



CJN\_SE001\_Active &amp; Discovery\_Rhine\_2025-2026

# ACTIVE & DISCOVERY ON THE RHINE

WAW • AMSTERDAM → BASEL

## Meals

Breakfast: 7 Lunch: 6 Dinner: 7

## Transport

State-of-the-art, luxurious river cruise vessels with modern services and amenities

## Accommodation

Deluxe outside accommodations with Avalon's exclusive Comfort Collection Beds

## HighLights

Amsterdam

Guided Hike

Free time

Painting class

Vineyards

Strasbourg



## DAY1: AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND (EMBARKATION)

How Suite It Is! Welcome Aboard Your Avalon Suite Ship. Flights into Amsterdam must arrive by 3:30 pm. Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm. You may take a Guided Optional Excursion to Zaanse Schans to see historic windmills and charming Dutch houses. Your day in Amsterdam is free to explore at your leisure the colourful cafes, galleries, bridges, and canals. OVERNIGHT DOCKING IN AMSTERDAM (D)

## DAY2: AMSTERDAM

Colourful Canals of Amsterdam Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host. DISCOVERY Discover the true beauty of Amsterdam with an off-the-beaten-path Guided Walking Tour through its cobblestone streets for a captivating look at this legendary city, OR: ACTIVE Enjoy a Guided Kayak Tour for an adventure which will provide you a unique perspective of the "Venice of the North" from the waters of its magnificent canals, OR: DISCOVERY Attend a Painting Class and be inspired by the masters' techniques. Paint your own canvas and discover your inner artist, OR: CLASSIC Enjoy a Guided Canal Cruise to explore the iconic waterways and sites of Amsterdam. This afternoon enjoy a relaxing sailing on the Sky Deck. OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO DUSSELDORF (B,L,D)

## DAY3: DUSSELDORF, GERMANY

Avant-Garde Architecture and Amazing Altbiers ACTIVE Join a City Biking Tour to discover interesting stories about the sights and the city itself along the way, OR: DISCOVERY Experience Dusseldorf's Old Town

and get an insight into its culinary diversity, OR: CLASSIC Join a Guided Tour of Dusseldorf. Visit the Old Town, but also discover its spectacular subway line, where each station has an individual magic character. This afternoon you might take a Guided Optional Excursion to Dusseldorf's microbreweries to try a variety of Altbiers. Later enjoy live entertainment on board. EVENING/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO KOBLENZ (B,L,D)

#### **DAY4: KOBLENZ-RHINE GORGE**

Fortress Walls and Manor Halls Where the Rhine and Moselle Meet Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities. ACTIVE Take a Guided E-Bike Tour in the vineyards surrounding this beautiful city at the confluence of the Rhine and Moselle rivers, OR: DISCOVERY For a unique experience, join us on an excursion to the "Lava City" of Mendig for a Volcano Encounter, including exploring the caverns and corridors where basalt (cold lava) was mined, OR: CLASSIC Enjoy a leisurely Guided Walk of ancient Koblenz, including a cable car ride to Ehrenbreitstein Fortress for a spectacular panoramic view. En route to Bingen, sail through the Rhine Gorge (a UNESCO World Heritage site). Take in the breathtaking views of ancient castles perched on cliffs 400 feet above the water, and pass the legendary Rock of the Lorelei- where the mythological siren's songs lured ill-fated sailors. DISCOVERY Enjoy an experience fit for royalty during an exclusive private reception at Rheinstein Castle. OVERNIGHT DOCKING IN BINGEN (B,L,D)

#### **DAY5: SPEYER. EXCURSIONS TO HEIDELBERG**

The World's Biggest Wine Barrel and Famous Vineyards ACTIVE Follow the road less travelled on this exciting Guided Hike along the Philosophers' Way for an inspiring view of the city below, OR: DISCOVERY Learn about the art of beer making with an entertaining and exclusive Guided Tour of four breweries in and out of Old Heidelberg, OR: CLASSIC Enjoy a Guided Tour to Heidelberg Castle to see the ruins of the magnificent renaissance treasure towering above the city, and its famed Great Vat, the "World's Largest Wine Barrel. While visiting the city, also enjoy a tasting of local specialties. Enjoy live entertainment on board your ship this evening. EVENING/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO KEHL (B,L,D)

#### **DAY6: KEHL. EXCURSION TO STRASBOURG**

A Grand Cathedral and La Petite France Ask about today's energizing or relaxing Adventure Host activities. ACTIVE Enjoy a walking tour along the river and explore Strasbourg's lovely European District around the Marne-Rhein Canal, OR: DISCOVERY Join a Culinary Walk to discover the Alsatian cuisine and traditions, so influenced by the unique history of a region, whose control alternated between Germany and France for centuries, OR: CLASSIC Join a City Sightseeing Tour, including Strasbourg's Gothic, stained-glass cathedral with its celebrated ancient murals and astronomical clock, as well as the magical La Petite France District. This afternoon choose one of the Optional Excursions available. EVENING/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO BREISACH (B,L,D)

#### **DAY7: BREISACH, GERMANY. EXCURSION TO BLACK FOREST**

German Winemaking and the Beautiful Black Forest ACTIVE Take a Guided E-bike Tour to experience the magical Black Forest from a unique point of view, OR: ACTIVE Join a Bike Ride north along the Rhine River toward the small fortified Medieval village of Burkheim, OR: DISCOVERY Join a full-day Guided Tour to the magical Black Forest to experience the Vogtsbauernhof open-air-museum, visit an authentic water mill, and see a traditional butter-making demonstration, OR: CLASSIC Join a Guided Tour to explore Freiburg's

medieval city centre, sheltered by the Black Forest amid vineyards and gardens of the Upper Rhine Valley. You may choose to join a Guided Optional Excursion to visit the charming village of Colmar, with half-timbered medieval and early renaissance buildings. EVENING/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO BASEL (B,L,D)

**DAY8: BASEL (DISEMBARKATION)**

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning. Flights should not leave Zurich airport before 10 am or Basel airport before 8 am. (B)

HIGHLIGHTS



Amsterdam



Guided Hike



Free time



Painting class



Vineyards



Strasbourg