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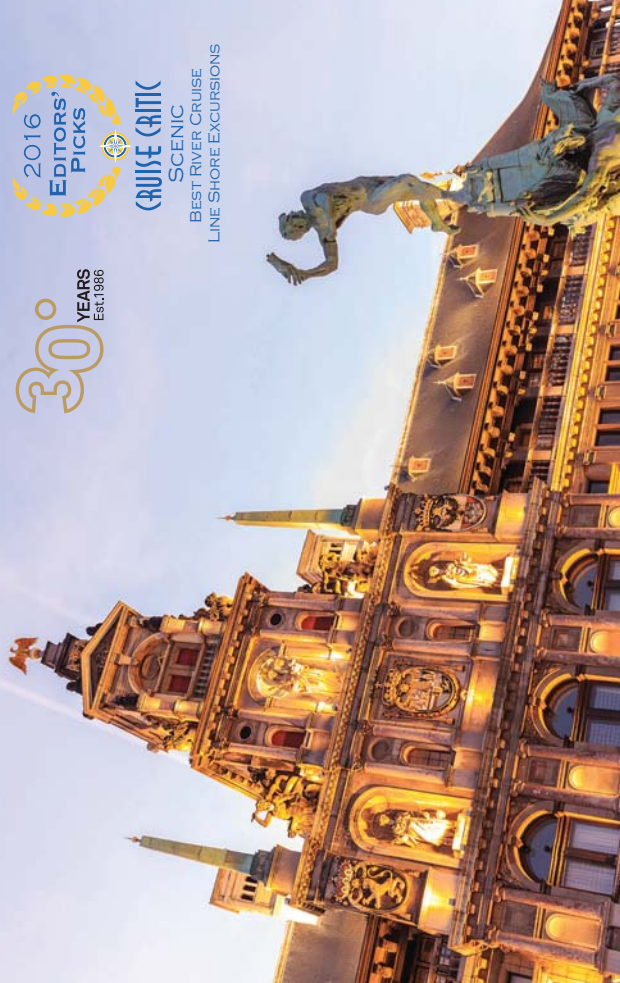


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From Zürich to Amsterdam and everywhere in between, romance and adventure are alive and well on the Rhine River and its idyllic tributary, the Moselle.

The Rhine has become as much an icon of Northern Europe as the pristine castles, fairy-tale villages, and lush forests that surround it. As you cruise its shores and explore its treasures, you're sure to fall in love with a landscape you didn't believe could truly exist.

Embark on an all-inclusive, credit-card free luxury river cruise aboard the state-of-the-art *Scenic Opal*. With a meticulously planned itinerary, unique and unforgettable shore excursions, and all onboard food and beverages—including beer, wine, and premium spirits—included, there is no better way to experience the Rhine River and immerse yourself in the history and culture that lines its banks.

Sincerely,

James E. Williams, B.S.'84/GPA, M.S.'96/GPA  
President, VCU Alumni

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**INSURANCE:** Travel insurance is available and can provide coverage for unforeseen circumstances that could disrupt your trip. See panel above for details.

**INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS ONLY:** International travel involves stringent identification and documentation requirements. Be sure you are familiar with them sufficiently in advance and early in your planning.

**ADVISORY:** When you are traveling outside of the United States, please be aware that significantly different health, safety and legal standards may prevail. You should plan and act accordingly and exercise good personal judgment for your own health and safety at all times when abroad. If you have special medical or physical requirements, you should investigate your destination(s) beforehand and ensure the care and conditions you need will be available.

**REFUNDS AND CANCELLATIONS:** If you change plans or cancel, your rights to a refund are limited. Upon receipt of written cancellation from you, the following cancellation fees will apply (indicated in days prior to initial flight departure) in addition to any applicable airline cancellation fees.

### Cruise Program Cancellation Fees:

200 days or more = \$350 per person  
199-120 days = \$1,900 per person  
119-75 days = 50% of total fare  
74-45 days = 75% of total fare  
44-0 days = 100% of total fare, no refund

### Plus any applicable GN Pre- and/or Post-Cruise Program Cancellation Fees:

121 days or more = \$200 per person, per program  
120-61 days = \$300 per person, per program  
60-0 days = no refund

Any requests for cancellation must be communicated to GN in writing. Applicable refunds, if any, will be made within 21 days after the cancellation.

