



BRADLEY WALTERS JOURNEYS PRESENTS

# PRESIDENT'S CRUISE CASTLES ALONG THE RHINE

*Riverboat Cruise from Basel to Amsterdam*

**OCTOBER 15 – 24, 2010**

*Hosted by Bradley Walters  
and Guest Hosts Peter & Linda Vanderheyden*

This tour really lives up to its name with castles, castles, and more spectacular castles. Gracing the shores of the middle Rhine Valley are more medieval castles than in any other river valley in the world. The fairytale castles combine with the breathtaking landscape of terraced vineyards and old-world towns, will leave you awestruck.

Artists, musicians, writers, and poets from all over Europe have immortalized the Rhine's unadulterated natural beauty in their songs, art, stories, and poetry. Byron, Dumas, Hugo, and Heine celebrated it in their writing. Beethoven, Schuman, Brahms, Schubert, and Wagner idolized it in their music, and Turner captured it in his paintings.

And even today, the Rhine continues to inspire those who visit—especially Germany's upper middle Rhine Valley, spanning approximately 40 miles between Koblenz and Rudesheim. This area has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site. As you travel along the Rhine, each bend and twist affords new surprises that are certain to inspire you the way countless others have been inspired for centuries.

**Who will enjoy this cruise:** Romantics, history buffs, wine connoisseurs and nature lovers will rejoice in medieval wine towns, glorious castles, majestic cathedrals, world-class cities, and the romantic Rhine's glorious natural beauty.

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# tour itinerary

## CRUISE HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Air fare from Toronto to Basel, return from Amsterdam, including all air taxes
- All transfers on arrival and departure days
- One night in Basel before the cruise including dinner and breakfast
- 7-night cruise in a riverview stateroom on the stylish River Ambassador
- All meals onboard; Complimentary fine wine, beer, or soda during dinner, bottled water in your stateroom, and 24-hour specialty coffee
- 6 shore excursions, fully hosted by English-speaking guides; State-of-the-art Quietvox portable audio headset system on all shore excursions
- Complimentary use of bicycles
- Exciting onboard entertainment and insightful lectures
- Captain's Welcome & Farewell Dinners
- An experienced Cruise Manager and attentive, all English-speaking staff
- Lavishly appointed riverview staterooms have hotel-style beds draped in fine linens, a vanity, built-in closets, hair dryer, safe, individual thermostat for air conditioning and heat, direct-dial telephone, flat-screen TV with satellite, bottled water, and bathroom with L'Occitane body products, magnifying mirror, and plush bathrobes
- Beautiful panoramic main lounge with full-service bar, cozy library/game room, and elegant restaurant
- Sun deck with chess and shuffleboard, fitness room with jet massage shower cabin, massage treatments, and boutique
- 24-hour reception service
- Wireless Internet access in public areas
- Menus change daily and reflect the best of the region and season

**DAY 1** Depart Toronto to an overnight flight to Basel.

**DAY 2** Arrive at Euro Airport Basel-Mulhouse-Freiburg. A sightseeing tour of Basel and then transfer to the hotel.

**DAY 3** Breakfast this morning and free time to explore before boarding our ship.

**DAY 4 Featured Excursion: Full-day tour along the Alsatian Wine Road** Starting from Medieval Breisach, the gateway to the Black Forest, you'll cross the Rhine and head for the Alsatian Wine Road, which hugs the foothills of the Vosges Mountains. Charming villages, pastoral landscapes, and lush vineyards producing great white wines line this winding scenic route. You'll visit enchanting Colmar with its winding old streets, Medieval historic center, and St. Martin's Church, which is made of pink stone. You'll also see the picturesque timber-framed houses in the village of Riquewahr. (BB, Captain's Welcome Dinner)

**DAY 5 Strasbourg Featured Excursion: Strasbourg Canal Cruise** Situated halfway between Paris and Prague, the Alsatian town of Strasbourg is known as the "Crossroads of Europe." It is home to a magnificent Gothic cathedral and beautiful half-timbered houses. View Strasbourg in the way it has been seen through the centuries — on a canal cruise. In addition to viewing the town's covered bridges, Medieval watchtowers, old tanners' district, and the modern building that houses the European Parliament, you will see Petite France, the picturesque district that seems as if it has been lifted from the pages of a fairytale. (BB, L, D)

**DAY 6 Speyer Featured Excursion: Speyer walking tour** Your guided walking tour through Speyer reveals a Medieval town with a grand heritage and a compact historic center dominated by the largest Romanesque cathedral in Europe — a UNESCO World Heritage Site. With its basilica laid out in the form of a Latin cross, including four towers and two domes, this is a marvel to behold. (BB, L, D)

**DAY 7 Rudesheim Featured Excursion: Castle Vollrads winetasting** Rudesheim has a long history dating back to Roman times and is considered one of the most charming of the Rhine Valley towns. Spend time there at your leisure.

**DAY 8 Cruising the romantic Rhine, Koblenz; Featured Excursion: Koblenz walking tour** Cruise along the breathtaking UNESCO World Heritage-designated middle Rhine Valley with its more than 40 castles and famous Lorelei Rock. Arrive in Koblenz, situated at the confluence of the Rhine and Moselle rivers. Your walking tour will highlight the appeal of Koblenz — its romantic narrow streets and historical squares, the picturesque alleyways and fountains in the old quarter, and the 12th-century churches of St. Florin and Our Lady. (BB, L, D)



**DAY 9 Cologne Featured Excursion: Cologne walking tour and Cologne Cathedral visit** Stroll through the narrow streets of Old Town with your guide, passing by tiny squares and little churches as you make your way to Cologne Cathedral, the city's most famous landmark and a designated UNESCO World Heritage Site. It took 632 years for Germany's largest cathedral to be completed, and it is one of the most important Gothic churches in Europe. A visit inside features the Shrine of the Three Magi and the beautiful stained glass windows that survived WWII. (BB, L, Captain's Farewell Dinner)

**DAY 10 Depart Amsterdam** Disembark the ship and transfer to Amsterdam Schiphol Airport for your flight home.

## amazing tour price

**\$4749.00** Price Per Person based on sharing Cabin on the Main Deck

Upgrade available to the Promenade Deck (\$500.00) per person

*Cancellation and Medical Insurance is available and highly recommended.*

**A Passport will be required on the trip.**

**Deposit \$500.00**

**Final payment June 15, 2010**