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# Rhine & Moselle Rivers

**BASEL TO AMSTERDAM**



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May 27 – June 4, 2025



## Dear University of Michigan Alumni Travelers,

Travel is an enriching part of our lives, connecting us to new worlds, new friends, and each other. Today, planning a trip requires a lot. At the Alumni Association of the University of Michigan, we've spent 55-plus years planning, perfecting, and executing extraordinary trips for Michigan travelers — trips you'd expect from, and for, the Leaders and Best. These adventures will take you beyond an ordinary visit and dive into the culture, history, cuisine, and lives of the locals at your destination.

Here are a few of the highlights you can expect from us ...

**Convenience:** Our experience pays off. Every detail is planned and taken care of for you; all you have to do is pack your bag. The hard part is selecting where to go next.

**Educational Enrichment:** All trips include educational content, with some featuring expert U-M faculty and staff traveling with your group.

**Michigan Small Group Explorations:** Our tours are limited to 12-28 Michigan travelers, allowing for spontaneous encounters and a great deal of independence wherever your journey takes you.

We invite you to explore the range of our collection at [alumni.umich.edu/travel](http://alumni.umich.edu/travel).

Our travel team is also happy to assist you at 855.764.0064 or [alumnitravel@umich.edu](mailto:alumnitravel@umich.edu).

*Rachele Neu*

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Senior Travel Program Manager

NOTE: The Alumni Travel program is a member benefit of the Alumni Association. Travelers, regardless of alumni status, must be a member to participate in our trips.

### UNESCO World Heritage

1. **The 17th-century Canal Ring Area of Amsterdam inside the Singelgracht, Netherlands**
2. **Cologne Cathedral, Germany**
3. **Upper Middle Rhine Valley, Germany**
4. **Speyer Cathedral, Germany**
5. **Strasbourg, Grande-Île and Neustadt, France**



Speyer





# A World of Discovery



Experience European history up close on this enriching journey to France, Germany and the Netherlands! Embark on a seven-night cruise that reveals the cultural riches of Old World cities and towns along storied rivers. Cruise through the legendary Rhine Gorge, marvel at magnificent cathedrals in Cologne, Speyer and Strasbourg, and savor the beauty of Amsterdam's vibrant, iconic canals.

*Top: Cologne Cathedral | Above: Upper Middle Rhine Valley  
Cover: Amadeus fleet sailing the Rhine River  
Mail panel: Wine tasting, Rüdesheim | Strasbourg*

## Inspiring Moments



- Delight in the Alsatian flavor of Grande-Île, **Strasbourg's historic heart.**
- Feel enveloped in the **Rhine Valley's enchanting scenery** of hilltop castles, vine-laced slopes and medieval towns.
- Take in the **serene Moselle river valley** from the castle high above Cochem.
- Be awed by the Gothic grandeur of **Cologne Cathedral**, more than 600 years in the making.
- Revel in Amsterdam's wonderful ambience as you float along its **picturesque Golden Age canals.**
- Savor **regional wines** along the way.
- Experience five **UNESCO World Heritage sites.**

ALUMNI CAMPUS  
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## Day 1 | In Transit

Depart your gateway city for Zürich, Switzerland. 🌐

## Day 2 | Zürich, Switzerland | Basel

Transfer 🔄 to Basel and board the river ship. Gather for a Welcome Reception tonight.

## Day 3 | Strasbourg, France

The ship arrives in the capital of the culturally rich and picturesque Alsace region.

### 🌐PYJ | Choose one of these excursions:

- **Strasbourg Panorama.** Discover the unique blend of German and French influences here on a guided scenic tour and walk. See stately architecture and visit Notre-Dame Cathedral.
- **Strasbourg Canal Cruise & Petite France Walking Tour.** Discover centuries-old heritage of this charming quarter on a canal cruise and walking tour, and visit Notre-Dame Cathedral.
- **Culinary Strasbourg.** Sample authentic Alsatian dishes and wines in *winstubs*, small wine pubs, and other local cafés and shops, and visit Notre-Dame Cathedral.

**Free Time:** A shuttle between the ship and city center is available this afternoon for those who want to explore more of Strasbourg at leisure.

## Day 4 | Speyer, Germany | Mannheim | Heidelberg

**Speyer Walk.** On a guided tour through one of Germany's oldest cities, walk through the grand, 13th-century Altpörtel, Old Gate, admire the extraordinary Romanesque cathedral and see other notable landmarks.

Enjoy lunch on the ship and cruise to Mannheim.

### 🌐PYJ | Choose one of these excursions:

- **Heidelberg Castle and Town.** Explore the red-walled castle above the Neckar Valley, and take the funicular down to the city center for a stroll around the romantic old town.
- **Hike Heidelberg's Philosopher's Way.** Trek up this famous path to the Philosopher's Garden for gorgeous river valley views. *(Active)*

## Day 5 | Rudesheim | Rhine Gorge | Koblenz

**Panoramic Tour.** Board the Rudesheimer Winzerexpress train for a panoramic tour of the village and surrounding vineyards.

