

ROMANTIC RHINE CRUISE

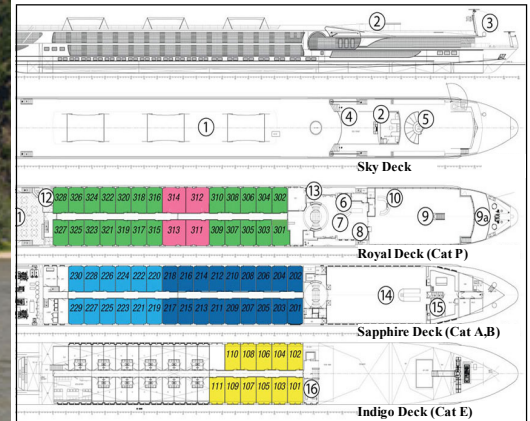
Jun11 - June 19, 2011 9 Days

PACE OF TOUR

Leisurely Active



DECK PLAN



AVALON FELICITY

Enjoy the Romantic Rhine cruising one of Europe's longest rivers between fascinating Amsterdam and culturally-diverse Basel. Accommodating only 138 passengers, the Avalon Felicity offers the intimate feeling of a small ship while providing the spaciousness passengers have come to expect from the Avalon fleet. The roomy and well-appointed staterooms feature a minimum of 172 square feet of space and are the largest of the European rivers today. All staterooms and suites include a well-stocked minibar, spacious closet, flatscreen satellite TV and radio, premium bedding, and a large private bathroom complete with a full shower, hairdryer, and premium bath amenities. For the more active guests, desirable onboard amenities include a fitness center and deck complete with whirlpool. An Internet corner and Wi-Fi access allow passengers to share their experience with friends and family at home.

Avalon Deluxe Stateroom (Cat. E) - 172 sq. ft.

- * Two windows
- * Full shower with glass door
- * Writing desk
- * Vanity
- * Bed



Avalon Deluxe Stateroom (Cat. A, B, P) - 172 sq. ft.

- * Floor-to-ceiling sliding glass door with French Balcony
- * Full shower with glass door
- * Writing desk
- * Vanity
- * Bed



TOUR PRICE per person, sharing.

Category A: Double occupancy **\$4,944** Category B: Double occupancy **\$4,892** Category P: Double occupancy **\$5,048**

* Single and higher category cabins are on request. * Triples not available

DEPOSIT: \$600 per person non-refundable.

HEALTH: None required. Consult with your physician and health clinic.

DOCUMENTATION: Valid Canadian passport 6 months beyond return date (recommended).

VISA: No visa required for Canadian Citizens.

INSURANCE: Comprehensive Insurance \$323 per person including tax.

INCLUSIONS

- Professional Tour Director and local guides. • Flights from Toronto. • Accommodation as booked.
- Meals as listed. + complimentary wine, beer and other beverages. • Sightseeing as listed.
- Roundtrip airport transfers at destination.
- Tour Leader accompanies you from Toronto with a minimum number of participants.

Day 1 - DEPART TORONTO - AMSTERDAM - Depart for your overnight flight to Amsterdam.

Day 2 - ARRIVE IN AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND (Embarkation) (D) - Welcome to Amsterdam! Holland's capital is sophisticated and modern, with a rich and fascinating history. The works of famous Dutch masters can be seen in world-renowned museums such as the Rijksmuseum or the Van Gogh. This afternoon, board your river cruise vessel and meet your crew at a welcome reception.

Day 3 - AMSTERDAM (B,L,D) - There is no better way to see the city than by CANAL BOAT, cruising through the elegant grachten lined with stately homes dating back to Amsterdam's "Golden Age." Afterward, your river cruise vessel sets sail for Cologne.

Day 4 - COLOGNE, GERMANY (B,L,D) - Cologne is one of Germany's largest cities, with a river skyline dominated by the soaring twin spires of its magnificent gothic cathedral. The Germano-Roman Museum located next to the cathedral is a must for history buffs! Try a Kölsch in one of the many taverns and shop for a bottle of 4711, the original "eau de cologne."

Day 5 - KOBLENZ - RHINE GORGE - RÜDESHEIM (B,L,D) - Situated at the confluence of the Rhine and Moselle Rivers, 2,000-year-old Koblenz is the cultural and business center of the Middle Rhine region. The dramatic Rhine Gorge is the most beautiful stretch of river. Pass the legendary rock of the Lorelei, where sweet songs of local beauties lured enchanted sailors to their doom. In Rudesheim, Siegfried's Mechanical Musical Instrument Museum is a real surprise! Enjoy a special treat, then there's free time to explore the Drosselgasse and pick up some souvenirs.



HEIDELBERG:

In Heidelberg, which is Germany's oldest university town, you'll view the ruins of the imposing red sandstone castle towering above the city.

Day 6 - MAINZ, EXCURSION TO HEIDELBERG (B,L,D) - Situated on the left bank of the Rhine, opposite the mouth of the Main River, Mainz is Germany's largest and most important wine town. Gutenberg, the father of modern printing, was born here and you'll visit the Gutenberg Museum. Heidelberg is Germany's oldest university town. Take pictures of the ruins of the imposing red sandstone castle towering above the city, and enjoy free time to explore.

Day 7 - STRASBOURG, FRANCE (B,L,D) - Situated on the border of France and Germany, Strasbourg is influenced by the culture of both countries and is the capital of the Alsace region. It is the seat of the Council of Europe and the European Parliament. Noteworthy sights are the Gothic Cathedral, the lovely La Petite France district, Place Kléber, and Place Gutenberg with the statue of the inventor of the printing press. An optional excursion to the Alsace wine region is available today.

Day 8 - BREISACH, GERMANY. EXCURSION TO THE BLACK FOREST (B,L,D) - Located at the foot of Kaiserstuhl Mountain on the French-German border, Breisach is the gateway to Germany's Black Forest region, an area of unrivaled natural beauty with its forests of thick pine trees. Surely the most well-known products from this region are Black Forest ham and Black Forest cherry cake.

Day 9 - BASEL, SWITZERLAND (Disembarkation). DEPART BASEL - TORONTO (B) - Disembark after breakfast this morning and depart for your flight back to Toronto.



INCLUDED SIGHTSEEING

- AMSTERDAM** - Welcome reception; canal cruise
- COLOGNE** - Guided sightseeing
- KOBLENZ** - Guided sightseeing
- RHINE GORGE** - Cruise through the gorge
- RÜDESHEIM** - Visit Siegfried's Mechanical Musical Instrument Museum; special treat
- MAINZ** - Visit the Gutenberg Museum
- HEIDELBERG** - Take pictures of the castle
- STRASBOURG** - Guided sightseeing, visit the La Petite France district and the gothic cathedral