

# 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS ON THE RHINE



JOURNEYS  
by Van Dyke 

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 River Cruise

11 Days

\$9,990 <sup>CAD</sup>  
All inclusive from, per guest, double occ.

November 24-  
December 5, 2025



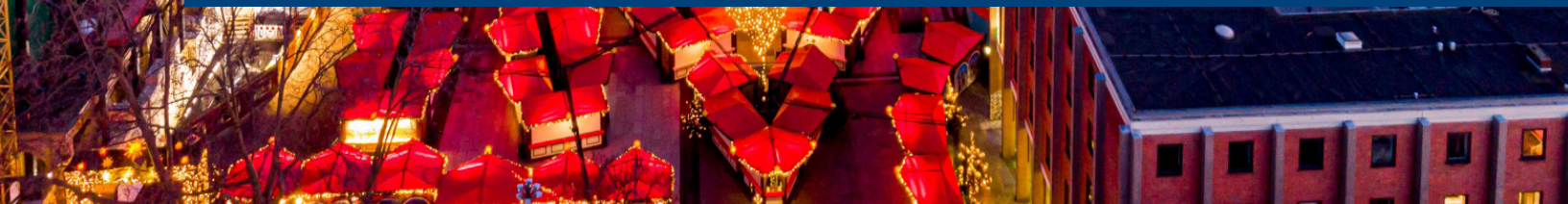
# Highlights

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## ① German Yultide Magic

Wander through Heidelberg's enchanting old town, marvel at its grand castle, and experience the warmth of the Christmas Market in this historic university city. Delight in Düsseldorf and Cologne's historic architecture and vibrant Christmas markets. Explore Cologne's Old Town and the Great St. Martin Church, and soak up the festive spirit at one of Europe's largest Christmas markets.





## ② Strasbourg's Holiday Market

Explore the oldest Christmas market in France, where the air is filled with the scent of mulled wine and gingerbread. Wander through charming wooden stalls brimming with handcrafted gifts, and experience the magic of Strasbourg's historic districts, all while admiring the stunning Cathédrale de Notre Dame amidst a truly enchanting festive atmosphere.





### ③ Colmar's Festive Charm

Immerse yourself in the enchanting ambiance of Colmar, where twinkling lights and festive decorations bring the town's half-timbered houses and cobblestone streets to life. Explore the Christmas Market, nestled in the heart of this picturesque medieval town, and uncover unique treasures in a truly storybook setting.





## ④ Sweets of Switzerland

Experience Lucerne, with its scenic lake, stunning mountain views, and charming Christmas Market. Enjoy a guided tour of the city's historic landmarks, including the iconic Chapel Bridge. Then, explore Basel's festive spirit, where the Rhine River glows with holiday lights, and the city's historic charm comes alive during the season.



# Journey Itinerary

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## Day 1

# DEPART FOR AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS

Start your Journey with us by enjoying a private car pick up service from your home. Upon arrival at the airport, guests departing from the Toronto airport will be assisted with their check-in. Meet your Journey Manager and fellow guests, and board your flight to Amsterdam. Our Journey Manager travels with you to take care of all the details, allowing you to relax and embrace your Journey.

### Overnight flight







## Day 2

# WELCOME TO AMSTERDAM!

Upon arrival in Amsterdam, you'll be transferred to your hotel, where you can relax and settle in. Get to know the other travelers on this trip over lunch before heading out on an afternoon walking tour of this charming city. Return to the hotel for dinner all together before tucking in for an exciting day tomorrow.

**Hotel Movenpick, Amsterdam**

\*Or Similar.

**Meals: Lunch, Dinner**

## Day 3

# EXPLORING AMSTERDAM

Start your day with a visit to Zaanse Schans, an open-air museum showcasing traditional Dutch windmills, wooden houses, and artisanal crafts. After lunch, you will board the AmaPrima, your floating home for the next leg of your journey. Enjoy dinner onboard, and take advantage of all the ship has to offer; free flowing local red and white wine and beer with dinner, the nightly piano music, complimentary in-cabin movies and more.

