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## **CRUISE ON THE MARNE-RHINE CANAL FROM STRASBOURG TO LAGARDE**

**Trip Code:** SXO\_AIPP

**Duration:** 7

**Destination:** STRASBOURG - WALTENHEIM - SAVERNE - LUTZELBOURG - XOUXANGE - LAGARDE

**Travel Dates:** 2022

### **DAY 1 STRASBOURG**

Passengers are welcome to board our ship at 6:00 p.m. After comfortably settling into your cabins, we'll introduce our crew at a welcome cocktail. Tonight we'll enjoy dinner followed by a panoramic boat tour of Strasbourg.

### **DAY 2 STRASBOURG - WALTENHEIM**

This morning will be spent cruising towards Waltenheim-sur-Zorn through the Brumath Forest. In the afternoon, join us on an excursion to hike along the hops trail in Wingersheim. With a heritage of wine-growing and beer-brewing, Alsace will give you a new perspective by showing you how hops are grown. We'll return on board before leaving for dinner to taste the tarte flambée, a local specialty, at a restaurant in Waltenheim (included).

### **DAY 3 WALTENHEIM - SAVERNE**

This morning will be spent cruising towards Saverne. Enjoy this bucolic journey passing the towns of Schwindratzheim, nestled on a hillside, and Hochfelden, a typical local village. During the morning, feel free to stroll or bike on the paved trails alongside the canal. In the afternoon, join us on a tour of the Château du Haut-Barr, nicknamed "The Eye of Alsace", where you will discover a splendid view over the Alsatian plains.

### **DAY 4 SAVERNE - LUTZELBOURG**

We'll set out on a guided tour of Saverne. Virtually unknown by the usual tourist routes, the city offers a wide range of places to discover. We'll return on board and cruise towards Lutzelbourg. The canal winds through the Vosges Mountains before joining the Lorraine region. Late in the afternoon, we suggest you to set off on foot to marvel at Lutzelbourg Castle.

### **DAY 5 LUTZELBOURG - ARZVILLER INCLINED PLANE - XOUXANGE**

We'll set off for an excursion to the Arzviller inclined plane. Along the way, we will stop at the crystal glassworks near the inclined plane. We'll learn about this time-tested tradition, and watch crystal blowing and cutting demonstrations. The boat will cruise through the Artzviller inclined plane - an incredible experience. A fabulous structure, this transverse system boat "elevator" is one-of-a-kind in Europe. The inclined plane replaces 17 successive locks over 2.5 miles that once needed a full day to navigate.

## **DAY 6                      XOUXANGE - LAGARDE**

This morning will be spent cruising towards Lagarde, passing through the Réchicourt lock, one of the largest in France, before continuing our journey through the lakes. In the afternoon, join us on a visit of Sarrebourg that will take us on the Chagall trail. Tonight is our gala evening and dinner.

## **DAY 7                      LAGARDE - STRASBOURG**

Enjoy one last buffet breakfast on board before disembarking at 9:00 a.m. Transfer by coach back to Strasbourg, arriving late in the morning. End of our services.

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