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## A World of Discovery

Enjoy an intimate view of European history as you glide along the enchanting Rhine and Mosel rivers. On this wonderful, carefree river voyage, explore the fascinating cities and towns that have sprung from these scenic waterways, and embrace their cultural treasures!

What sets this travel adventure apart from others is AHI's unwavering commitment to connecting you to the world's people, places and cultures. By weaving together discovery, education and authentic local experiences, we deliver new insights and fresh perspectives to enrich your life.

The incomparable value of our journeys is rooted in the personalized care you receive from AHI's Travel Directors. These outstanding professionals create a welcoming atmosphere and handle every last detail so you can focus on the wonder of the world before you. We also partner with the most knowledgeable guides and lecturers, whose regional expertise shines.

We invite you to turn the page on a remarkable new chapter with this AHI Journey for the curious traveler!

Above: MS Amadeus ship sailing near Rheinstein Castle, Rhine Gorge | Cover photo: Mosel River, Cochem, Germany

### **Inspiring Moments**

- ► Fall under the spell of **beautiful Amsterdam** as you float along its leafy, picturesque canals.
- ▶ Be awed by the Gothic grandeur of Cologne Cathedral, more than 600 years in the making.
- ► Feel enveloped in the Rhine Valley's scenery, a pretty tableau of hilltop castles, vine-laced slopes and medieval towns.
- ► Take in wonderful views of the serene **Mosel river** valley from the castle high above Cochem.
- ▶ Delight in the Alsatian flavor of Grande-Île, Strasbourg's historic heart.
- ► Experience five UNESCO World Heritage sites.



### Dear K-State Alumni and Friends,

We invite you to join us on this enriching, seven-night adventure along the Rhine and Mosel rivers, cruising from Amsterdam, Netherlands, to Basel, Switzerland! Unpack once aboard your first-class ship, designed specifically for river cruising, and enjoy more time to relish the cultural riches of great river cities and towns in the Netherlands, Germany and France.

Throughout your voyage, delight in many highlights, such as floating along Amsterdam's charming canals; marveling at UNESCO World Heritage cathedrals in Cologne and Speyer; and sailing through the Rhine Gorge, a winding stretch renowned for its beauty. Plus, tailor your experience with a choice of included excursions, featuring cycling, hiking and culinary tours, in select ports.

On this engaging program, gain meaningful historical and cultural insights from expert local guides and lecturers. You'll also enjoy the camaraderie of traveling with a group and feel the thrill of making your own discoveries! Space on this popular cruise always fills quickly, so we encourage you to make your reservation today!

Sincerely,

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### **UNESCO World Heritage**

- 1.The 17th-century Canal Ring Area of Amsterdam inside the Singelgracht, Netherlands
- 2. Cologne Cathedral, Germany
- 3. **Upper Middle Rhine Valley,** Germany
- 4. Speyer Cathedral, Germany
- 5. Strasbourg, Grande-Île and Neustadt, France



Pilgrim monument at Speyer Cathedral

### Architecture | Art | Culture | Cuisine | History | Natural Beauty



### Day 1 | In Transit

Depart your gateway city for Amsterdam, Netherlands. •

### Day 2 | Amsterdam, Netherlands

Upon arrival, transfer 3 to the pier and embark the MS Amadeus Imperial.

**Enrichment:** *Contemporary Europe.* Delve into current affairs and the European Union.

**Discovery:** Canals of Amsterdam. Glide past Dutch Golden Age gabled houses and under the city's many charming bridges on a canal cruiser.

### Day 3 | Amsterdam

### PYJ | Choose one of these excursions:

- *Rijksmuseum*. Study the fine details of famous masterpieces by painters such as Rembrandt, Vermeer and Hals in this illustrious art museum.
- Waterland Bicycle Ride. Embrace Holland's bicycle culture like a local and pedal through lush Waterland filled with small fishing villages. (Active)
- Jordaan District Walking and Food Tour.
  Pop into shops in one of the city's trendiest districts to try delectable, classic Dutch treats.

Free Time: Make your own plans in Amsterdam.



Top: Cologne Cathedral | Above: Historic Dutch architecture along canal, Amsterdam

The ship sails to Cologne late this afternoon.

This evening, get to know your fellow travelers at the Captain's Welcome Reception and Dinner.

