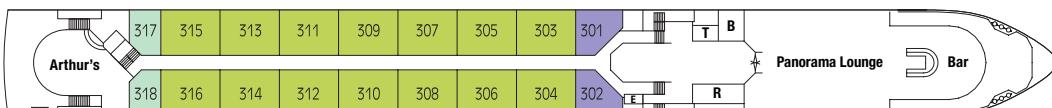


*Category 6 cabins, at 225 sq. ft., feature a private French balcony and floor to ceiling windows.*

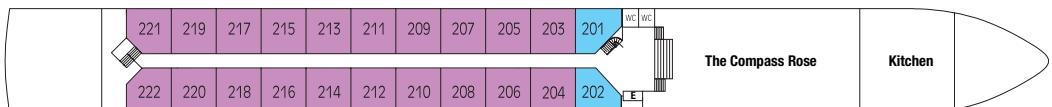
#### **Sun Deck**



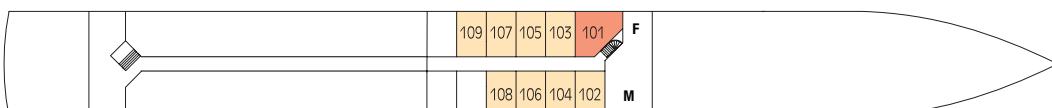
#### **Diamond Deck**



#### **Ruby Deck**



#### **Emerald Deck**



## **Deck Plans**

- **Category 1**  
(150 sq. ft.)
- **Category 2**  
(183 sq. ft.)
- **Category 3**  
(150 sq. ft.)
- **Category 4**  
(183 sq. ft.)
- **Category 5**  
(183 sq. ft.)
- **Category 6**  
(225 sq. ft.)
- **Category 7\***  
(300 sq. ft.)  
(three-guest capacity suites  
with a pull-out sleeping couch)

B = Boutique

E = Elevator

F = Fitness Center

H = Plunge Pool

M = Massage

R = Reception Desk

T = Tauck Desk



## ms *Andorinha*

Purpose-built for cruising through this region to historic quintas and villages along the golden Douro River, ms *Andorinha* – named for a little swallow that serves as a symbol of home, family, love, and loyalty in Portugal – more than lives up to its name. ms *Andorinha* debuted in 2021, offering spacious accommodations for just 84 guests – with twelve 300-sq.-ft. Tauck Suites and two-thirds of its cabins measuring 225 sq. ft. or larger maximizing the onboard experience in every way. Aboard the riverboat, amenities include a pool atop the Sun Deck as well as an outdoor bar and restaurant where you'll have a spectacular vantage point for the Douro's lush landscapes (many of which are UNESCO World Heritage Sites). Experience the Douro aboard a riverboat that is truly inspired by the destination.

### Ship Specifications

**Built:** 2020

**Registry:** Swiss

**Length:** 263 ft. / 80 m.

**Width:** 38 ft. / 11.45 m.

**Draft:** 5 ft. / 1.5 m.

**Maximum Number of guests:** 84

**No. of Guest Cabins:** 42

**Crew Members:** 39

**Number of Decks:** 3 plus a Sun Deck

**Air Conditioning:** Yes  
(European standard AC)

**Elevator:** Yes

**Internet:** WiFi available, service levels may vary

**Tauck Suite Cat 5:** Same as Cat 7 on other riverboats



The experience from the Sun Deck is ever-changing day-to-day, but always with an opportunity to connect and unwind.



The Panorama Lounge is aptly named with its large, expansive windows and comfortable seating.

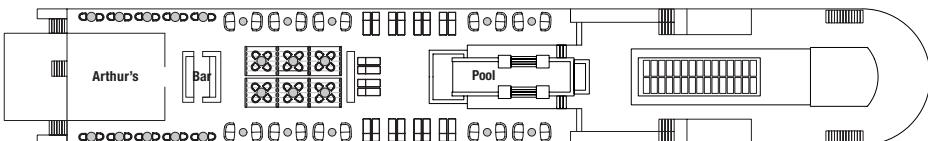


Tauck Suites, Cat 5 (300 sq. ft.) feature a pull-out sleeper sofa, floor to ceiling windows, and French balconies.

