

EXCURSIONS

Rhône Route Classique – A-ROSA LUNA

– 7 Nights



Day	Arr	Dep	City
Day 1	-	21:00	Lyon
Day 2	15:30	16:00	Châteauneuf-du-Pape*
Day 2	18:30	-	Avignon
Day 3	-	12:00	Avignon
Day 3	15:30	21:00	Arles
Day 4	08:00	13:00	Viviers
Day 5	07:00	18:00	Lyon
Day 6	08:00	14:30	Chalon-sur-Saône
Day 6	18:00	19:30	Tournus*
Day 6	22:30	-	Mâcon
Day 7	-	18:30	Mâcon
Day 8	02:00	-	Lyon

*Excursion stop

Please note that there may be small changes in the itinerary due to locks and special nautical conditions.

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Cruising differently

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.



FAMILY TOURS

Exciting and interactive excursions for young and old.



ADVENTURE TOURS

Themed tours or excursions with unusual forms of transportation.



GOURMET TOURS

Sample regional specialities directly from the producers.



BIKE TOURS

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

EXCURSION PACKAGE

BOOK AN EXCURSION PACKAGE AND SAVE!

The package includes several excursions at one special price. You will save compared to booking the excursions individually. Take advantage and make the most out of your A-ROSA holiday.

DIJON – THE CAPITAL OF THE DUKES OF BURGUNDY (Chalon-sur-Saône)

AVIGNON CITY WALKING TOUR WITH A VISIT TO THE POPES PALACE (Avignon)

LYON'S INDOOR FOOD MARKET AND CITY CENTRE (Lyon)

WONDERFUL BEAUJOLAIS: THE HAMEAU DUBŒUF WINE MUSEUM (Mâcon)

Price: € 179 SPECIAL PRICE | The excursion package can be booked on board and in advance online at www.arosa-cruises.com/excursions.

CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE

ORANGE - THE GATEWAY TO PROVENCE

"This is the most beautiful wall of my kingdom." Louis XIV, the "Sun King", was impressed when he saw the stage wall of the amphitheatre in Orange for the first time. It is one of the best preserved antique theatres in Europe. You can see the traces of the Romans everywhere, but the everyday life of today is also worth experiencing. After visiting the amphitheatre, you will have some free time. The typical dried herbal mixtures are a great souvenir to take home the taste of Provence. In Avignon you will come back on board.

Price: € 55 | Duration: approx. 3 h

WAVE ISLAND – DIVE IN AND COOL OFF!

What could be better than diving into a cool swimming pool on a warm summer's day? Wave Island water park promises fun for the whole family. With water slides for all ages, relaxing beaches and a surfing pool, there are plenty of ways to have a wonderful time here. There's even a dedicated pool complex for the smallest guests, with space for them to paddle and play.

Price: € 69 (includes transfers and admission) | Duration: approx. 4.5 h | Please note: Excursion available in summer on family cruises

AVIGNON

BIKE TOUR THROUGH AVIGNON BY MORNING

In the morning, Avignon is still wonderfully quiet. The perfect time to explore the city and its exciting history by bike. After witnessing the sun rise over the Rhône, you will explore the enormous Pope's Palace and many other sights. The relocation of the Pope's seat to Avignon in the 14th century also provided the city with gothic churches, monasteries and other splendid buildings. The morning light also illuminates the small island Barthelasse with a fantastic atmosphere. Here, you will cycle through lush nature inside and outside of the city.

Price: € 39 | Duration: approx. 2 h | Distance: 20 km

AVIGNON CITY WALKING TOUR WITH A VISIT TO THE POPES PALACE

Through narrow alleys and past the numerous small city palaces, chapels and churches, this excursion will lead you to the famous Palais du Pape. In the beginning of the 14th century Pope Clemens V settled here, followed by further popes and cardinals. The visit of this fortified site takes you to the great halls, to the chapels, to the terrace with magnificent views of Avignon and the Rhône and even to the private chambers of the Pope. Each year in July, one of the largest theatre festivals in the world takes place around the palace. Afterwards you pass the church of St. Agricol and to the ruins of the famous Pont d'Avignon.