### Day 4 | Cologne, Germany

**Discovery:** *Cologne.* Topped by two ornate spires, the city's magnificent cathedral was under construction for more than 630 years. See the impressive exterior on a guided walking tour in the Old Town, then go inside to see its decorative details. Afterward, shop or linger in a lively café. The ship departs Cologne and cruises overnight.

### Your Individual Experience

Free time means something different to every traveler. You may like to linger in a cozy café or stay on the go. That's why we design itineraries that allow you to craft an individual travel experience.



Choose from a variety of excursions in selected locales based on your interests.

Elective Experiences | At an additional cost

Further your experience by immersing yourself in specially designed activities.

Check out our itinerary for more details. We've done the legwork. Now the choice is yours.



### Day 5 | Mosel River | Cochem

Sail through a narrow portion of the Mosel River flanked by quaint towns and tiered vineyards.

**Enrichment:** *German Lunch.* On board the ship, delight in a traditional meal, featuring beer, fresh pretzels, sausages and mustards.

**Discovery:** Cochem and the Reichsburg Castle. Beautifully situated along a bend in the Mosel, Cochem charms with half-timbered houses, winding streets and hilltop Reichsburg castle overlooking the town. Learn about local folklore and landmarks on a guided walk, then tour the castle and admire the views from above.

### Day 6 | Koblenz | Rhine Gorge | Rüdesheim

The ship arrives early this morning in Koblenz. **Discovery:** *Koblenz.* More than 2,000 years ago, the Romans founded a settlement at the confluence of the Mosel and Rhine rivers, where lovely Koblenz now sits. Take a guided walk along the old town's lanes and see the Church of Our Lady with its onion-domed towers. Sail amid stunning scenery in the Upper Middle Rhine Valley, a gently curving, 40-mile stretch dotted with hilltop castles and fortress ruins.



German Corner where the Mosel and Rhine meet, Koblenz



Top: Upper Middle Rhine Valley | Above: Rüdesheim

### **Enrichment:** Castles and Legends of the

**Rhine.** Gain a deeper appreciation for this storied locale's legends from our cruise expert.

Cruise to Rüdesheim, where the ship will dock.

### PYJ | Choose one of these excursions:

- •Wines of the Rhine. This is Riesling country, blessed with the ideal climate and soil to produce exceptional grapes. In Rüdesheim's Old Town, walk along bustling Drosselgasse and visit a local winery for a tasting of the region's fine vintages.
- •A Musical Walk in Time. Stroll along medieval walls and down Drosselgasse in Rüdesheim's Old Town and visit a captivating museum of self-playing mechanical musical instruments. (Active)



Riesling vineyard



### Day 7 | Mannheim | Heidelberg | Speyer

The ship arrives in Mannheim early this morning.

### PYJ | Choose one of these excursions:

•Heidelberg Castle and Town. Explore the red-walled castle set on the Königstuhl hillside, noted for its giant, 18th-century wine cask. Take in dramatic views of the Neckar Valley and town, followed by a walk in the historic quarter.

### •Hike Heidelberg's Philosopher's Way.

Hike up this celebrated winding path. After a snack break in the Philosopher's Garden, relish scenic views of the castle and old town. (Active) Enjoy lunch on the ship and cruise to Speyer.

**Discovery:** Speyer Walk. Take a guided stroll in the historic area of one of Germany's oldest cities. Marvel at the Romanesque cathedral, the burial place of emperors for almost 300 years.

### Day 8 | Strasbourg, France

This morning, the ship arrives in Strasbourg, the capital of France's Alsace region.



### PYJ | Choose one of these excursions:

- •Strasbourg Panorama. Appreciate the city's German and French influences on a scenic tour. Then admire the highlights of the historic center with your guide and visit Notre Dame Cathedral.
- •Strasbourg Canal Cruise and Petite France. Fishermen and tanners once lived in the half-



Top: Heidelberg Castle | Above: Heidelberg

### **MS Amadeus Imperial**

Aboard the elegant, 84-cabin MS Amadeus Imperial, reminiscent of a grand European hotel, cruise in exceptional comfort and style while enjoying personalized attention and warm hospitality from its seasoned crew. Christened in 2020, its inviting public spaces feature large windows that offer remarkable, broad views of the scenery. When you want to unwind, indulge in a massage or head to the River Terrace. Savor a hearty breakfast on board, and relish regional and international specialties served with wine, beer and soft drinks at lunch and dinner. Each evening, relax in your cabin or suite, which features satellite TV and a private bathroom with a shower. Wi-Fi is complimentary.



