

South Coastal AARP Chapter 5226

Presents a 9 Day/8 Night trip including an
Enchanting 8 Day/7 Nights

Rhine Getaway River Cruise **Aboard Viking's Longship "Sigrun"**

Date: November 2 – November 10, 2021



DATE DAY PORT

11/2/21 TUE Depart from home on your overnight flight to Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

11/3/21 WED Arrive in **Amsterdam, The Netherlands**. Transfer from the airport to your ship. **Viking Longship Sigrun**. After boarding, relax and get settled in, or enjoy time on your own getting acquainted with the city, or join our "welcome walk" to stretch your legs and get oriented.

11/4/21 THU **Kinderdijk, The Netherlands** – This morning we sail to Kinderdijk, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, for a tour of this ingenious network of windmills and other flood management devices. You learn why the windmills were built and see how they work, plus you enter a working windmill for a tour of its mechanisms and living quarters. Return on board for lunch and an enjoyable afternoon of Dutch diversions: sample handcrafted Dutch cheeses and jenever, distilled juniper liquor, and take in a culturally enriching presentation on the Dutch Golden Age.



11/5/21 FRI **Cologne, Germany** – You have a morning tour of Cologne, including a visit to the Dom, Germany's largest cathedral and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. After your tour, spend the rest of the day and evening exploring Cologne on your own: Roman ruins, interesting neighborhoods and museums like the Fragrance Museum and the Chocolate Museum.

11/6/21 SAT **Koblenz, Germany** – Proceed along the Rhine, disembarking to tour the 700-year-old Marksburg Castle. Alternately, choose an optional excursion that offers a lively and informative tour of Ehrenbreitstein Fortress, or enjoy an optional guided exploration of Koblenz on foot. After, enjoy an onboard lunch as you cruise the scenic **Middle Rhine**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site where turreted castles and fortresses overlook the river from their hilltop posts. Arrive in **Rüdesheim, Germany** in the late afternoon. Spend free time in the pedestrian-only Drosselgasse. Dine on board your ship, or you may also choose one of the optional dinners on shore.

11/7/21 SUN **Speyer, Germany** – After lunch, enjoy an included tour to visit the historic town of Speyer and take in views of the imposing Speyer Cathedral, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Built in the 11th century on the site of a former basilica, the building's design influenced Romanesque architecture for centuries to come, and is the final resting place of eight German monarchs. Alternatively, after breakfast, you may choose to disembark for a full-day tour of Heidelberg, the home of Germany's oldest university, founded in 1386. Visit the beautiful sandstone ruins of imposing Heidelberg Castle and admire the Neckar River Valley. Continue with a walking tour through Old Town to Heidelberg's renowned gates.



11/8/21 MON **Strasbourg, France** – We dock this morning in Kehl and disembark for a guided tour of Strasbourg. See the European Parliament and tour the interior of the city's famed cathedral. The afternoon is free to further explore this Alsatian city's blend of French and German cultures, resplendent churches, medieval covered bridges, verdant parks and handsome Art Nouveau and modernist architecture. Alternately, join our optional excursion into Alsatian wine country for an informative winery tour and tasting. On board this evening, enjoy a Taste of Germany dinner event.

11/9/21 TUE **Breisach, Germany** – Arrive in Breisach this morning, gateway to the Black Forest. Take a scenic excursion through the area's renowned mountain landscape, rolling meadows and dense forests. Once there, visit a local workshop to see a cuckoo clock-making demonstration, and learn how Black Forest Cake is made. Return to your ship for lunch. This afternoon, perhaps join an optional excursion to the quaint Alsatian town of Colmar to discover the storybook charm of its streets lined with medieval, Gothic and Renaissance buildings, or choose an optional excursion that explores Colmar's World War II history. Dine on board this evening and cruise on through the night.



11/10/21 WED **Basel, Switzerland** – Disembark and proceed to the airport for your return flight.

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Fairy-tale castles, grand cathedrals, historic cities, medieval towns and spectacular scenery—little wonder that the Rhine is one of Europe's best-loved rivers.

Price: \$2999.00 Per Person Window Cabin Cat. F
\$3499.00 Per Person French Veranda Cat. D
\$3799.00 Per Person Balcony Cabin Cat. B

(Prices Based on Double Occupancy. Cabin Selection Subject to Availability)

Included in your Price:

- Round-trip Airfare Viking Air Plus
- 8-day cruise visiting 4 countries & 10 ports
- Cabin, Welcome bottle of Wine & Welcome Cocktail Reception & Farewell Dinner
- Wine & Beer served with lunch & dinner
- All onboard meals featuring regional specialties & always available American classics
- 6 included shore excursions with local guide & headset
- Visit 5 UNESCO World Heritage Sites
- Culture Curriculum (enjoy a classical music performance; learn how to create your own Alsatian flammkuchen; observe a traditional glassblower; attend lectures on Germany's current affairs & origins of Rhine River cruising),
- Port Charges
- Taxes
- Transfers in Amsterdam and Basel
- Motor coach transportation to and from Airport

Travel Protection: Cancellation Policy is Severe. Travel Protection can be purchased at \$318.00 per person for Window CAT F, \$380.00 per person for French Veranda CAT D, & \$438.00 per person Balcony CAT B - double occupancy. Travel Protection should be purchased at the time of initial deposit to ensure full benefits. Insurance premiums are non-refundable. Group cancellation policy applies.
See group leader for details.

Payment Terms and Conditions:

1. **\$250.00 per person is due with names immediately, to hold your reservation.**
2. **\$1000.00 per person payment is due November 2, 2020.**
3. **Final payment is due by: April 2, 2021.**
4. **No refunds after May 2, 2021.**
5. Travel Protection, on an individual basis, should be forwarded to PML Tours as people give their initial deposit.
6. **Cancellation Penalty begins immediately upon receipt of your deposit:**
 - \$100 per person penalty upon deposit.**
 - Up until 180 days prior \$500 per person penalty.**
 - May 2, 2021 no refunds.**

