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Castles & Tulips River Cruise - April 2025 **with Girl Travel Tours**

Depart your home
April 12, 2025

Pre-Cruise Stay: Zurich & Lucerne Switzerland
April 13 - April 17, 2025

Enchanted Rhine River Cruise
April 17-24, 2025

Post-Cruise Stay: Tulip Time in Holland
April 24-27, 2025

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Trip Summary

April 12 - Saturday

Depart from your home to fly to Zurich

April 13 - Sunday

ARRIVE IN ZURICH, SWITZERLAND

April 14 - Monday

ZURICH

April 15 - Tuesday

ZURICH – LAKE LUCERNE

April 16 - Wednesday

Lake Lucerne

April 17 - Thursday

Lake Lucerne - Basel - EMBARKATION - Basel

April 18 - Friday

Port Stop: Breisach - Breisach

April 19 - Saturday

Port Stop: Strasbourg - Strasbourg

April 20 - Sunday

Port Stop: Ludwigshafen - Ludwigshafen

April 21 - Monday

Port Stop: Rudesheim - Rhine Gorge - Lahnstein - Rudesheim

April 22 - Tuesday

Port Stop: Dusseldorf - Dusseldorf

April 23 - Wednesday

Port Stop: Amsterdam - Amsterdam

April 24 - Thursday

Disembarkation: Amsterdam - Amsterdam

April 25 - Friday

Keukenhof Gardens and Tulip Fields

April 26 - Saturday

Zaanse Schans and Tulip Farm

April 27 - Sunday

Depart for home

5 day/ 4 night

Pre-cruise tour

Zurich and Lucerne, Switzerland

8 day/ 7 night

Enchanted Rhine Cruise

on the AMASiena

4 day/ 3 night

Post-cruise Tulip Time tour

Holland

April 12 - Saturday



Depart from your home to fly to Zurich



April 13 - Sunday



ARRIVE IN ZURICH, SWITZERLAND

Arrive in Zurich and check in to your hotel.



April 14 - Monday



ZURICH

Zurich seamlessly blends its historic past with its progressive future—all of which will be on full display during your city tour. (B)

Optional Excursion:

Tick off several Alpine highlights in just one day on this full-day tour of the Jungfrau Region, with hassle-free round-trip transfer from your Zurich hotel. Discover natural highlights and cultural landmarks across Lauterbrunnen, Mürren, and Grindelwald and receive personalized attention from your private guide as you explore. Plus, an outdoor raclette experience comes included in the price.

- Tick off three of the Jungfrau Region's top attractions in just one day
- Round-trip transfer from your hotel ensures a hassle-free journey
- Benefit from your private guide's personalized attention and insights
- Enjoy an outdoor raclette dining experience included in the price



April 15 - Tuesday



ZURICH – LAKE LUCERNE

Check out of your hotel and transfer to Lake Lucerne, where you'll enjoy a cruise across its tranquil waters. As part of your included excursion, you will also ascend a picturesque mountain on a cable car ride, Mount Rigi, known as the "Queen of the Mountains." Take in breathtaking views of the city and surrounding landscape below. Afterwards, check into your hotel. (B)



April 16 - Wednesday



Lake Lucerne

Discover Lake Lucerne's unrivaled beauty on a walking tour that includes the spectacular medieval walls and towers, dating back to the 13th century. (B)





12:00 AM - Central European Summer Time
Lake Lucerne - Basel - EMBARKATION

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Check out of your hotel and visit the iconic Lion Monument, sculpted in memory of the Swiss Guards massacred during the French Revolution. Later, head to Basel. Upon arrival in Basel, enjoy a highlights tour of Switzerland's third largest city. Long an important university, banking and trade center, Basel's glorious past is still evident in its medieval Town Hall and exquisite 18th century patrician homes. Then enjoy free time for lunch on your own before the drive to the ship. (B,D)

Transfer to the Ship

Ship Information Sister ship to the award-winning AmaLea and AmaKristina, the elegant 156-passenger AmaSiena brought with her a sense of joy when she was christened in 2021. Vivid shades of red create an air of confidence throughout the Main Restaurant while bold floral patterns are sprinkled throughout the ship, from her spacious twin-balcony staterooms to her Main Lounge, with its floor-to-ceiling windows offering exceptional views of the castles along the Rhine River and the iconic windmills and pastures of Holland and Belgium. Her airy Sun Deck offers a walking track, pool with swim-up bar and ever-changing views of the scenery – even as you participate in a complimentary fitness class. And her Chef's Table specialty restaurant offers a subtle elegance that allows each dish of its exquisite regionally-inspired tasting menu to shine. Discover all of these delights and more on board AmaSiena.