Sister ship MS Amadeus Queen sailing



Strasbourg's canals with Notre Dame Cathedral in the distance



timbered houses that line the canals of this delightful district. Enjoy a scenic cruise, a guided walk and a visit to Notre Dame Cathedral.

•Culinary Strasbourg. Sample authentic Alsatian dishes and wines in the city's winstubs (small wine pubs) and other cafés and shops. Visit Notre Dame Cathedral during your walk. As the ship sails toward Basel, Switzerland, join your fellow travelers for a festive Farewell Reception and Dinner this evening.



Facade of Notre Dame Cathedral, Strasbourg

### Day 9 | Basel, Switzerland | In Transit

After breakfast, disembark the ship in Basel and transfer to the Zürich airport for the return flight to your gateway city.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

♣Flights and ♠transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.

PElective experiences available at an additional cost.

### A Note About Activity Levels

We want you to have a comfortable and enjoyable experience. That's why we have rated all of our excursions with activity levels to help you assess this program's physical expectations. Depending on the excursion, more leisurely alternatives may be available. Please call or visit our website to review the itinerary for full details about our activity levels.

### **Excursions on this program require:**

- ► walking on cobblestones, unpaved paths or uneven surfaces
- ▶ getting on/off motor coaches and boats



# PRE-TRIP EXTENSION IN AMSTERDAM

Explore picturesque Amsterdam in greater depth during this two-night stay, and discover the city's buzzing neighborhoods, tree-lined canals and world-class museums. Enjoy a walk in the Old Harbor area and a visit to the National Maritime Museum, featuring a replica of a 17th-century ship. This extension includes two nights at the first-class Amsterdam Marriott; daily breakfasts; the services of an AHI Travel Director and Hospitality desk; museum admission; guide gratuities; transfer and baggage handling from the hotel to the ship; and all taxes and service charges.

Price: \$795 per person, double occupancy; \$1,195 single occupancy



# POST-TRIP EXTENSION IN INTERLAKEN

Experience the incredible natural beauty of Switzerland during a two-night stay in the heart of the Bernese Oberland, the ideal base for exploring the area's breathtaking mountains and lakes. Enjoy a guided walk in the vibrant medieval quarter of Bern, the Swiss capital. This extension includes two nights at the deluxe Victoria-Jungfrau Grand Hotel & Spa; daily breakfasts; the services of an AHI Travel Director and Hospitality desk; a guided tour of Bern; guide and driver gratuities; transfer and baggage handling from the ship to the hotel; and all taxes and service charges.

Price: \$1,095 per person, double occupancy; \$1,545 single occupancy

### **Cruise the Rhine and Mosel Rivers**

Trip #:2-27838W

Call our travel experts at 800-941-5457 to reserve your place! (Preferred registration method.)

Please have the information outlined below available to share with our AHI Travel Experts.

If you prefer, you may also complete this Reservation Request and submit it to our office. Once this request is received in our office, an AHI Travel Expert will contact you within one business day to discuss deposit payment. Your reservation is not confirmed until your deposit is paid and processed.

Send to K-State Alumni Association c/o AHI Travel International Tower-Suite 600 8550 W. Bryn Mawr Avenue Chicago, IL 60631

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### PROGRAM DATES

Air Program dates: July 20-28, 2022 Cruise Program dates: July 21-28, 2022

### **CRUISE PROGRAM**

Category-Deck	Full Price	Special Savings	Special Price*
E-Haydn (Aft)	\$3,745	\$250	\$3,495
D-Haydn (Midship)	\$3,845	\$250	\$3,595
C-Strauss (Aft)	\$4,145	\$250	\$3,895
B-Strauss (Midship)	\$4,245	\$250	\$3,995
A-Mozart (Aft)	\$4,545	\$250	\$4,295
Suite-Mozart (Midship)	\$5,045	\$250	\$4,795

Suites feature a balcony.

Categories A, B and C feature a drop-down panoramic window. Categories D and E feature a window.

\*Special Price valid if booked by the date found on the address panel.

VAT & Port Tax supplement is an additional \$395 per person.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy

and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

Single supplement waived for solo travelers! This offer is limited, capacity-controlled and tends to sell out quickly.

