

EXCURSIONS

Rhine Gourmet Cooks – 5 Nights



Day	Arr	Dep	City
Sun., 27.09.	-	17:00	Cologne, Rhine
Mon., 28.09.	13:00	23:00	Hoorn, NL
Tue., 29.09.	06:00	22:00	Amsterdam, NL
Wed., 30.09.	08:00	20:00	Rotterdam, NL
Thu., 01.10.	06:00	13:00	Nijmegen, NL
Fri., 02.10.	06:00	-	Cologne, Rhine

Create your very personal holiday programme with our choice of carefully chosen excursions! Each excursion is a highlight in itself: from tours through metropolises, trips through impressive landscapes to action and fun-filled excursions. In many cities you have the opportunity to visit the country and its people with your personal guide and driver.

We have compiled the excursion programme in conjunction with well-known, local agencies. We arrange the excursions and they are implemented by the local agencies, which are the excursion organisers, and thus also your contractual partners. Your A-ROSA excursion team has tried every excursion. They explored the cities, the surroundings, museums and castles themselves to provide you with the best experiences. Look forward to a variety of excursions that will make your holiday unforgettable. The excursions for your cruise can be found on the following pages.

In order to provide you with a better overview of the various offers, we have divided our excursions into five categories: Bike, Discovery, Adventure, Family and Gourmet tours. Each is assigned the corresponding symbol. Your International Host on board will happily provide you with more information.

We wish you a great time on shore! Your A-ROSA Team

A-ROSA CATEGORIES



DISCOVERY TOURS

City tours, city walks or sightseeing tours.



ADVENTURE TOURS

Themed tours or excursions with unusual forms of transportation.



BIKE TOURS

Guided bike tours for an energetic way to explore the region.



GOURMET TOURS

Sample regional specialities directly from the producers.

HOORN

CITY WALK THROUGH HOORN

During this city walk you will learn about Willem Schouten, who sailed around the southern tip of America in 1616, and named it after his home town. Another famous man from Hoorn was Abel Janszoon Tasman, who was the first European to visit both New Zealand and Tasmania. During the tour, you will be able to see the picturesque harbour, the Grote Kerk, the old town hall or the Waage from 1609.

Price: € 19 | Duration: approx. 1.5 h

BIKE TOUR TO HOORN AND ITS COASTAL AREA

Hoorn's great geographical location right next to the Markermeer is one reason for the city's idyllic charm. The surrounding area features a great variety of bicycle tracks through the breathtaking landscapes. This bike ride takes you past the wide polder landscape, through small inland dikes and ancient villages. In Beemster, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, you will see the summer houses of Hoorn merchants from the 17th century.

Price: € 43 | Duration: approx. 3 h | Distance: approx. 25 km

AMSTERDAM

BIKE EXCURSION THROUGH THE "GREEN CITY" AMSTERDAM

Do it like the Dutch do: discover Amsterdam by bike and get a new perspective on this quirky, historic city. The ferry close to our pier takes you towards the IJsselmeer, on which riverbank the city of Amsterdam is located. You can enjoy the panoramic view of the flat landscape while cycling through the picturesque unique areas claimed from the waters.

Price: € 49 | Duration: approx. 3.5 h | Distance: approx. 28 km

BUS TOUR OF AMSTERDAM

Laid-back, full of history, brimming with vibrant culture – few European cities are as multifaceted as Amsterdam. Get to know this charming multicultural metropolis as your tour takes you past impressive historical buildings, along charming winding streets and – of course – to the famous city canals. You'll then have some free time to explore Amsterdam's old town around the Bloemenmarkt flower market.

Price: € 47 | Duration: approx. 3 h | Please note: The programme may vary.



DUTCH CHEESE – TASTE AND TRADITION

Edam is famous around the world for its cheese, but there's more to see and experience here. You'll go on a short walk to explore this small town, which is criss-crossed with many little canals, and take in several sights including the Cheese Market. Although there isn't much cheese sold here nowadays, the old traditions are revived regularly and local cheese is transported to different sellers on sledges, just like in days gone by. You'll have a little free time in the town centre before you continue on to Katwoude. Here, you'll find a charming organic farm right next to the IJsselmeer dyke. The damp meadows of the polder landscape provide the perfect conditions for the cows that produce the all-important milk for the local cheese. You'll learn how this cheese is made – and have the opportunity to taste a few different varieties.

