

JOIN PENNY PITOU TRAVEL IN 2018 FOR A RIVER CRUISE ALONG THE ROMANTIC RHINE!

SAIL OCTOBER 20 - 27, 2018. INCLUDES ALL MEALS & 24HR SNACKS, BEER/WINE WITH LUNCH/DINNER, LAND EXCURSIONS, ONBOARD WIFI, STAFF GRATUITIES, AND PORT TAXES/FEES. ALL PRICES ARE PER PERSON, DOUBLE OCCUPANCY.

DELUXE STATEROOMS (172 SQ.FT. - CAT E, D): \$2717 - \$2916

PANORAMA SUITE (200 SQ.FT. - CATEGORY B, A, P): \$3866 - \$4016

ROYAL SUITE (300 SQ.FT.): \$4716

* DEPOSIT BY MAY 19, 2017 AND SAVE AN ADDITIONAL \$100 PER PERSON!

CRUISE HIGHLIGHTS:

One of Europe's most legendary rivers awaits you on this exciting journey along the Rhine River, which takes you across Germany-and touches in Holland, France, and Switzerland! This magnificent river cruise begins in the ever popular, modern city of Amsterdam, Holland. There is much to do with the renowned museums and abundance of restaurants amongst the elegant squares and charming canals. The best way to see the treasures of this 700-year-old city is on a canal cruise along the elegant grachten lined with homes dating back to the city's "Golden Age." Cologne, Germany-a 2,000 year-old city known for its gothic architecture-will be an exciting stop with its famous twin-spired cathedral and Old Town with many shops, cafés, and taverns. While you're there, why not try a locally-brewed Kölsch beer? Pass through the dramatic Rhine Gorge-the most beautiful stretch of the Rhine River where ancient castles stand on cliffs 400 feet above the water. And nearby, in the charming wine town of Rüdesheim, visit the unique Siegfried's Mechanical Musical Instrument Museum to see the impressive collection of historical self-playing instruments. Continue your Rhine river cruise to Mainz for a guided walk and visit to the captivating Gutenberg Museum. An excursion takes you to Heidelberg to visit the ruins of its red-walled castle towering magnificently over the city. In Strasbourg, France, you'll be amazed by the red-sandstone gothic cathedral with ancient murals and fascinating astronomical clock. Also, stroll through the lovely La Petite France district with its quaint shops, delightful bistros, and peaceful waterfront promenade. Before the end of your European river cruise vacation, stop in Breisach, Germany, the gateway to Germany's Black Forest-an area of unrivaled natural beauty-best known for Black Forest ham, cherry cake, and the cuckoo clock.





DAY-TO-DAY ITINERARY:

DAY 1: ARRIVE IN AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND (EMBARKATION)

Welcome to Amsterdam! This 700-year-old city with its classic architecture, cafés, and restaurants has a distinct ambiance. The streets, squares, canals, and bike paths throughout the city make for a vibrant atmosphere, and with over 60 museums, Amsterdam has the highest museum density in the world. This afternoon, board your river cruise vessel and meet your crew at an evening welcome reception. (D) NOTE: Guests must be on board ship by 5:00pm.

DAY 2: AMSTERDAM

There is no better way to see Amsterdam than by CANAL BOAT, cruising through the elegant grachten lined with stately homes dating back to Amsterdam's "Golden Age." There's free time in the city this afternoon to explore on your own. Later, bid tot ziens (farewell) to Holland and set sail for Germany! (B, L, D)

DAY 3: COLOGNE, GERMANY

Today, enjoy a peaceful morning of cruising before reaching Cologne in the afternoon. One of Germany's largest cities and capital of the Rhineland, Cologne straddles both sides of the Rhine, and is known for its soaring, twin-steepled gothic cathedral. Choose between an included GUIDED CITY WALK or JEWISH HERITAGE WALK. The Old Town abounds with cafés, shops, and taverns. Be sure to try a Kölsch pale lager, locally brewed in Cologne for over a hundred years! (B, L, D)

DAY 4: KOBLENZ-RHINE GORGE-RÜDESHEIM

Situated at the confluence of the Rhine and Moselle Rivers, 2,000-year-old Koblenz is the cultural and business center of the Middle Rhine region. Here, join a Local Guide for a WALKING TOUR of the city that reveals an eventful past through its castles, fortress walls, towers, squares, and monuments. The dramatic RHINE GORGE is the most beautiful stretch of river. Here, ancient castles stand sentry on lofty cliffs rising 400 feet above the waters. Cruise past the legendary rock of the Lorelei, where echoes of enchanted siren song lured unwitting sailors to their doom. In Rüdesheim, the quintessential Rhine Valley wine town, visit SIEGFRIED'S MECHANICAL MUSICAL INSTRUMENT MUSEUM to see and hear a large collection of self-playing calliopes and music boxes. (B, L, D)

DAY 5: MAINZ. EXCURSION TO HEIDELBERG

Strategically located at the confluence of the Rhine and Main Rivers is Mainz, dating back to around 38 BC. Today, this is Germany's largest and most important wine market. Join your Local Guide for a GUIDED WALK through the Altstadt (Old Town) with its many intriguing shops and the whimsical Fastnachtsbrunnen (Carnival Fountain) on the Schillerplatz, a tribute to the jesters at the city's annual Carnival celebration. You'll visit the captivating GUTENBERG MUSEUM. After lunch, travel to Heidelberg, home to the oldest university in Germany. With a LOCAL GUIDE, visit the imposing ruins of HEIDELBERG CASTLE, towering magnificently over the city. You'll also see the famed GREAT VAT, the "World's Largest Wine Barrel." At nearly 23 feet high and 28 feet wide, the cask holds over 58,000 gallons of wine and has a dance floor built on top of it! (B, L, D)

DAY 6: STRASBOURG, FRANCE

Situated on the border of France and Germany as capital of the Alsace region and seat of the Council of Europe and European Parliament, Strasbourg is without a doubt an important city that manages to retain its historic charm. On your GUIDED SIGHTSEEING TOUR, visit the monumental red-sandstone GOTHIC CATHEDRAL with its ancient murals, stained-glass windows, and fascinating astronomical clock, as well as the magical LA PETITE FRANCE district, home to half-timber houses, quaint shops, inviting bistros, and a waterfront promenade. Also spend time exploring Place Kléber and Place Gutenberg in the heart of medieval Strasbourg, which features a statue of the inventor of the printing press. After dinner, enjoy an onboard WOODCARVING demonstration. (B, L, D)

DAY 7: BREISACH, GERMANY. EXCURSION TO THE BLACK FOREST

Located at the foot of Kaiserstuhl Mountain on the French-German border, Breisach is the gateway to Germany's BLACK FOREST! Surely the most well-known products from this region are Black Forest ham, Black Forest cherry cake, and cuckoo clocks. You may opt for a visit to the workshop of a local woodcarver who produces clocks and other carvings, or to the open-air Museum of Vogtsbauernhof to see how life was lived in this area centuries ago. (B, L, D)

DAY 8: BASEL, SWITZERLAND (DISEMBARKATION)

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning. (B) NOTE: Guests flights must not depart before 10:00am.

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