

EXCURSIONS

Rhône Route Intensive – 14 Nights



Day	Arr	Dep	City
Day 1	-	9.00 pm	Lyon
Day 1	-	-	Panorama cruise through Lyon Old Town
Day 2	8.00 am	9.00 am	Tournus*
Day 2	12.30 pm	-	Chalon-sur-Saône
Day 3	-	2.30 am	Chalon-sur-Saône
Day 3	6.00 am	2.30 pm	Tournus
Day 3	6.00 pm	-	Mâcon
Day 4	-	11.30 pm	Mâcon
Day 5	4.00 am	12.00 pm	Trévoux
Day 6	6.00 am	8.00 pm	Viviers
Day 7	8.00 am	-	Port St. Louis
Day 8	-	9.00 am	Port St. Louis
Day 8	12.00 pm	-	Arles
Day 9	-	11.30 pm	Arles
Day 10	4.00 am	-	Avignon
Day 11	-	2.00 pm	Avignon
Day 11	5.00 pm	7.30 pm	Châteauneuf-du-Pape
Day 12	8.30 am	11.00 pm	Tournon/Tain-l'Hermitage
Day 13	5.00 am	8.30 pm	Vienne
Day 14	00.00 am	-	Lyon
Day 15	Disembarkation		Lyon

* Excursion stop

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.



GOURMET TOURS

As the name suggests, indulgence is the focus here: sample regional products and specialities directly from the manufacturers. And if you like what you try, you might just have found the perfect souvenir for your loved ones at home.

TOURNUS

CÔTE D'OR AND BEAUNE



Undoubtedly, some of the world's best wines originate from the region of Burgundy, but it also has worth seeing cities such as Beaune with its Hôtel-Dieu. On your way through picturesque landscape, you will pass some of the most famous wine cities of the Côte d'Or, such as Pommard and Meursault, Chassagne and Puligny. In Beaune you will visit the Hôtel-Dieu. This masterpiece of Flemish gothic accommodated its first patients in the mid of the 15th century. Today, the museum offers rare views back into the nursing practices of early modern age. After visiting the museum you will have time to discover the picturesque old town on your own before heading back to Chalon-sur-Saône.

Price: € 47 | Duration: approx. 4.5 h

BIKE TOUR FROM TOURNUS TO CHALON-SUR-SAÔNE



Your A-ROSA ship will cruise from Tournus to Chalon. You will go by bike. Because it's worth it! During your tour through the idyllic villages of Gigny, Marnay and Varennes to Chalon, you will have a look over the wonderful hills of Burgundy. Enjoy the picturesque landscape and the peaceful nature.

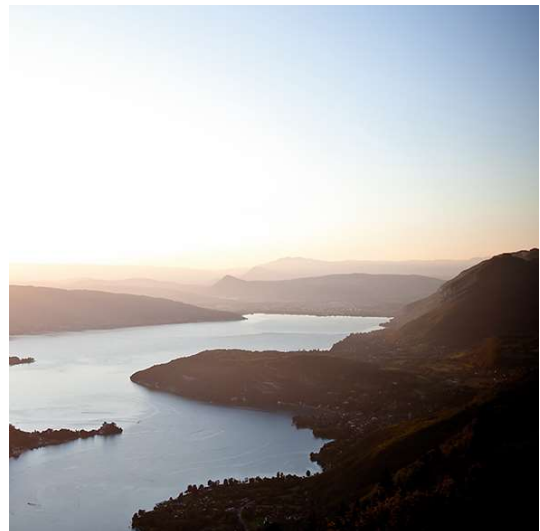
Price: € 54 | Duration: approx. 3.5 h | Distance: approx. 39 km

CORMATIN AND CHAPAIZE



From Tournus, your trip takes you along the Wine Route to beautiful small town Cormatin. Cormatin is known for its castle which was built in the 13th century. The castle of today was built in 1605 and only the north wing is preserved. You will get to know some special information about this building during a tour. The gardens of the castle are also worth seeing. On the way back you will visit the medieval church of Chapaize, whose exterior you would expect to see in Italy rather than here in Burgundy.

Price: € 49 | Duration: approx. 3.5 h | Bus and walking tour



CHALON-SUR-SAÔNE



CYCLING ALONG THE CHEMIN VERT

From Chalon-sur-Saône it is only few kilometres to Chemin Vert, which is one of the most beautiful bicycle tracks of France. Drive along Canal du Centre through the fascinating landscapes of famous vineyards. The grapes for the most fine wines in the world grow here: the Burgundy wines. In or close to Chagny, we will stop for a coffee break before cycling back to Chalon.