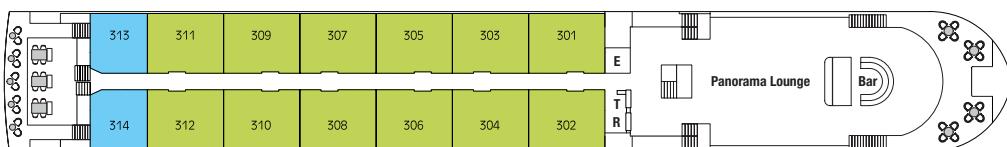


An infinity-style heated swimming pool on the Sun Deck is the perfect place to enjoy the passing riverscapes.

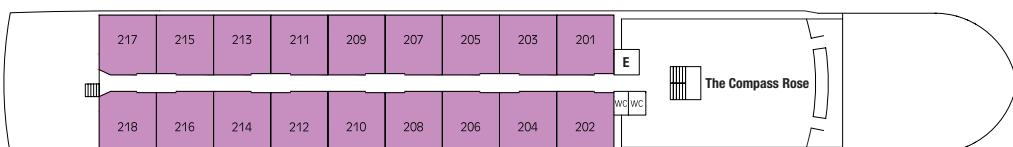
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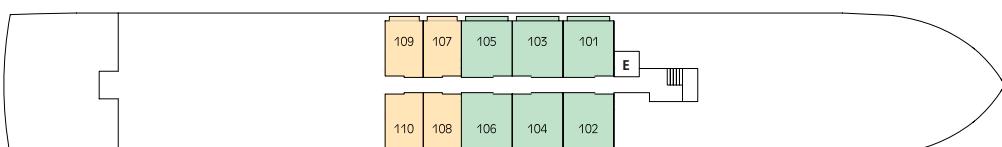
#### Diamond Deck



#### Ruby Deck



#### Emerald Deck



#### Deck Plans

- **Category 1**  
(150 sq. ft.)
- **Category 2**  
(200 sq. ft.)
- **Category 3**  
(225 sq. ft.)
- **Category 4**  
(225 sq. ft.)
- **Category 5**  
(300 sq. ft.)  
(three-guest capacity suites with a pull-out sleeping couch)

E = Elevator

R = Reception Desk

T = Tauck Desk

# General Information

## Expectations Versus Reality

*As a family of travelers, we've learned that every journey starts with a preconceived image of what to expect. Inevitably, this image changes as we experience the real thing. If the actual experience exceeds our expectations, we feel joy. If it falls short, we feel disappointment. For example, hotel accommodations vary significantly around the world in terms of room size, location and service levels. And no matter how hard we try to meet the highest standards, we will all have a favorite and least favorite experience on any trip.*

*Behind every tour or cruise, there are literally hundreds of people we depend upon to help deliver on your expectations. Should one or two of them fall short, or there is an unexpected change to the itinerary, we hope you will not allow an isolated situation to upset your vacation.*

*So much of the joy of travel is to experience the unexpected. We hope you share that philosophy.*

*—The Tauck Family*

This brochure is designed to provide you with an honest description of what to expect on your tour or cruise. The Introduction Pages and the General Information (on these pages) are very important for you to understand. This information, in addition to other documents we will provide when you book with us, including our *Travel Terms and Conditions* and *Journey Confirmation*, form the basis of our agreement with you. These documents include important legal obligations and should be read with care.

## Inclusive Prices

2026 prices are per person in US dollars. Prices include: all accommodations (see below); airport transfers and land transportation as detailed in the tour itinerary; basic internet where available in hotel rooms and aboard ships (service levels not guaranteed); entertainment and special dinners as arranged by Tauck; shore excursions and sightseeing; standard luggage handling; services of ship crew and local guides. Meals are included as specified. All appropriate gratuities for luggage handling, bellmen, doormen, dining room servers and local guides are included. On-tour airfare is included in the tour cost when flights are part of the trip, as indicated on the tour itinerary. Tauck Director and driver gratuities are included for cruises and Tauck Bridges family trips.

