

EXCURSIONS

Experience the Rhine and the Sea – 9 Nights



Day	Arr	Dep	City
Day 1	-	5.00 pm	Cologne, Germany
Day 2	-	-	Crossing the Markermeer/IJsselmeer, Netherlands
Day 2	12.00 pm	11.00 pm	Hoorn, Netherlands
Day 3	-	-	Cruising on the Wattenmeer, Netherlands
Day 3	10.00 am	-	Harlingen, Netherlands
Day 4	-	8.00 am	Harlingen, Netherlands
Day 4	-	-	Crossing the Wattenmeer/IJsselmeer, Netherlands
Day 4	1.00 pm	11.00 pm	Lelystad, Netherlands
Day 5	1.00 am	11.30 pm	Amsterdam, Netherlands
Day 6	8.00 am	2.00 pm	Rotterdam, Netherlands
Day 6	-	-	Harbour tour of Rotterdam, Netherlands
Day 6	-	-	Passage Dutch Delta, Netherlands
Day 7	7.00 am	3.30 pm	Ghent, Belgium
Day 7	6.00 pm	7.00 pm	Terneuzen*, Netherlands
Day 7	-	-	Passage Western Scheldt, Netherlands
Day 8	1.00 am	6.00 pm	Antwerp, Belgium
Day 8	-	-	Passing the harbour of Antwerp, Belgium
Day 9	9.00 am	1.00 pm	Nijmegen, Netherlands
Day 10	6.00 am	-	Cologne, Germany

*Excursion stop.

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Create your very own personal holiday programme with our numerous excursions! Each excursion is a highlight itself: from tours through metropolises, trips through impressive landscape to action and fun-filled excursions.

In order to provide you with a better overview of the various offers, we have divided our excursions into four categories: bike tours, discovery tours, adventure tours and gourmet tours. Each tour is assigned the corresponding symbol. Please note that most excursions can only take place if the minimum number of participants of 20 is reached (except bike tours).

We have compiled the excursion programme together with well-known, local agencies especially for your cruise. We arrange the excursion and they are implemented by the local agencies, which are the excursion organisers, and thus also your contractual partners.

You can book the excursion directly on board. Your international host will happily provide you with more information and assist you with booking the excursions.

We wish you an unforgettable holiday on board! Your A-ROSA Team.

A-ROSA CATEGORIES



DISCOVERY TOURS

Do you like to go on discovery trips? Then these tours are the perfect fit for you. Whether it's a city tour, a city walk or a sightseeing tour, there is plenty to explore. A must for all culture lovers.



A-ROSA BIKE TOURS

Discover the land and people in a unique way - "fit and active" on the saddle of a first-class bicycle. We only select the most beautiful scenery for our tours, and we have made it our quest to let you experience and feel the unique and unspoilt nature of these places first hand.



ADVENTURE TOURS

On these excursions, you will find pure excitement. Here you can experience the world from completely new angles. Be it during a flight in the air, with unusual means of transport or an activity with an extra thrill. Look forward to experiences that you will never forget.

HOORN

CITY WALK THROUGH HOORN



During this city walk you will learn about Willem Schouten, who sailed around the southern tip of America in 1616, and named it after his home town. Another famous man from Hoorn was Abel Janszoon Tasman, who was the first European to visit both New Zealand and Tasmania. During the tour, you will be able to see the picturesque harbour, the Grote Kerk, the old town hall or the Waage from 1609.

Price: € 19 | Duration: approx. 1.5 h

BIKE TOUR TO HOORN AND ITS COASTAL AREA



Hoorn's great geographical location right next to the Markermeer is one reason for the city's idyllic charm. The surrounding area features a great variety of bicycle tracks through the breathtaking landscapes. This bike ride takes you past the wide polder landscape, through small inland dikes and ancient villages. In Beemster, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, you will see the summer houses of Hoorn merchants from the 17th century.

Price: € 33 | Duration: approx. 3 h | Distance: 25 km

HARLINGEN

CITY WALK THROUGH HARLINGEN



Take a deep breath! In Frisian Harlingen the sea air is omnipresent. The harbour stretches all the way into the downtown area, where you can be witness to architecture from different epochs. Follow our guide through the beautiful old houses with stepped gables, along the canals and the elegant brick town hall and walk to the outstanding Reformed Church from the 18th century, located high above the harbour.