Pass through some of Europe's most enchanting and historic wine regions as you sail through four countries along the Rhine River. Zurich's medieval houses, narrow lanes and town halls from the Renaissance period offer a striking backdrop to its trendy and ultra-modern metropolis. Take a front row seat on an enchanting wine-themed Rhine River journey. Discover the differences between France's distinctive Alsatian wines, praised for their fragrant aromas, and Rudesheim's finest Rieslings. Sip local varietals while cruising through Germany's designated UNESCO World Heritage Site, the castle-laden Rhine Gorge. Partake in wine-themed excursions and indulge in a specially curated food and wine pairing dinner on board – all with the guidance of a dedicated wine expert.

Deck Plans

- [Sun Deck](#)
- [Violin Deck](#)
- [Cello Deck](#)
- [Piano Deck](#)



Basel

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Basel is the global center of the pharmaceutical industry, but most travelers visit for the world-famous ART Basel festival, as well as the numerous art galleries, iconic architecture and museums.



12:00 AM - Central European Summer Time
Port Stop: Breisach

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Riquewihr and wine tasting

Breisach is your gateway to several different excursions, depending on your interests. Step back in time with a visit to the enchanting Alsatian town of Riquewihr, which looks almost the same as it did in the 16th century. On your walking tour, admire historic architecture as well as famous sights, such as the Dolder Gate. Alternatively, you may wish to go to Freiburg, founded in 1120 and home to the Freiburg's Münster, a Gothic cathedral said to have "the most beautiful spire on earth." Those wishing a more active excursion can cycle through the scenic countryside, or go on a hike to the Black Forest, a magical land full of cultural traditions. (B,L,D)

*Please Note: Black forest hike is weather dependent and may only operate at certain times of year. Please refer to your final documents for details.



Breisach

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This quaint town on the Rhine is the gateway to the Black Forest and lies halfway between Freiburg and Colmar. As you walk the cobblestone streets, stop to sample local schnapps made from fermented pears or cherries and the distinctive smoky ham of this region. St. Stephan's Cathedral perches on a hillside and is the exquisite centerpiece of the town.



12:00 AM - Central European Summer Time
Port Stop: Strasbourg

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“The Gem of Alsace” tour

Strasbourg, the capital city of Alsace, offers flavors of both France and Germany because of its borderline location. Enjoy a panoramic tour past the stunning Parc de l’Orangerie, the European Parliament and the Place de la République. Then walk through its iconic UNESCO World Heritage “La Petite France” district, which appears to have been lifted straight from the pages of a fairytale. Wander through these charming streets and past the Cathédrale de Nôtre Dame with its famous astronomical clock. For the active adventurer, you can take a guided bike ride through this captivating city and Parc de l’Orangerie. (B,L,D)



Strasbourg

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This vibrant and picturesque city sits near the German border and is the 2nd most popular tourist city in France. Its historic city center is classified a World Heritage Site by UNESCO, and the Strasbourg Cathedral is one of the finest examples of Rayonnant Gothic architecture. If you plan to travel here from the end of November through the end of December, do not miss out on the Christkindelsmärik, one of the most famous Christmas markets throughout Europe. Nothing will spark holiday cheer more than a warming cup of vin chaud while gazing upon the magnificent Great Christmas Tree in Place Kléber!



