RHINE RIVER CRUISE PILGRIMAGE

MAY 2 - 14, 2026 Pre-Nights in Amsterdam: April 30 – May 3, 2026



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tinerary *

<u>AMSTERDAM PRE-TOUR :</u>

Day 1 Thursday, April 30

Pre-Tour Departure

Depart on independent flights to Amsterdam, Netherlands.



Pre-Tour Amsterdam Arrival

Arrive in Amsterdam and transfer to the hotel to meet your local tour manager. Gather as a group before walking to the Basilica of St. Nicolas to attend a public Mass. Return to the hotel to check-in and refresh prior to a group dinner. Overnight in Amsterdam.

Day 3 Saturday, May 2 👱

Amsterdam City Tour

Embark on a guided city tour, including the gardens and hidden churches of Amsterdam. After Mass at St. Nicholas Basilica, the remainder of the day is yours to enjoy at your leisure. Overnight in Amsterdam.

Day 4 Sunday, May 3

River Cruise Embarkation 🛓

After breakfast and hotel check-out, attend a high Mass at the Basilica of St. Nicholas. Transfer to the cruise dock for check-in and meeting with other pilgrims.

MAIN RIVER CRUISE TOUR :



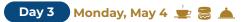
Travel Day

Depart on independent transatlantic flights to Amsterdam, Netherlands.



Amsterdam Arrival

Arrive in Amsterdam and embark on the river cruise through the capital of the Netherlands. Experience the charm of Amsterdam from the water on a scenic canal cruise. Glide past historic merchant houses, picturesque bridges, and iconic landmarks.



Duesseldorf

Enjoy a tour of Aachen Cathedral and Treasury. Discover the breathtaking Aachen Cathedral, a UNESCO World Heritage site and the final resting place of Charlemagne. Marvel at its stunning Palatine Chapel, intricate mosaics, and centuries-old relics. Then, explore the Aachen Cathedral Treasury, one of Europe's most significant church treasuries, featuring priceless medieval artifacts, golden religuaries, and sacred relics.



Cologne

Celebrate Mass and visit Great St. Martin Church with your local guide. Discover, one of Cologne's most striking Romanesque landmarks. Admire its towering structure, elegant medieval architecture, and serene interior, reflecting centuries of religious and cultural heritage. Discover its foundations dating back to Roman times and experience the peaceful atmosphere of this architectural gem in the heart of the Old Town.

Guided tour of the magnificent Gothic Cologne Cathedral "the Kölner Dom" Germany's most famous Gothic masterpiece and a UNESCO World Heritage site. Marvel at its soaring twin spires, intricate stained-glass windows, and the Shrine of the Three Kings, a sacred relic of immense historical significance. Attend a beautiful organ concert.



Lahnstein

Meet your local guide for a guided tour of Koblenz Old Town including Ehrenbreitstein Fortress. See all the highlights that the city of Koblenz has to offer. Start in the historic old town, which impresses visitors with picturesque squares, romantic alleyways and cozy courtyards. Finally, visit the magnificent Ehrenbreitstein fortress to see panoramic views, including the electoral palace and the Deutsches Eck.





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Cochem

Enjoy a short orientation tour of Cochem Old Town. Visit Reichsburg Castle to discover the fairy-tale castle, perched high above the Moselle River in Cochem. This medieval hilltop fortress offers breathtaking panoramic views and a journey through centuries of history. Explore its beautifully restored halls, knight's armor, and grand banquet rooms while learning about its fascinating past.

Day 7 🛛 Friday, May 8 👱 🗟 📥

Wasserbillig

Drive to Trier and celebrate Mass at the Trier Cathedral. Then take a guided tour of Germany's oldest church and a UNESCO World Heritage site. Admire the Cathedral's impressive Romanesque architecture, centuries-old relics, and stunning stained-glass windows.



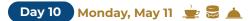
Bernkastel

Enjoy free time in the charming town of Bernkastel, known for its half-timbered houses, picturesque market square, and excellent Moselle wines. Stroll along the cobblestone streets, visit boutique shops, or relax at a local café. You can explore the many wine taverns or visit a local winery for a tasting.



Passing Koblenz | Bingen

Celebrate Mass at Wallfahrskirche St. Hildegard. Then, enjoy a scenic gondola ride over Rüdesheim's rolling vineyards, offering breathtaking views of the Rhine Valley. Glide up to the famous Niederwalddenkmal, a grand monument commemorating German unity, and take in the stunning panorama of the river and surrounding countryside.



Ludwigshafen

Celebrate Mass at Kirche St. Josef then take a guided tour of Heidelberg Old Town and Castle. With a tour through the winding alleys of the old town you can get to know the many different faces of Heidelberg - dreamy squares, the oldest university in Germany, the Heiliggeistkirche (Church of the Holy Spirit) and the Jewish Quarter. Finally, make your way up the castle using the funicular railway. Take a guided tour around the inner courtyard and the castle garden where you can discover the electoral residence ruins and visit the famous giant barrel.



Strasbourg

Celebrate Mass at Strasbourg Cathedral, followed by a guided tour of the Gothic masterpiece famous for its Astronomical Clock, stained-glass windows, organs, and statuary. Then, stroll through the historic district with your guide, visiting landmarks such as Maison Kammerzell, Place Gutenberg, St. Thomas' Church, the Petite France quarter, Covered Bridges, Vauban Dam, and the Œuvre Notre-Dame Museum.