**AGE:** Travelers less than 18 years of age on the departure date must be accompanied by and share a cabin with an adult. Children less than 12 years of age on the departure date are not accepted.

**HEALTH:** Any physical or mental condition requiring special medical attention or equipment must be disclosed in writing to GN at the time the participant makes a reservation. GN may reject the reservation of any person who, in the opinion of GN is unfit for travel or might be a danger to themselves or incompatible with others on the trip. Participants requiring special assistance, including without limitation those who permanently or periodically use a wheelchair, must be accompanied by someone who agrees to provide the required assistance. GN reserves the right to terminate the participation of any participant whose conduct or condition materially inconveniences other participants.

THESE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS OF ANY KIND (INCLUDING MEDICAL EXCEPTIONS) TO THESE POLICIES. No refunds will be made for any portion of the arrangements we have made for you that are not actually utilized by you. There is no variance from these policies for the services we arrange as described in this brochure.

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June 12-27, 2018

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CORRESPONDENCE PREFERENCE:  Email  Mail

### RESERVATION SELECTION:

CRUISE PROGRAM WITH AIRFARE Please indicate preferred departure city: \_\_\_\_\_

CRUISE PROGRAM WITHOUT AIRFARE

Suite category request: 1st choice \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd choice \_\_\_\_\_

Bed request:  Twin (2 beds)  Queen

Single accommodations are an additional cost and subject to availability.

### OPTIONAL GO NEXT PRE-CRUISE PROGRAM SELECTION:

ZÜRICH PRE-CRUISE PROGRAM: \$699 per person, double occupancy; \$999, single

All passengers must travel with a passport valid at least six months beyond their return date.

GUEST 1: Full Name (as it appears on your passport)

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Preferred Name (for your name badge)			Citizenship

GUEST 2: Full Name (as it appears on your passport)

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Preferred Name (for your name badge)			Citizenship

Email Address

Mailing Address

City  State  ZIP

Main Phone  Alternate Phone

Roommate (if different from above)

Adjacency Request

**SIGNATURES ARE REQUIRED FROM EACH PERSON TRAVELING, INCLUDING PARENT/GUARDIAN FOR TRAVELING MINORS:** I have read, received a copy of, understand, and accept the terms and conditions stated in the Operator/Participant Agreement.

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**DEPOSITS:** A deposit of \$950 per person plus a \$300 deposit for the optional pre-cruise program is due with your reservation application. A non-refundable secondary deposit of \$1,500 per person is due November 24, 2017. Cruise fare deposits may be made by check or credit card; all major credit cards are accepted. Pre-cruise payments must be paid by check. Please make checks payable to **Go Next**.

Full payment by check is required by February 12, 2018. Enclosed is a deposit for \$\_\_\_\_\_

I authorize Go Next Inc. to charge my credit card for the reservation deposit of \$950 per person and for the secondary deposit of \$1,500 per person.

Name (as it appears on your credit card) \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGN HERE X** \_\_\_\_\_  Billing address same as mailing

Billing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Making a deposit or acceptance or use of any vouchers, tickets, goods, or services shall be deemed consent to and acceptance of the terms and conditions stated in the applicable Operator/Participant Agreement, including limitations on responsibility and liability.



# ALL-INCLUSIVE

## *Luxury Cruise*

**IN ADDITION TO A FOURTEEN-NIGHT VOYAGE, CRUISE FARES INCLUDE**

- **No credit card required on board; a truly all-inclusive experience**
- 21 Freechoice activity options, 1 exclusive Enrich experience, 1 Sundowner event, and daily Tailormade tour options
- 41 meals (14 breakfasts, 13 lunches, and 14 dinners)
- Private butler (trained at the International Butler Academy) for every suite
- Onboard food and beverages including beer, wine, and premium spirits
- All gratuities
- Expert local guides
- Laundry concierge service
- Transfers to and from ship (if transferring on group travel dates)
- In-suite minibar, restocked daily
- Travel-arrangement assistance and on-call support from Go Next
- On-site Go Next Program Manager and private welcome reception
- Wi-Fi throughout the cruise
- E-bikes (electronically assisted bicycles), standard bicycles, and Nordic® walking poles



### **Butler**

Each Scenic butler has been trained at the International Butler Academy. Whichever suite you choose, your butler will make sure you'll never be without complimentary refreshments and a stocked minibar.



