



VANTAGE
EXPLORATIONS

JOURNEY THROUGH EUROPEAN RIVERS

— a spectacular voyage —



2024-2025 RIVER CRUISES

Rhine | Main | Moselle | Danube | Douro

Dear Travelers,

Welcome to Vantage Explorations, your gateway to unparalleled adventures and cultural immersion. Embark on a journey along Europe's enchanting Rhine, Main, Danube, Moselle or Douro rivers, where each voyage delves deep into the rich tapestry of history and culture. Our meticulously curated experiences promise not only captivating explorations of iconic landmarks but also personalized encounters that leave an indelible mark on your travel memories.

At Vantage Explorations, we go beyond mere trips; we offer engaging experiences that connect with cultural heritage, unveil the stories of historic sites, and unfold unforgettable journeys. Our thoughtfully crafted itineraries ignite curiosity, satisfy the thirst for adventure, and create enduring moments that resonate long after you've returned home.

Join us on a voyage of discovery, where every destination tells a story, and each journey becomes a chapter in your personal exploration narrative.

Bon Voyage!

Warm regards, Vantage Explorations Team

COVER PHOTO:
Cochem, Germany, Rhine River

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What Makes Vantage Explorations Different?

At Vantage Explorations, we differentiate ourselves by offering more than just typical travel experiences. Immerse yourself in our thoughtfully designed journeys aboard small, intimate ships, where we prioritize ample time off-ship to explore. Delve into rich cultural experiences, from art and music to guided walks through historic sites, ensuring unforgettable adventures unfold at every turn. We prioritize personalized encounters that go beyond mere sightseeing, creating meaningful connections with each destination. Our itineraries spark curiosity, satisfy the thirst for adventure, and leave a lasting impact on travelers. With us, every voyage is a unique exploration, where destinations become living narratives, and journeys transform into chapters of personal discovery.



Intimate
River Cruise Ships



Onboard
Concierge



More Time
Off-Ship



Art &
Culture



Music



Guided
Walks



Education &
Enrichment



What's Included In Your Voyage?

- Dedicated Cruise Director exclusively for Vantage Explorations group
- Exclusive excursions in addition to the experiences listed in the itinerary
- Audio headsets for shore excursions
- High Tea: Indulge in a selection of sweet and savory treats such as scones, sandwiches, cupcakes, chocolates, macarons and an array of teas. Available once per voyage
- Full board dining: breakfast, lunch and dinner featuring multi-course gourmet meals
- Complimentary selection of cold and hot non-alcoholic beverages and a carefully curated selection of alcoholic drinks
- In-cabin mini-bar replenished daily
- Complimentary welcome sparkling wine in the cabin
- Daily cabin service and onboard accommodation during voyage
- Environmentally friendly, refillable VIVA water bottle
- Spa & Fitness amenities
- Complimentary wi-fi
- Arrival transfer from the airport to the port with meet and greet from a Vantage representative, on the day of arrival
- Departure transfer from the ship to the airport on day of departure



attending to every detail...



Sailing in Comfort

— ships at a glance

Our ships offer luxurious accommodations that blend comfort with breathtaking views. From elegant staterooms and suites to spacious lounges and panoramic sun decks, each vessel is designed to provide a premium experience. Enjoy gourmet dining featuring local cuisine, onboard entertainment, and enriching activities, all while sailing along Europe's iconic rivers. Immerse yourself in the beauty of the landscape from the comfort of your ship, with attentive staff ensuring a seamless and unforgettable journey.



MS VIVA
ENJOY

Built in 2024

- 190 Guests with 95 Cabins
- Indulge in gourmet dining in the main restaurant, "Riverside", or in "VIVA's Bistro"
- Enjoy a drink in the panoramic lounge after dinner
- Pool on the sun deck
- Fitness center with treadmill, bike, rowing machine and weights
- Wellness area
- Elevator



MS VIVA
MOMENTS

Built in 2018

- 176 Guests with 88 Cabins
- Indulge in gourmet dining in the main restaurant, "Riverside", or in "VIVA's Bistro"
- Enjoy a drink in the panoramic lounge after dinner
- Pool on the sun deck
- Fitness center with treadmill, bike and weights
- Wellness area
- Free bicycle rentals
- Elevator

— make every journey an
unforgettable experience!



MS VIVA
ONE

Built in 2022

- 176 Guests with 88 Cabins
- Indulge in gourmet dining in the main restaurant, "Riverside", or in "VIVA's Bistro"
- Enjoy a drink in the panoramic lounge after dinner
- Pool on the sun deck
- Fitness center with treadmill, bike and weights
- Wellness area with steam bath and infrared sauna
- Free bicycle rentals
- Elevator



MS VIVA
TWO

Built in 2023

- 190 Guests with 95 Cabins
- Indulge in gourmet dining in the main restaurant, "Riverside", or in "VIVA's Bistro"
- Specialty restaurant, "Moments"
- Enjoy a drink in the panoramic lounge after dinner
- Pool on the sun deck
- Fitness center with treadmill, bike and weights
- Wellness area with steam bath and infrared sauna
- Free bicycle rentals
- Elevator



MS PORTO
MIRANTE

Built in 2024

- 120 Guests with 60 Cabins
- Indulge in gourmet dining in two restaurants
- Enjoy a drink in the panoramic lounge with bar and a skylounge that extends over two decks
- Pool on the sun deck
- Fitness center with state-of-the-art equipment
- Onboard Store
- Elevator

Life Onboard

Life aboard our river cruise ship offers comfort, luxury, and unforgettable experiences. From the warm welcome upon boarding to gourmet dining, elegant lounges, and panoramic views, every moment promises to enrich your journey.



VIVA MOMENTS LOUNGE



VIVA TWO BAR



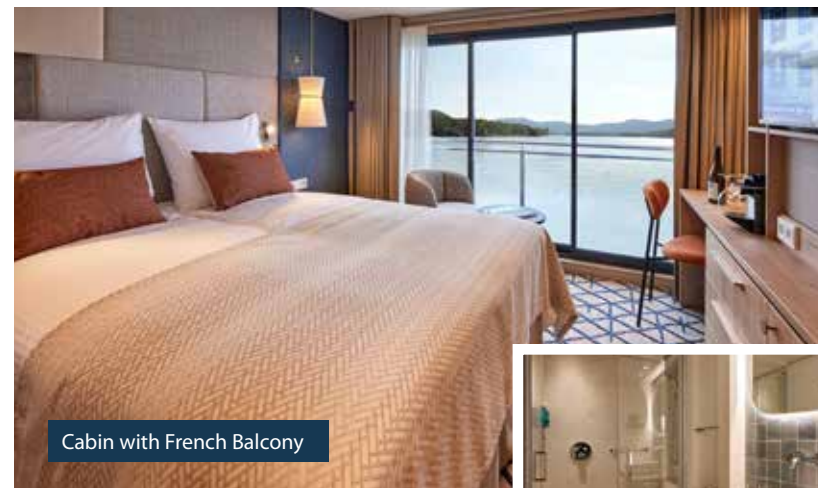
Restaurant



Bistro



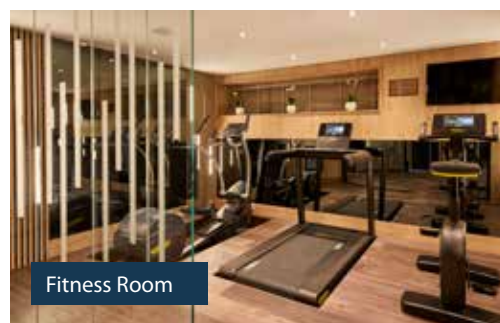
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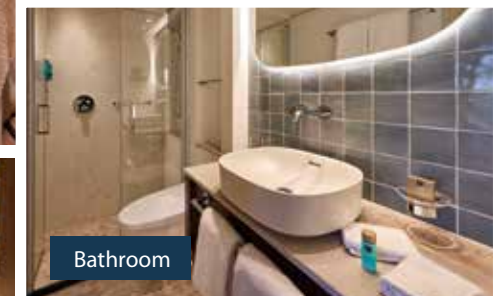
Cabin with French Balcony



Bike Rental



Fitness Room



Bathroom



Spa

River Voyages

Embark on a journey to renowned vineyards, uncover the beauty of tulips and culinary delights in Holland and Belgium, and navigate the Rhine, Main, and Danube Rivers to explore old-world wonders. Along Europe's historic waterways, immerse yourself in the rich tales of past empires, embracing the art, architecture, music, and cuisine that have influenced the world. Whether you're strolling through vibrant cities or discovering serene countryside retreats, every moment promises to be an unforgettable experience on this captivating voyage of discovery.