### Let us arrange your flights!

**AHI FlexAir** | Our experts are ready to assist you in booking flights. Our personalized air program offers the following advantages:

- ▶ price guarantee to protect you from fuel surcharge increases after ticket purchase.
- arrival and departure transfers on group dates.
- ► flexibility to change or cancel your reservations without penalty up to 60 days before departure on most flights.
- ►assistance in the event of schedule changes or delays.

### Travel stress-free with AHI FlexAir.



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### TRAVEL WITH CONFIDENCE

For more than half a century, our dedicated team has helped travelers explore the world safely and securely.

To offer you added peace of mind, we've fine-tuned all facets of your travel experience:

- ✓ Included AHI Travel Assurance covers travel- and health-related contingencies. Available for U.S. residents only.
- ✓ Increased booking flexibility and relaxed cancellation penalties.
- ✓ Home support staff and ground team communicating 24/7 to ensure a seamless and safe journey.
- ✓ Travel Directors specially trained to the highest standard in accordance with AHI's health and safety protocols.
- ✓ A global network of partners rigorously following new procedures and protocols.
- ✓ Enhanced sanitization practices for river ships, hotels, trains and motor coaches.
- ✓ Tour operations modified for smaller groups and greater physical distancing.
- ✓ Hand sanitizer available for guest use.

### INCLUDED FEATURES

### Accommodations (with baggage handling)

7 nights aboard the first-class
 MS Amadeus Imperial.

### **Extensive Meal Program**

- 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 7 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine, beer or soft drinks with lunch and dinner.
- Opportunities to sample authentic cuisine and local flavors.

### Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- AHI Travel Assurance plan that covers Accident and Sickness Medical Expense, Trip Delay and Emergency Evacuation for U.S. residents.
- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- Discovery excursions highlight the local culture, heritage and history:
  - Take in the local color along Amsterdam's iconic canals from a cruiser.
  - Marvel at Cologne's majestic cathedral and its old town on a guided stroll.
  - Discover the legends and stories of Cochem and its hilltop castle.
  - Meander along the cobblestone lanes in Koblenz' romantic historic center.
  - Get acquainted with Speyer's impressive landmarks on a guided walk.

### – 🏶 Personalize Your Journey | PYJ

A choice of excursions in each locale.

- Amsterdam | Rijksmuseum | Waterland Bike Ride | Jordaan District Walking and Food Tour
- **Rüdesheim** | Wines of the Rhine | A Musical Walk in Time
- **Heidelberg |** Heidelberg Castle and Town | Hike on Heidelberg's Philosopher's Way
- Strasbourg | Strasbourg Panorama | Strasbourg Canal Cruise and Petite France Walking Tour | Culinary Strasbourg

### – NAHI Sustainability Promise:

Striving for a positive, purposeful impact on the destinations we visit: preserving the environment, supporting local communities and giving back to the places we travel.

- Free time to pursue your own interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.



Koblenz

### **AHI Travel Expertise**

From your reservation to your return home, we're here to ensure you have the adventure of a lifetime.

### Before you go:

- ➤ Travel Consultants | These experts stand ready to answer your questions about activities, meals, accommodations and more as they guide you through the reservation process.
- ▶ Passenger Service Representative

After reserving your spot, enjoy personalized assistance from this specialist, your one point of contact who helps with everything from arranging flights to booking elective activities to fulfilling special requests.

➤ **Travel Information** | Before your journey, our team closely monitors travel conditions, shares pre-departure details and provides information and enrichment about your destination.

### Once you arrive:

Our top-notch, dedicated team takes your adventure to the next level! Share a laugh, learn where to find the best café and enjoy their unique perspectives on the local scene.

- ➤ Travel Director | Our multilingual Travel
  Director manages all the details so that you can
  simply relax and soak up the ambience. In the
  care of this seasoned travel professional who
  is attuned to your personal safety, you'll enjoy
  a seamless, unforgettable travel experience.
- ➤ Expert Guides | Who better to show you around than the people who live there? We've specially selected informed, enthusiastic local guides who understand the needs of our educated and curious travelers. Warm and genuine, they're ready to share their passion for their country with you.
- ➤ Lecturers | Coming from all walks of life, our entertaining local lecturers open your eyes to history, culture and current events. The breadth of their knowledge deepens your appreciation for the region and its heritage.



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