**MS AmaPrima**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**





## Day 4

# AMSTERDAM CANAL & RHINE RIVER CRUISE

Experience the magic of Amsterdam from the water with a scenic canal cruise, gliding past intricate bridges and historic buildings. With 165 canals to explore, this is a perfect way to experience Amsterdam's heart and soul. Later in the day, the AmaPrima will set sail, beginning your voyage through Europe's scenic waterways.

**MS AmaPrima**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**

## Day 5

# DÜSSELDORF & COLOGNE, GERMANY

Arriving in Düsseldorf, prepare for an afternoon excursion to the dreamy city of Cologne. On a guided tour of Cologne's Old Town, marvel at the Cologne Rathaus, Germany's oldest town hall, and the historic Fischmarkt, dating back to the 12th century. See the Great St. Martin Church, known for its distinctive Gothic architecture. Afterwards, head over to one of Europe's largest and most renowned Christmas Markets, where you can enjoy seasonal treats, unique crafts, and experience the vibrant holiday spirit.

**MS AmaPrima**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**





## Day 6

# RHINE RIVER GORGE & RÜDESHEIM, GERMANY

Cruise through the enchanting Rhine River Gorge, where castle turrets and scenic vineyards adorn the landscape. Arrive in the winemaking town of Rüdesheim, where wine connoisseurs will delight in a tasting at a local cellar.

Visit the Christmas Market and enjoy holiday traditions from around the world. Finishing the tour by exploring Siegfried's Mechanical Instrument Cabinet, where whimsical musical automata bring holiday magic to life.

**MS AmaPrima**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**

## Day 7

# HEIDELBERG, GERMANY

Arrive in Heidelberg, a city that will capture your heart with its majestic castle perched above the old town and its historic university. Stroll along Hauptstrasse, one of Europe's longest pedestrian shopping streets, where you'll find an array of shops, cafes, and holiday decorations.

Wrap up the day and soak up the yuletide cheer in the town's Christmas Market, where twinkling lights, handcrafted gifts, and seasonal treats create a warm and inviting atmosphere.

**MS AmaPrima**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**





## Day 8

# STRASBOURG, FRANCE

Strasbourg shines bright during the season of Advent. Starting off the day you will visit the Christkindelsmärik, the oldest Christmas Market in France, dating back to 1570. Wander through the stalls and enjoy the jubilant ambiance of the market, before a panoramic bus tour of Strasbourg. The tour will take you past parc de l'Orangerie, a tranquil spot perfect for winter strolls, the European Parliament, and Place de la Republique, with its grand buildings and festive decorations.

Afterwards, walk through the historic Grande Île, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the charming "La Petite France" district, where you will see the Cathédrale de Notre Dame and its famous astronomical clock. Wrap up the day by visiting Strasbourg's Christmas Market, brimming with holiday spirit.

**MS AmaPrima**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**

## Day 9

# BREISACH & COLMAR, FRANCE

Explore the medieval charm of Colmar in the Alsace region of France. Stroll through the enchanting town, known for its half-timbered houses and delightful blend of French and German culture.

Stop into Colmar's enchanting Christmas Market, set against the backdrop of the town's fairy-tale architecture and cobblestone streets. Wander through stalls adorned with twinkling lights and holiday decorations, offering a delightful selection of local crafts, artisanal gifts, and seasonal treats like spiced wine and gingerbread.

**MS AmaPrima**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**







## Day 10

# BASEL, SWITZERLAND

Today we disembark the AmaPrima and visit Basel's Christmas Market with its array of seasonal treats, unique gifts, and festive decorations set against the town's historic architecture. We drive to Zurich where we will have lunch and tour a Swiss Chocolate Museum.

We continue on to Lucerne, a Swiss gem nestled between a tranquil lake and majestic mountains. Once you've settled into your hotel, enjoy dinner and take a leisurely evening stroll along the beautifully illuminated lakeside before settling in for the night.

**Radisson Blu Hotel, Lucerne**

\*Or Similar

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**

## Day 11

# LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

Embark on a guided tour through quaint streets of Lucerne, a town renowned for its stunning lakeside setting and historic landmarks. Visit the iconic Chapel Bridge, Kapellbrücke, a covered wooden bridge adorned with colorful paintings and rich in history and stroll through the lively Old Town, with its medieval buildings and vibrant shops.

