Tulip Time on
Jewels of the Rhine
Switzerland • France • Germany • the Netherlands

Tour Dates: April 10 - 20, 2020

FREE AIRFARE
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11 DAY RIVER CRUISE HOLIDAY
Including two nights in Lucerne, Switzerland

JOIN TOURS BY DESIGN AND FATHER WEBER FOR EASTER MASS ON TULIP TIME ON THE JEWELS OF THE RHINE RIVER CRUISE
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11 Days • 23 Meals Enjoy a relaxing and inspiring cruise on the Romantic Rhine, Europe’s longest river. We travel onboard our modern ship, visiting iconic ports of call, sampling incredible cuisine, and absorbing the local atmosphere.

EXCEPTIONAL INCLUSIONS
✦ 23 Meals: 9 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 8 dinners
✦ Airport transfers on tour dates when air is provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours
✦ Visit four countries
✦ Two-night hotel stay and touring in Lucerne, Switzerland
✦ Seven-nights in a suite or stateroom of your choice onboard the vessel
✦ All gratuities included once aboard ship
✦ First-class service by an English-speaking crew
✦ Shore excursions with English-speaking local guides
✦ Explore the magnificent Keukenhof Gardens
✦ Personal listening device for shore excursions
✦ Visit UNESCO World Heritage Sites
✦ All meals included onboard with a variety of international cuisine
✦ Complimentary regional wines, beer and soft drinks with onboard lunches and dinners
✦ New onboard Activity Manager will support all EmeraldACTIVE excursions and host daily onboard wellness activities, games, classes and evening entertainment
✦ Complimentary bottled water in your stateroom
✦ Complimentary WiFi onboard
✦ Complimentary bicycles onboard for use ashore
✦ All port charges included
✦ $55 in Mayflower Money

CRUISE AND HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS
Days Two and Three – Hotel Europe, Lucerne, Switzerland
Days Four through Ten – Aboard an Emerald Waterways Star-Ship

Enjoy seven-nights cruising along the Romantic Rhine River

DAY 1 – Depart the USA
Today you’ll depart the USA on your overnight flight to Zurich, Switzerland.

DAY 2 – Zurich to Lucerne, Switzerland
Upon arrival in Zurich, transfer to your hotel in Lucerne to begin your Swiss adventure. The afternoon is at leisure to begin discovering your beautiful new surroundings. This evening, join your Mayflower Cruise Directors and traveling companions for an included dinner at the hotel. Meal: D

DAY 3 – City Tour of Lucerne
After breakfast, an included walking tour highlights the city’s landmark, the famous 14th-century Chapel Bridge with its paintings of heroic town events, that crosses the Reuss River. See the 17th-century Renaissance Town Hall and town squares, all set amongst the beautiful backdrop of the Swiss Alps. The remainder of the day is at leisure. Meals: B

DAY 4 – Optional Excursion: Mt. Pilatus
Before departing for your ship in Basel, the day is free to enjoy at leisure or join the morning optional excursion to Mt. Pilatus – a mountain overlooking Lucerne that offers a unique alpine experience! This afternoon, travel by motorcoach to Basel, Switzerland for embarkation on your Emerald Waterways luxury river cruise ship. This evening, join your fellow travelers for dinner on board. Your Cruise Director will also conduct a port talk to review the activities and itinerary for the days ahead. Meals: B, D

DAY 5 – Breisach, Germany
Today you have a choice to visit a typical Black Forest Village, featuring many of the famous black forest items, like Cuckoo clocks, amongst other things. Alternatively, take part on a guided hike along some of the black forest trails. Meals: B, L, D

EmeraldACTIVE: Guided along through some of the Black Forest trails
EmeraldPLUS: Black Forest Cake Assembling presentation and tasting
DAY 6 – Strasbourg, France
Once docked in Kehl, travel by coach across the river to Strasbourg, the capital city of the Alsace Region in France. Your guided walking tour will include the Grande Île, the historical city centre and UNESCO World Heritage Site known for its medieval black and white timber-framed buildings, old tanning houses, baroque sandstone buildings, canals and river locks, the city’s star attraction is the cathedral, dominating the main square. Meals: B, L, D
EmeraldPLUS: Guided Tour of Strasbourg

