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JEWELS OF THE RHINE
8 day itinerary | Amsterdam to Zurich | EWAB.1 |

Explore modern and quintessential Holland on a glass-top canal boat cruise through Amsterdam, before sailing through the countryside and witnessing traditional windmills. Enjoy a guided walking tour of magnificent Cologne and the juxtaposition of ancient Koblenz, continuing upstream to Heidelberg. Soak up Strasbourg's beautiful architecture and visit Freiburg a Black Forest destination.

Map

NETHERLANDS
Amsterdam
Cologne
GERMANY
(7) Koblenz
Ludwigshafen
FRANCE
Heidelberg
Strasbourg
Kehl
Breisach
Freiburg
Basel
Zurich
SWITZERLAND

(7) Number of nights — River Cruise — Coach transfer

Map is a guide only

CAT	Stateroom/Suite	Deck	Group Fare
E	Emerald Stateroom	Riviera	$X,XXX
ES	Emerald Single Stateroom	Riviera	$X,XXX
D	Emerald Stateroom	Riviera	$X,XXX
C	Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite	Vista	$X,XXX
B	Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite	Vista	$X,XXX
A	Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite	Horizon	$X,XXX
S	Grand Balcony Suite	Horizon	$X,XXX
SA	Owner's One-Bedroom Suite	Horizon	$X,XXX

Pricing is per person. Included in the above group fares is a per person port charge of

The Emerald**EXPERIENCE**

- **Airport transfers** to and from your Star-Ship

- Stylish **Accommodations** on board our Star-Ship

- All **Meals** included while on board, including a Welcome and Farewell Reception & Dinner

- Complimentary wine, beer and soft drinks to accompany lunch & dinner on board

- Complimentary tea & coffee on board

- Complimentary bottled water in your suite or stateroom, restocked daily

- A variety of onboard evening entertainment

- Complimentary Wi-Fi on board

- An excursion almost every day

- Complimentary bicycles on board

- First-class service from English-speaking crew and knowledgeable local guides

- Earn EmeraldEXPLORER loyalty points

- All port charges and overseas transfers

- All gratuities are included

Day 1 Amsterdam

Upon arrival in Amsterdam, you will be met at the airport and transferred to your innovative Emerald Cruises Star-Ship, where your friendly captain and crew will be waiting for your arrival.

Meal: Dinner

Day 2 Amsterdam

Every narrow street and gabled façade in Amsterdam tells tales of the Dutch Golden Age, a prosperous time when Dutch art was among the most acclaimed in the world.

Today, relax during a glass top canal boat tour through Amsterdam's elaborate UNESCO World Heritage-listed canal system, sailing through the medieval center of the city and past Roman patrician houses. Alternatively, embark on a guided bike tour to Waterland, passing quintessential villages, traditional windmills and flower fields.

Enjoy sailing through the countryside and on towards the Rhine River this afternoon, perhaps enjoying a drink on the Sun Deck and watching the passing scenery before joining your captain for a gala dinner.

📷 Canal cruise

🚲 Guided bike tour to Waterland

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 3 Cologne

Cologne is one of the oldest cities in Germany. Step back in time today, as a guided walking tour takes you through the ancient heart of the city, passing iconic landmarks such as Cologne Cathedral, a UNESCO World Heritage-listed site. After your tour, you will be taken to a one-of-a-kind farm estate just outside of Cologne, which provides the locals with sustainable products. As part of your EmeraldPLUS program, enjoy a fantastic cooking demo and have a glimpse behind the scenes of this incredible place.

📷 Guided tour of Cologne's Old Town

🏰 Visit to a local farm estate with cooking demo

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Freiberg, Breisgau

Day 4 Koblenz

Immerse yourself in fairytale-like surroundings today as we cruise to Koblenz, a town with a postcard-worthy backdrop of vineyards and mountain ranges. Your included walking tour of the town will unveil the twin-towered façade of the Church of Our Lady, the point at which two of Europe's great rivers meet at the German Corner and Ehrenbreitstein Fortress, one of the largest preserved fortresses in Europe.

Enjoy sailing through the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Rhine Gorge this afternoon, where romantic castles sit atop tree-covered canyons and half-timbered medieval villages appear as though they have been suspended in time.

📷 Orientation walk of Koblenz & a visit to Ehrenbreitstein Fortress

🔍 Moselle Valley & Cochem Castle visit (extra expense)

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 5 Ludwigshafen – Heidelberg

This morning you will discover Heidelberg. The idyllic UNESCO City of Literature has inspired the likes of Mark Twain and famed British artist William Turner.

A guided tour of the town will unveil its rich history, starting at the Renaissance ruins of Heidelberg Castle, where the carefully curated gardens host serene water features, sculptures and colorful flowerbeds.

📷 Guided tour of Heidelberg

🚲 Hike from Mount Königstuhl to Heidelberg

🔍 Evening concert at Bruchsal Palace (extra expense, available on select departures)

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 6 Kehl – Strasbourg

This morning, you'll dock in Kehl and be transferred by coach to the picturesque town of Strasbourg, where a medieval past is yours to discover among cobbled squares surrounded by half-timbered houses.

Your included walking tour of the UNESCO World Heritage-listed old town will touch on many of Strasbourg's highlights, including the astrological signs that adorn the façade of the Maison Kammerzell and the idyllic historic scenery around Petite France. This afternoon, enjoy free time to explore Strasbourg at leisure.

📷 Guided tour of Strasbourg

🔍 Alsace wine route with tasting (extra expense)

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 7 Breisach - Freiburg

Today as part of your incredible EmeraldPLUS program, you will visit the city of Freiburg. Considered the 'capital of the Black Forest', Freiburg has lovely sights that will leave you amazed. As part of your visit, you will also have the opportunity to sample true Black Forest delicacies from the lively market in the city center near the main cathedral. If you are feeling more active, why not join a guided bike tour in Breisach.

🏰 Guided tour of Freiburg with market tasting

🚲 Guided bike tour in Breisach

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 8 Basel - Zurich

After breakfast, it's time to say farewell to your fellow guests and disembark the ship for your transfer to the airport, taking memories of traditional cuckoo clocks and the Black Forest with you.

Meal: Breakfast
Please book your flight to depart out of Zurich after 11:30 AM.

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