Price: € 19 | Duration: approx. 1.5 h

LELYSTAD

ENKHUIZEN AND THE ZUIDERZEEMUSEUM



In the Zuiderzeemuseum in EnkhuiZEN you will get to know the stories of the people who once lived at the Zuiderzee. See, hear, feel, taste and smell the everyday life around the Zuiderzee before it was finally transformed into the IJsselmeer. After crossing the dike you will reach the museum by ferry. You will be taken back to history and learn all about the masters of land reclamation.

Price: € 69 | Duration: approx. 4.5 h | Bus and walking tour.

AMSTERDAM



MULTICULTURAL AMSTERDAM

Multicultural, relaxed, cultural enthusiastic, historical - Amsterdam is as versatile as hardly any other European city is. This city tour takes you to magnificent monuments, through small alleys and of course the historic canals. Immerse yourself in the hustle and bustle by strolling through this charming city.

Price: € 45 | Duration: approx. 3 h



BIKE EXCURSION THROUGH AMSTERDAM - THE "GREEN CITY"

Do it like a true inhabitant of Amsterdam: Discover Amsterdam by bike and explore the multicultural metropolises. The ferry close to our pier takes you towards the IJsselmeer, on which riverbank the city of Amsterdam is located. You can enjoy the panoramic view of the flat landscape while cycling through the picturesque polder landscapes.

Price: € 39 | Duration: approx. 3.5 h | Distance: 28 km



CANAL CRUISE ON AMSTERDAM'S "GRACHTEN"

A canal cruise through Amsterdam's old town is something special. This trip on board a typical "grachten boat" will allow you to discover some of Amsterdam's countless interwoven "grachten" canals – a 100 km network still used to transport goods today – as well as the delightful houses and bridges that they pass by and under. This excursion is particularly charming by night. So allow yourself to become immersed in the sea of lights that this city becomes by night.

Price: € 35 | Duration: approx. 2 h



STAND UP PADDLING AMSTERDAM

A board, a paddle and water: Stand Up Paddling is the new trend sport. So why not discover Amsterdam by paddling along the canals? After a short instruction, your SUP trainer will take you on a tour through Amsterdam.

Price: Depends on the group size and season.

Note: Excursion available on request only.



SEGWAY TOUR AMSTERDAM

Amsterdam is perfect for Segway tours. After a maximum of half an hour's introduction, you will explore the multicultural metropolis with your guide. Besides the historic canals and the harbour area, you will also experience young architecture and outstanding sights. During the tour your guide will tell you many exciting and surprising details.

Price: Depends on the group size | Duration: approx. 1.5 h | Excursion available on request only.

HISTORIC PARK KEUKENHOF



No less than 7 million tulips, crocuses, daffodils and other bulb flowers provide a sea of colour at the Keukenhof. All of these flowers are planted here every year for 30 shows. The walkways through the 32-hectare park lead to seven inspiration gardens. And in case the weather does not play along, you can always marvel at the splendour of the various pavilions.

Price: € 59 | Duration: approx. 4.5 h

EXCLUSIVE CANAL TOUR



There is no better way to explore Amsterdam than from the water. The exclusive canal tour, only for you, takes you through small canals to see Amsterdam's sights and architectural treasures. Your private guide will tell you everything you need to know about this enchanting city. A very special highlight during your holiday!

Price: € 699 | Duration: approx. 2.5 h | Price per boat. Maximum number of participants: 7. Excursion available on request only.



ROTTERDAM

THE HAGUE AND DELFT



Capital of the province Zuid-Holland, it is the seat of the Dutch government and parliament, as well as home to the Dutch royal family - The Hague is world famous. The excursion first takes you to the "Binnenhof", the impressive main square which dominates the historic city centre. This large rectangular courtyard is surrounded by stately buildings and was the starting point of urban development in the 13th century. In the 17th century, it was considered the centre of European diplomacy and today it is the seat of the Dutch Parliament. Northeast of the square there is the Royal Palace and official residence of the Queen. Behind that you will find the Vredespaleis (Palace of Peace), home to the International Court of Justice. Then continue to Delft, famous for the porcelain "Delfts Blauw" and for its painter Johannes Vermeer. Here you have time for a leisurely walk along the canals, churches, mansions and beautiful courtyards.