DAY 7 – Heidelberg, Germany
Continue downstream to the town of Mannheim, located at the confluence of the Rhine and Neckar rivers. There you will have a chance to either visit the medieval town of Heidelberg including the impressive castle which overlooks the town or take part on an active hike to Heidelberg Hill. Meals: B, L, D
EmeraldACTIVE: Hike from Mount Königstuhl to Heidelberg
EmeraldPLUS: Wine Tasting in Heidelberg

DAY 8 – Koblenz, Germany
Cruise to the 2000-year-old town of Koblenz, which is situated at the confluence of the Rhine and Moselle rivers. You will have a tour of Koblenz and a chance to visit the Ehrenbreitstein Fortress on the opposite side of the river. This fortress was part of the Prussian defences against the French in the 19th century and later used as a headquarters for the American military during WWII Meals: B, L, D
DiscoverMORE: Moselle & Cochem Reichburg Castle Visit (additional expense)

DAY 9 – Cologne, Germany
Founded by the Romans, Cologne is one of Germany’s oldest and is famous for its magnificent World–Heritage listed Gothic Cathedral. Join your local guide for an included tour of the Old Town, with free time for exploring, Cologne is one of Germany’s largest and most modern cities largely due to a rebuilding plan post WWII, and it has many different museums and galleries. This evening, join your Captain for a farewell reception and dinner. Meals: B, L, D

DAY 10 – Amsterdam, Holland
This morning, depart by coach for an included visit to the Keukenhof Gardens. Discover why it’s called the “garden of Europe” as you admire gorgeous flowers at the peak of tulip season. Return to the ship in the afternoon to explore the city of Amsterdam at your leisure. Meals: B, L, D

DAY 11 – Amsterdam / USA
Bid a fond farewell to Europe and return home with memories of life enriching experiences from your cruise along the Rhine and Mosel Rivers. Meal: B

Itinerary is subject to change.
Seven nights accommodations aboard an Emerald Waterways Star-Ship


**Public Areas and Ship Amenities**

1. Sun Deck with Deck Chairs
2. Navigation Bridge
3. Sky Barbecue
4. Golf Putting Green
5. Games Area
6. Retractable Glass Roof
7. Walking Track
8. Daytime Pool & Bar / Evening Cinema
9. The Terrace
10. Horizon Pool & Bar and Lounge
11. Elevator
12. Reception
13. Wellness Area
14. Fitness Area
15. Reflections Restaurant
16. Hairdresser

**Owner's One-Bedroom Suite**
315ft²

**Grand Balcony Suite**
210ft²

**Panorama Balcony Suite**
180ft²

**Emerald Stateroom**
162ft²

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**DEPARTURE DATE:** April 10, 2020

FREE AIRFARE out of Syracuse ($4,400) when reservations are made by August 31st, 2019.

Beginning September 1st, 2019 – Call for air rates from your departing city.

Air itineraries may not be available until documents are received. Air seats are assigned by the airline for the entire group. Seat changes can only be attempted upon receipt of tickets and documents at which time availability may be limited. If specific seat assignments are vital to your reservation, we recommend individual air reservations rather than booking air with the group.

**TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**

1 2 3 4 5  

EASY ENERGETIC

$400 per person deposit due within 5 days of reservation. Final payment due January 10, 2020

**Travelers Protection Plan**

Should you choose not to purchase a Travelers Protection Plan the following per person cancellation charges will be assessed:

- 91 days or more …………………Deposit Amount
- 90 days to day of departure …………………100% of the total tour
- No refund on unused portions of the tour

Travel Insurance is available through Allianz Global Assistance. Visit www.allianztravelinsurance.com or request a brochure from Tours by Design.

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