12:00 AM - Central European Summer Time
Port Stop: Ludwigshafen

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“Romantic Heidelberg” excursion

Ludwigshafen is your gateway to a choice of three excursions. Visit Heidelberg, the perfectly preserved medieval city nestled in the Neckar River Valley along Germany’s Castle Road. Discover the iconic red sandstone Heidelberg Castle and Great Vat, an 18th-century 49,000-gallon wine cask. For a more active adventure while in Heidelberg, join a guided hike up the Philosopher’s Path, aptly named during the Romantic Period, and be rewarded with panoramic views of the city. Or ride along the river Neckar to the medieval town of Ladenburg where you’ll have some free time to explore the shops and quaint Marktplatz. Alternatively, you can visit one of Germany’s oldest cities, Speyer, known for the largest Romanesque cathedral in Europe—a UNESCO World Heritage Site—and the medieval Altpörtel, Old Gate. Later in the day, sail to Rudesheim where you can visit Siegfried’s Mechanical Musical Instrument Museum; or taste one of the town’s special delights, Rudesheimer Coffee, ceremoniously made with brandy. (B,L,D)



Ludwigshafen

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Located south of Frankfurt on the banks of the Rhine River, Ludwigshafen is an industrial city in Germany popular for its art museums, parks, and nature preserves.



12:00 AM - Central European Summer Time
Port Stop: Rudesheim - Rhine Gorge - Lahnstein

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Gondola ride and wine tasting

Your exploration of Rudesheim continues with your choice of three excursions. Take a gondola ride to the Niederwalddenkmal Statue, where you can enjoy panoramic views of the river. Afterwards, indulge your taste buds with a sampling of Riesling wines in the vineyards. If you prefer a more active adventure, hike through Rudesheim's vineyards, taking in views of the town, the Roman Bridge and Bromersburg Castle. Or join a guided bike ride through the town and along the Rhine River. During the afternoon, set sail along the scenic Rhine River Gorge with its fabled legends and many castles to Lahnstein where you'll enjoy a visit to Lahneck Castle. (B,L,D)



Rudesheim

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This city in the Rhine Gorge is known for its winemaking, dramatic landscapes and 15-minute cable car ride to the Niederwald Monument (celebrating the German victory over France in 1871). Don't miss the Bavarian buildings and Siegfried's Mechanical Music Cabinet, which houses automated musical instruments. Wine lovers will also appreciate the Rheingau Wine Museum, where the exhibits focus on the craft of winemaking through the ages.



12:00 AM - Central European Summer Time
Port Stop: Dusseldorf

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Cologne walking tour and cathedral visit

As a leading hub for German culture, commerce, and architecture, Düsseldorf is a must-visit city for any travelers on the Rhine. Here, you will have multiple options for the day's excursion. Explore historic Düsseldorf on foot with a knowledgeable local tour guide, or cover more ground with an active bike tour of the city. Alternatively, kick up your feet with a German beer tasting, sampling the best local brews Düsseldorf has to offer. If you're feeling adventurous, take a brief trip to the nearby city of Cologne. Home to one of Germany's most revered Gothic masterpieces, the Cologne Cathedral, this 2,000-year-old city is also a bustling cosmopolitan hotspot. Join a guided tour through the enchanting Old Town and explore the UNESCO-designated cathedral, where the remains of the fabled Three Kings—the Magi— are believed to rest.(B,L,D)



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The commercial and cultural center for the Ruhr region on the Rhine River, Dusseldorf is also the site of the Felderhof Cave where Neanderthal man was found in 1856.



12:00 AM - Central European Summer Time
Port Stop: Amsterdam

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Canal cruise tour

Amsterdam boasts amazing history, art, architecture, and museums, and you have a choice as to how you wish to explore it. Begin the day with a scenic cruise around this beautiful city before setting out on Amsterdam's famous canals. Embark on a picturesque canal cruise throughout the city, giving you a close-up view of these inspiring waterways. If you prefer exploring the world with your taste buds, stroll past traditional canals, gabled houses, narrow bridges and house boats to taste Dutch specialties at a grand Amsterdam café. (B,L,D)

***Depending on docking location, A Taste of Amsterdam may not operate; therefore, an alternative tour will operate instead.*



Amsterdam

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Amsterdam, the 17th century capital of Holland, is often called the "Venice of the North" due to its numerous, boat-navigable canals. Truly rich in history, the oldest part of this populous, multicultural city is Sloten, which dates all the way back to the 9th century.

Apart from the canals, attractions in Amsterdam include the Van Gogh Museum, Hermitage Amsterdam, the Heineken Experience, the Anne Frank House, and the Royal Palace of Amsterdam. Nightlife abounds as well, with many visitors drawn to its vibrant network of nightclubs, theaters and festivals.