Price: € 52 | Duration: approx. 4.5 h

TWILIGHT CANAL TOUR

A canal tour through Amsterdam's historical centre is a very special experience – especially in the evening. As the boat glides slowly through the water, picturesque house fronts, narrow lanes and magnificent historical buildings drift by. And you'll pass under many handsome bridges that look particularly stunning in the twilight. Discover the city – and marvel at the thousands upon thousands of lights reflected on the water – as you sip a glass of champagne.

Price: € 62 | Duration: approx. 2 h

EXCLUSIVE CANAL TOUR FOR UP TO 7 PEOPLE

There is no better way to explore Amsterdam than from the water. The exclusive canal tour, just for you, takes you through small canals to see Amsterdam's sights and architectural treasures. Your private guide will tell you everything you need to know about this enchanting city. A very special highlight during your holiday!

Price: € 799 | Duration: approx. 2.5 h | Price per boat, max. 7 passengers. This excursion is only bookable on request. We recommend that you make a reservation online.

EXPLORE AMSTERDAM INDIVIDUALLY – ENGLISH-SPEAKING PRIVATE TOUR GUIDE FOR UP TO 4 PEOPLE

Let your private English-speaking tour guide help you discover the best of Amsterdam – whether you'd like to receive advice about what to buy at the flower market, take a stroll along the most picturesque canals or go on a guided tour of the Rijksmuseum. You'll decide what you want to do, and your guide will tailor the tour to meet your individual requirements. This is also your only opportunity to go on a guided tour of the prettiest part of Amsterdam – the red-light district. The rules changed last year, and large groups of tourists are no longer allowed here. So, if you want to explore the oldest part of the city with the most attractive architecture in depth, this is your chance.

Price: € 299 | Duration: approx. 3 h | Please note: This excursion is only bookable on request. We recommend that you make a reservation online.

**EXPLORE AMSTERDAM INDIVIDUALLY –
PRIVATE PEOPLE CARRIER WITH DRIVER FOR UP TO 4 PEOPLE** 

Would you like to explore the city on your own while travelling in comfort? Then book a private people carrier for up to 4 people. You can also book an expert tour guide at the same time if you wish. Whether you go alone, as a couple or with new friends you've made on your cruise, you'll be able to discover the parts of Amsterdam that you're most interested in.

Price: € 399 | Duration: approx. 3 h | Please note: This excursion is only bookable on request. We recommend that you make a reservation online.

**EXPLORE AMSTERDAM INDIVIDUALLY –
PRIVATE CAR WITH DRIVER FOR UP TO 2 PEOPLE** 

Would you like to explore Amsterdam individually with your partner or travel companion while travelling in comfort? Your driver can take you to museums, shops and the red-light district. You can also book an expert tour guide at the same time if you wish.

Price: € 369 | Duration: approx. 3 h

ROTTERDAM

DIZZY HEIGHTS AND DUTCH SPECIALITIES - ROTTERDAM'S EUROMAST AND MARKET HALL 

Experience some of Rotterdam's various highlights – both 185 metres from the ground and 6 metres below sea level. Rotterdam is fascinating on all levels. After a short bus tour through the newer part of the city, you'll scale the dizzy heights of the Euromast tower. Standing 185 metres tall, it was built for the Floriade exhibition in 1960. From the 112-metre-high observation deck you'll enjoy a breathtaking view across the modern skyline and the harbour. On a clear day it's possible to look out across the North Sea. From up here you can venture even higher by taking the rotating glass lift, called the Euroscop, up to 185 metres. Once you're back on the ground, the tour will continue, taking in the beautifully designed and cutting-edge market hall building, which has proven very popular with visitors since it opened in 2014. Here you'll have the opportunity to sample typical Dutch specialities including herring, cheese, genever and traditional syrup waffles. Afterwards there'll be time for you to explore on your own before you are taken back to the ship.

Price: € 59 | Duration: approx. 4 h



BIKE TOUR THROUGH ROTTERDAM

Rotterdam is home to Europe's largest seaport. But with a university, a technical college, a music college and an art academy, the city is also one of the cultural centres of the Netherlands. The best way to see its sheer variety is by bike. You will cycle past the old clinker-houses of the suburbs and past charming houses, to the world famous Cube Houses and through the De Kralingse Bos park with its popular lake. The modern architecture of the new city is also impressive. During your tour, you will also see the gigantic Erasmus Bridge, the Art Hall and the Schouwburgplein.