Price: € 32 | Duration: approx. 2.5 h



ARLES

THE CAMARGUE - A WONDER OF NATURE

Where land and sea merge, something wonderful is created. The Camargue is a natural wonder. And you will experience it first hand on this bus tour - with its flocks of flamingos and the famous white horses, the fauna is truly unique. Today, the free-roaming white Camargue horses and Camargue cattle are not wild animals anymore, but are kept on wide pastures that are typical for the region. We will continue to Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer, a major pilgrimage site and a touristic hub of the Camargue. The Notre-Dame-de-la-Mer church from the 9th century houses sacred relics of Marie Salomé and Marie Jacobé. Since 1448, a pilgrimage to the church has been held twice per year. The centre of veneration of Saint Sarah, also known as Sara the Black, is also here in Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer, a place of pilgrimage for Roma. After a short walk you will have some free time.

Price: € 52 | Duration: approx. 4 h

JEEP TOUR THROUGH THE CAMARGUE

The Camargue is one of the last areas along the Mediterranean Coast where you can find unspoilt nature. It is an Eldorado for nature lovers. Once you leave the main roads during your jeep tour, a wonderful adventure will begin. See the famous white wild horses and enjoy the endless vastness. During a short stop in Les Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer, you will have the opportunity to enjoy the beach or stroll through the shopping streets.

Price: € 92 | Duration: approx. 4 h | Note: Driver is also the guide.

HORSE RIDE THROUGH THE CAMARGUE

The Camargue is a paradise not only for the white wild horses, but also for riders. In the middle of the landscapes, south of Arles, several ranches offer wonderful excursions. Whether you'd prefer a short ride or a day trip, your guest relation manager on board will be happy to give you further information, arrange the excursion time according to your personal wishes and also organise the transfer.

Price: € 92 | Duration: approx. 4 h | Please note: This excursion is only bookable on request. We recommend that you make a reservation online.



BIKE TOUR THROUGH THE WILD CAMARGUE

Quaint villages, white wild horses and pink flamingos - that is the Camargue. Explore the untouched flood plain in the saddle of your A-ROSA bicycle. You will cycle past vast rice fields and the famous Camargue bulls - the meat is a real delicacy - until arriving in Étang de Vaccarès. With a little luck, we will see some flamingos here at the salt water lagoon. The next stop is Arles, which is a well-known thanks to Van Gogh's masterpieces. During a coffee break, you can admire the imposing amphitheatre from the Roman period.

Price: € 54 | Duration: approx. 4 h | Distance: 43 km

VIVIERS

ARDÈCHE GORGES AND LAVENDER SCENT

Over the course of millions of years, the typical limestone of the Ardèche formed one of the most beautiful landscapes in France. This includes the fairy-tale grottos. Along the river you will drive to one of the numerous grottos of the area, such as the Grottes des Madeleines with its subterranean halls. Continuing your trip to one of the lavender producers in the Ardèche-area, you will be shown the different types and species of lavender, as well as their usage in medicine, decoration and perfume production.

Price: € 67 | Duration: approx. 5 h | Please note: The temperature in the Grotto is only about 15° C, please take warm clothing with you.

BIKE TOUR THROUGH PICTURESQUE ARDÈCHE

The Rhône crosses the landscape like a dark green ribbon. And you will cycle along the bank, beginning in Viviers. First you will pass by the foot of a local mountain and cycle through the pretty town of Donzère. Then it becomes a bit more demanding: you will cycle on a former route of the Tour de France with a longer climb. Your guide will adjust speed to ensure that everyone can keep up. And the effort is definitely worth it: the magnificent descent back to Viviers takes you past Châteauneuf-du-Rhône.

Price: € 44 | Duration: approx. 2.5 h | Distance: 19 km



KAYAK ADVENTURE – A KAYAK TOUR FOR UP TO 4 PEOPLE

Ready for an exciting adventure? From Viviers or La Voulte the bus will take you to the kayak station. After a briefing with detailed information you will paddle on one of the world's most famous kayak trails. Through calm waters and exciting rapids, you will experience the beautiful landscape. In between, you can have a picnic before you paddle back to the valley station.

Price: € 479 | Duration: approx. 4 h | Please note: This excursion is only bookable on request. We recommend that you make a reservation online.

LYON

LYON'S INDOOR FOOD MARKET AND CITY CENTRE

The indoor food market of Lyon is named after Paul Bocuse – and with good reason. This star chef was based in Lyon and so he often shopped here. There are plenty of tasty specialities for you to sample here. But France's second-largest metropolis has a lot more to offer beyond that. Your tour will continue through the city centre, where you'll take in some wonderful sights.

Price: € 49 | Duration: approx. 4 h | Meals/drinks: small samples in the market hall

BIKE TOUR THROUGH LYON

Would you like to experience Lyon's hustle and bustle? Then get in the saddle and cycle through Lyon! A highlight of this refreshing tour is a stop at the market halls Les Halles, where fresh produce and products for fine Lyon cuisine are on display. Let your eyes wander over the huge Place Bellecour and watch the ever-hungry pigeons. Finally, you will have a view over the whole city from Fourvière Hill.

