

EXCURSIONS

Romance on the Rhine – 5 Nights



Day	Arr	Dep	City
Day 1	-	17:00	Cologne, DE
Day 2	11:00	21:00	Mainz, DE
Day 3	09:00	18:00	Germersheim/Speyer*, DE
Day 4	08:00	19:00	Kehl, DE (Strasbourg, FR)
Day 5	-	-	Passage Lorelei & UNESCO World Heritage Site Middle Rhine Valley, De
Day 5	16:30	22:00	Koblenz, DE
Day 6	06:00	-	Cologne, DE

*we are docking at Germersheim or Speyer depending on availability

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



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

MAINZ

CITY WALK OF HISTORIC MAINZ



The cheerful Carnival City of Mainz has a long history. Our excursion takes you to the historic treasures, such as St. Martin's Cathedral. Built in the 10th century, it is Mainz's landmark and impresses visitors with its opulent interior. Afterwards the tour takes you to the former Holy Spirit Hospital from the 13th century and to the Old University. It was built as a Jesuit College between 1615 and 1618 and still houses various institutes today. Johannes Gutenberg, one of Mainz's most famous sons, invented the printing press in the 15th century.

Price: € 19 | Duration: approx. 2 h



BIKE TOUR THROUGH MAINZ



This exciting bike tour will introduce you to the rich and varied geography and history of the former electoral residence. First, you will cycle to the mouth of the Main into the Rhine. Then, the excursion will take you past old bastions to the nine-metre-high Fastnachtsbrunnen and further up to the citadel, past the Roman theatre and through the old town. The cathedral is the city's landmark and houses one of the richest church furnishings of Christianity. Also worth seeing are the church of St. Stephen with the unique Chagall windows and of course the Electoral Palace.

Price: € 39 | Duration: approx. 3.5 h | Distance: 20 km

SPEYER

SPEYER: THE CATHEDRAL CITY



Experience 2,000 years of history in Speyer. This was once the centre of the Holy Roman Empire of the German nation. In the historical old town you'll come across traces of its remarkable past at every turn as you stroll down romantic lanes and cross busy squares. The mighty Speyer Cathedral dominates the city's skyline. It is the largest Romanesque church today and is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. At the end of your visit here there'll be time to have a look around on your own: why not visit the crypt, which was consecrated in 1041 and boasts the largest Romanesque columned hall (admission costs approx. € 4).

Price: € 19 | Duration: approx. 2 h

**EXPLORE THE PALATINATE REGION AT YOUR OWN PACE –
ENGLISH-SPEAKING PRIVATE TOUR GUIDE FOR UP TO 4 PEOPLE** 

The Palatinate is known for its laid-back atmosphere, its Mediterranean-style climate and its wonderful cuisine. If you like fine wine, good food and regional specialities, you've come to the right place. And, as if that wasn't enough, there are also castles, palaces, museums and mining centres to explore. Your private tour guide will be happy to show you all of this: we recommend that you book a people carrier too, so that you can relax as you discover the beauty of the Palatinate.

Price: € 469 | Duration: approx. 4.5 h | Please note: This excursion is only bookable on request. We recommend that you make a reservation online.

**EXPLORE THE PALATINATE REGION AT YOUR OWN PACE –
PRIVATE PEOPLE CARRIER WITH DRIVER FOR UP TO 4 PEOPLE** 

Few routes are better known than the Palatinate region's German Wine Route, which passes through picturesque towns such as Bad Dürkheim, Deidesheim and Neustadt. You'll find a wealth of treasures of all kinds in this region, which has long been famous for its wine. Thanks to your private people carrier and your driver, you'll have the opportunity to explore this stunning region in comfort. You can also book an expert tour guide at the same time if you wish.

Price: € 549 | Duration: approx. 4.5 h | Please note: This excursion is only bookable on request. We recommend that you make a reservation online.

KEHL/STRASBOURG

CITY TOUR THROUGH STRASBOURG 

The capital of the Alsace region offers an exciting mix of tradition and modernity with a large portion of savoir-vivre. The tour will take you to the European Parliament, the Council of Europe and continues to the historic centre known as "Petite France". You will explore this little gem with its historic buildings on foot, such as the Liebfrauenmünster (Strasbourg Cathedral). It is one of the world's largest sandstone buildings.
Price: € 49 | Duration: approx. 4 h



CYCLE THE GRANDE ÎLE 

From the Roman Empire to the Middle Ages, many epochs left their mark on the Grande Île. Your cycling tour through the Alsatian capital of Strasbourg takes you past historic half-timbered houses, the majestic cathedral, the European Parliament and the Two Shores Garden. Variety is guaranteed. Spectacular nature as well. And cosy cafés everywhere to take little breaks. Finally, you will cycle across the magnificent bridge designed by the Parisian architect Marc Mimram. It connects Strasbourg with Kehl and embodies the union of the two banks and countries. In the centre of the bridge, there is a platform resting 12 metres above the river.

Price: € 39 | Duration: approx. 3.5 h | Distance: 25 km

KOBLENZ

BY CABLE CAR TO THE FORTRESS EHRENBREITSTEIN

The breath-taking cable car ride across the Rhine and up to the Ehrenbreitstein Fortress should not be missed: Behind you the roofs of Koblenz, below you the broad river and in front of you the gigantic fortress Ehrenbreitstein. This adjective is by no means an exaggeration, as you will be entering the second largest preserved fortress in Europe. Prussian King Friedrich Wilhelm III ordered the construction as part of an anti-French military line. Up to 6,500 craftsmen and day labourers were employed. The mighty fortress rises 118 metres above the Rhine and was once the core of the fortification around Koblenz. Together with the Deutsches Eck, it forms the northern gateway to the UNESCO World Heritage Upper Middle Rhine Valley. Afterwards we will walk through the old town back to the ship.

Price: € 32 | Duration: approx. 2.5 h | Please note: Excursion available from March to October

CITY WALK THROUGH KOBLENZ

When modern rationality mixes with southern German nonchalance, something wonderful is created. Koblenz itself is the best example! The excursion begins with the landmark of the city: the monumental Kaiser Wilhelm monument at the Deutsches Eck (German Corner). The second landmark is the Schängel Fountain, which depicts a cheeky boy. Stroll through the romantic lanes between the Basilica St. Kastor and the Church of Our Lady, both feature impressive Romanesque two-tower façades. You will hear exciting details about the city's history along the way.

Price: € 19 | Duration: approx. 2 h | Please note: Excursion available from November to January

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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