Mainz, Germany, Rhine River



ENCHANTING RHINE

Roundtrip Düsseldorf | 8 Days

Let yourself be carried away by the romanticism of the Rhine, and soak in the beautiful views of the Middle Rhine Valley. Stroll past the noble houses of Koblenz, the Mainz Cathedral or through Boppard's old town alleys. Listen to the historical anecdotes of Speyer, and enjoy a traditional tarte flambé in Strasbourg. Beautiful Lorelei, a slate rock on the banks of the Rhine, inspired by the mythical tale of the siren whose song enchanted passing sailors puts the finishing touches on a magical trip, leaving you with unforgettable memories.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore Düsseldorf on a guided walking tour exclusively for Vantage Explorations guests.
- Daily guided shore excursions in each port of call including walking tours, sightseeing excursions, sampling local delicacies and wine tasting.
- Marvel at some of Europe's most impressive medieval castles, cathedrals and civic buildings.
- Enjoy the exclusive service of your Vantage Cruise Director, who will personally ensure that each detail of your holiday is taken care of.

2024 DATES

Start/Finish	Duration	Dates
Düsseldorf/Düsseldorf	8 Days	Oct 20 & 27

Cruise Ship: MS VIVA Moments

ACTIVITIES



Guided Walks



Enrichment & Storytelling



Historical Sites



Art & Culture



Music



Shore Excursions

DAY OVERVIEW

- 1 In **Düsseldorf**, marvel at contemporary architecture before embarking to start your journey.
- 2 Enjoy a walking tour through the enchanting streets of **Boppard**.
- 3 On a guided tour of **Mainz**, follow in the footsteps of Johannes Gutenberg, who introduced letterpress printing to Europe.
- 4 **Mannheim** offers an innovative mix of baroque and modern architecture. In Speyer, discover its UNESCO-listed cathedral and sample an authentic German pretzel.
- 5 Stroll the streets of **Strasbourg**, a city blending French and German influences.
- 6 In **Rudesheim**, enjoy an immersive wine-tasting workshop at Rheinweintwelt.
- 7 Cruise to **Koblenz**, where the Rhine meets the Moselle. Explore the historic Old Town and visit the impressive fortress for panoramic views.
- 8 Disembark in **Düsseldorf** for your onward journey.

Colmar, France



Bavarian Pretzels



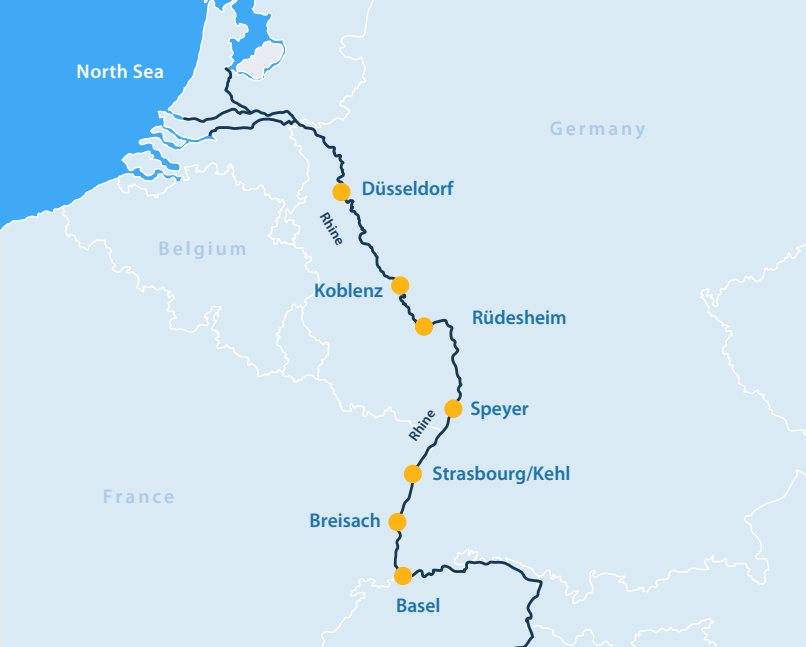
Media Tower, Düsseldorf



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Basel, Switzerland, Rhine River



EXPLORER CRUISE TO BASEL

Düsseldorf to Basel | 8 Days

Experience the highlights of the Rhine on a voyage that meanders through picturesque landscapes and historic towns. This journey unveils the beauty of the Rhine filled with rich culture, history and scenery that inspired fairytales. Experience the blend of German and French culture in Koblenz. Wander the vineyard-covered hills of Rudesheim, and stroll through the UNESCO-listed Old Town in Strasbourg. Discover Lucerne on an excursion exclusive to Vantage Explorations.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Exclusive to Vantage Explorations guests, you will visit the enchanting Swiss city of Lucerne nestled among snowcapped mountains, and famous for its preserved medieval architecture and colorful Old Town.
- Enjoy the exclusive service of your Vantage Cruise Director, who will personally ensure that each detail of your holiday is taken care of.
- The included shore excursions will allow you to be immersed in the historical and cultural splendors of the charming places you will visit throughout the voyage.
- Tick off two medieval European UNESCO World Heritage-listed Old Towns

2024 DATES

Start/Finish	Duration	Dates
Düsseldorf/Basel	8 Days	Oct 8

Cruise Ship: MS VIVA One

ACTIVITIES



Guided Walks



Enrichment & Storytelling



Historical Sites



Art & Culture



Music



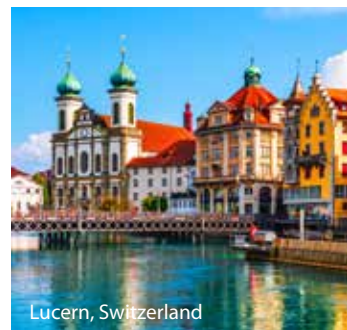
Shore Excursions

DAY OVERVIEW

- 1 Discover **Düsseldorf** on a walking tour, before embarkation to commence your journey.
- 2 Cruise to **Koblenz**, where the Rhine meets the Moselle. Explore the the old town and the fortress.
- 3 In **Rudesheim**, embark on a pilgrimage walk through vineyards to Hildegard von Bingen Abbey.
- 4 Discover **Speyer**, known for its UNESCO-listed cathedral and the classic German pretzel.
- 5 Stroll the streets of **Strasbourg**, a city blending French and German influences.
- 6 Visit the quaint town of **Breisach**, situated amid vineyards. Journey to Colmar on the French side of the Rhine.
- 7 Embark on a full-day journey from **Basel** to Lucerne, traversing the breathtaking landscapes of Switzerland.
- 8 Disembark in **Basel** to continue your onward journey.



Rhine Valley Vinyard



Lucerne, Switzerland



Alsace, France

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Cologne, Germany, Rhine River



EXPLORER CRUISE TO DÜSSELDORF

Basel to Düsseldorf | 8 Days

Embark on an unforgettable Rhine River cruise, beginning in Basel and turning the pages of a fairytale along the way. From the picturesque landscapes of Breisach to the mesmerising allure of historic cities like Strasbourg and Mannheim. This journey promises a classic blend of riverside charm, picturesque scenery and cultural exploration. Immerse yourself in the Rhine's timeless allure as you cruise through centuries of history and natural splendor.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Discover Cologne on a unique excursion by rickshaw, where your personal chauffeur showcases the two different faces of the city: the medieval and modern.
- Enjoy the exclusive service of your Vantage Cruise Director, who will personally ensure that each detail of your holiday is taken care of.
- The included shore excursions will allow you to be immersed in the historical and cultural splendors of the charming places you will visit throughout the voyage.
- Hit the labyrinthine cobblestone laneways of Strasbourg's UNESCO World Heritage-listed Old Town.