Day 12 🛛 Wednesday, May 13 👱 曼 📥

Basel St Johann

Explore Breisach's historic old town on a guided tour through its cobbled streets and landmarks. Perched on Münsterberg hill, this charming Rhine-border town offers stunning views of the Black Forest and Vosges. Discover St. Stephans Minster, the medieval Radbrunnenturm, and the imposing Rhine Gate, while learning about Breisach's 1650-year history shaped by Celts, Romans, and the French.

Day 13 Thursday, May 14 👱

River Cruise Disembarkation

River Cruise Disembarkment and return flights from the Zurich Airport.





TOUR INCLUSIONS

- 12-night cruise in elegantly appointed accommodations
- Fine dining with a variety of choices
- Unlimited hand-selected wine, beer and soft drinks with lunch and dinner
- Multiple dining venues
- Sip & Sail cocktail hour with complimentary wine, beer, spirits and soft drinks
- Live local entertainment
- Walking track, pool, fitness rooms, and bikes to use onboard
- Unlimited complimentary Wi-Fi access
- · Services of a professional tour manager
- Group guided shore excursions and private motorcoach transportation
 - Presentations throughout the week by Catholic Answers hosts
- Daily Mass arrangements
- Port fees and gratuities for cruise ship staff, tour manager, guides and motorcoach drivers

YOUR TOUR DOES NOT INCLUDE

- · Airfare; this package is sold land only
- Airport transfers
- Travel insurance

AMSTERDAM PRE-TOUR INCLUSIONS

- Two nights hotel in Amsterdam at the Hilton Double Tree (or similar)
- Daily breakfast
- Group Welcome Dinner
- City tour of Amsterdam to include the hidden churches, De Papegaai and Begijnhof
- · Services of a professional tour manager
- Private motorcoach for specified sight seeing in Amsterdam

PRICES STARTING AT **\$5,999***

per person, double occupancy

*This price reflects: **\$170** per person Check Discount for those paying the remaining balance by check after the initial credit card deposit. The check discount is no longer applicable once the second payment date has passed.

AMSTERDAM PRE-TOUR

| <u>Occupancy</u> | Price per Person |
|------------------|------------------|
| Double | \$1,599 |
| Single | \$2,399 |

TRAVEL PROTECTION: Cancel For Any Reason (CFAR) travel protection is highly recommended. <u>www.travelinsured.com/</u> agency?agency=47907

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<u>www.ctscentral.net/faq</u>

By registering for this tour you understand and agree to Corporate Travel's Terms & Conditions. <u>www.ctscentral.net/corporate-</u> travel-terms-and-condition<u>s</u>

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

- **Deposit:** \$1,000 per person due upon registration
- Second Deposit: \$2,500 additional due on or before December 1, 2025
- Final Payment: Balance due on or before January 30, 2026

CANCELLATION POLICY:

All cancellations must be received in writing. Payments are non-refundable and subject to CTS Terms and Conditions, including the CTS Liability Release.

Note: CTS reserves the right to cancel any reservation if payments are not made according to the payment schedule. A \$25 fee will be added to any reinstated reservation. Payments received after the final due date will incur late fees.

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CABIN OPTIONS

| Cabin Category | Price per Person, Double Occupancy | Price per Person, Single Occupancy* |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| D - Bottom Deck 160 sq. ft. | \$5,999 | \$9,899 |
| CB - Top Deck 155 sq. ft. | \$6,499 | \$10,799 |
| CA - Top Deck 170 sq. ft. | \$7,499 | \$12,499 |
| BB - Middle Deck 210 sq. ft. | \$9,199 | \$14,999 |
| BA - Top Deck 210 sq. ft. | \$9,199 | \$14,999 |
| AB - Middle Deck 235 sq. ft. | \$10,199 | \$16,999 |
| AA - Top Deck 235 sq. ft. | \$10,599 | \$17,299 |
| S - Suite 350 sq. ft. | \$14,899 | \$24,999 |

- Ship Fact Sheet -

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AmaWaterways' twin balcony ships represent some of the newest vessels in our fleet. Heated pools with a swim-up bar provide a tranquil environment for viewing stunning mountains and spired skylines. Plus, spacious staterooms afford guests comfort and privacy to rejuvenate while still experiencing the magnificent scenery.



Included Features:

- Panoramic Lounge with bar, piano and dance floor
- Walking track, pool with swim-up bar, fitness room and bicycles for in-port exploration
- Complimentary Wi-Fi
- Hair salon and massage services*
- The Chef's Table specialty restaurant with tasting menu
- Breakfast and lunch buffets featuring regional cuisine; multi-course dinners made with fresh local ingredients
- Hand-selected wine, beer and soft drinks with meals plus a Sip & Sail cocktail hour
- All-day tapas menu and afternoon tea; 24-hour coffee station
- Welcome Cocktail, Welcome Dinner, La Chaîne des Rôtisseurs Dinner, Captain's Cocktail and Gala Dinner
 *Additional costs apply.

Stateroom Accommodations:

- All outside accommodations, most with revolutionary twin balconies
- Marble bathrooms, multi-jet showers, soothing bath products, cotton bathrobes, slippers and hair dryer
- Spacious suites (350 sq. ft.) with substantial sitting area, mini fridge, bathtub, separate shower, double sinks, and beds facing the river
- Generous closet and storage space with in-room safe
- Entertainment-On-Demand with high-speed Internet, movies, music and English-language TV
- Individually controlled air-conditioning
- Bottled water replenished daily
- Connecting staterooms and triple and quad occupancy available in select staterooms