**Hotel & Ship Accommodations:** Tauck's per person price is based on double occupancy. Hotel rooms with two beds are usually reserved for doubles. The price for rooms / cabins occupied by one person

is higher than those when two or more people share the cost of a room. Triples usually have two beds (not recommended for comfort). Aboard ships, triples may not be available or may include a sofa or upper berth.

**Luggage Handling & Restrictions:** Normal luggage handling is included in the tour cost. Due to space restrictions on on-tour-transportation, we ask that you please limit your checked luggage to one suitcase per person weighing no more than 50 lbs. Allowances and restrictions for checked and carry-on luggage vary across airlines, so we urge you to verify your airline's current number of items, size and weight limits to avoid overage fees, which can be expensive. Tauck cannot be held liable for additional fees or inconveniences imposed by your airline.

## Not Included in Price

The tour price does not include your airfare and related taxes to the tour departure point and from the tour ending point. As a service, Tauck will make hotel reservations before or after your trip on a space available basis upon request. These hotel charges will be added to your tour cost. Personal Expenses such as phone calls, room service, alcoholic and bar beverages, laundry, airline excess luggage charges (as noted above) and other optional incidental extras are not included.

## Luggage Responsibility

Although every effort is made to handle guests' luggage carefully, we cannot be responsible for loss or damaged luggage and personal effects due to breakage, theft, or fair wear and tear through hotel, airline and ground transportation handling. It is important to have adequate insurance to cover these eventualities. See Tauck's "Guest or Cruise Protection."

## Before You Go

**Itinerary Changes & Price Flexibility:** Tauck will make every effort to operate all tours as published. Tauck reserves the right to alter or curtail the itinerary, or substitute sightseeing, ports, hotels, and / or conveyances as deemed necessary. Any savings realized by these changes will be refunded to guests. Any added expense will be covered by Tauck. Although not expected, prices in this brochure may be modified due to errors or unexpected factors not anticipated at the time of printing.

**Transportation Security:** The Transportation Security Administration requires all passengers to provide their name, date of birth and gender when making all airline reservations. Travelers must provide their passport number and date of birth as they appear on their passport or government-issued ID to Tauck at time of booking for all cruises. Tauck must provide this information to the cruise operator before departure or you may be denied boarding.

**Passports and Visas:** For international travel, US citizens require a passport valid for at least 6 months beyond your return flight date. Non-US citizens should contact their booking agent or appropriate consulate for information on all required documents.

**Vaccinations:** Please check with a travel medical specialist or local health department for specific recommendations and / or requirements for immuniza-

tions. Please note that because there is no way to eliminate all possible risks while traveling with Tauck, we cannot assume liability in the unlikely event you become ill on tour.

**Health and Safety:** Please consult your physician for pre-departure health advice. Tauck regrets that it cannot provide special assistance for walking, wheelchairs, motorized scooters, dining or other personal needs. Guests needing such assistance must be accompanied by an able companion who will assist them. We regret that some itineraries cannot accommodate wheelchairs or motorized scooters.

Tauck reserves the right to terminate the journey of any person who has a health condition that creates a hazard to other guests, is abusive of others or whose behavior is disruptive. Tauck will make no refund and will accept no liability for persons who must leave the trip.

**Shore Excursion Selection:** Tauck will contact guests and travel advisors 90 days prior to departure for shore excursion selections when applicable (included in the price but subject to availability). Shore excursion selections can be made 90 days before departure directly on My Account at [tauck.com](http://tauck.com).

**Photography and Video on Tour:** Occasionally, Tauck will use photographs and / or video taken on tour by fellow guests, your Tauck Director or professional photographers for use in print, Internet and other promotional purposes. If you prefer that your image not be used in any marketing activities, notify your Tauck Director at the start of your tour.