We travel by cable car to Mt. Pilatus where we will enjoy lunch and a wine tasting before visiting the Lucerne Christmas Market where you will have free time to wander and visit all the wonderfully decorated stalls and treat yourself to some mulled wine. This evening join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner.

### **Radisson Blu Hotel, Lucerne**

\*Or Similar

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**





## Day 12

# HOME

After breakfast, transfer to Zurich Airport for your flight home, carrying with you the cherished memories of a magical Christmas journey through Europe. From the jubilant lights of Amsterdam to the charming Christmas Markets of Strasbourg and Colmar, this holiday adventure will leave you with a heart full of joy and wonder.

**Flight**

**Meals: Breakfast**

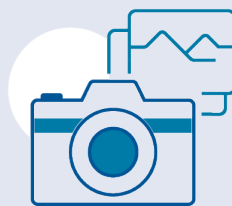
# Signature Inclusions on this Journey

In addition to our essentials, your Journey includes our following Signature Inclusions:



## 24/7 Professional Journey Manager

- Will travel with you from Canada and handle every detail
- In addition to knowledgeable local guides



## Memorable Private Excursions

- Private excursions crafted by our team
- All sightseeing & entrance fees included



## Private Car Pick-up Service

- Within a 200-kilometre radius, let your Journey begin in elegant comfort with a private chauffeured car to the airport



## Generous Tips & Gratuities

- For the porters, local guides, hotel staff & many more, paid by us on your behalf

Our essentials included with your Journey:

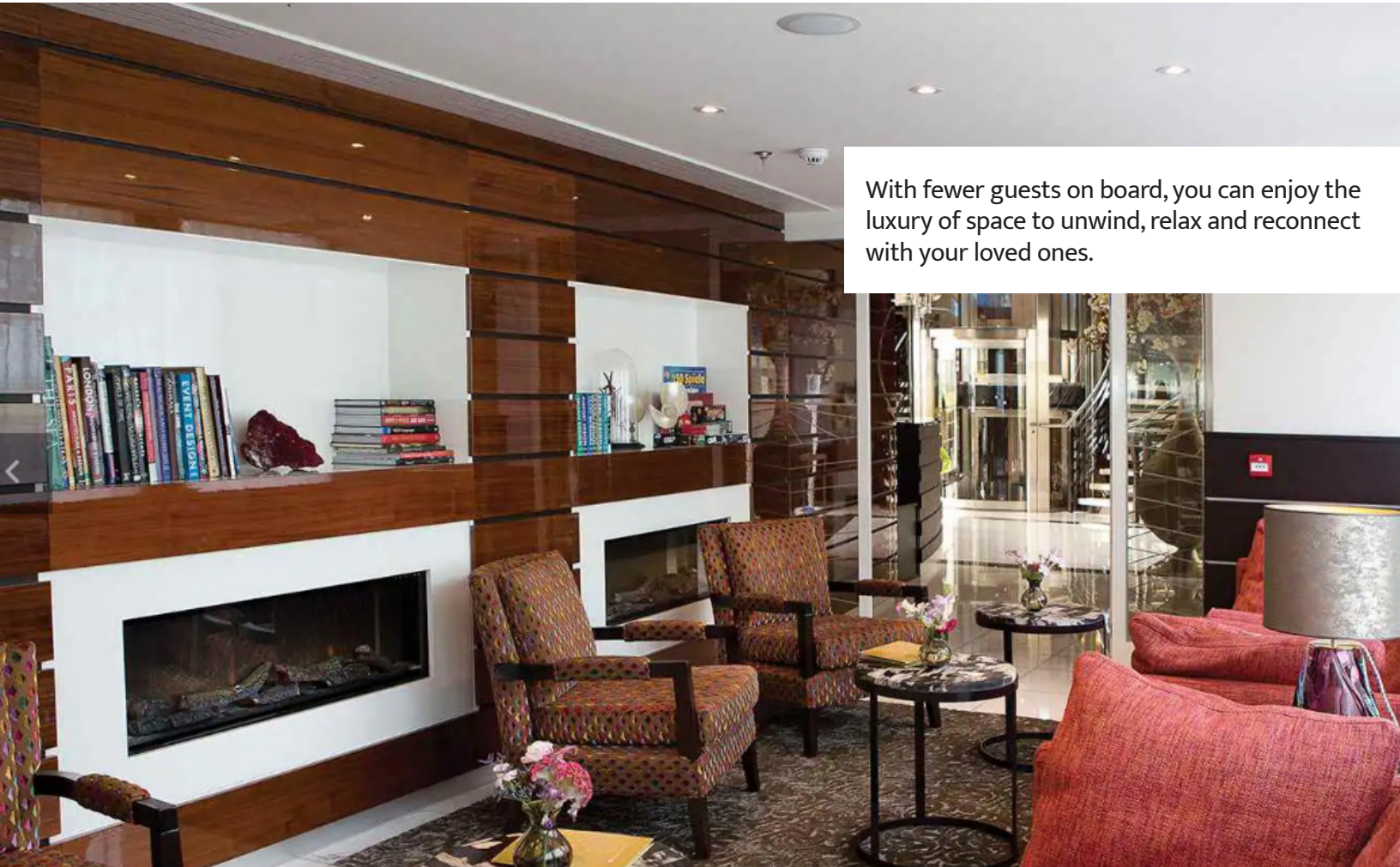
- **7 nights** on the AmaPrima
- **3 nights** in outstanding hotels
- **All meals included**  
(10 breakfasts, 10 lunches, 10 dinners)
- **Wine, beer & soft drinks** with lunch & dinner on board
- Coffee, tea, ice-water, and iced-tea are included all day on board.
- **Round-trip airfare** from Toronto
- **All taxes** as well as port & service charges
- “Whisper” radios included for use during excursions
- Other gateways & travel classes available
- Porterage for one piece of luggage per person
- Complete information & assistance leading up to your departure
- Branded overnight carry-on or backpack
- Complimentary in-cabin movies
- Unlimited Internet onboard – strictly subject to availability