Price: € 49 | Duration: approx. 3 h | Distance: 10 km

SEGWAY TOUR THROUGH LYON

Your guide will be waiting outside the ship to show you how to use your segway. In a small group you will explore the old town of Lyon with its impressive sights and the French lifestyle. After the two-hour tour across the peninsula you will return to the ship.

Price: € 92 | Duration: approx. 1.5 h | Please note: This excursion is only bookable on request. We recommend that you make a reservation online.

**EXPLORE LYON INDIVIDUALLY –
ENGLISH-SPEAKING PRIVATE TOUR GUIDE FOR UP TO 6 PEOPLE** 

Would you like to explore the old town privately with a tour guide and enjoy a leisurely walk through the narrow streets of the Presqu'île, the city's peninsula? Your guide will show you around and provide lots of valuable insights. After all, Lyon has so much to offer – and that applies to its cuisine too. Find out where to get the best coussins de Lyon – a sweet speciality made in the city – and much more.

Price: € 329 | Duration: approx. 4 h | Please note: This excursion is only bookable on request. We recommend that you make a reservation online.

**EXPLORE LYON INDIVIDUALLY –
PRIVATE PEOPLE CARRIER WITH DRIVER FOR UP TO 6 PEOPLE** 

Lyon is a multifaceted city brimming with cultural and culinary delights. It's up to you to decide what you want to see: the magnificent Basilica of Notre-Dame de Fourvière, the old town with its legendary traboules (small secret passageways) or perhaps the famous facade paintings on the Presqu'île, the city's peninsula. Your driver will take you wherever you'd like to go – and your personal guide will then show you the city's hidden treasures. You can book an expert tour guide at the same time if you wish.

Price: € 499 | Duration: approx. 4 h | Please note: This excursion is only bookable on request. We recommend that you make a reservation online.



CHALON-SUR-SAÔNE

DIJON – THE CAPITAL OF THE DUKES OF BURGUNDY 

The 'Route des Grands Crus' will take you through gently rolling vineyards to Dijon, the capital of the historical duchy of Burgundy and the capital of the Côte-d'Or département today. Back in the 14th and 15th centuries a mighty empire was ruled from the imposing Palace of the Dukes of Burgundy. Powerful dukes such as Philip the Bold supported the arts by acting as patrons – and their generosity is still evident in many places today. After enjoying some free time, you'll return to the ship.

Price: € 49 | Duration: approx. 4.5 h

CYCLING ALONG THE CHEMIN VERT 

From Chalon-sur-Saône it is only few kilometres to Chemin Vert, which is one of the most beautiful bicycle tracks of France. Drive along Canal du Centre through the fascinating landscapes of famous vineyards. The grapes for the finest wines in the world grow here: the Burgundy wines. In or close to Chagny, we will stop for a coffee break before cycling back to Chalon.

Price: € 54 | Duration: approx. 3.5 h | Distance: 43 km

BIKE TOUR THROUGH BURGUNDY TO TOURNUS

While your A-ROSA cruise ship will be cruising from Chalon-sur-Saône to Tournus, you may do the same route by bike. From Chalon you will take the south route and pass through Varennes, Marnay and Gigny until you will reach Tournus. A tour without steep ascending slopes, which is suitable for everyone.

Price: € 54 | Duration: approx. 3.5 h | Distance: 39 km

MÂCON

BIKE TOUR TO MÂCON AND ITS SURROUNDINGS

Often, simple is best. And from the saddle of your A-ROSA bike, you will experience the beauty of the Burgundy in a simple, yet breathtaking way: cycling along vineyards and the picturesque villages Prissé and Vinser. Afterwards, you will discover little treasures in Saint-Laurent-sur-Saône and Mâcon.

Price: € 44 | Duration: approx. 2.5 h | Distance: 20 km

WONDERFUL BEAUJOLAIS: THE HAMEAU DUBŒUF WINE MUSEUM

The Hameau Dubœuf wine park near Mâcon is dedicated to wine and winemaking. Founded by the leading wine producer in the Beaujolais region, it has become famous around the globe for its unique collection of wine-related artefacts. Demonstrations and audio-visual shows make winegrowing come alive for visitors – and there'll be an opportunity for you to sample some of the wines too, of course.

Price: € 62 | Duration: approx. 3.5 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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