Starting in 2014, the city has undergone an urban renewal effort, focused on expanding the city center and involving the construction of artificial islands. This is a one-of-a-kind city that begs to be explored by bicycle or boat tour!



12:00 AM - Central European Summer Time
Disembarkation: Amsterdam

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Bid Farewell to Amsterdam and prepare for your homeward flight.

OR ... get ready for Tulip Time in Holland!!

Tentative Tulip Time Itinerary:

- Start the day by visiting the Anne Frank House, where Anne Frank and her family hid during World War II.
- Explore the Jordaan neighborhood, known for its charming streets, art galleries, and boutique shops.
- Visit the Van Gogh Museum, dedicated to the life and works of the renowned Dutch painter.
- Later, take a leisurely stroll through Vondelpark, Amsterdam's largest park, and enjoy the beautiful spring scenery.
- Visit the Bloemenmarkt, the famous floating flower market, to see a variety of tulips and other flowers.



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April 25 - Friday



Keukenhof Gardens and Tulip Fields

Tentative Tulip Time Itinerary:

- Take a day trip to Keukenhof Gardens, one of the most famous tulip destinations in the world.
- Explore the vast gardens filled with millions of tulips, daffodils, and other spring flowers.
- Take a bike ride or a guided tour through the nearby tulip fields to see the colorful blooms up close.



April 26 - Saturday



Zaanse Schans and Tulip Farm

Tentative Tulip Time Itinerary

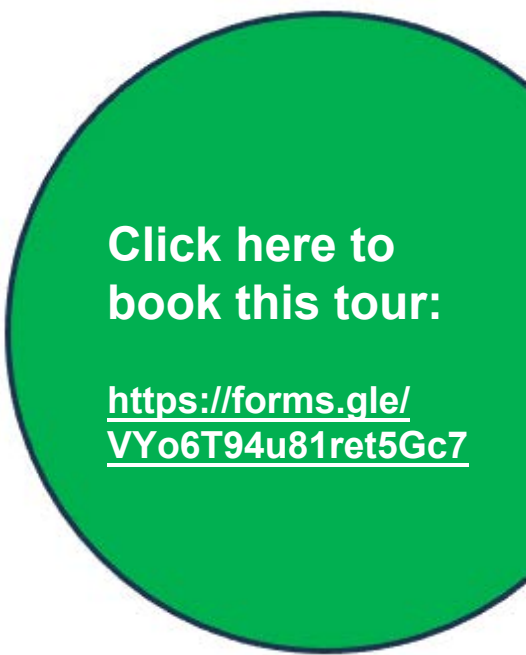
- Take a half-day trip to Zaanse Schans, a picturesque village known for its well-preserved windmills.
- Explore the open-air museum and learn about traditional Dutch crafts, including wooden clog making.
- Visit a nearby tulip farm to see how tulips are grown and learn about the process of cultivating these beautiful flowers.
- Farewell dinner



April 27 - Sunday



Depart for home



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RIVER CRUISE PRICING:

April 17-24, 2025

Deposit: \$400 per person

Pricing below includes the port charges of \$231 and the current offer, good through 3/31/24
This is live inventory and subject to change.

Category	Description	Available	Double - pp	Single
SS	Suite - French & Outside Balcony, 350 sq. ft.	1	\$6,979.00	\$14,477.00
AA	French & Outside Balcony, 235 sq. ft.	3	\$5,679.00	\$8,778.00
AB	French & Outside Balcony, 235 sq. ft.	10	\$5,479.00	\$8,478.00
BA	French & Outside Balcony, 210 sq. ft.	6	\$5,279.00	\$8,178.00
BB	French & Outside Balcony, 210 sq. ft.	12	\$5,079.00	\$7,878.00
CA	French Balcony, 170 sq. ft.	9	\$4,479.00	\$6,978.00
CB	French Balcony, 155 sq. ft.	3	\$4,079.00	\$6,378.00
D	Fixed Window, 160 sq. ft.	7	\$3,379.00	\$5,103.50
E	Fixed Window, 160 sq. ft.	2	\$3,080.00	\$4,729.75

ADD THE PRE and POST RIVER CRUISE EXTENSION PRICING:

Switzerland

April 13-17, 2025

Arrive early and enjoy 4 additional nights in Switzerland including accommodations, tours, and airport transfers.