Price: € 45 | Duration: approx. 4.5 h | Note: Excursion may also take place in reverse order.

BIKE TOUR THROUGH ROTTERDAM



Rotterdam is home to Europe's largest seaport. But with a university, a technical college, a music college and an art academy, the city is also one of the cultural centres of the Netherlands. The best way to see its sheer variety is by bike. You will cycle past the old clinker-houses of the suburbs and past charming houses, to the world famous Cube Houses and through the "De Kralingse Bos" park with its popular lake. The modern architecture of the new city is also impressive. During your tour, you will also see the gigantic Erasmus Bridge, the Art Hall and the Schouwburgplein.

Price: € 33 | Duration: approx. 3 h | Distance: 20 km

ROTTERDAM - ARCHITECTURE AND MODERNITY



Rotterdam has a long history. On the outside, however, the city is refreshingly modern. Rotterdam is the most important architectural city in the Netherlands - an impressive skyline has developed over the past 20 years. The Witte Huis with its height of 46 meters was the first skyscraper in Europe. Very unique are the famous Cube Houses. Of course, you also visit the extraordinary market hall in the form of a huge aircraft hangar. The walls and ceiling of the market hall are decorated with 11,000 square meters of huge colourful panels picturing fruit and vegetables. The unique feature of this market is the sustainable combination of food, leisure, living and parking.

Price: € 27 | Duration: approx. 2.5 h | Note: Market hall closed on Sundays.

GHENT

EXPLORE GHENT INDIVIDUALLY



Would you like to explore the treasures of Ghent on your own? Then let's go! Approximately three kilometres separate our berth from this enchanting city. Our bus will take you comfortably to the city centre and bring you back to the ship about 2.5 hours later.

Price: € 12 | Duration: approx. 3 h

PICTURESQUE BRUGES



If there is a city that can claim to be Belgium's most beautiful, then this is most definitely Bruges. Steeped in tradition, Bruges has almost completely retained its medieval glory. During the 12th and 13th century, Bruges became one of the most important commercial cities in the world. Major sights include the old market square, with its beautiful buildings, and the Heilig-Bloedbasiliek built in the 12th century. After our tour through the old town, you will have enough time to explore Bruges on your own. Afterwards, your bus will bring you back on board in Terneuzen.

Price: € 52 | Duration: approx. 5 h

ANTWERP

BIKE TOUR THROUGH ANTWERP



Experience the unique atmosphere of Antwerp by bike. We will cycle to the town hall which was designed in the Renaissance style, through the impressive Art Nouveau district and the Scheldt. Of course, you will also cycle through the famous diamond district! From the observation deck of the museum "MAS Museum aan de Stroom" you will overlook the whole city.

Price: € 33 | Duration: approx. 3 h | Distance: 15 km

ANTWERP'S HIGHLIGHTS



Antwerp is not only known for being Europe's third-largest port. It is also the most important city in the world when it comes to diamonds – with most of the world's diamonds traded here.

A short bus tour takes you to a medieval fortress which is the oldest preserved building in the city, and to the historic AntwerpCentraal train station, which is considered as the world's fourth greatest train station. Afterwards, you will take a stroll through the historic centre with the "Grote Markt" and the lavishly decorated Renaissance town hall. You will feel tiny in front of the beautiful Cathedral of Our Lady (Onze-Lieve-Vrouwekathedraal), which extends far into the sky. It is one of the highlights of Brabantine Gothic and is a UNESCO World Heritage Site (a visit inside the cathedral is not possible).

