

Cruise the Rhine to Switzerland

aboard mps Lady Anne

This sensational cruise showcases the highlights of the Rhine at every twist and turn, as we follow its course in the countries of Germany, France and Switzerland. You can explore the walled city of Koblenz before we cruise through the spectacular scenery of the Middle Rhine — one of the world's most magnificent cultural landscapes, where fairytale castles line the valley and steep vineyards harbour the secrets of famous wines. The Alsace capital of Strasbourg is another delight, whose stunning centre is inscribed on the world heritage list, and we include an excursion into the scenic heart of Switzerland to visit Lucerne — Switzerland's most attractive lakeside city. History, culture and natural beauty — the Rhine has it all for the perfect river cruise.

Day 1: UK – Koblenz

We join our ship in Koblenz and enjoy a relaxing evening.

Day 2: Koblenz – Rüdesheim – Mainz

Cruising upriver through the spectacular Rhine Gorge, we reach the pretty town of Rüdesheim where you can enjoy some free time and savour the special atmosphere. Alternatively, you can join our optional excursion which visits the unique Siegfried's Mechanical Music Museum and takes you by cable car above the vineyards for panoramic views of the Rhine. We then cruise to the city of Mainz, a region widely regarded as the wine capital of Germany – our optional wine tasting excursion this evening will let you decide for yourself!

Day 3: Mainz – Speyer

We continue upriver and along the Rhine's broader waters for a late afternoon stop in Speyer. This quaint city is a delight to explore or you can join our optional excursion to the Technik Museum, which impresses all visitors with its technology masterpieces: walk on the wing of a Boeing 747, step inside the Russian space shuttle BURAN and the German submarine U9, see one of the largest collections of historical fire engines in Europe and so much more. Our ship stops overnight at Iffezheim.

Day 4: Strasbourg

We set sail in the morning and continue our cruise route over the border into the Alsace region of France. We stop at Strasbourg, a picture-book





city whose historic centre is surrounded by the Ill river and filled with beautiful architecture. You are free to explore at leisure or join our optional excursion to Baden-Baden, an elegant spa town on the edge of the Black Forest, before taking a trip on the Mercury Mountain Funicular Railway to enjoy incredible views from the top of Mercury Mountain. In the evening we offer a further optional excursion, which takes you around the heart of Strasbourg aboard a glass-topped canal cruiser.

Day 5: Strasbourg – Breisach

Cruising through the flatter landscape of the Rhine Plain, we arrive at the small town of Breisach around lunchtime. Here you can join our optional excursion into the beautiful Alsace, stopping at the wine capital of Colmar and the little village of Riquewihr where we enjoy wine tasting at the famous Dopff & Irion vineyard.

Day 6: Breisach – Basel

This morning, as our ship sails to Switzerland, you can venture into the cooler mountain slopes of the Black Forest on our full day optional excursion. We start with a guided tour of Freiburg, a medieval town on the edge of the forest. A scenic drive then takes us to the must-see destination of Lake Titisee, before we visit the spectacular Rhine Falls – the largest in central Europe. We rejoin our ship in Basel, across the border in northern Switzerland, for a relaxing evening.

Day 7: Basel – Lucerne

After breakfast our included excursion takes you by coach on a route that tunnels through the Jura



mountains to the Swiss resort of Lucerne, where you have plenty of time to enjoy the views of mountains and lakes and explore the picturesque old quarter. Alternatively, you can join our optional excursion by rail which takes you on a wonderful journey from Basel to Interlaken, passing the capital city of Bern and Lake Thun. We then take the train from Interlaken to Lucerne on a route that follows part of the renowned GoldenPass Line. We return to our ship in Schönau by coach and retrace our route back to Iffezheim for an overnight stop.

Day 8: Mannheim – Mainz

We cruise to the river port of Mannheim where you can join our optional guided excursion to the majestic city of Heidelberg, home of Germany's oldest university. We return to our ship in Mainz and enjoy a relaxing evening.

Day 9: Mainz – Koblenz

Be sure to settle up on the sun deck for our final day of cruising and take in the magnificent scenery of the Rhine as we cruise to the historic town of Koblenz. You are free to explore at leisure or you can join our optional excursion into the Lahn valley where we enjoy a guided tour around the beautifully preserved town of Limburg. Our ship stays in Koblenz tonight.

Day 10: Koblenz – UK

This morning we bid farewell to our captain and crew and disembark for the return journey to the UK.



What our passengers say...

"Cruise the Rhine to Switzerland – we couldn't praise it enough, the whole organisation, the ship, crew members, the River Cruise Line staff and the captain of the Lady Anne. We loved every minute."

Mr & Mrs Harrison

10 days from £979



YOUR CRUISE INCLUDES

BY COACH

- Coach travel to the port from your local area
 Ferry crossing from Dover, Hull or Newcastle
- Hull or Newcastle: Two nights' overnight ferry
- crossings with cabin accommodation

 Nine nights' cruise on a full board basis

To make your own way to the ship please see pages 63 & 65

2017 dates	No. of days	Coach routes	Ferry crossing Dover	
3 May	10	D1 D2 D3 D4 D5 D6 D12		
11 May	12	N1 N2	Newcastle	
12 May	10	D9 D10 D11 D12	Dover	
12 July	12 H1 H2 H3 H4 H5		Hull	
13 July	10	D1 D2 D3 D4 D5 D6 D12	Dover	
22 July	10	D7 D8 D9 D10 D11 D12	Dover	
14 August	12	N1 N2	Newcastle	
15 August	10	D7 D8 D9 D12	Dover	
19 Sept	10	D1 D2 D3 D4 D5 D6 D12	Dover	
27 Sept	12	H1 H2 H3 H4 H5 Hull		
28 Sept	10	D10 D11 D12	Dover	
6 October	12	N1 N2	Newcastle	
7 October	10	D7 D8 D9 D10 D11 D12	Dover	

HOLIDAY PRICES Tour code: GFSWI

Code	Deck	Berth	Coach via Dover 10 days	Coach via Hull/N'castle 12 days
X3S	Passenger	3	£929	£1079
X2S	Passenger	2	£979	£1129
X1S	Passenger	1	£1139	£1289
M3S	Main Standard	3	£1069	£1219
M2S	Main Standard	2	£1179	£1329
M2L	Main Superior	2	£1279	£1429
P2S	Promenade	2	£1319	£1469
P2X	Promenade Superior	2	£1399	£1549

See page 15 for deck plan and cabin occupancy

EXCURSIONS

Rüdesheim highlights£25
NEW Mainz wine tasting£27
• Planes, trains & automobiles£23
Baden-Baden & Mercury
Mountain Railway£17
Strasbourg canal cruise£27
• Colmar & the alluring Alsace£19
• Freiburg, the Black Forest & Rhine Falls£19
• Lucerne Included
• or Scenic Swiss rail journey –
Basel via Interlaken to Lucerne£52
Heidelberg highlights£15
• Medieval Limburg & the Lahn valley f15

Pre-book package price £190
Saving per person £49