2024 DATES

Start/Finish	Duration	Dates
Basel/Düsseldorf	8 Days	Oct 1 & 29

Cruise Ship: MS VIVA One

ACTIVITIES



Guided Walks



Enrichment & Storytelling



Historical Sites



Art & Culture



Music



Shore Excursions

DAY OVERVIEW

- 1 Arrive in **Basel** and transfer to your ship, VIVA One.
- 2 Visit the quaint town of **Breisach**, situated amid vineyards. Journey to Colmar on the French side of the Rhine.
- 3 Stroll the streets of **Strasbourg** and discover the Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage site.
- 4 In **Mannheim**, we drive a short distance to nearby Heidelberg, a picturesque city surrounded by hills, to visit its castle and wander through the Old Town.
- 5 Be charmed by **Rudesheim**, nestled in the vineyard-covered hills. Cruise to Koblenz to explore the old town and impressive fortress.
- 6 On a unique rickshaw journey, discover the enchanting old town alleys of **Cologne**, a German gem of a city where ancient history meets modern vibrancy.
- 7 Embark on a guided walking tour through the heart of **Düsseldorf's** Old Town, strolling through narrow cobblestone streets and vibrant squares.
- 8 Disembark in **Düsseldorf** for your onward journey.

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Breisach, Germany



MS VIVA One, Deck



Rudesheim, Rhine River



Amsterdam, Holland



SEA OF TULIPS

Roundtrip Amsterdam | 8 Days

Tulip mania gripped Europe in the 17th century, and on this voyage through the Netherlands in the height of spring, let yourself be mesmerised by the endless fields of colorful tulips in bloom. On the way, soak in the timeless beauty of the landscapes dotted with windmills, bridges, canals and unique architectural styles made famous by painters like Van Gogh, Rembrandt and Vermeer.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Discover Amsterdam on a walking tour exclusive to Vantage Explorations.
- Enjoy the exclusive service of your Vantage Cruise Director, who will personally ensure that each detail of your holiday is taken care of.
- Photograph the Netherlands at its finest with a kaleidoscope of spring flowers in full bloom.
- Revel in the iconic landscapes immortalized in paintings by Dutch masters like Van Gogh.

2025 DATES

Start/Finish	Duration	Dates
Amsterdam/Amsterdam	8 Days	Apr 9,16, 30

Cruise Ship: MS VIVA Enjoy

ACTIVITIES



Guided Walks



Enrichment & Storytelling



Historical Sites



Art & Culture



Music



Shore Excursions

DAY OVERVIEW

- 1 Discover **Amsterdam** on a walking tour exclusive to Vantage Explorations, before embarking the vessel to begin your journey in the Netherlands.
- 2 Visit Rijksmuseum Museum, a must-see for visitors to **Amsterdam**, and housing over 8,000 works of art from Dutch and European history. .
- 3 In **Enkhuizen**, immerse yourself in the maritime heritage at the Zuiderzee Museum which showcases traditional Dutch life.
- 4 In **Nijmegen**, we visit the Kröller-Müller Museum, which combines art exhibitions and reflections on Nijmegen's role in World War II.
- 5 Embark on a walking tour through the heart of **Antwerp**, strolling through the cobblestone streets of this delightful Belgian gem.
- 6 Visit the iconic Windmills of **Kinderdijk**, a UNESCO World Heritage site showcasing Dutch engineering ingenuity.
- 7 Enjoy a relaxing canal cruise, exploring **Amsterdam's** picturesque waterway, before visiting the renowned Keukenhof Gardens, a floral kaleidoscope of colours.
- 8 Disembark in **Amsterdam** for your onward journey.

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Amsterdam, Holland



Capture the Holland Scenery



Erasmus Bridge, Rotterdam



Bamberg, Germany



GREAT EUROPEAN CRUISE

Amsterdam to Budapest | 15 Days

Join us on a magical river journey meandering along three of Europe's great rivers: the Rhine, Main and Danube. It's a region rich in history and offers forested hillsides, vineyards and romantic medieval towns. Restored castles still stand perched atop dramatic hilltops, overlooking riverside villages below. This is a journey that will take you through a Europe that you may have only read about in timeless fairytales.

HIGHLIGHTS

- UNESCO World Heritage sites at every turn.
- Exclusive tours and excursions for Vantage Explorations.
- Vantage exclusive experience including tour of Thurn and Taxis Palace.
- Enjoy the exclusive service of your Vantage Cruise Director, who will personally ensure that each detail of your holiday is taken care of.

2025 DATES

Start/Finish	Duration	Dates
Amsterdam/Budapest	15 Days	Aug 27

Cruise Ship: MS VIVA Enjoy

ACTIVITIES



Guided Walks



Enrichment & Storytelling



Historical Sites



Art & Culture



Music



Shore Excursions

DAY OVERVIEW

- 1 Explore **Amsterdam** before embarking the vessel.
- 2 Enjoy a cruise along **Amsterdam's** famous canals.
- 3-4 Discover Cologne on a walking tour. In **Koblenz**, explore a town at where two rivers meet.
- 5-6 Sail to **Mainz** and enjoy a walking tour. In Wertheim, discover a charming Medieval town.
- 7-8 Walking tour of Wurzburg followed by Bruckenschoppen on the Old Main Bridge. Sample local beer in Hassfurt and discover beautiful **Bamberg**.
- 9 Marvel at **Nuremberg's** magnificent Imperial castle.
- 10-11 Soak in the UNESCO heritage sites in **Regensburg**, visit Thurn and Taxis Palace, and explore the ancient town of Passau.
- 12 Visit the iconic pink and white abbey in **Melk**, before sailing Wachau Valley, a UNESCO heritage site.
- 13 Take in two resplendent capitals - **Vienna** and Bratislava, both laden with culture, cuisine and history.
- 14 After a fortnight of endless superlatives, **Budapest** will dazzle you with its jaw-dropping beauty, a perfect location to end an unforgettable river journey.
- 15 Disembark in **Budapest** for your onward journey.



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Danube River, Bratislava, Slovakia



DANUBE DISCOVERER

Roundtrip Vienna | 8 Days

Embark on a journey along the Danube, which seamlessly combines cultural immersion, scenic beauty and historical exploration. From the vibrant capital cities of Budapest and Bratislava to the serene landscapes of Melk, each port of call offers a unique chapter in the story of Central Europe. Experience a number of the splendid sights recognised by UNESCO for their heritage and cultural richness.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore the rich history and culture of three of Europe's grand capital cities: Vienna, Budapest and Bratislava.
- Daily guided shore excursions in each port of call including walking tours and sampling local delicacies.
- Enjoy experiences and excursions exclusive to Vantage Explorations guests.
- Enjoy the exclusive service of your Vantage Cruise Director, who will personally ensure that each detail of your holiday is taken care of.

2025 DATES

Start/Finish	Duration	Dates
Vienna/Vienna	8 Days	Sep 20 & 27, Oct 4 & 11

Cruise Ship: MS VIVA Enjoy

ACTIVITIES



Guided Walks



Enrichment & Storytelling



Historical Sites



Art & Culture



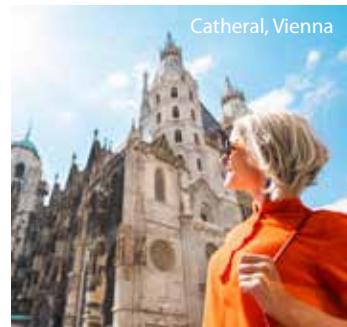
Music



Shore Excursions

DAY OVERVIEW

- 1 Arrive in **Vienna** and transfer to the pier for embarkation.
- 2 Explore **Vienna's** most iconic landmarks, from majestic palaces to famous museums and concert halls.
- 3 A short drive from **Budapest**, visit opulent Godollo Palace and stroll its splendid gardens.
- 4 Embark on an excursion of **Budapest**, taking in the sights of this splendid city filled UNESCO World Heritage gems.
- 5 Stroll the cobbled laneways and soak in the rich culture of **Bratislava**, Slovakia's grand capital, and sample some tasty Slovakian treats.
- 6 Glide into the picturesque town of **Melk**. Step back in time as you wander the impressive Melk Abbey.
- 7 Admire the Austrian countryside before touring historic **Salzburg**.
- 8 Disembark in **Vienna** for your onward journey.