Enjoy an authentic European river cruise experience on board AmaPrima to immerse yourself in the sights, sounds and fresh scents of Europe's great landscapes.



# Discover the AmaPrima






With fewer guests on board, you can enjoy the luxury of space to unwind, relax and reconnect with your loved ones.

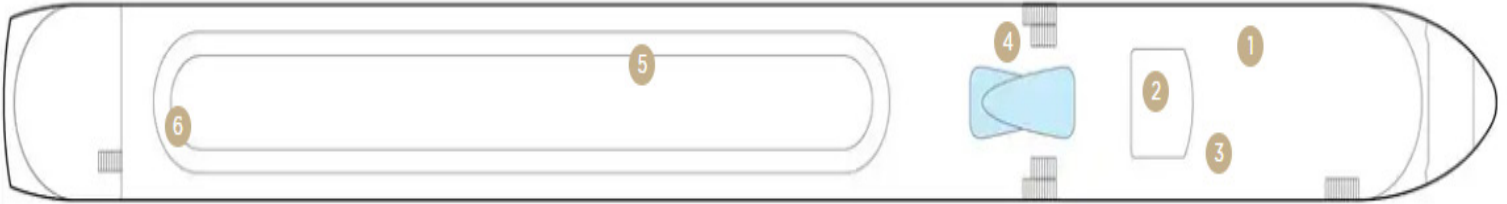


This ship comes equipped with enriching entertainment, whether it's traditional Bavarian music, a local quartet or modern piano favorites, there is an eclectic schedule of entertainment on board.