## Airline Reservation Services

International airfare may be purchased through Tauck for travel originating in the United States, Canada and Australia. By using Tauck's air services, you agree that Tauck, in purchasing, selling or otherwise arranging air transportation, is acting only as your agent with air carriers, who are independent contractors. Tauck is not liable or responsible for any accident, death, personal injury, illness, property damage, delay or other loss or expense of any nature whatsoever arising directly or indirectly out of any act of God, or any actions or omissions (including any failure to provide services) or default of, any carrier. Your airline ticket purchased through Tauck constitutes a contract between yourself and the airline. Tauck is not liable for, and does not assume responsibility or accept claims with regard to: seat assignments, name changes, schedule changes, flight changes, missed connections, cancellations, claims for a refund or reimbursement of airline ticket fees, or any other loss or expense incurred by you for any reason whatsoever. Tauck must handle ticketing for Tauck's special fares, which are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed until reserved. Special fares cannot be combined with any other promotional offer. Tauck's air services must be purchased in conjunction with a Tauck tour. Electronic ticket numbers will be provided with final documents. Should you cancel or change your flights before or after departure, all airline cancellation and change fees will apply. It is the guest's responsibility to confirm all departures 24 hours in advance and to be aware of any changes by the carrier.

## How to Make a Reservation

See your travel advisor, or call Tauck at 800-468-2825 to make a reservation.

**Payment Due Dates and Amount:** To hold space up to time of "Final Payment," a non-refundable and non-transferable deposit deposit for each tour booked must be received by the "Deposit Due Date" or your space is automatically released.

**USD \$900 / CAD \$1,100 per person** – European river cruises

Final Payment is due to Tauck 120 days before departure for river cruises. If your deposit was made by credit card, final payment will be automatic unless you opted out at time of booking. Bookings without full payment at this time may be subject to cancellation without notice. Failure to make payment will be considered a cancellation by the guest and all applicable cancellation fees will apply.

**Personal Travel Documents:** Approximately 60 days before departure, and after receipt of final payment, your travel documents will be sent electronically; they will include electronic airline ticket numbers (when applicable), joining instructions, hotel lists, a reading list, clothing suggestions, trip itinerary, and other pertinent information.

**Extreme Circumstances:** In the event of an act of God, war (declared or undeclared), terrorism, accident, natural disaster, outbreak of disease, pandemic, quarantine, decisions by governments, or other similar event or circumstance beyond Tauck's control, Tauck reserves the right to issue a credit to you in lieu of a money-back refund, applicable to a future Tauck journey.

## TAUCK Cruise Protection

Under Tauck's *Cruise Protection* plan, you will receive the following:

**Cancellation Fee Waiver:** Should you have to cancel your trip for any reason, Tauck's Cancellation Fee Waiver reduces the regular cancellation fees outlined herein, provided we are notified of cancellation before your trip departs. Certain terms and restrictions apply.

**Travel Insurance Benefits:** Underwritten by United States Fire Insurance Company. Should you have to cancel your trip due to illness, injury, death or other covered reasons, any cancellation or airline penalties not refunded by Tauck under the Cancellation Fee Waiver may be reimbursable under Trip Cancellation. This Protection also provides benefits for:

- **Trip Interruption** - If you have to interrupt your tour for covered reasons, the plan provides reimbursement to catch up to your tour or return home.
- **Travel Delay** - Provides reimbursement for missed, prepaid Tauck travel arrangements if you are delayed by a common carrier, natural disaster, unannounced strike, or other reasons as cited in the certificate.
- **Medical Expense** - Reimburses covered medical expenses incurred in the event you become injured or sick during your trip.

- **Baggage / Personal Effects Protection** - Provides reimbursement in the event your luggage or personal effects are lost, stolen, damaged or delayed during your trip.

- **Worldwide Emergency Assistance Services** - Provided by Carefree Travel Assistance 24-hour emergency telephone assistance hotline for medical and travel-related problems.

Costs of Tauck's *Cruise Protection* are as follows:

**USD \$659 / CAD \$849 per person** – Tauck Bridges family river cruises

**USD \$799 / CAD \$995 per person** – European river cruises

Tauck's optional *Cruise Protection* must be requested at time of booking and the fee must be included in initial payment. Fees are based on costs as of July 2023 and are subject to change. The amount of any refund shall be reduced by any recoveries obtained by you from any third parties. Travel agent commissions are not covered under these plans.

