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Jewels of the Rhine & Golden Pass Rail Journey

Switzerland • France • Germany • the Netherlands

Tour Dates: August 11 - 23, 2025

Mayflower

CRUISES & TOURS

A DIVISION OF THE SCENIC GROUP

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Spend four nights in Lausanne, Switzerland

Enjoy seven-nights cruising the Rhine River aboard an Emerald Star-Ship

DAY 1 Depart the USA: Depart the USA on your overnight flight to Geneva, Switzerland.

DAY 2 Geneva – Lausanne, Switzerland: Welcome to Switzerland! You will be met at the airport and transferred by coach to the beautiful city of Lausanne. Flights should arrive by 3:00pm. The remainder of the day is at leisure to begin exploring your new surroundings. Enjoy an included dinner this evening at the hotel. **Meal: D**

DAY 3 Lausanne: Begin the day with a panoramic tour of the city, known around the world for its spectacular setting, and home of the International Olympic Committee and Museum. This afternoon, visit Château de Chillon, one of Europe's best-preserved medieval castles, on the shores of Lake Geneva. Surrounded by breathtaking scenery, discover the history of this 13th-century fortress. Learn about the château's association with famous authors and artists; the counts and dukes who inhabited it as well as the prisoners who occupied the jail; see period furnishings, art treasures and frescoes. The beauty of the area continues to amaze during a cruise on Lake Geneva from the harbor in Montreux. Relax onboard as the spectacular scenery unfolds while sailing back to Lausanne before returning to the hotel. **Meal: B**

DAY 4 Lausanne / Golden Pass: Today may be a highlight of your time in Switzerland as you experience a unique rail journey and mountain adventure. Depart by coach to Montreux where it's *'all aboard'* the Golden Pass for an unforgettable panoramic train ride through the scenic landscapes of the Alps. Disembark the train in Gstaad where the coach is waiting to take you to Col du Pillon for the Glacier 3000 mountain adventure. Ascend via arial cable car to an altitude of approximately 9850' above sea level where you are met with astounding panoramic views, including the Matterhorn and Jungfrau. Walk across the world's first suspension bridge connecting two mountain summits, if you dare! Return to the hotel in Lausanne this afternoon. **Meal: B**

DAY 5 Lausanne: The day is left free of planned activities for your independent exploration. If you prefer, join an optional excursion to visit the village of Gruyère (famous for cheese-making) and Maison Cailler Chocolate Factory. **Meal: B**

DiscoverMORE: Visit to Gruyère and Maison Cailler Chocolate Factory (additional expense)

DAY 6 Lausanne – Basel: After breakfast, depart Lausanne and travel by coach to Basel for embarkation of the Emerald Cruises Star-Ship and start of the cruise along the Rhine River. Settle into your stateroom and enjoy your first meal onboard at dinner this evening. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 7 Breisach, Germany: As part of the EmeraldPLUS program, visit the city of Freiburg. Considered the 'capital of the Black Forest', Freiburg has lovely sights that will leave you amazed. You also have the opportunity to sample true Black Forest delicacies from the lively market in the city center near the main cathedral. If you're feeling more active, join the guided bike tour in Breisach. Enjoy local entertainment onboard this evening. **Meals: B, L, D**

EmeraldPLUS: Guided tour of Freiburg

EmeraldACTIVE: Bike tour in Breisach

DAY 8 Strasbourg, France: Once docked in Kehl, coaches await to take you across the river to Strasbourg, the capital city of the Alsace Region in France. The guided walking tour takes you along narrow lanes and across footbridges as you discover the Grande Île, the historical city center and UNESCO World Heritage Site. Known for its medieval black and white timber-framed buildings, picturesque le Petite France, old tanning houses, canals and river locks, the city's star attraction is the ornate cathedral, dominating the main square. This afternoon, the city is yours to explore at leisure. **Meals: B, L, D**

DAY 9 Ludwigshafen / Heidelberg, Germany: Relax onboard as the vessel cruises along the Rhine River to Ludwigshafen, docking site for Heidelberg. Travel by coach to Heidelberg, home of the oldest university in Germany. The guided walking tour visits the ruins of Heidelberg Castle, with fantastic views overlooking the Neckar River, and takes you through the cobblestoned-streets of the medieval city below. Alternatively, hike from Mount Königstuhl to Heidelberg. Local entertainment is provided onboard this evening. **Meals: B, L, D**

EmeraldACTIVE: Hike from Mount Königstuhl to Heidelberg

Relax during a glass-top canal cruise through Amsterdam

DAY 10 Koblenz: Begin the day sailing through the spectacular UNESCO World Heritage Rhine Gorge. Pass countless medieval castles and vineyards lining the shores of this section of the river, with photo opportunities around every bend. See the infamous Lorelei statue and Pfalzgrafenstein Castle, built on an island in the middle of the river as a medieval toll station. Continue cruising to the 2000-year-old town of Koblenz, situated at the confluence of the Rhine and Moselle Rivers. Enjoy a walking tour through the streets of the city as your guide points out historic monuments and buildings. See the 'German Corner' monument marking the confluence of the Rhine and Moselle Rivers. Panoramic views await from the visit to Ehrenbreitstein Fortress, reached by cable car, crossing the river! This evening, attend a private concert as part of the EmeraldPLUS program. **Meals: B, L, D**

DiscoverMORE: Moselle & Cochem (Reichsburg) Castle Visit (additional expense)

EmeraldPLUS: Private Evening Concert

DAY 11 Cologne: Continue cruising along the Rhine River to Cologne. Founded by the Romans, the city is one of Germany's oldest and is famous for its magnificent UNESCO World Heritage gothic cathedral. Join your local guide for an included walking tour of the city, touching on the historical charm of the Old Town and its Roman history. Traverse the quaint alleyways and see historic monuments alongside modern architecture. The remainder of the day is at leisure. This evening, back onboard, join your Captain for a farewell reception and dinner. **Meals: B, L, D**