Price: € 43 | Duration: approx. 3 h | Distance: approx. 20 km

NIJMEGEN

HANSEATIC CITY NIJMEGEN

The Hanseatic city of Nijmegen is the oldest city in the Netherlands. Its history goes back to Roman times. Later, the city repeatedly became the imperial residence (during the Carolingian period), as well as a part of the Hanseatic League. In 1678, the Treaty of Peace of Nijmegen between France and the Netherland was signed here. The central old town is especially worth a visit today. You will explore the old town during this guided city walk, where you will also see the St. Stevenskerk, the Belvédère, the Latijnse School and the Grote Markt.

Price: € 19 | Duration: approx. 1.5 h

EVERYTHING YOU SHOULD KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

EXCURSION AGENCY

GLOBUS Tours GmbH, Untere Paulistrasse 16, CH-8834 Schindellegi

PAYMENT

The excursions will be charged directly to your onboard account.

BOOKING DEADLINES AND CANCELLATIONS

There are booking deadlines for every port. These deadlines are announced in the daily programme on board. Cancellations or rebookings after the deadline are not possible. In case of illness, the excursion for the affected person will be cancelled free of charge.

CLIMATE AND CLOTHING

For shore excursions, we recommend stable and comfortable footwear with nonslip grip soles. In the summer months, you should be prepared for a very hot and humid climate. We recommend to bring insect repellent, sunscreen and headwear. Please also dress appropriately when visiting churches and monasteries.

GUESTS WITH LIMITED MOBILITY

We kindly ask you to get in touch with your Guest Relation Manager or International Host as soon as possible. This allows us to advise you individually or to make the appropriate preparations on location if required.

GOLF

It is possible to play golf in many destinations. The golf courses are very different in terms of quality and condition. Information about the location and costs can be obtained from your Guest Relation Manager or International Host on board.

INCLUDED SERVICES

Included in the excursion price: Guided excursions, transport and admission charges. Drinks and meals are only included if mentioned in the excursion description. We always give preference to typical local specialities where meals are included, giving you the opportunity to get to know and enjoy something new. Please be aware that the meals and drinks on the excursions will not always be up to the standard of the varied range of meals you are used to aboard A-ROSA.

LEGAL MATTERS

The excursions generally take place as described. As your contractual partner, the agencies, however, reserve the right, even without prior notice, to adapt the order or times of the excursions depending on current conditions in order to guarantee your safety. The organiser also reserves the right to exclude a participant from the trip without reimbursement of costs if her/his behaviour is not conducive to the safety, well-being or harmony of the group. The insurance policies taken out by the agencies conform to local legislation and vary widely. We therefore recommend that you take out our comprehensive river cruise insurance (please contact us for further information) before the beginning of your cruise.

MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

Most excursions can only take place if the minimum number of participants of 20 is reached. We will inform you as soon as possible if a trip cannot take place. In this case, your booking will be cancelled and the excursion price will of course be credited to your onboard cabin account. We will also suggest an alternative excursion. For some excursions, the number of participants is limited. Registrations are always considered in the order they were made. We kindly ask for your understanding that we might not be able to accept your registration any longer if the maximum number has already been reached. Of course, we also offer alternatives in this case.

TOUR GUIDE AND LOCAL CUSTOMS

The excursion programme gives you the opportunity to get to know interesting towns, historic places, impressive scenery, as well as different cultures, nations, customs and traditions. Tourism is still at an early stage in some of the excursion ports. The level of the local tour guides, which accompany the excursions, corresponds to the top standard of the respective country. This also applies to all coaches.

PRICES AND DISCOUNTS FOR CHILDREN

Prices are indicated - equivalent to the onboard currency - in Euro. For many of the excursions there are discounts for children up to the age of 11. Children under the age of four can take part for free, but are not entitled a seat. More precise information can be obtained from your Guest Relation Manager or International Host.

TICKETS

After booking, you will receive your shore excursion ticket. Please do not forget to bring it with you for the shore excursion. The excursion ticket entitles you to participate and is collected by the agency at the start of the excursion.

TIPPING

It is a common practice to reward good service with a tip. The local tour guides will be pleased if you show your acknowledgement.

AND FINALLY ...

Objects of value, jewellery, large sums of cash and credit cards should be left in your cabin safe, so that you can enjoy the excursions in a relaxed and carefree frame of mind. Enjoy your excursion on shore!

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