Price: € 54 | Duration: approx. 3.5 h | Distance: approx. 43 km

MÂCON



IMPRESSIVE CLUNY CLOISTER

This tour takes you to a truly historic place. Today one can hardly imagine that about 1,000 years ago Cluny was the religious centre of Europe. Until the construction of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome was finished, the cloister of Cluny III was the largest church in Christianity. Visit the remains of the five naves of this stunning church and discover the fascinating way of life of the monks, which lived in the cloister of Cluny during the Middle Ages.

Price: € 49 | Duration: approx. 3.5 h



BIKE TOUR TO MÂCON AND ITS SURROUNDINGS

Often, simple is best. And from the saddle of your A-ROSA bike, you will experience the beauty of the Burgundy in a simple, yet breathtaking way: Cycle along vineyards and the picturesque villages Prissé and Vinser. Afterwards, you will discover little treasures in Saint-Laurent-sur-Saône and Mâcon.

Price: € 44 | Duration: approx. 2.5 h | Distance: approx. 20 km

TRÉVOUX

GOLDEN STONES, OINGT AND WINE CELLAR



During your bus tour you will pass wonderful vineyards and the "Golden Stones". Since the Middle Ages, castles, churches and houses have been built with the sandstone. Even your first stop, Oingt, has this golden colour. While you stroll through the rustic village, beautiful houses and a medieval fort can be seen. From here you will have a wonderful view over the Beaujolais. Your next stop is one of the wine cellars where you can taste famous Beaujolais wines. Here you will experience four centuries of wine culture.

Price: € 49 | Duration: approx. 3.5 h | Wine tasting included

VIVIERS

ARDÈCHE GORGES AND LAVENDER SCENT



Over the course of millions of years, the typical limestone of the Ardèche formed one of the most beautiful landscapes in France. This includes the fairy-tale grottoes. Along the river you will drive to one of the numerous grottos of the area, such as the Grottes des Madeleines with its subterranean halls. Continuing your trip to one of the lavender producers in the Ardèche-area, you will be shown the different types and species of lavender, as well as their usage in medicine, decoration and perfume production.

Price: € 65 | Duration: approx. 5 h | Note: The temperature in the Grotto is only about 15° C, please take warm clothing with you.



BIKE TOUR THROUGH PICTURESQUE ARDÈCHE



The Rhône crosses the landscape like a dark green ribbon. And you will cycle along the bank, beginning in Viviers. First you will pass by the foot of a local mountain and cycle through the pretty town of Donzère. Then it becomes a bit more demanding: you will cycle on a former route of the Tour de France with a longer climb. Your guide will adjust speed to ensure that everyone can keep up. And the effort is definitely worth it: the magnificent descent back to Viviers takes you past Châteauneuf-du-Rhône.

Price: € 44 | Duration: approx. 2.5 h | Distance: approx. 19 km

KAYAK ADVENTURE



Ready for an exciting adventure? From Viviers or La Voulte the bus will take you to the kayak station. After a briefing with detailed information you will paddle on one of the world's most famous kayak trail. Once through calm water, then through exciting rapids you will experience the beautiful landscape. In between, you can have a nice picnic before you paddle back to the valley station.

Price: Depends on group size and season. Your cruise manager will gladly provide you with additional information | Note: Excursion available on request only.

PORT ST. LOUIS

MARSEILLE - CAPITAL OF THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA



Culture lovers will love Marseille with its picturesque Mediterranean bay. France's oldest city has many theatres, museums and architectural masterpieces. After about 1.5 hours you will reach Marseille and its old harbour, where you can find not only many large ships, but also modern yachts. Take a short walk before we will continue our trip to one of Marseilles landmarks: the Basilica of Notre Dame de la Garde. Your guide will take you to the historical centre, where you can experience the colourful variety of architectural styles and cultures. Afterwards you will have some free time. During the bus tour you will have the chance to take great pictures of other interesting buildings such as the Palais Longchamp and the famous castle on a rocky island. At the end of the tour, you can have a look at the Corniche before we head back to our A-ROSA cruise ship.