DAY 12 Amsterdam, the Netherlands: Welcome to Amsterdam, the final port of call. Experience the city on a cruise aboard a glass-top boat. Traverse the UNESCO World Heritage network of canals, passing Roman patrician and ornate merchant houses from the Dutch Golden Age. Alternatively, join a guided bike tour to Waterland, passing through quintessential Dutch landscapes of quaint villages and windmills. **Meals: B, L, D**

EmeraldACTIVE: Guided bike tour to Waterland (instead of canal cruise)

DAY 13 Amsterdam / USA: Bid 'auf wiedersehen' to Europe and return home with memories of life-enriching experiences from your European adventure and cruise along the Rhine River. **Meal: B**

Itinerary is subject to change.

Exceptional Inclusions

- **25 Meals:** 11 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 8 dinners
- **Airport transfers** on tour dates when air is provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours
- Visit **four countries**
- Four-night hotel stay and touring in Lausanne
- Visit to **Château de Chillon** on Lake Geneva
- **Cruise on Lake Geneva**
- Scenic journey aboard the **Golden Pass Railway**
- **Glacier 3000** Mountain Adventure
- **Seven-nights in a suite or stateroom** of your choice onboard the vessel
- **First-class service** by an English-speaking crew
- **Onboard Activity Manager** will support all EmeraldACTIVE excursions and host daily onboard wellness activities, games, classes and evening entertainment
- **All gratuities included**
- **Shore excursions** with English-speaking local guides
- Personal **listening device** for shore excursions
- Visit **UNESCO World Heritage Sites**
- **All meals included** onboard with a variety of **international cuisine**
- Complimentary **regional wines, beer and soft drinks** with onboard lunches and dinners
- Complimentary **bottled water** in your stateroom
- Complimentary **WiFi onboard**
- Complimentary **bicycles onboard** for use ashore
- **All port charges included**

CRUISE AND HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 2 through 5 – Movenpick Hotel or similar, Lausanne, Switzerland

Days 6 through 12 – Aboard an Emerald Cruises Star-Ship

Post-cruise hotel stays available in Amsterdam. Call for details.

Emerald Cruises Star-Ships

Built: 2014-20 **Speed:** 15.5 mph **Staterooms:** 19 **Suites:** 72 **Length:** 443 ft. **Crew:** 47

SUN DECK

HORIZON DECK

VISTA DECK

RIVIERA DECK

Public Areas and Ship Amenities

1. Sun Deck with Deck Chairs
2. Navigation Bridge
3. Sky Barbeque
4. Golf Putting Green
5. Games Area
6. Retractable Glass Roof
7. Walking Track
8. Daytime Pool / Evening Cinema
9. The Terrace
10. Horizon Bar and Lounge
11. Elevator
12. Reception
13. Wellness Area
14. Fitness Area
15. Reflections Restaurant

Owner's One-Bedroom Suite
315ft²
CAT SA

Grand Balcony Suite
210ft²
CAT S

Panorama Balcony Suite
180ft²
CAT A CAT B CAT C

Emerald Stateroom
162ft²
CAT D CAT E

2025 Departure Date
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CAT	STATEROOM / SUITE	DECK	AUG 11 PER PERSON TWIN	AUG 11 SINGLE ROOM ADD
E	Emerald Stateroom	Riviera	$5,984	+ $4,105
D	Emerald Stateroom	Riviera	$6,320	+ $4,339
C	Panorama Balcony Suite	Vista	$7,034	+ $4,839
B	Panorama Balcony Suite	Vista	$7,234	+ $4,979
A	Panorama Balcony Suite	Horizon	$7,370	+ $5,075
S	Grand Balcony Suite	Horizon	$8,084	N/A
SA	Owner's One-Bedroom Suite	Horizon	$9,074	N/A

Free roundtrip airfare PLUS $200 per person savings when booked by November 30, 2024.
After November 30, 2024, add $1600 per person roundtrip airfare from IAH.

Pricing includes roundtrip airport transfers to/from Houston Intercontinental Airport included.

Air itineraries may not be available until documents are received. Air seats are assigned by the airline for the entire group. Seat changes can only be attempted upon receipt of tickets and documents at which time availability may be limited. If specific seat assignments are vital to your reservation, we recommend individual air reservations rather than booking air with the group.

Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) for River Cruises – $569 per person (optional)
This nonrefundable fee will provide a refund to you during the instance that you have to cancel your trip. The cancellation has to be for a covered reason (see Plan for details on coverage) and we have to be notified at least one day prior to departure. If you must leave the tour early due to personal illness or the illness or death of an immediate family member, TPP will provide a refund for any unused services after the departure of the tour. Other benefits include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, 24 hour hot line and lost or stolen baggage assistance. Return air transportation is included ONLY if your air tickets are purchased through Mayflower Cruises & Tours. Please review the Plan for details on coverage. Should you choose not to purchase our TPP, the following per person cancellation charges will be assessed for all tours and optional excursion costs:

- 91 days or more prior to departure: Deposit Amount
- 90 days to day of departure: 100% of total tour
- No refund on unused portions of the tour

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

1	2	3	4	5

EASY ENERGETIC

PASSPORT REQUIRED

Exclusions: Mayflower Cruises & Tours reserves the right to alter its Refund and Cancellation Policy when a substantial amount of cancellation or postponement of travel is attributable to: conditions resulting from an act of God, natural or man-made disaster, fire, government action, civil disorder, war, hostilities between nations, or unavailability of transportation through no fault of Mayflower Cruises & Tours. *Plan and benefits offered and administered by Trip Mate, Inc.*

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