Price: € 42 | Duration: approx. 3.5 h



NIJMEGEN

HANSEATIC CITY NIJMEGEN



The Hanseatic city of Nijmegen is the oldest city in the Netherlands. Its history goes back to Roman times. Later, the city repeatedly became the imperial residence (during the Carolingian period), as well as a part of the Hanseatic League. In 1678, the Treaty of Peace of Nijmegen between France and the Netherland was signed here. The central old town is especially worth a visit today. You will explore the old town during this guided city walk, where you will also see the St. Stevenskerk, the Belvédère, the Latijnse School and the Grote Markt.

Price: € 19 | Duration: approx. 1.5 h

EVERYTHING YOU SHOULD KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

EXCURSION AGENCY

GLOBUS Tours GmbH, Untere Paulistrasse 16, CH-8834 Schindellegi, Switzerland

PAYMENT

The excursions will be charged directly to your onboard account.

BOOKING DEADLINES AND CANCELLATIONS

There are booking deadlines for every port. These deadlines are announced in the daily programme on board. Cancellations or rebookings after the deadline are not possible. In case of illness, the excursion for the affected person will be cancelled free of charge.

CLIMATE AND CLOTHING

For shore excursions, we recommend stable and comfortable footwear with nonslip grip soles. In the summer months, you should be prepared for a very hot and humid climate. We recommend to bring insect repellent, sunscreen and headwear. Please also dress appropriately when visiting churches and monasteries.

GUESTS WITH LIMITED MOBILITY

We kindly ask you to get in touch with your Cruise Manager or International Host as soon as possible. This allows us to advise you individually or to make the appropriate preparations on location if required.

GOLF

It is possible to play golf in many destinations. The golf courses are very different in terms of quality and condition. Information about the location and costs can be obtained from your Cruise Manager or International Host on board.

INCLUDED SERVICES

Included in the excursion price: Guided excursions, transport and admission charges. Drinks and meals are only included if mentioned in the excursion description. We always give preference to typical local specialities where meals are included, giving you the opportunity to get to know and enjoy something new. Please be aware that the meals and drinks on the excursions will not always be up to the standard of the varied range of meals you are used to aboard A-ROSA.

LEGAL MATTERS

The excursions generally take place as described. As your contractual partner, the agencies, however, reserve the right, even without prior notice, to adapt the order or times of the excursions depending on current conditions in order to guarantee your safety. The organiser also reserves the right to exclude a participant from the trip without reimbursement of costs if her/his behaviour is not conducive to the safety, well-being or harmony of the group. The insurance policies taken out by the agencies conform to local legislation and vary widely. We therefore recommend that you take out our comprehensive river cruise insurance (please contact us for further information) before the beginning of your cruise.

MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

Most excursions can only take place if the minimum number of participants of 20 is reached. We will inform you as soon as possible if a trip cannot take place. In this case, your booking will be cancelled and the excursion price will of course be credited to your onboard cabin account. We will also suggest an alternative excursion. For some excursions, the number of participants is limited. Registrations are always considered in the order they were made. We kindly ask for your understanding that we might not be able to accept your registration any longer if the maximum number has already been reached. Of course, we also offer alternatives in this case.

TOUR GUIDE AND LOCAL CUSTOMS

The excursion programme gives you the opportunity to get to know interesting towns, historic places, impressive scenery, as well as different cultures, nations, customs and traditions. Tourism is still at an early stage in some of the excursion ports. The level of the local tour guides, which accompany the excursions, corresponds to the top standard of the respective country. This also applies to all coaches.

PRICES AND DISCOUNTS FOR CHILDREN

Prices are indicated - equivalent to the onboard currency - in Euro. For many of the excursions there are discounts for children up to the age of 11. Children under the age of four can take part for free, but are not entitled a seat. More precise information can be obtained from your Cruise Manager or International Host.

TICKETS

After booking, you will receive your shore excursion ticket. Please do not forget to bring it with you for the shore excursion. The excursion ticket entitles you to participate and is collected by the agency at the start of the excursion.

TIPPING

It is a common practice to reward good service with a tip. The local tour guides will be pleased if you show your acknowledgement.

AND FINALLY ...

Objects of value, jewellery, large sums of cash and credit cards should be left in your cabin safe, so that you can enjoy the excursions in a relaxed and carefree frame of mind. Enjoy your excursion on shore!

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