\$1,760.00

Tulip Time in Holland

April 24-27, 2025

Stay after the cruise and immerse yourself into Springtime in Holland, enjoying 3 additional nights including accommodations, tours, farewell dinner and airport transfers.

\$1,580.00

Additional Deposit: \$200 per person

*Travel Protection can be added to your tour package for Approx. 8% of total tour cost.
Flights can be added to your tour package at 11 months prior to tour dates.*



CRUISE TERMS & CONDITIONS

Reservation and Final Payment: To confirm a cruise or cruise & land reservation, we require a deposit of \$400 per person for Europe, Russia and Vietnam/Cambodia itineraries and \$2400 per person for Africa itineraries (\$4800 for Singita dates) on or before the deposit due date indicated on the confirmation. A deposit of \$300 per person is required for Intra-Africa air. Once airline arrangements have been accepted, an additional deposit of \$300 per person is required to confirm said arrangements. Hotel Extra Nights require a deposit of \$50 per person at the time of confirmation of the hotel availability. Final payment is due no later than 90 days before the land/itinerary start date.

Pricing: Brochure prices are in US dollars, per person, based on double occupancy of a stateroom, or standard hotel room, unless stated otherwise. Single rates are available; please refer to individual itineraries. In the event that a cruise fare listed, quoted or advertised through any website, printed collateral, reservations person, travel agent or any other source is booked, but is incorrect due to an electronic error, typographical error, human error or any other error causing the fare to be listed, quoted or advertised for an amount not intended by AmaWaterways, AmaWaterways reserves the right to correct the erroneous fare by requesting the passenger to pay the correct fare intended, or by canceling the cruise. Airfares, air taxes and air surcharges quoted on your invoice or by a reservation agent are only guaranteed once airfare deposit or full payment is received by AmaWaterways. AmaWaterways reserves the right to increase prices without notice.

Prices Do Not Include: Published prices do not include vessel fuel surcharges; passport and visa fees; baggage fees; port charges, port taxes and fees; travel, health, accident or other insurance; vaccinations; laundry; additional food and beverages; optional excursions; gratuities or other items or services of a personal nature.

Cancellation Charges: In the unfortunate event a participant must cancel travel, notice to AmaWaterways must be via email, which must include a return receipt and read notation, or other writing stating clearly and correctly each guest's name, ship name, start and end date of the cruise and a brief statement of the reason for cancellation. Other forms of notice are not sufficient. The effective date of the cancellation is the date we receive the written cancellation notice. A name change or substitution of participant is also treated as a cancellation in that all cancellation charges apply. Cancellation charges are per-person, based on the cancellation date, as follows:

DAYS BEFORE DEPARTURE	CRUISE & LAND CANCELLATION CHARGE	AIRFARE CANCELLATION CHARGE (ECONOMY CONTRACT FARES)	AIRFARE CANCELLATION CHARGE (BUSINESS/FIRST CLASS CONTRACT FARES)	OTHER CHARGES (EXCEPT INSURANCE)
121 days or more prior to departure	\$200 (Europe, Colombia & Asia)	\$350 penalty*	\$600 penalty*	-
	\$2,400 (Seven River Journey Through Europe)			
	\$600 (Egypt)			
	\$1,200 (Africa)			
120-90 days prior to departure	\$400 (Europe, Colombia & Asia)	\$350 penalty*	\$600 penalty*	-
	\$4,800 (Seven River Journey Through Europe)			
	\$1,200 (Egypt)			
	\$2,400 (Africa)			
89-60 days prior to departure	35% of cruise and land price	\$350 penalty*	\$600 penalty*	35% of all charges
59-30 days prior to departure	50% of cruise and land price	\$350 penalty*	\$600 penalty*	50% of all charges
29-7 days prior to departure	80% of cruise and land price	\$350 penalty*	\$600 penalty*	80% of all charges
6 days to 25 hours prior to departure	100% of cruise and land price	\$350 penalty*	\$600 penalty*	100% of all charges
24 hours or less	100% of cruise and land price	100% penalty	100% penalty	100% of all charges

TULIP TIME LAND EXTENSION TERMS & CONDITIONS

Reservation and Final Payment: To confirm this land extension reservation, we require a non-refundable deposit of \$200 per person on or before the deposit due date. Final payment is due no later than 110 days before the land/itinerary start date.