### **Suites**

Depending on the class of suite you opt for, you'll enjoy a wealth of luxurious features, including Scenic Sun Lounge touch-of-a-button balconies, downy pillows, Egyptian cotton sheets, and plush bathrobes.



### **Fine Dining**

Six Scenic dining options cater to every craving, from light breakfasts and picnics ashore, to extravagant buffets and sumptuous five-course meals paired perfectly with regional wines.



# ITINERARY

June 12

## DEPART FOR SWITZERLAND

June 13

## ZÜRICH TO BASEL, SWITZERLAND

Raise your glass to the marvelous cruise ahead at the evening's welcome reception in Basel. Please ensure your flight arrives in Zürich before 1:30PM. *Meals: D*

June 14

## BREISACH, GERMANY 🍷

**Freechoice:** Step into the setting of the Hansel and Gretel fable during your visit to the Vogtsbauernhof Open-Air Museum, hike the beautiful Black Forest, or take a guided bike ride.

*Meals: B, L, D*

June 15

## STRASBOURG, FRANCE 🍷 🍷

**Freechoice:** Visit Strasbourg, sample fine wines in Mittelbergheim, or taste your way around the local market with our Shop with a Chef activity.

**Enrich:** Enjoy a private tour of the Baroque Rastatt Residential Palace before experiencing a sublime classical concert in its resplendent hall. *Meals: B, L, D*

June 16

## MANNHEIM, GERMANY 🍷

**Freechoice:** Explore Heidelberg; enjoy local chocolates, bonbons, and gummy bears on the Sweet Tastes of Heidelberg tour; or take an insider's tour of the Hockenheimring Formula 1 race track. *Meals: B, L, D*

June 17

## RÜDESHEIM TO RHINE GORGE, GERMANY

Visit Siegfried's Mechanical Music Cabinet Museum before enjoying a cable car ride to the Niederwald Monument for a spectacular view of the Rhine Gorge.

*Meals: B, L, D*

June 18

## COCHEM, GERMANY

Explore this medieval gem on a guided tour, ending your visit at Cochem Castle.

*Meals: B, L, D*

June 19

## MOSELLE VALLEY CRUISING

*Meals: B, L, D*

June 20

## BERNKASTEL-KUES, GERMANY 🍷

**Freechoice:** Journey to Luxembourg for a guided tour of one of Europe's smallest countries, take a relaxing guided walk through Trier, or take in beautiful Bernkastel-Kues. *Meals: B, L, D*



## Key



### Freechoice

Freechoice is a diverse selection of exciting included activities for guests to choose from.



### Enrich

Enrich activities offer exclusive opportunities to experience the culture, heritage, and folklore of a region.



### Sundowners

Sundowners are exclusive cocktail receptions hosted at some of Europe's most majestic locations.

### Meals

Breakfast: B, Lunch: L, Dinner: D

June 21

### KOBLENZ, GERMANY

Take a guided tour of the historic city of Koblenz, lapped by the waters of two of Europe's most beautiful rivers.

**Sundowner:** Mingle with newfound friends against a spectacular backdrop.

*Meals: B, L, D*

June 22

### XANTEN, GERMANY

**Freechoice:** Discover the charming town of Xanten on a guided tour, or visit the Zollverein Coal Mine Industrial Complex in Essen—a registered UNESCO World Heritage Site. *Meals: B, L, D*

June 23

### MAASTRICHT, NETHERLANDS

Enjoy a guided tour of Maastricht, Holland's oldest fortified city. *Meals: B, L, D*

June 24

### ARNHEM, NETHERLANDS

**Freechoice:** Follow in the footsteps of British parachutists at the Airborne Museum 'Hartenstein,' or discover historic Danish life at the Netherlands Open Air Museum.