### 🌐PYJ | Choose one of these excursions:

- **Wines of the Rhine.** In Rudesheim's old town, see the bustling Drosselgasse, and try wines from this renowned Riesling region at a winery.

Amsterdam







*Cochem & Reichsburg Castle on the Moselle River*

• **A Musical Walk in Time.** On a guided walk, see Rudesheim's medieval walls and its main street, and then tour a delightful museum with self-playing musical instruments.

Cruise through the enchanting scenery of the Rhine Gorge, a splendid stretch lined with more than 40 castles and fortress ruins, and pass by the legendary Loreley Rock.

**Enrichment: Castles & Legends of the Rhine.**

**Koblenz.** Meander along cobblestone lanes through this storied town, established over 2,000 years ago where the Rhine and Moselle rivers meet. See the Church of Our Lady, the romantic Jesuitenplatz Square and other sites.

#### Day 6 | Koblenz | Cochem

After sailing through a narrow portion of the Moselle River, flanked by colorful villages and tiered vineyards, the ship moors in Cochem.

**German Lunch.** On the sun deck, gather for this traditional German treat of a glass of beer with fresh pretzels, sausages and mustards.

**Cochem & the Reichsburg Castle.** Learn about Cochem's rich folklore and admire its charming, half-timbered houses on a guided walk along narrow, winding streets and stepped hills draped in a tangle of grapevines. Then, tour the hilltop castle, taking in the panoramic views, and savor a glass of wine.

**Free Time:** Explore more of charming Cochem during time at leisure this afternoon. Return to the ship and visit a nearby winery to try a glass of wine from the Moselle region.

#### Day 7 | Cologne

**Cologne Walking Tour.** In one of Germany's oldest cities, tour the old town on foot. Admire the exterior of the majestic Gothic cathedral and step inside to see the stone columns soaring upward toward the vaulted ceiling. Then, do some shopping or linger in a café.

Enjoy lunch and an afternoon of cruising. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a festive Farewell Reception and Dinner.

*Koblenz, where the Rhine & Moselle Rivers meet*



*View of Heidelberg from Philosopher's Way*





## Included Features



### Accommodations (with baggage handling)

- **Unpack once** and sail for **7 nights** aboard the **exclusively chartered**, first-class MS Amadeus Queen.

### Extensive Meal Program

- 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 7 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine, beer or soft drinks with lunch and dinner.

### Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- **Enrichment by expert speakers** enhances your insight into the region.
- **Engaging excursions** showcase the local culture, heritage and history.
- **Personalize Your Journey | PYJ |** A choice of excursions in selected locales.
- **Free time** to pursue your individual interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.
- **AHI Sustainability Promise:** We strive to make a positive impact wherever we travel.

## Day 8 | Amsterdam, The Netherlands

### **PYJ | Choose one of these excursions:**

- **Rijksmuseum.** Take a panoramic tour en route to visit this national museum. Admire masterpieces by 17th-century Dutch artists, including Rembrandt, Vermeer and Hals.
- **Waterland Bicycle Ride.** Embrace the local cycling culture as you pedal through this lush area dotted with historic villages. Stop for a pastry break in Amsterdam Noord. *(Active)*
- **Canal District Walking Tour.** Join a walking tour of the Herengracht, one of the most beautiful canals in Amsterdam, and then visit the fascinating Museum of the Canals.

After lunch on the ship, enjoy some free time.



### **Enrichment: Contemporary Europe.**


**Canals of Amsterdam.** On a canal cruise, see this beguiling city from the water with an expert guide. Admire the unfolding scenery of gabled canal houses and some of the city's 1,500 bridges and dozens of islands.

## Day 9 | Amsterdam | In transit

Transfer  to the airport for the return flight to your gateway city.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

 Flights and  transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.

 PYJ experiences are included.

### Note About Activity Levels

We have designated activity levels for all excursions on this program. For more details, please call or visit our website.

### Excursions on this itinerary require:

- walking on cobblestones, unpaved paths and/or uneven surfaces
- getting on/off motor coaches and boats

Heidelberg Castle above the historic old town





## EXTEND YOUR STAY



### Interlaken | 2 Nights

{ Elective PRE-Trip Extension at an additional cost }

Experience the incredible natural beauty of Switzerland during a two-night stay in the heart of the Bernese Oberland! This extension includes two nights at the deluxe Victoria-Jungfrau Grand Hotel & Spa; a guided tour of Bern; daily breakfasts; the services of an AHI Travel Director and Hospitality desk; guide and driver gratuities; transfer and baggage handling from the ship to the hotel; and all taxes and service charges.

**\$1,295 per person, double occupancy | \$2,040 single occupancy**



### Amsterdam | 2 Nights

{ Elective POST-Trip Extension at an additional cost }

Explore picturesque Amsterdam in greater depth during an additional two-night stay! This extension includes two nights at a first-class hotel; a guided walk and visit to the National Maritime Museum; daily breakfasts; the services of an AHI Travel Director and Hospitality desk; guide gratuities; transfer and baggage handling from the hotel to the ship; and all taxes and service charges.