Cathedral, Vienna



Kursalon Concert



Artstetten Castle, Wachau

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Drachenfels Castle, Rhine River, Germany



MOSELLE HIGHLIGHTS

Roundtrip Düsseldorf | 8 Days

Savour the spectacular scenery of the fabled Rhine river and its tributary the Moselle on this delightful journey. A river winding through a narrow valley, flanked by quaint towns, medieval castles and hillside vineyards - the Moselle is arguably one of the most enchanting river landscapes in all of Europe. The Romans were so enchanted by the beautiful location of the Moselle valley that they established two towns on its bank—Trier and Koblenz, two of the oldest cities in Germany. Be transported to a world of fairytales, with a glass of locally made fine wine.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Exclusive experience for Vantage Explorations including a walking tour.
- Daily guided shore excursions in each port of call.
- Enjoy the exclusive service of your Vantage Cruise Director, who will personally ensure that each detail of your holiday is taken care of.

2025 DATES

Start/Finish	Duration	Dates
Düsseldorf/Düsseldorf	8 Days	Aug 24 & 31, Sept 21 & 28

Cruise Ship: MS VIVA One

ACTIVITIES



Guided Walks



Enrichment & Storytelling



Historical Sites



Art & Culture



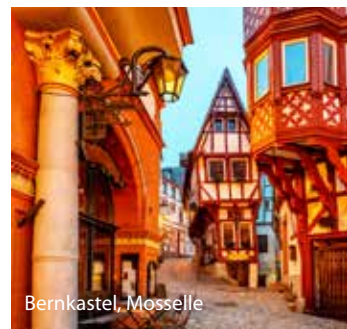
Music



Shore Excursions

DAY OVERVIEW

- 1 Commence your adventure in **Düsseldorf**. Stroll along the Rhine before embarking the vessel.
- 2 In **Koblenz**, where the Rhine meets the Moselle, explore the historic Old Town and visit the impressive fortress.
- 3 Embark on a tour of **Traben-Trarbach**, visiting an underground cellar and Grevenburg Castle ruins.
- 4 Follow in the footsteps of the Romans in **Trier**, the oldest city in Germany that was ruled by Emperor Augustus in the year 16 BCE.
- 5 In a picturesque **Cochem**, embark on a guided tour of hilltop Reichsburg Castle. Afterwards, explore Cochem's historic Old Town.
- 6 In **Rudesheim**, take a pilgrimage to the Abbey of Hildegard von Bingen. On our way to Bonn, we sail past the legendary Lorelei Rock, known for its lore of sirens and shipwrecks.
- 7 Cruise to **Bonn**, the birthplace Beethoven. In the late afternoon, celebrate the end of a magical journey, in Dusseldorf style with a glass of altbier.
- 8 Disembark in **Düsseldorf** for your onward journey.



Bernkastel, Moselle



MS VIVA ONE

Wine Tasting, Moselle Valley



Town Hall, Düsseldorf



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Parliament, Budapest, Hungary



DANUBE PANORAMA

Roundtrip Passau | 8 Days

Embark on an unforgettable Danube River cruise that begins and ends in the charming town of Passau, known as the “City of Three Rivers,” where the Danube, Inn, and Ilz rivers converge. Your journey winds its way through picturesque landscapes and stopping at iconic cities along the way, filled with UNESCO-listed gems. Immerse yourself in the rich history, magnificent music and scenic splendors that define this remarkable region.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Discover the cultural riches of three romantic European cities filled with UNESCO-listed gems.
- Enjoy experiences curated by and exclusive to Vantage Explorations.
- Your exclusive Vantage Cruise Director will personally ensure that each detail of your holiday is taken care of.
- Exclusive excursion to the birthplace of Mozart, Salzburg.

2025 DATES

Start/Finish	Duration	Dates
Passau/Passau	8 Days	Aug 24, Sept 26, Oct 3

Cruise Ship: MS VIVA Two

ACTIVITIES



Guided Walks



Enrichment & Storytelling



Historical Sites



Art & Culture



Music



Shore Excursions

DAY OVERVIEW

- 1 On a walking tour exclusive to Vantage Explorations, explore the delightful city of **Passau**, located at the meeting of three rivers.
- 2 In **Melk**, step back in time as you wander the impressive Melk Abbey.
- 3 A short drive from **Budapest** lies the town of Godollo, home to the magnificent Palace, where we explore its opulent interiors and lavish gardens.
- 4 Embark on a sightseeing excursion of **Budapest**, a splendid city filled UNESCO World Heritage gems.
- 5 Stroll the cobblestone laneways and soak in the rich culture of **Bratislava**, Slovakia’s grand capital. This evening, be treated to an onboard musical concert.
- 6 Synonymous with Mozart and classical music, let your feet and ears guide you through **Vienna**, Austria’s enchanting capital.
- 7 From **Linz**, embark on a picturesque journey to Salzburg, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and Mozart’s birthplace.
- 8 Disembark in **Passau** for your onward journey.

MS VIVA Two



Onboard Concert



Esztergom Basilica, Germany



Vienna, Austria



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Passau, Germany



DANUBE DELTA CRUISE

Roundtrip Passau | 16 Days

On this grand sailing from Germany to the Black Sea, you will visit eight enchanting countries, five capital cities and a big helping of UNESCO World Heritage sites along the mighty Danube. Experience palaces, fortresses and ancient sites at every turn, sampling local wines and delicacies and feeling the warm welcome from friendly locals along the way. This unforgettable voyage will give you a glimpse of life in riverside towns and villages along the Danube, of the rise and fall of mighty empires and the struggle for independence.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit castles, monasteries and ancient Mesolithic sites sprinkled along the Danube stretching to the Black Sea.
- Experience UNESCO World Heritage sites at every turn.
- Enjoy excursions and experiences curated for and exclusive to Vantage Explorations.
- A Vantage-exclusive Cruise Director, who will personally ensure that each detail of your holiday is taken care of.

2025 DATES

Start/Finish	Duration	Dates
Passau/Passau	16 Days	May 9, Jul 5, Sept 11

Cruise Ship: MS VIVA Two

ACTIVITIES



Guided Walks



Enrichment & Storytelling



Historical Sites



Art & Culture



Music



Shore Excursions

DAY OVERVIEW

- 1 Explore **Passau** on an exclusive walking tour, before embarking to commence your river journey.
- 2 In **Vienna**, discover the city's palaces and museums.
- 3-4 Learn about equestrian history in **Puszt**, and visit a mountain vineyard to taste local wines of Fruska Gora.
- 5-6 Sail the Danube to Giurgiu located near the border with Hungary, and visit **Bucharest**, Romania's capital.
- 7-8 We reach the Black Sea at **Tulcea**, before turning around for our journey back to Passau.
- 9 Discover **Rousse**, Bulgaria, on a walking tour. Afterwards, visit Barsarbovo Monastery, a unique church complex carved into limestone cliffs.
- 10 Explore the renowned Belogradchik Fortress dating to Roman times.
- 11 Visit nearby Lepenski Vir, one of the largest and oldest Mesolithic sites in the world.
- 12 In Vukovar, we carry out border formalities.
- 13 Discover **Budapest** on a sightseeing tour.
- 14-15 Discover **Bratislava**, Slovakia, on a walking tour. Sail along Wachau Valley, a UNESCO heritage site. Step back in time with a visit to the Melk Abbey.
- 16 Disembark in **Passau** for your onward journey.