The protection plans discussed above provide insurance coverage that applies only during the covered trip. You may have coverage from other sources that provides you with similar benefits but may be subject to different restrictions depending upon your other coverages. You may wish to compare the terms of this policy with your existing life, health, home and automobile policies. If you have any questions about your current coverage, call your insurance agent. Should you choose to travel without *Cruise Protection*, or other adequate travel protection coverage, we will not be liable to you for any loss that such travel protection would have covered.

## If You Have to Cancel

**Cancellation Fees:** Regardless of reason, cancellations of confirmed bookings result in costly penalties and fees from hotels, ship operators and other travel providers. Therefore, the fees listed below will apply:

*With Cruise Protection* - Guests choosing to purchase Tauck's *Cruise Protection* will incur cancellation penalties as follows:

- 120 days or more before departure: Loss of *Cruise Protection* fee per person
- 119–60 days before departure: Loss of 25% of cost of tour per person, not including air (if applicable), plus loss of *Cruise Protection* fee
- 59–1 day before departure: Loss of 50% of cost of cruise per person, not including air (if applicable), plus loss of *Cruise Protection* fee

*Without Cruise Protection* - Guests choosing not to purchase Tauck's *Cruise Protection* will incur cancellation penalties as follows:

- 120 days or more before departure: Loss of deposit, per person
- 119–60 days before departure: Loss of 50% of tour cost, not including air (if applicable) per person
- 59–1 day before departure: Loss of 100% of tour cost, not including air (if applicable) per person

Time of cancellation is when notice is received by Tauck.

In the event of an unforeseen circumstance beyond our control, Tauck reserves the right to amend the *Protection* plans and cancellation terms outlined herein.

**Tour Interruption Fees:** If you have to interrupt your tour en route, you may be entitled to a refund for the unused land portion if it exceeds 24 hours; certain restrictions apply. Such refunds are based upon the number of overnights missed less a fee of \$40 USD per person per day for unused transportation and other fixed expenses.

**Partial Room Cancellation:** A person who cancels or leaves a tour while a roommate remains constitutes a cancellation of one type of accommodation and rebooking of another type of accommodation. The price charged to the remaining person is the new, higher price for the new accommodation.

## Before You Book

Before booking your tour or cruise, please be advised that many contain active experiences and may include touring in areas where modern amenities, like US-standard air conditioning, are not available. To access touring locations, you may need to walk considerable distances and stand on uneven terrain like cobblestones. Travelers must be in good health; consult your physician for pre-departure advice.

## Activity & Pace Levels

Higher numbers mean more active journeys.

### Activity

- 1: Walking/standing for up to one hour at a time, stairs and level ground
- 2: Walking/standing for one to two miles at a time, uneven steps & cobblestones
- 3: Active hiking, biking & walking for two to three miles, up hills & uneven terrain
- 4: Active walking, hiking, biking & sea kayaking with distances of 3+ miles for up to 3 hours at a time

### Pace

- 1: Generally easy – with time to rest and relax
- 2: Moderate – with some early morning starts
- 3: Often robust – long days, active sightseeing, early starts, evening activities, significant travel times
- 4: Consistently robust – very full and active days, extended travel times, and may include use of different modes of local transport

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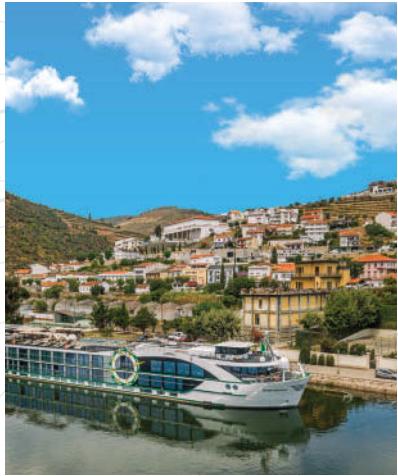
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