

Excursions 6 Day Cruise "Rhine-Moselle-Romance"

DCS Alemannia 

2nd Day: City Tour of Koblenz with the fortress "Ehrenbreitstein" / 39 € per person

The trip starts with a tour of the imperial city in the "German corner". Koblenz is one of the oldest cities in Germany. The trip takes you past the historic town hall with the "Schängelbrunnen" (fountain) and many other interesting points of the city. For example you will see the "Coin Master House" called "Alte Münze" (old coin) which is located on "Münzplatz" (coin square). At this location is the birthplace of Prince Metternich too. Also, worth seeing is the "Balduinbrücke", the second oldest, still maintaining bridge that crosses the river Moselle. The bridge dates from the 14th century. Then it goes up with the cabin cable car - to the "Ehrenbreitstein" fortress, which is situated on a 118-m high mountain spur. The inclined lift (opened in 2011) in the District of "Ehrenbreitstein" connects the Mill Valley with the East side of the fortress. Be mesmerized by a breath taking panoramic view of the city.

2nd Day: Excursion "Castle Sayn and garden of butterflies" / 49 € per person

This excursion will bring you by bus from the pier to the castle Sayn. During a guided tour through the royal rooms you will be able to imagine how life was for the family Sayn-Wittgenstein-Sayn. The Great Salon, which is still available for weddings and other gatherings, is lined with portraits of Prince Ludwig and Princess Leonilla. The Russian salon you are able to see a bust of Princess Charlotte of Prussia. In the blue cabinet or dining room you will find venetian Mirror pictures and a collection of elephants from princess Marianne. Afterwards you will continue on to the castle garden where you will find the "garden of butterflies". In 1987 the princess Gabriela established the garden of butterflies as the main attraction within the castle gardens. Between bananas, hibiscus and other tropical plants you are able to walk through and be mesmerized by thousands of butterflies.

3rd Day: Excursion Castle Eltz / 39 € per person

The Burg Eltz is a castle from the 12th century, and one of those fortifications that could never be conquered. It is located in the Valley of the Elz, separating the "Maifeld" from the "Vordereifel". For more than 800 years, the eponymous family owns the castle. Its current owner, Karl Count and noble men of Eltz-Kempenich, called "Faust" (fist) of Stromberg, lives in Frankfurt am Main and at the Eltzer's royal household in Eltville along the Rhine. Worth seeing is the Knight's Hall, the castle rooms, the many original paintings and art treasures in the Treasury on Castle Eltz. The oil painting of Madonna with child and grapes painted by Lucas Cranach is part of this outstanding collection of art treasures, which you will find inside. This painting dates back to the years around 1525.

4th Day: Ride with the "Wine express" and cable car to the Niederwald monument / 39 € per person

The „Wine express“, a little train established in 1978, will give you a ride through the narrow street of Rüdesheim. After a short tour, you will stop at the valley station of the cable care station, which is located in the pedestrian zone in Rüdesheim. The cable car will take you to the Niederwald monument. The "Germania" was built in 1871 and is located above Rüdesheim. The statue is 38 meters high and is the landmark of this region. The lowest element shows a bronze group, right below the main mural reliefs: Father Rhine gives his daughter the Moselle the guardian horn. This tells historian story to the in the war established new border lines, which moved the border lines away from the Rhine and added the Alsace and Lorraine to the German empire.

5th Day: City Tour Mainz / 35 € per person

During your tour, you can discover the picturesque old town of Mainz. Which will remind you clearly of medieval and early modern cityscape, with its narrow lanes, half-timbered houses, explore the Baroque noble houses, as well as the Catholic parish church St. Stephan with its unique blue glass windows by Marc Chagall. Another attraction is the huge Cathedral of St. Martin, which belongs to the Imperial cathedrals, as well as the many important places, monuments and interesting museums such as the Gutenberg Museum. Mainz is located in the "Rheinhessen" (Rhine Hesse) wine region, 26.516 acres.

5th Day: Excursion Wiesbaden / 39 € per person

The bus will take you from the pier in Mainz to Wiesbaden, which is located approx. 15 kilometers away from Mainz. During your guided tour through down town you will learn surprizing facts about the history and life in the metropole of Hesse. Representative buildings characterize the face of the city. You will visit the castle square with the new and old town hall, the „Markt“ church (highest building in town) and the old city castle of the dukes of Nassau, which now serves as the seat of the hessian government. The tour will take about 1,5 hours and will give you plenty of information about this interesting city. With the bus, you will return to the pier.

Program is subject to change

For additional information and for booking the excursions please contact your Cruise-Director.