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Golubac Fortress, Serbia



Puszt Horse Show, Hungary



St. Stephen's, Budapest



Fortress, Belogradchik, Bulgaria



Douro River Voyages

Flowing gracefully through the heart of Portugal, the Douro River, aptly named the “golden river,” winds its way through breathtaking landscapes of terraced vineyards, picturesque villages, and historic towns. Renowned for its stunning beauty and cultural significance, the Douro Valley is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, celebrated for its centuries-old wine-making tradition and enchanting scenery. As you cruise along the Douro, you’ll be captivated by the serene beauty

of the rolling hillsides adorned with terraced vineyards producing the world-famous port wine. Whether savoring a glass of wine on deck as the sun sets over the vineyards or exploring charming riverside towns steeped in history, every moment along the golden Douro promises an unforgettable experience of discovery and delight.





Douro River, Portugal



DOURO DISCOVERER

Porto to Lisbon | 11 Days

On a voyage that winds along Portugal's Douro River, you will find towns and villages that have remained unchanged over time, where friendly locals still live a way of traditional lifestyle and remain passionate about their culture and heritage. Experience the highlights and discover some local gems of the region, tasting local food and sampling the famous wines produced in the region while soaking up breathtaking scenery of the Douro River.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Enjoy three nights in Lisbon, exploring one of Europe's most impressive capitals and its surroundings including nearby Sintra, a hilltop town featuring an impressive palace.
- Experience hidden gems and UNESCO World Heritage sites throughout the voyage.
- Daily guided shore excursions in each port of call including numerous Vantage-exclusive walking tours and experiences like wine tastings at centuries-old wine estates.
- Enjoy the exclusive service of your Vantage Cruise Director, who will personally ensure that each detail of your holiday is taken care of.

2025 DATES

Start/Finish	Duration	Dates
Porto/Lisbon	11 Days	May 1, 8 & 15, June 26, July 3&10, Oct 2&9

Cruise Ship: *MS Porto Mirante*

ACTIVITIES



Guided Walks



Enrichment & Storytelling



Historical Sites



Art & Culture



Music



Shore Excursions

DAY OVERVIEW

- 1 Embark the vessel in **Porto**.
- 2 On an excursion exclusive to Vantage Explorations, explore **Porto**, a city with a UNESCO-listed historical centre. Sail to Regua via the hamlet of Leverinho.
- 3 From the port town of **Peso de Regua**, we head inland to visit hilltop Castelo Rodrigo.
- 4 Visit **Salamanca**, a stunning town in Spain founded by a Celtic tribe before the rise of the Roman empire.
- 5 Sample local wine and meet the winemakers at Quinta de Avesada, a UNESCO-listed wine estate.
- 6 Visit the sacred pilgrimage town of **Lamego** and witness the legacy of Moors.
- 7 Explore the medieval quarters at **Guimaraes**, Portugal's first capital, and another UNESCO site.
- 8 Disembark in Porto and drive south the nation's modern capital, **Lisbon**.
- 9 Explore the sights of **Lisbon** on a city tour.
- 10 Visit Queluz Palace, known as the Versailles of Portugal, head to the UNESCO-listed, fairytale hilltop town of **Sintra** before enjoying some sea air in the town of Cascais on the Atlantic coast.
- 11 Depart **Lisbon** for your onward journey.

View full itinerary online: vantageexplorations.com



Lisbon



Port Wine, Douro River



Porto, Douro River



Sintra, Portugal

Voyage Calendar

European River Cruises

– Holland, Germany, France, Austria, Switzerland, Hungary, Portugal

YEAR	VOYAGES	SHIP	CODE	DAYS	DATES	START-FINISH	TWO BED EMERALD	TWO BED RUBY	TWO BED DIAMOND
2024	Explorer Cruise to Düsseldorf	VIVA One	EXD001O	8	Oct 1- 8	BSL - DUS	USD 2,899	USD 2,849	USD 3,049
2024	Explorer Cruise to Basel	VIVA One	EXB001O	8	Oct 8 -15	DUS - BSL	USD 2,899	USD 3,199	USD 3,399
2024	Enchanting Rhine	VIVA Moments	RHI001M	8	Oct 20 - 27	DUS - DUS	USD 2,349	USD 2,499	USD 2,749
2024	Enchanting Rhine	VIVA Moments	RHI002M	8	Oct 27 - Nov 3	DUS - DUS	USD 2,349	USD 2,499	USD 2,749
2024	Explorer Cruise to Düsseldorf	VIVA One	EXD002O	8	Oct 29 - Nov 5	BSL - DUS	USD 2,449	USD 2,749	USD 2,949
2025	Sea of Tulips	Viva Enjoy	TUL001E	8	Apr 9 -16	AMS -AMS	USD 3,049	USD 3,399	USD 3,649
2025	Sea of Tulips	Viva Enjoy	TUL002E	8	Apr 16 - 23	AMS -AMS	USD 3,049	USD 3,399	USD 3,649
2025	Sea of Tulips	Viva Enjoy	TUL003E	8	Apr 30 - May 7	AMS -AMS	USD 3,049	USD 3,399	USD 3,649
2025	Danube Delta Cruise	Viva Two	DDC001T	16	May 9 - 24	PAS - PAS	USD 6,249	USD 6,949	USD 7,349
2025	Danube Delta Cruise	Viva Two	DDC002T	16	Jul 5 - 20	PAS - PAS	USD 6,249	USD 6,949	USD 7,349
2025	Danube Panorama	Viva Two	DPN001T	8	Aug 24 - 31	PAS - PAS	USD 3,349	USD 3,699	USD 3,949
2025	Moselle Highlights	Viva One	MSL001O	8	Aug 24 - 31	DUS - DUS	USD 2,999	USD 3,399	USD 3,599
2025	Great European Cruise	Viva Enjoy	GEC001E	15	Aug 27 - Sep 10	AMS - BUD	USD 5,999	USD 6,349	USD 6,899
2025	Moselle Highlights	Viva One	MSL002O	8	Aug 31 - Sep 7	DUS - DUS	USD 2,999	USD 3,399	USD 3,599
2025	Danube Delta Cruise	Viva Two	DDC003T	16	Sep 11- 26	PAS - PAS	USD 6,249	USD 6,949	USD 7,349
2025	Danube Discoverer	Viva Enjoy	DDS001E	8	Sep 20 - 27	VIE - VIE	USD 3,399	USD 3,749	USD 3,999
2025	Moselle Highlights	Viva One	MSL003O	8	Sep 21- 28	DUS - DUS	USD 2,999	USD 3,399	USD 3,599
2025	Danube Panorama	Viva Two	DPN002T	8	Sep 26 - Oct 3	PAS - PAS	USD 3,349	USD 3,699	USD 3,949
2025	Danube Discoverer	Viva Enjoy	DDS002E	8	Sep 27 - Oct 4	VIE - VIE	USD 3,399	USD 3,749	USD 3,999
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2025	Danube Panorama	Viva Two	DPN003T	8	Oct 3 - Oct 10	PAS - PAS	USD 3,349	USD 3,699	USD 3,949
2025	Danube Discoverer	Viva Enjoy	DDS003E	8	Oct 4 - 11	VIE - VIE	USD 3,399	USD 3,749	USD 3,999
2025	Danube Discoverer	Viva Enjoy	DDS004E	8	Oct 11 - 18	VIE - VIE	USD 3,399	USD 3,749	USD 3,999
2025	Douro Discoverer	Porto Mirante	DUR001P	11	May 1 - 11	POR - LIS	USD 4,899	USD 5,399	USD 5,699
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KEY: BSL - Basel, Switzerland, DUS - Düsseldorf, Germany, AMS - Amsterdam, Holland, PAS - Passau, Germany

BUD - Budapest, Hungary, VIE - Vienna, Austria, POR - Porto, Portugal, LIS - Lisbon, Portugal

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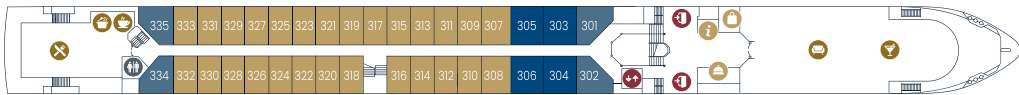