Price: € 47 | Duration: approx. 5.5 h

ARLES

THE CAMARGUE - A WONDER OF NATURE



Where land and sea merge, something wonderful is created. The Camargue is a natural wonder. And you will experience it first hand on this bus tour - with its flocks of flamingos and the famous white horses, the fauna is truly unique. Today, the free-roaming white Camargue horses and Camargue cattle are no wild animals anymore, but are kept on wide pastures that are typical for the region. We will continue to Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer, a major pilgrimage site and a touristic centre of the Camargue. The "Notre-Dame-de-la-Mer" church from the 9th century houses sacred relics of Marie Salomé and Marie Jacobé. Since 1448, a pilgrimage to the church is held twice per year. The centre of veneration of Saint Sarah, also known as Sara the Black, is also here in Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer, a place of pilgrimage for Roma. After a short walk you will have some free time.

Price: € 47 | Duration: approx. 4 h

BIKE TOUR THROUGH THE WILD CAMARGUE



Quaint villages, white wild horses and pink flamingos - that is the Camargue. Explore the untouched flood plain in the saddle of your A-ROSA bicycle. You will cycle past vast rice fields and the famous Camargue bulls - the meat is a real delicacy - until arriving in Étang de Vaccarès. With a little luck, we will see some flamingos here at the salt water lagoon. The next stop is Arles, which is a well-known thanks to Van Gogh's masterpieces. During a coffee break, you can admire the imposing amphitheatre of the Roman period.

Price: € 54 | Duration: approx. 4 h | Distance: approx. 43 km



JEEP TOUR THROUGH THE CAMARGUE



The Camargue is one of the last areas along the Mediterranean coast, where you can find unspoilt nature. It is an Eldorado for nature and freedom lovers. Once you leave the main roads during your jeep tour, a wonderful adventure will begin. See the famous white wild horses and enjoy the endless vastness. The bus transfers you to Les Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer, where you will have the possibility to enjoy the beach or stroll through the shopping streets.

Price: € 89 | Duration: approx. 4 h | Note: Driver is also the guide.

HORSE RIDE THROUGH THE CAMARGUE



The Camargue is a paradise not only for the white wild horses, but also for riders. In the middle of the landscapes, south of Arles, several ranches offer wonderful excursions. A short ride or a day trip - your cruise manager on board will be happy to give you further information, arrange the excursion time according to your personal wishes and also organise the transfer.

Price: Depends on group size and season. Your cruise manager will gladly provide you with additional information | Note: Excursion available on request only.

CITY WALK THROUGH ARLES



The former seat of government of Friedrich Barbarossa is – together with Marseille – one of the oldest towns in France. As well, Arles is associated with Vincent Van Gogh. The stay in Arles was one of his most effective phases for paintings and drawings: he created more than 300 works of art within 15 months. Although none of his art works are displayed in Arles, Van Gogh's spirit is all over. Retrace the steps of former times and enjoy the present at the same time. A visit to the amphitheatre should not be missed.
Price: € 29 | Duration: approx. 2.5 h



AVIGNON

BIKE TOUR THROUGH AVIGNON'S MORNING



In the morning Avignon is still wonderfully quiet. The perfect time to explore the city and its exciting history by bike. After witnessing the sun rise over the Rhône, you will explore the overwhelming Pope's Palace and many other sights. The relocation of the Pope's seat to Avignon in the 14th century also provided the city with gothic churches, monasteries and other splendid buildings. The morning light also adorns the small island Barthelasse with a fantastic atmosphere. Here, you will cycle through lush nature inside and outside of the city.
Price: € 39 | Duration: approx. 2 h | Distance: approx. 20 km



AVIGNON CITY WALKING TOUR WITH A VISIT TO THE POPES PALACE



Through small alleys and past the numerous small city palaces, chapels and churches, this excursion will lead you to the famous Palais du Pape. In the beginning of the 14th century Pope Clemens V settled here, followed by further popes and cardinals. The visit of this fortified site takes you to the great halls, to the chapels, to the terrace with magnificent views of Avignon and the Rhône and even to the private chambers of the Pope. Each year in July, the one of the largest theatre festivals in the world takes place around the palace. Afterwards you pass the church of St. Agricol and to the ruins of the famous Pont d'Avignon.
Price: € 35 | Duration: approx. 2.5 h

PONT DU GARD AND UZÈS



The Rhône tributary Gardon is mostly unknown, but the structure that crosses it is world famous: the perfectly preserved Pont du Gard is regarded as one of antiquity's architectural masterpieces. This three level Roman aqueduct is 275 m long and, while in use over 2000 years ago, transported 20,000 m³ of water per day! Thus providing wide areas of southern Roman provinces with water. On the return to your A-ROSA cruise ship, you will stop in the picturesque town of Uzès to see its narrow alleys and charming plazas.