# AmaPrima DECK PLAN

 ENLARGE DECK PLAN

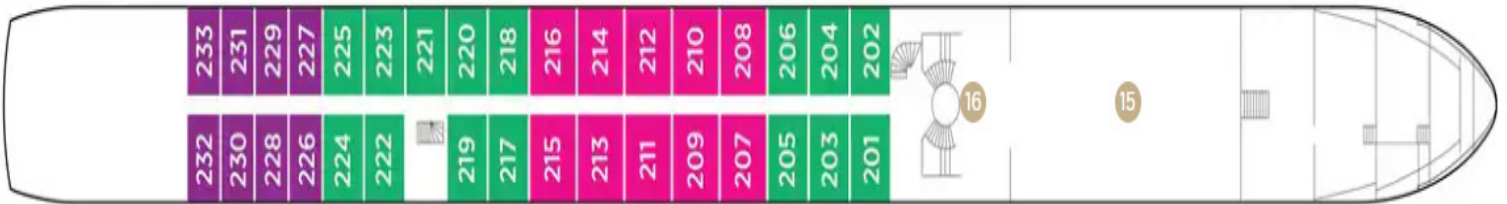
## Sun Deck



## Violin Deck



## Cello Deck



## Piano Deck



*Note: Elevator reaches the Violin and Cello Deck (does not reach Piano Deck or Sun Deck).*

### Stateroom Categories



# Deck Plan

# Fares & Staterooms

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## Category E - Piano Deck

Fixed Windows, 160 sqft

- In-room temperature control
- Deluxe hotel-style bedding with Egyptian linen, down pillows and duvet
- Spacious bathrooms with multi-jet showerheads
- Large wardrobe, full-length mirror, hair dryer, safe and direct-dial telephone
- Flat-screen TV
- Entertainment on Demand system providing complimentary TV, movies and music library
- Complimentary internet and Wi-Fi
- Complimentary bottled water replenished daily
- Desk and chair

Double Occupancy  
**\$9,990**

Single Occupancy  
**\$11,690**



## Category D - Piano Deck

Fixed Windows, 160 sqft

- In-room temperature control
- Deluxe hotel-style bedding with Egyptian linen, down pillows and duvet
- Spacious bathrooms with multi-jet showerheads
- Large wardrobe, full-length mirror, hair dryer, safe and direct-dial telephone
- Flat-screen TV
- Entertainment on Demand system providing complimentary TV, movies and music library
- Complimentary internet and Wi-Fi
- Complimentary bottled water replenished daily
- Desk and chair

Double Occupancy  
**\$10,390**

Single Occupancy  
**\$11,990**



## Category C - Violin & Cello Deck

French Balcony, 170 sqft

- In-room temperature control
- Deluxe hotel-style bedding with Egyptian linen, down pillows and duvet
- Spacious bathrooms with multi-jet showerheads
- Large wardrobe, full-length mirror, hair dryer, safe and direct-dial telephone
- Flat-screen TV
- Entertainment on Demand system providing complimentary TV, movies and music library
- Complimentary internet and Wi-Fi
- Complimentary bottled water replenished daily
- Desk and chair

Double Occupancy  
**\$11,390**

Single Occupancy  
**\$14,990**

Prices are per guest in CAD, all taxes included.

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# Fares & Staterooms

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## Category BB - Cello Deck French & Outside Balcony, 210 sqft

- In-room temperature control
- Deluxe hotel-style bedding with Egyptian linen, down pillows and duvet
- Spacious bathrooms with multi-jet showerheads
- Large wardrobe, full-length mirror, hair dryer, safe and direct-dial telephone
- Flat-screen TV
- Entertainment on Demand system providing complimentary TV, movies and music library
- Complimentary internet and Wi-Fi
- Complimentary bottled water replenished daily
- Desk and chair

Double Occupancy  
**\$11,990**

Single Occupancy  
**\$15,390**

## Category AB - Cello Deck French & Outside Balcony, 235 sqft

- In-room temperature control
- Deluxe hotel-style bedding with Egyptian linen, down pillows and duvet
- Spacious bathrooms with multi-jet showerheads
- Large wardrobe, full-length mirror, hair dryer, safe and direct-dial telephone
- Flat-screen TV
- Entertainment on Demand system providing complimentary TV, movies and music library
- Complimentary internet and Wi-Fi
- Complimentary bottled water replenished daily
- Desk and chair

Double Occupancy  
**\$12,390**

Single Occupancy  
**\$15,890**

Prices are per guest in CAD, all taxes included.

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