*Meals: B, L, D*

June 25

### VEERE, NETHERLANDS

**Freechoice:** Marvel at the modern wonder that is Holland's Delta Works, choose a guided tour through the quaint streets of Veere, or cycle the town and view the surrounding dikes. *Meals: B, L, D*

June 26

### ANTWERP, BELGIUM

**Freechoice:** Enjoy Bruges, a beautiful UNESCO World Heritage Site, or discover delightful Antwerp on a guided walking tour. *Meals: B, L, D*

June 27

### AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS

After breakfast, depart for the airport. Please schedule flights to depart after midday. *Meals: B*

#### ***River Cruise Guarantee***

On every Scenic river cruise you'll be automatically covered once you commence your cruise for certain delays or cancellations that occur due to adverse weather conditions, natural disasters, mechanical breakdowns, or strikes.





**Deluxe Balcony Suite**

CABIN TYPE	DECK	SUITE TYPE	PRICE
E	Jewel (Deck 1)	Standard	\$6,499
D	Jewel	Standard	\$6,999
C	Sapphire (Deck 2)	Balcony	\$8,499
BA	Sapphire	Balcony	\$8,799
BB	Sapphire	Balcony	\$8,899
BD	Sapphire	Deluxe Balcony	\$8,999
B1J	Sapphire	Junior	\$9,399
BJ	Sapphire	Junior	\$9,499
A	Diamond (Deck 3)	Balcony	\$8,899
PA	Diamond	Balcony	\$8,999
PP	Diamond	Balcony	\$9,099
PD	Diamond	Deluxe Balcony	\$9,699
RJ	Diamond	Junior	\$10,299
RR	Diamond	Royal	\$11,599
RP	Diamond	Royal Panorama	\$11,999

Prices are per person based on double occupancy.

Port fees are an additional \$550 per person. Single prices available. Call for details.

*if booked by August 22, 2017*

## **FLY for \$999 from:**

- Atlanta (ATL)
  - Austin (AUS)
  - Baltimore (BWI)
  - Boston (BOS)
  - Charlotte (CLT)
  - Chicago (ORD)
  - Cincinnati (CVG)
  - Cleveland (CLE)
  - Columbus (CMH)
  - Dallas/Ft. Worth (DFW)
  - Denver (DEN)
  - Des Moines (DSM)
  - Detroit (DTW)
- Fargo (FAR)
  - Houston (IAH)
  - Indianapolis (IND)
  - Kansas City (MCI)
  - Little Rock (LIT)
  - Los Angeles (LAX)
  - Memphis (MEM)
  - Miami (MIA)
  - Minneapolis/St. Paul (MSP)
  - Nashville (BNA)
  - New Orleans (MSY)
  - New York (JFK)
  - Newark (EWR)
- Orlando (MCO)
  - Philadelphia (PHL)
  - Phoenix (PHX)
  - Pittsburgh (PIT)
  - Portland (PDX)
  - Raleigh-Durham (RDU)
  - Richmond (RIC)
  - San Diego (SAN)
  - San Francisco (SFO)
  - Seattle (SEA)
  - St. Louis (STL)
  - Tampa (TPA)
  - Washington, D.C. (IAD)

Business Class, Premium Economy, and additional airfare cities are available for an added fee. Call for details.

## Tailormade Devices

These GPS locators alert travelers of nearby attractions, provide directions to and from the ship, and can serve as a listening aid during tours.



## ENRICHMENT LECTURES

Gain new insights and discover fascinating perspectives on the places you'll explore from engaging guest lecturers. These educational opportunities will enhance your travel experience and provide you with a deeper understanding of the region's rich history and cultural heritage.



## EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE

**ZÜRICH Pre-Cruise Program • June 11–13**  
**\$699 per person, double occupancy; \$999, single**

- 1 night at 5-star Kameha Grand Zürich hotel or similar accommodations, with breakfast
- Transfers from hotel to Scenic Opal with related luggage handling
- Concierge support from on-site Go Next Program Managers

### **HALF-DAY SIGHTSEEING TOUR OF ZÜRICH**

Take in the celebrated attractions of modern Zürich, a Swiss cultural hub known for its high fashion, scientific research, and immense natural beauty. Tour highlights include the business and financial center, the Bahnhofstrasse shopping district, Old Town (Altstadt), historical Limmatquai, the University District, the hillside villas of Zürichberg, as well as stunning views of the Alps from Lake Zürich. In the afternoon, enjoy free time for lunch, shopping, and individual exploration of Zürich.

*Transfers between the airport and hotel are not applicable for those deviating from the group travel date.*

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