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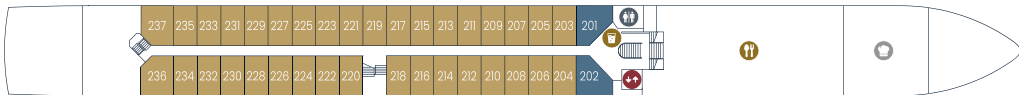
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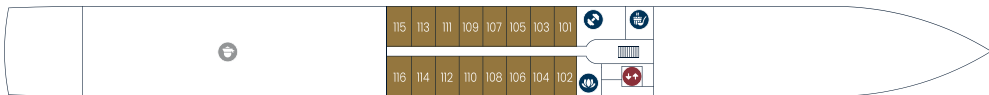
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| Reception Desk | Bistro | Sauna | Suite ³ |
| Travel Desk | Panorama Salon | Restrooms | Junior Suite ¹ |
| Bordshop | Live Cooking | Kitchen | |
| Restaurant | Pool | Wheelhouse | |
| Bar | Fitness | Crew | |

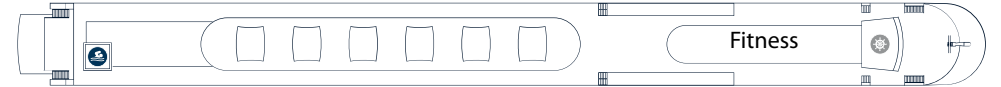
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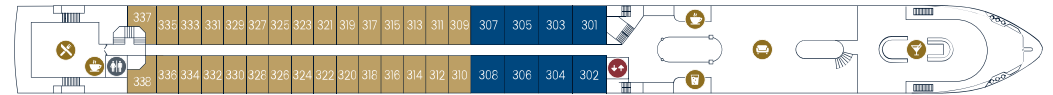


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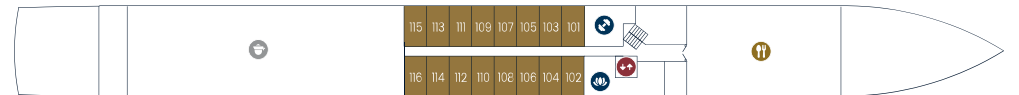
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| Reception Desk | Panorama Salon | Restrooms | Double Cabin aft ¹ |
| Travel Desk | Coffee Station | Kitchen | Suite ¹ |
| Bordshop | Water dispenser | Wheelhouse | |
| Restaurant | Pool | Crew | |

1) French Balcony 2) Fixed Windows

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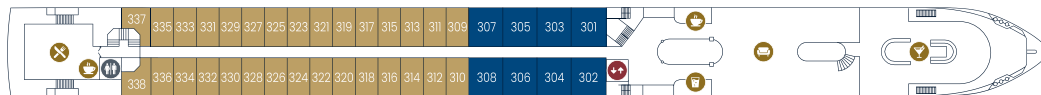


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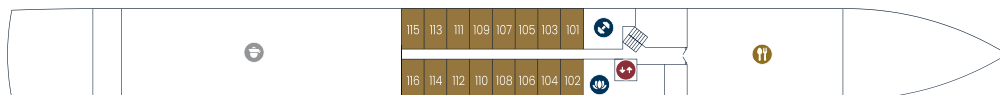
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| Reception Desk | Panorama Salon | Restrooms | Double Cabin aft ¹ |
| Travel Desk | Coffee Station | Kitchen | Suite ¹ |
| Bordshop | Water dispenser | Wheelhouse | |
| Restaurant | Pool | Crew | |

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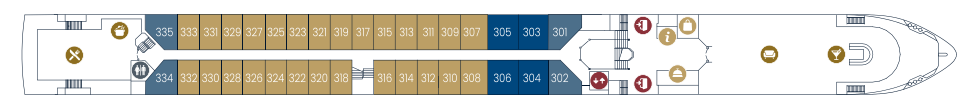


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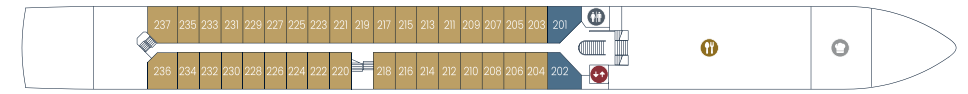
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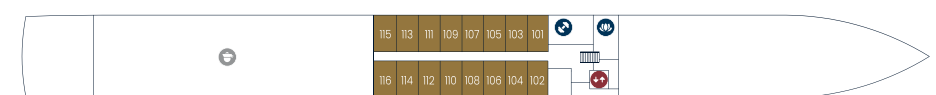
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| Elevator | Panorama Salon | Wellness | Double Cabin ² |
| Reception Desk | Live Cooking | Restrooms | Suite ³ |
| Travel Desk | Hairdresser | Kitchen | Junior Suite ¹ |
| Bordshop | Pool | Wheelhouse | |
| Restaurant | Fitness | Crew | |
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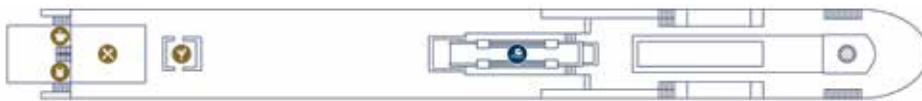
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MS Porto Mirante



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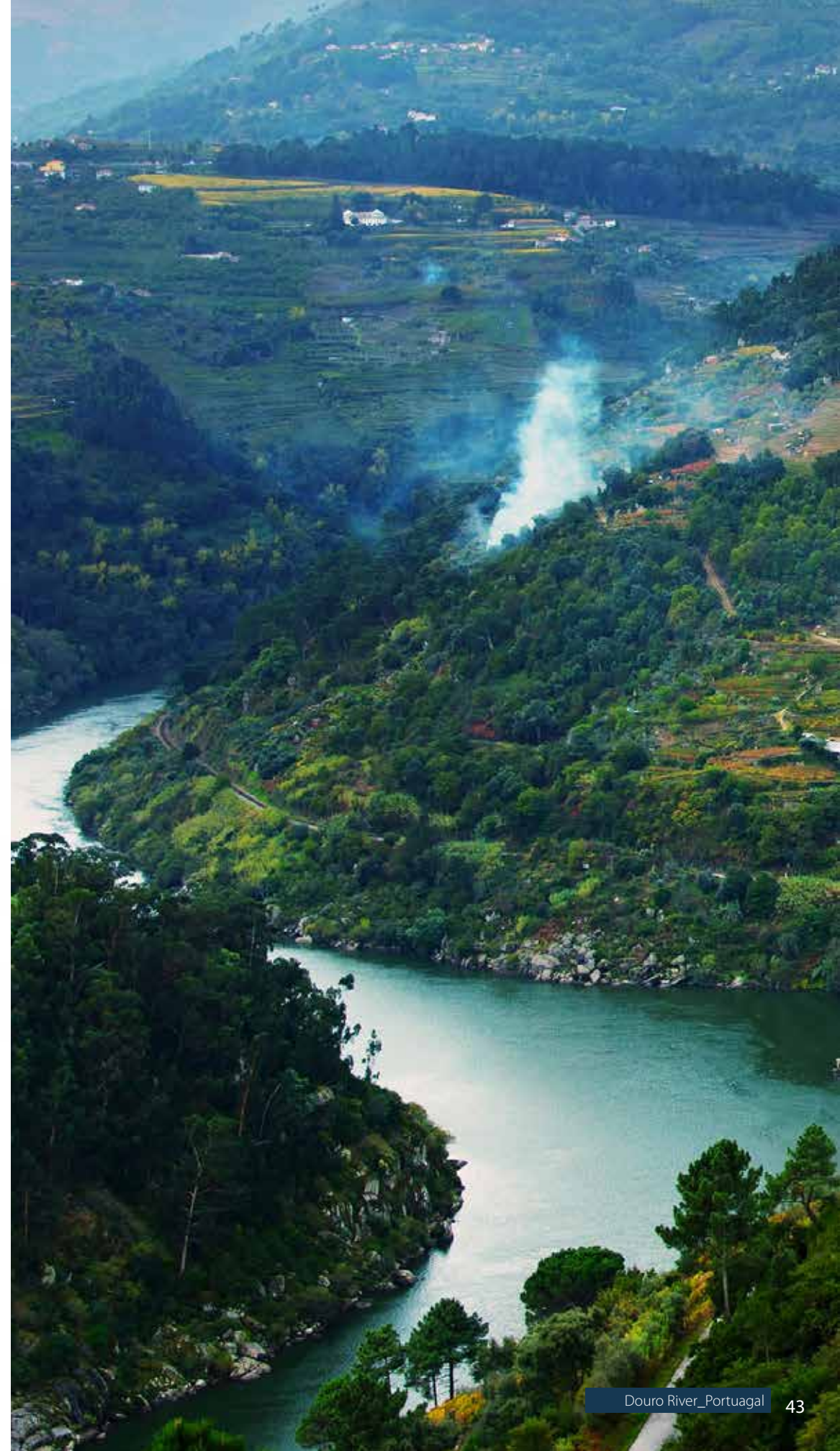
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| Elevator | Bistro | Restrooms | Double Cabin ² |
| Reception Desk | Panorama Salon | Wheelhouse | |
| Travel Desk | Coffee Station | Crew | |
| Restaurant | Water dispenser | Kitchen | |

