Seine River

# Splendor of the Seine River Cruise

## featuring two-nights in Paris

**11 DAYS • 22 MEALS** The Seine River flows through the center of Paris and is the main artery of the 'City of Light'. Spend two nights in Paris before boarding a luxurious Scenic Space-Ship. Cruise down one of Europe's most enchanting rivers through storybook landscapes of vineyards, historic abbeys, Norman castles, tranquil orchards and medieval towns. Enjoy escorted shore excursions in some of France's most beautiful cities including Rouen, Honfleur, Vernon and pay tribute to our war heroes at the Normandy-American Cemetery.



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Iconic sites of Paris - postcard perfect

**DAY 1** Depart the USA: Depart the USA on your overnight flight to Paris, France.

**DAY 2** Paris, France: Your journey begins in Paris, the 'city of light'. Upon arrival, you will be met by a representative of Mayflower Cruises & Tours and assisted with the transfer to your hotel. The day is free to explore on your own or simply relax.

**DAY 3** Paris: After breakfast, enjoy an included panoramic tour of this capital city. See such famous sites and landmarks as the Louvre, Opéra Garnier, Place Vendôme, the trendy district of Le Marais on the Right Bank, Place de la Concorde, Champs-Élysées, Arc de Triomphe, Place de la Bastille, the Trocadéro and the pièce de rèsistance…the Eiffel Tower. After your orientation to the city, the remainder of the day is at leisure to pursue independent interests. **Meal: B**

**DAY 4** Embark the *MS Scenic Gem*: In the early afternoon, depart the hotel and embark the *MS Scenic Gem*, home for the next seven nights. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure to unpack, discover the amenities onboard or take a leisurely stroll along the Seine. This evening, the ship departs Paris and a delicious welcome dinner awaits. **Meals: B, D**

**DAY 5** Conflans Sainte Honorine / Auvers sur Oise: This morning arrive in the charming medieval town of Conflans. In port, your **Freechoice** options are: discover the charms of Auvers-sur-Oise and see Vincent van Gogh's room, OR visit the magnificent Chantilly Castle for a guided tour of the remarkable château set amidst beautiful parklands.

## Exceptional Inclusions

- **22 Meals:** 9 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 7 dinners
- **Airport transfers** on tour dates when air is provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours
- **Free home pickup** and return service on tour dates, when air is provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours
- Two-night **hotel stay and touring in Paris, France**
- **Seven-night cruise** aboard the *Scenic Gem*
- **First-class service** by an English-speaking crew
- **Shore excursions** with English-speaking **local guides**
- Personal **listening device** for onboard excursions
- **Scenic Tailormade App** for river commentary and independent exploration
- All meals included onboard with a **variety of international cuisine**
- **Complimentary beverages onboard** ship, all day, every day
- Complimentary **WiFi onboard**
- **Complimentary mini-bar** in all suites – restocked daily
- **Butler service** for all guests
- **All gratuities included**
- Complimentary **e-bikes onboard** for use ashore
- Variety of **onboard evening entertainment**

This tour is a Scenic river cruise and sails onboard a Scenic Space-Ship. For more information about amenities, please contact a Mayflower representative.

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This afternoon, enjoy the amenities of the vessel as you sail to Rouen. **Meals: B, L, D**

**DAY 6** Rouen: The ship arrives in the quaint, historic capital of Normandy and one of the most prosperous cities of medieval Europe. **Freechoice:** Join a local guide on a walking tour to see the historic Rouen Cathedral and the famous sites of Joan of Arc, including Place du Vieux-Marche with a monument indicating where she was burned at the stake. Walk the winding medieval streets and admire the city's half-timbered houses. Alternatively, join a guided cycling tour along the Seine to the beautiful 19th-century botanical gardens that boast a number of rare and exotic plants. This afternoon set sail for the picturesque village of Honfleur. **Meals: B, L, D**

**DAY 7** Honfleur / Normandy: Today's **Freechoice** options are: Visit Normandy and its beaches or enjoy quaint Honfleur. On an excursion to Normandy, see the now peaceful province which is very different than it was on June 6, 1944. Learn about the U.S. contribution to the battle at Utah Beach and Memorial. At the Normandy American Cemetery, see thousands of white crosses marking the graves of our military heroes. From the cemetery, see Omaha Beach. Alternatively, take the opportunity to explore postcard-perfect Honfleur with its colorful fishing boats and historic houses. **Meals: B, L, D**