Price: € 39 | Duration: approx. 4.5 h

AVIGNON BY NIGHT



The old town of Avignon is impressive not only by day. Indeed, illuminated by thousands of lights, the historic centre of Avignon and Papal Palace, both UNESCO World Heritage sights, by night is a sight that you can't afford to miss out on. This tour not only allows you to witness this lovely night-time scene, but also provides you with interesting stories about the city, its popes and its history.

Price: € 19 | Duration: approx. 1.5 h | Note: Evening tour

FLIGHT OVER PROVENCE



Today you feel like a VIP. Near Avignon you can climb a Cessna or Piper with a maximum of three people. Such small machines can fly particularly low and are very manoeuvrable. During your 30-minute round trip you will enjoy a unique view of the Pont du Gard, Saint-Rémy, Les Baux, Alpilles and the cities of Beaucaire and Tarascon.

Price: € 259 | Duration: approx. 1.5 h | Note: Flight time approx. 30 min

TOURNON

DREAMY TOURNON AND GARDEN OF EDEN



The picturesque village Tournon was mentioned for the first time in a document in the 8th century. You can still see buildings of the past times in the historical old town. Worth seeing are the castle museum and the Gothic church. The "Garden of Eden" is located in the middle of the old fortress and is a popular green oasis in the centre of Tournon. You will have a magnificent view over the vineyards of Tain l' Hermitage. A small wine tasting completes this wonderful excursion.

Price: € 35 | Duration: approx. 3 h | Little wine tasting included.

VIENNE

VIENNE CITY WALK



Let's go to Gaul! Founded by Julius Caesar over 2,000 years ago, Vienne became the second capital of southern Gaul during the Roman Empire, and temporary imperial residence. Numerous monuments such as the Temple of Augustus and Livia, the garden of the Cybele and an antique theatre are still witnesses to the richness of this period. Also worth a visit are the opposite located Tour des Valois with its Romanesque-Gothic Saint-Maurice cathedral with a huge Flamboyant window. From the 4th century until the end of the 18th century it was the seat of the archbishop.

Price: € 22 | Duration: approx. 2 h

LYON

CITY OF SILK – TOUR OF LYON



The stunning city of Lyon is located at the confluence of the Rhône and the Saône. During your bus tour you will see the Basilica of Notre-Dame de Fourvière. Take a walk through the old town and have a look at the houses built in Italian Renaissance style and the Roman theatre. During a visit to an old silk printing shop you will be shown some essential information about the French silk industry, an industry that made Lyon rich and famous all over the world.

Price: € 39 | Duration: approx. 3.5 h



BIKE TOUR THROUGH LYON



Would you like to experience Lyon's hustle and bustle? Then get on the saddle and cycle through Lyon! A highlight of this refreshing tour is a stop at the market halls "Les Halles", where fresh produce and products for fine Lyon cuisine are on display. Let your eyes wander over the huge Place Bellecour and watch the ever-hungry pigeons. Finally, you will have a view over the whole city from Fourvière Hill.

Price: € 49 | Duration: approx. 3 h | Distance: approx. 10 km

LYON BY NIGHT



A city tour through Lyon by night is something special: two hundred of Lyon's sights, bridges and monuments are accentuated using special illumination. The Basilica of Notre-Dame de Fourvière, for instance, seems to hover over the hill like a UFO, and the opera, with its glass walls, looks like a jewellery box. Lyon by night is not an experience you should miss out on.

Price: € 39 | Duration: approx. 1.5 h | Note: Evening tour



DISCOVER LYON ON YOUR OWN



Lyon offers variety: lots of culture and culinary delights. Whether you want to see the jewel of the city - the Basilika Fourvière, the old town with the famous Traboules, the small hidden alleys, or the famous facade paintings on the Presqu'île, the peninsula of the city. It's up to you. Your driver takes you everywhere. Your personal guide will gladly show you the hidden attractions of Lyon. Price: Minivan (7 seats) for 4 hours with driver € 420. Guide for 4 hours € 239 | Note: Excursion available on request only.

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 specialties 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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