1) French Balcony 2) Fixed Windows



Terms & Conditions

Introduction

- a) Aurora Travel Pty Ltd (ACN 139 766 911) (Aurora Expeditions).
- b) For the purpose of these Terms & Conditions, each passenger who agrees to be bound by the Terms & Conditions will be referred to as 'you' or 'your'.
- c) Please read carefully and ensure you understand the following Terms & Conditions, as they set out the basis upon which we accept all bookings. If you decide to travel with Aurora Expeditions and make payment for an expedition, you do so on the understanding that you have accepted these Terms & Conditions, including amendments to the Terms & Conditions that may be made by Aurora Expeditions from time to time.

1. Price and Validity

1.1 Expedition costs are based on ground costs, fuel prices, ship charter rates and airfares (as applicable) at the time of printing. While we try our utmost not to increase our prices, this is sometimes outside our control. On that basis, we reserve the right to amend our prices although amendments should occur only in the instance of increases in our costs to deliver the expedition, such as but not limited to airfares, fuel costs, government taxes and charges, exchange rate fluctuations, ground costs and ship charter rates. Any increase in price must be paid by you before your departure.

1.2 In circumstances where these Term & Conditions stipulate that you may credit monies paid by you to Aurora Expeditions towards a future voyage:

- a) the credit may only be used towards the cost of your ticket and not towards any other goods or services offered by Aurora Expeditions;
- b) no monies will be refundable to you under any circumstances; and
- c) the expedition that is subject to the credit must depart within 24 months of the date of departure of the original expedition booked by you.

2. Responsibility and Assumption of Risk

2.1 Upon receipt by us of your booking form and once your Deposit (see clause 3.1) has been received, a binding contract between you and Aurora Expeditions is in place (Contract). These Terms & Conditions are an integral part of the Contract. If you list one or more other persons on the booking form, you agree that you will be personally responsible for all obligations ensuing from the Contract, which concern you and the other persons booked.

2.2 Except to the extent that this waiver may be prohibited or restricted by the Competition & Consumer Act, Australian Consumer Law or other legislation that may exist from time to time in Australia, you hereby release Aurora Expeditions, its related bodies corporate, contractors, employees and agents, and any licensor or licensee from all claims and actions that you have, or may have at any time in the future, against them or any of them, howsoever arising, for personal injury, death, property damage or any other loss, damage or expense that you may suffer as a result of your participation in any trip organised with or in conjunction with Aurora Expeditions.

2.3 You are aware that your adventure trip, in addition to the dangers and inherent risks that may arise in the normal course with any adventure trip, has certain additional dangers and risks, some of which may include the consequences flowing directly and indirectly from an epidemic, physical exertion for which you may not be prepared, extreme weather conditions that are subject to sudden and unexpected changes, remoteness from normal medical services, and evacuation difficulties if you are disabled. By entering into the Contract, you agree:

- a) to accept all the inherent risks of the proposed adventure trip and the possibility of personal injury, death, property damage or loss;
- b) to acknowledge that the enjoyment and excitement of adventure travel is derived in part from the inherent risks incurred by travel and activity beyond the accepted safety of life at home or work, and that these inherent risks contribute to such enjoyment and excitement, being a reason for your participation;
- c) that if you suffer injury or illness, Aurora Expeditions can, at your cost, arrange medical treatment and emergency evacuation service, as Aurora Expeditions deems appropriate for your wellbeing; and
- d) the acceptance of such risk extends both to onboard presence and activities as well as off-board.

2.4 Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Contract that may exist, you release Aurora Expeditions from any and all liability to you or anyone claiming through or under you by way of subrogation or otherwise, including by your insurer, for any loss or damage for which you are entitled to receive compensation under a travel and/or cancellations insurance policy.

2.5 Aurora Expeditions will not be responsible or liable for loss, damage or robbery of travel documents, baggage or other possessions.

2.6 In entering into the Contract, you are not relying on any oral, written or visual representations or statements by Aurora Expeditions or its staff or other agent or representative or any other inducement or coercion to enter into the Contract. In deciding to book an expedition with Aurora Expeditions, you have made your own enquiries as to the suitability of the expedition and all aspects of it and you have satisfied yourself, based upon those enquiries, that it is an expedition that you wish to undertake.

2.7 You confirm that you are over the age of 18 years and that you have read and understood these Terms & Conditions as they appear on Aurora Expedition's website from time to time, and agree that the Contract will be binding upon your heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators and successors.

3. Booking Confirmation and Payment Terms

3.1 In order to confirm your booking, you are required to complete a booking form and make a deposit payment of \$2,500 per person (in the booking currency) within 7 working days of booking ("Deposit") for the Ocean products, and \$500 per person (in the booking currency) within 48 hours of booking ("Deposit") for the River products. For the avoidance of doubt, no booking can be confirmed until such time as the booking form and the Deposit are received by Aurora Expeditions.

3.2 In order to confirm your participation on an activity (for example, kayaking, diving, snowshoeing), a deposit of \$250 (in the booking currency) per person per activity is required. The activity deposit is in addition to the Deposit required to confirm your place on the expedition. The deposit for the activity is only refundable if the activity is cancelled due to minimum numbers not being reached or the activity is cancelled by a third party.

3.3 In the event that Aurora Expeditions cancels an activity or trek due to minimum numbers not being reached, or the activity or trek is cancelled by a third party, Aurora Expeditions will refund in full any payments made by you for that activity or trek unless you inform us that you wish for the amount to be credited towards the final balance of your expedition.

3.4 Final payment is due at least 90 days for the Ocean products and 120 days for the River products (or as otherwise stated by us in writing) prior to the departure date of the expedition (or the amended departure date of the expedition pursuant to clauses 8 or 9) and an invoice will be sent to you for this purpose.

3.5 Credit card payments are accepted. Merchant fees and bank surcharges may apply.

4. Child Policy

4.1 Bookings are open to people eight (8) years of age and over. Passengers under 18 years of age must be accompanied at all times by an adult throughout the expedition and cannot be left unsupervised at any time, including during paid additional activities. A child remains the sole responsibility of the adult at all times.

4.2 Children aged 8–17 years must pay the adult price of the expedition.

5. Booking Transfer or Cancellation by You

5.1 If you wish to cancel your expedition, we ask that you notify your travel agent or our expedition sales team immediately in writing. Cancellation will take effect upon receipt by Aurora Expeditions of your written notice.