**\$995 per person, double occupancy | \$1,470 single occupancy**

# Reserve your trip today!

To book your journey,  
please call our AHI Travel Experts  
at **800-492-8155** or  
visit **umich.ahitravel.com**.

## Program Dates

### Travel dates †

**May 27 – June 4, 2025**

† Travel dates include any overnights required for international travel. These dates may vary depending on air schedules.

### Tour dates\*

**May 28 – June 4, 2025**

\* Tour dates begin on the scheduled arrival date at your destination and end on the scheduled departure date from your destination.

## Cruise Program

Category-Deck	Full Price	Early Booking Special Price*
E-Haydn (Mid Aft)	\$4,540	<b>\$3,790</b>
D-Haydn (Midship)	\$4,740	<b>\$3,990</b>
C-Strauss (Aft)	\$5,240	<b>\$4,490</b>
B-Strauss (Midship)	\$5,440	<b>\$4,690</b>
A-Mozart (Aft)	\$5,940	<b>\$5,190</b>
Suite-Mozart (Midship)	\$6,440	<b>\$5,690</b>

**Early Booking Special Price includes \$750 special savings.**

\*Early Booking Special Price valid if booked by date on address panel and paid in full at booking. If you pay only your deposit by early booking date, you still save \$250 per person.

Suites feature a balcony. Categories A, B and C feature a drop-down panoramic window. Categories D and E feature a window.

\*Special Price valid if booked by the date found on the address panel. VAT & Port Charges in the amount of \$395 per person is included in the above prices.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

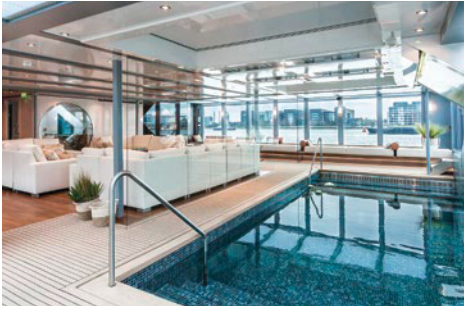
Special offers, promotions and discounts cannot be combined.

**Single supplement waived for solo travelers!** This offer is limited, capacity-controlled and tends to sell out quickly.

**Please note:** Program-specific terms and conditions are available at <https://umich.ahitravel.com/destinations/1855A?schoold=95>. You can also request a copy from our travel experts. Any payment to AHI Travel constitutes your acceptance of the terms and conditions set out therein, including but not limited to the cancellation terms.



## MS Amadeus Queen



Cruise in exceptional comfort and style aboard the elegant MS Amadeus Queen while enjoying warm hospitality and personalized attention from its seasoned crew. Its cozy public spaces feature large windows that offer remarkable, broad views of the scenery. When you want to unwind, take a dip in the indoor pool outfitted with a retractable roof. Savor delectable breakfast buffets and relish regional and international specialties at lunch and dinner served with wine, beer and soft drinks. Each evening, relax in your cabin or suite, which features satellite TV. Wi-Fi is complimentary.

## AHI FlexAir

### Let us arrange your flights

**Our experts are ready to assist you in booking flights. Our personalized air program offers the following advantages:**

- **price guarantee** to protect you from fuel surcharge increases after ticket purchase
- arrival and departure **transfers** on group dates
- **flexibility** to change or cancel your reservation before departure on most flights (Fees may apply.)
- **assistance** in the event of schedule changes or delays



Detail of "The Milkmaid,"  
Johannes Vermeer, Rijksmuseum

## AHI Travel Expertise

From your reservation to your return home, we are here to ensure you have the adventure of a lifetime.

### *Before you go:*

**Travel Consultants** stand ready to answer your questions as they guide you through the reservation process.

**Travel & Air Coordinators** each offer their personalized assistance with flights, electives and special requests.

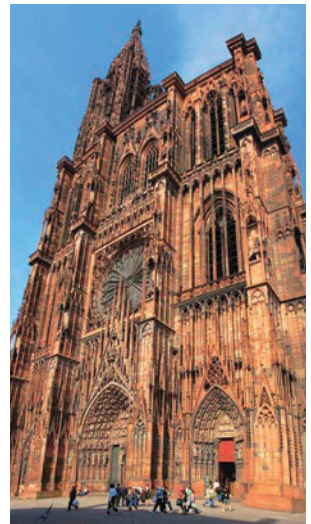
**Travel Information** provides pre-departure details and enrichment about your destination.

### *Once you arrive:*

**Your Travel Director**, a seasoned, multilingual professional, manages daily logistics so you enjoy a seamless experience.

**Handpicked Expert Guides** offer fascinating insights and share their passion for their country with you.

**Knowledgeable Lecturers** deepen your appreciation for the region and its history, culture and current events.



Notre Dame Cathedral, Strasbourg



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