

October 16 to 26, 2019



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Romantic Rhine River Cruise

One of Europe's most legendary rivers awaits you on this exciting journey along the Rhine River, which begins in Switzerland with stops in France, Germany, and Holland! Your wonderful Rhine river cruise concludes in Holland's popular, modern capital of Amsterdam, offering world-famous museums and an abundance of restaurants amongst the classic architecture and charming canals.

Highlights & Inclusions

- Two nights accommodation in Lucerne, Switzerland
- Seven nights accommodation onboard an Avalon vessel
- Round trip airport transfers from the CAA Thorold Office
- Return airfare with taxes, Toronto to Zurich via Frankfurt & Amsterdam to Toronto with Air Canada, economy class
- Captain's welcome & farewell receptions with sparkling wine
- Daily full buffet breakfast
- Daily lunch buffet onboard the ship
- Daily four-course à la carte dinner onboard the ship
- Daily Afternoon Tea
- 2 free drink vouchers onboard
- Complimentary sparkling wine with breakfast; wine, beer, or soft drinks with lunch and dinner
- All Local Taxes and gratuities onboard the ship
- Solo Travellers Club Host*
- Premium Lounge access at Toronto airport
- **50 CAA Dollars for CAA Members**



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Category	Double	Single (Limited availability)
E	\$6,763	\$8,892
D	\$6,965	\$9,236
B	\$7,960	\$10,794
A	\$8,016	\$10,874
P	\$8,072	\$11,037

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* CAA Host is based on a minimum number of passengers.

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Day 1 - Toronto to Lucerne

Arrive in Lucerne. The remainder of the day is free to explore.

Day 2 - Lucerne, Switzerland

On your guided walk this morning, admire Thorwaldsen's impressive Lion Monument, dedicated to the Swiss Guards who protected the Royal House of France during the French Revolution, and ornate patrician houses of the walled Old Town, then cross the famous covered Chapel Bridge to the Jesuit church. This afternoon, you are free to explore on your own.

Day 3 - Lucerne-Basel (Embarkation)

This morning, visit the Swiss Museum of Transport. In the afternoon, a short transfer takes you to Basel to board your river cruise vessel.

Day 4 - Breisach, Germany

Located at the foot of Kaiserstuhl Mountain on the French-German border, Breisach is the gateway to Germany's Black Forest region. The most well-known products from this region are Black Forest ham, Black Forest cherry cake, and cuckoo clocks! You may opt to visit the workshop of a local woodcarver who produces clocks and other carvings, or to the open-air Vogtsbauernhof Museum to see how life was lived in this area centuries ago.

Day 5 - Strasbourg, France

Situated on the border of France and Germany, Strasbourg blends the cultures of both countries in a delightful way. On your walking tour, you will visit the monumental red-sandstone Gothic Cathedral, as well as the magical La Petite France district. Explore Place Kléber and Place Gutenberg in the heart of medieval Strasbourg, which features a statue of the inventor of the printing press. This afternoon, an optional excursion into the Alsace wine country is available.

Day 6 - Heidelberg, Germany-Mainz

This morning, an excursion takes you to Heidelberg, home to Germany's oldest university. Visit the ruins of Heidelberg Castle. You'll also see the famed Great Vat, the "World's Largest Wine Barrel." In the afternoon, arrive in Mainz, which today is Germany's

largest and most important wine market. The Altstadt has many intriguing shops and the whimsical Fastnachtsbrunnen on the Schillerplatz is a tribute to the jesters at the city's annual Carnival celebration. During a guided walk, you'll visit the captivating Gutenberg Museum.

Day 7 - Rudesheim-Rhine Gorge-Koblenz

This morning, dock in pretty Rudesheim, a typical Rhine Valley wine town. Visit Siegfried's Mechanical Musical Instrument Museum to see and hear a large collection of self-playing calliopes and music boxes. Downstream from Rudesheim is the dramatic Rhine Gorge, the most beautiful stretch of river. Here, ancient castles stand sentry on lofty cliffs rising 400 feet above the water. Cruise past the legendary rock of the Lorelei, where echoes of enchanted siren song lured sailors to their doom. Join your Local Guide for a walking tour of 2,000-year-old Koblenz, which reveals an eventful past through its castles, fortress walls, towers, squares, and monuments.

Day 8 - Cologne

Cologne straddles both sides of the Rhine, and is known for its soaring, twin-steepled gothic cathedral. Choose between an included guided city walk or Jewish Heritage Walk.

Day 9 - Amsterdam, Holland

This delightful 700-year-old city with its elegant and classic architecture, cafés, and restaurants has a distinct ambiance. There is no better way to see Amsterdam than by Canal Boat, cruising through the elegant grachten lined with stately homes dating back to Amsterdam's "Golden Age." There's free time this afternoon to enjoy the city or perhaps join an optional excursion.

Day 10 - Amsterdam (Disembarkation)

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning. Transfer to the airport for your flight home to Toronto.

B - Breakfast

L - Lunch

D - Dinner

Terms and Conditions

How to book: Reservations may be made through any CAA Niagara office. A non-refundable deposit of \$250.00 per person is due at time of booking. Balance of payment is due July 10, 2019. Bookings made after July 10, 2019 will require full payment at time of booking. CAA strongly recommends the purchase of travel insurance. Ask for details.

Cancellation charges: Should it be necessary to cancel your trip prior to departure, the following penalties will apply:

90 days or more prior	Deposit non-refundable
89 to 60 days prior	50% non-refundable
59 to 0 days prior	100% non-refundable

The day of departure is excluded when calculating cancellation charges. CAA strongly recommends the purchase of cancellation insurance.

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