5.2 If the cancellation is made more than 90 days prior to the expedition departure date, you will forfeit your Deposit paid by you to Aurora Expeditions. If cancellation is made less than 90 days prior to the expedition departure date, you will be liable to pay the full price of the expedition within seven (7) days of providing your notice of cancellation to Aurora Expeditions. However, in either situation, Aurora Expeditions will consider any request by you to transfer the Deposit paid towards a deposit on a subsequent expedition. Whether or not Aurora Expeditions agrees to any such request will depend upon applicable circumstances, including availability and other factors. The decision as to whether or not to agree will be made by Aurora Expeditions at its absolute discretion. If Aurora Expeditions shall agree to such a request, you will be liable to pay a fee of \$500 per passenger (in the currency of your expedition) to cover administrative and associated costs and you will also be liable to pay any additional price for the subsequent expedition. The transfer of the Deposit is only valid on expeditions that depart within 24 months from the date of the original proposed departure date. Only one transfer of Deposit to another expedition is permitted.

River Cruises Cancellation Policy

- a. Up to 120 days prior to the commencement of the tour: 10% of the full booking amount;
- b. From the 119th to the 90th day prior to the commencement of the tour: 20% of the full booking amount;
- c. From the 89th to the 30th day prior to the commencement of the tour: 40% of the full booking amount;
- d. From the 29th to the 15th day prior to the commencement of the tour: 60% of the full booking amount;
- e. From the 14th to the 1st day prior to the commencement of the tour: 80% of the full booking amount;
- f. Cancellation, or failure to set out, on the date of the commencement of the tour: 90% of the full booking amount.

6. Special Requests or Requirements

6.1 Aurora Expeditions will use reasonable endeavours to accommodate special requests from you, including special dietary requirements, but this cannot be guaranteed. You should advise Aurora Expeditions as soon as possible after booking, of any such special requests or requirements, such that Aurora Expeditions can try to accommodate them. Likewise, you should notify us, as soon after booking as possible, of any special events.

6.2 Aurora Expeditions will use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that any cabin and cabin number selected by you will be made available to you during the course of the expedition. However, due to a variety of circumstances, it is not

always possible to achieve that. In the event that this cannot be achieved, Aurora Expeditions will use all reasonable endeavours to make available to you another cabin that is as similar to the cabin selected by you, as circumstances permit. The exception to this applies to passengers booked in the Captain's Suites.

7. Cancellation by Aurora Expeditions

7.1 Despite any other term in the Contract, Aurora Expeditions reserves the right to cancel any expedition prior to departure, in which case, any payment made by you will be refunded in full and you will not be entitled to make any further claims related to such a cancellation, including but not limited to compensation or damages, for any loss, consequential or indirect damage, expenses, loss of time or inconvenience, loss of opportunity or loss of enjoyment, which may result from such cancellation.

7.2 Aurora Expeditions reserves the right to cancel an expedition, trek, or activity if the minimum number of participants is not reached. We will endeavour to make, as soon as practically possible, any decision to cancel an expedition, trek or activity, and we will notify you of that decision as soon as we practically can. We will endeavour to identify for you another expedition, trek or activity similar to the one that is cancelled. If one is not available, you will be refunded in full any payment already received from you.

7.3 Aurora Expeditions reserves the right to not operate or cancel an activity or trek in the event of a cancellation by a third party. In accordance with clause 3.3, you will be refunded in full any payment already received from you.

7.4 It may also be necessary for Aurora Expeditions to cancel an expedition as a result of adverse weather conditions. Aurora Expeditions will endeavour to ensure that any expedition takes place but, at times, this may not be possible due to weather conditions. Aurora Expeditions accepts no liability for any loss, damage, cost or expense in the event of a cancellation as a result of weather conditions. In that event, you will not be entitled to a refund of any amounts paid by you and you will remain liable to pay any money that is due and payable under these Terms & Conditions.

8. Variation of Itinerary

8.1 Despite any other term in the Contract and due to unforeseen circumstances, including though not limited to the direct or indirect consequence of a force majeure event (clause 9), Aurora Expeditions may vary any aspect of the expedition itinerary with little or no advance notice. You will have no right to any refund and Aurora Expeditions will have no obligation to you or be liable for any compensation or damages, for any loss, consequential or indirect damages, expenses, loss of time or inconvenience, loss of opportunity or loss of enjoyment in respect of such changes. Such changes may not be used by you to put forward a claim of any kind to Aurora Expeditions.

8.2 In circumstances where Aurora Expeditions elects to vary the date of departure of the expedition, the amended date of departure will be advised to you in writing by Aurora Expeditions and the date may be at any time within 18 months of the original departure date.

8.3 Where an expedition departure date is varied by Aurora Expeditions pursuant to clause 8.1, you may:

- a) accept the terms of the amended departure date advised to you pursuant to clause 8.2;
- b) elect by written notice to Aurora Expeditions to assign the benefit of the amended expedition itinerary advised to you pursuant to clause 8.2 to any of your family members; or
- c) credit the value of all monies paid by you to Aurora Expeditions towards the value of a future expedition.

8.4 Despite any other term in the Contract, should:

- a) you or a family member not wish to participate in the expedition on the revised date as advised to you by Aurora Expeditions pursuant to clause 8.2; or
- b) you not wish to assume the benefit of a credit for a future voyage pursuant to clause 8.3 c), your only right of recourse in all circumstances will be cancellation by you pursuant to clause 5.

8.5 To minimize the effects of tourism on the pristine environments in Antarctica and the Arctic, IAATO and AECO restrict shore landings to a maximum of 100 people at any given time. In the event that more than 100 expeditioners wish to go ashore at any given time, Aurora Expeditions reserves the right to manage landings in accordance with regulations established by governing authorities.

9. Force Majeure

9.1 Aurora Expeditions will not be responsible for the performance of the Contract if prevented or delayed by acts of God, epidemic (together with events naturally arising from an epidemic), government action, strikes, or other industrial relations matters, accidents, weather, traffic, airport conditions, lack of performance by third-party suppliers, or other causes beyond their control.

9.2 In circumstances of a force majeure event as defined pursuant to clause 9.1, Aurora Expeditions may, at its absolute discretion:

- a) cancel the whole or part of the expedition pursuant to clause 7;
- b) vary the expedition itinerary pursuant to clause 8; or
- c) take any other action that Aurora Expeditions deems reasonably necessary.

10. Health, Required Fitness Levels, Trip Grades, Age Limits + Compulsory Medical Assessments

10.1 Aurora Expeditions will not be responsible for the performance of the Contract if prevented or delayed by acts of God, epidemic (together with events naturally arising from an epidemic), government action, strikes, or other industrial relations matters, accidents, weather, traffic, airport conditions, lack of performance by third party suppliers, or other causes beyond their control (Force Majeure event).

10.2 You are required to provide an assessment of your medical condition from a fully qualified medical practitioner, and for this purpose we provide a medical form that needs to be completed and signed by your medical practitioner, regardless of whether you have a pre-existing condition or not, and returned to us between three (3) and six (6) months prior to the departure date of the expedition. If you book within three (3) months prior to the departure date of the expedition, your assessment is due as soon as practically possible, maximum five (5) days from booking. Any failure to return the completed medical form will entitle Aurora Expeditions to cancel your booking, in which case, our cancellation provisions will apply.

10.3 Should your medical condition change after submitting the medical form, it is your responsibility to advise Aurora Expeditions within 48 hours after you become aware of such a change.

10.4 Aurora Expeditions reserves the right to deny entry/boarding, without refund or resulting expenses, to any passenger for any reason at its sole discretion, (including but not limited to the Expedition Leader and/or Aurora Medical Adviser determining that the passenger has not disclosed accurate medical information that may deem the passenger unfit to participate in the expedition and/or additional activities or that may impact other expeditioners).

10.5 Should you be pregnant, for your safety and the safety of your unborn child, Aurora Expeditions does not recommend that you join an expedition. However, if you discover that you are pregnant prior to the commencement of an expedition and wish to participate irrespective of our advice against traveling, you must be 16 weeks or less into your pregnancy at the completion of the voyage and you must have clearance from a medical practitioner prior to departing your country of residence. Your travel insurance must cover pregnancy-related complications arising from adventure-based activities. In any event, Aurora Expeditions reserves the right to implement clause 10.4 whereby the Expedition Leader and/or Aurora Expeditions Medical Adviser has the final decision on whether the participant is considered fit to join the expedition or participate in expedition activities.

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