**DAY 8** Honfleur – Caudebec-en-Caux: Enjoy a choice of three **Freechoice** excursions today. Travel to Fécamp, situated in spectacular surroundings amidst the tallest cliffs of Normandy. The city's natural setting contrasts perfectly with its architectural centerpiece, the Benedictine Palace. OR, choose to travel through picturesque landscapes that were once dotted with over 100 abbeys. Along the way, visit some of the abbeys of this magnificent region that are still operating today. OR, learn about the Roman past of the the town of Lillebonne.  It is said that William the conqueror was in his castle at Lillebonne in 1066 when he decided to invade England. Back onboard, enjoy a tasting of Calvados – a locally produced apple-brandy. **Meals: B, L, D**

**DAY 9** Vernon: Your **Freechoice** activities include an excursion to Giverny to visit Monet's former residence and gardens. You will be amazed by the beauty of the landscape as you stroll along the paths and wander

See the amazing astronomical clock in Rouen

Visit the picturesque village of Honfluer



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through the gardens that provided Monet with inspiration for his paintings. OR, if you're feeling more adventurous, explore by bike with a self-guided cycling tour to Giverny. As a special **Scenic Enrich** treat, experience the opulence and grandeur of yesteryear while attending a classical concert performed by the region's most reputable musicians at the Château de La Roche-Guyon. The memories are sure to last a lifetime! **Meals: B, L, D**
**Scenic Enrich:** Classical concert

**DAY 10** Paris: Arriving back in Paris, your **Freechoice** activities are: shop with a Chef at a local food market and enjoy exquisite tastings, OR, walk through the trendy Marais District with a resident expert and hear tales that only the locals know. Alternatively, you may choose to explore beyond the city limits and tour the 17th-century estate of Château Vaux-le-Vicomte, featured in the James Bond movie *Moonraker*. Enjoy time to explore Paris at leisure in the afternoon. **Meals: B, L, D**

**DAY 11** Paris / USA: Bid 'au revoir' to France and return home with memories of wonderful experiences aboard the *MS Scenic Gem* along the Seine River. **Meal: B**

Itinerary and vessel subject to change.

2024 Departure Dates
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| CAT | STATEROOM / SUITE | DECK | APR 25 PER PERSON TWIN | APR 25 SINGLE ROOM ADD | MAY 2 PER PERSON TWIN | MAY 2 SINGLE ROOM ADD | SEP 4 PER PERSON TWIN | SEP 4 SINGLE ROOM ADD |
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| E | Standard Suite | **Jewel** | $5,899 | + $4,425 | $6,225 | + $4,669 | $6,009 | + $4,505 |
| D | Standard Suite | **Jewel** | $6,009 | + $4,505 | $6,339 | + $4,755 | $6,119 | + $4,589 |
| C | Balcony Suite | **Sapphire** | $6,999 | + $5,249 | $7,329 | + $5,499 | $7,109 | + $5,335 |
| BA | Balcony Suite | **Sapphire** | $7,109 | + $5,335 | $7,439 | + $5,579 | $7,219 | + $5,415 |
| B | Balcony Suite | **Sapphire** | $7,165 | + $5,375 | $7,495 | + $5,619 | $7,275 | + $5,455 |
| BD | Deluxe Balcony Suite | **Sapphire** | $7,275 | + $5,455 | $7,605 | + $5,705 | $7,385 | + $5,539 |
| PA | Balcony Suite | **Diamond** | $7,219 | + $5,415 | $7,549 | + $5,669 | $7,329 | + $5,499 |
| P | Balcony Suite | **Diamond** | $7,439 | + $5,579 | $7,765 | + $5,825 | $7,549 | + $5,665 |
| PD | Deluxe Balcony Suite | **Diamond** | $7,659 | N/A | $7,975 | N/A | $7,765 | N/A |
| R | Royal Balcony Suite | **Diamond** | $8,545 | N/A | $8,875 | N/A | $8,655 | N/A |
| RP | Royal One-Bedroom Suite | **Diamond** | $9,919 | N/A | $10,249 | N/A | $10,029 | N/A |

**Call for air rates and schedules between your city and Paris, France**

## CRUISE AND HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

**Days 2 and 3 –** Les Jardines du Marais or similar, Paris, France
**Days 4 through 10 –** Aboard the *MS Scenic Gem* **(pg. 92)**

**TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
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EASY — ENERGETIC