

# TRI-STATE TRAVEL

## ENCHANTING RHINE

SEPTEMBER 23 - OCTOBER 5, 2020

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### Your Tour Includes:

- ❖ Transfers to/from TST Guaranteed Departure Points to Chicago O'Hare
- ❖ Round Trip Coach Class Airfare (Chicago – Zurich / Amsterdam – Chicago)
- ❖ 2 Nights in Zurich and 2 Nights in Lucerne (Pre-Cruise)
- ❖ Fine Dining including unlimited complimentary beer, wine, and soft drinks with dinner while onboard
- ❖ Entertainment on Demand in all staterooms featuring high-speed internet access, movies, and more
- ❖ Life Enriching Tours and Guided Excursions at Every Port
- ❖ Theme Dinners, Cooking Demonstrations, Onboard Live Entertainment and More
- ❖ Stops at: Breisach, Germany; Strasbourg, France; Ludwigshafen, Germany; Rudesheim, Germany; Cologne, Germany; Amsterdam, Netherlands
- ❖ Complimentary Bicycles and Helmets
- ❖ Port Charges and Onboard Ship Gratuities

### Not Included:

Travel Protection Plan, Luggage Fees Assessed by The Airline or Items of a Personal Nature

### Your Tour Price:

<u>Deck</u>		<u>Stateroom</u>	<u>Price</u>
Category CA	Violin or Cello	French Balcony	\$8,299.00 per person
Category BB	Cello	French/Outside Balcony	\$8,799.00 per person
Category BA	Violin	French/Outside Balcony	\$8,999.00 per person



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## **DAY #1 - Wednesday, September 23, 2020 - Overnight Flight**

We depart from your TST Guaranteed Departure Point and make our way to Chicago O'Hare for our overnight flight to Zurich.

## **DAY #2 - Thursday, September 24, 2020**

We arrive in Zurich and check into our hotel.

## **DAY #3 - Friday, September 25, 2020**

Set alongside a glistening lake and framed by the Alps, Switzerland's largest city Zurich seamlessly blends its historic past with its progressive future—all of which will be on full display during your city tour. One of the top experiences in Zurich is a visit to Old Town where you will find yourself amongst medieval houses churches and the modern Bahnhofstrasse, a mile-long street featuring exclusive fashion boutiques, stores and street cafes. **(B)**



## **DAY #4 - Saturday, September 26, 2020**

Check out of your hotel and head off on a scenic drive past Alpine lakes before reaching Vitznau. Upon arrival, enjoy a cruise across the tranquil waters of Lake Lucerne. Lucerne's beauty and charm are unrivaled. You will discover the beauty on a walking tour. Afterwards you will check into your hotel. **(B)**

## **DAY #5 - Sunday, September 27, 2020**

The iconic Lion Monument which you will visit was sculpted in memory for the Swiss Guards massacred during the French Revolution in 1792. It has captured the hearts and minds of visitors for centuries including Mark Twain who praised it as “the most mournful and moving piece of stone in the world”. You will also visit the spectacular medieval walls and towers, dating back to the 13<sup>th</sup> century. Located around Musegg Wall area, the towers rise high over the city giving great panoramic views of Lucerne, the Reuss River and the surrounding mountain scenery. There is a total of nine towers including one featuring the oldest clock in the city. **(B)**



## **DAY #6 - Monday, September 28, 2020**

We transfer to Basel where you will have free time for lunch on your own before embarking on your ship, AmaStella. **(BD)**

## **DAY #7 - Tuesday, September 29, 2020**

Breisach is your gateway to several different excursions depending on your interests. Step back in time with a visit to the enchanting Alsatian town of Riquewihr, France which looks almost the same as it did in the 18<sup>th</sup> century. On your walking tour admire historic architecture as well as famous sights, such as the Dolder Gate. Alternatively, you may wish to go to Freiburg, founded in 1120 and home to the Freiburg's Munster, a Gothic cathedral said to have the most beautiful spire on earth. Those wishing a more active excursion can cycle through the scenic countryside or go on a hike to the Black Forest, a magical land full of cultural traditions. **(BLD)**

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## **DAY #8 - Wednesday, September 30, 2020**

Strasbourg, the capital city of Alsace, offers flavors of both France and Germany because of its borderline location. Enjoy a panoramic tour past the stunning Parc de l'Orangerie, the European Parliament and the Place de la Republique. Then walk through its iconic UNESCO World Heritage "La Petite France" district, which appears to have been lifted straight from the pages of a fairytale. Wander through these charming streets and past the Cathedrale de Notre Dame with its famous astronomical clock. For the active adventurer, you can take a guided bike ride through this captivating city and Parc de L'Orangerie. **(BLD)**



## **DAY #9 - Thursday, October 1, 2020**

Ludwigshafen is your gateway to a choice of three excursions. Visit Heidelberg, the perfectly preserved medieval city nestled in the Neckar River Valley along Germany's Castle Road. Discover the iconic red sandstone Heidelberg Castle and Great Vat, an 18 century 49,000-gallon wine cask. For a more active adventure while in Heidelberg, join a guided hike up the Philosophers Path, aptly named during the Romantic Period and be rewarded with panoramic views of the city. Alternatively, you can visit one of Germany's oldest cities, Speyer, known for the largest Romanesque cathedral in Europe—a UNESCO World Heritage Site—and the medieval Altportel, Old Gate. Later in the day, sail to Rudesheim where you can visit Siegfried's Mechanical Music Museum or taste one of the towns special delights, Rudesheimer Coffee ceremoniously made with local – Ashbach Uralt brandy. **(BLD)**



## **DAY #10 - Friday, October 2, 2020**

Your exploration of Rudesheim continues with your choice of three excursions. Take a gondola ride to the Niederwalddenkmal Statue, where you can enjoy panoramic views of the river. Afterwards indulge your taste buds with a sampling of Riesling wines in the vineyards. If you prefer a more active adventure you can join a guided bike ride through the town and along the Rhine River to Schloss Johannisberg or hike through the town's beautiful vineyards. During the afternoon set sail along the scenic Rhine River Gorge with its fabled legends and many castles to Lahnstein where you will enjoy a visit to Lahneck Castle. **(BLD)**

## **DAY #11 - Saturday, October 3, 2020**

Home to one of Germany's most revered Gothic masterpieces, the Cologne Cathedral. This 2,000-year-old city is also a bustling cosmopolitan hotspot. Join a guided tour through the enchanting Old Town and explore the UNESCO designated cathedral, where the remains of the fabled Three Kings—the Magi—are believed to rest. Alternatively, ride a bike along the Rhine and through the historic Stadtgarten or visit a local tavern to taste Kolsch and Reibekuchen—potato pancakes served with apple sauce. **(BLD)**

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## **DAY #12 - Sunday, October 4, 2020**

Eclectic Amsterdam boasts amazing history, art, architecture, and museums, and you have a choice as to how you wish to explore it. The famous canals of Amsterdam await discovery on your city tour beginning with a scenic canal cruise followed by a walk to Begijnhof, known for its Middle Age Buildings. For a different view of the city you can join the Jewish Heritage Tour which begins with a visit to the 17<sup>th</sup>-century Portuguese Synagogue and the Jewish Historical Museum chronicling the history of the Jews in Amsterdam. **(BLD)**

## **DAY #13 - Monday, October 5, 2020**

Bid farewell to Amsterdam and prepare for your homeward flight to Chicago. Our motorcoach awaits at O'Hare to transfer us back to our original departure point. **(B)**

