

## Germany | Moselle river biketour | Bike & Boat - 6 Days

The most romantic river landscapes in Germany.

The Tour by Bike and Boat goes along the winding course of the Moselle from Koblenz to Trier and back again. On carefully selected cycle routes, this delightful region opens up to you much more than if you were just going on a cruise.

The bike excursions lead along vines of steeply slopes and through picturesque wine villages. Castles and monasteries line the river and after every bend a new panorama invites you to pause and enjoy. You keep coming back on board your cruise ship in the afternoon. There is no more comfortable way to experience the cultural and natural landscapes of the Rhine and Moselle. Experience the landscape and culture along the Moselle at the highest level.

A successful concept at terranova since 2004: Your room will travel with you on this tour! We have combined the river cruise on a comfortable ship and e-bike excursions with terranova to create an enjoyable bike cruise for you. It is wonderful to return to the comfortable cabin on board the ship after an eventful day of cycling! In the evening the way to the on-board restaurant is not far, where you can relax and enjoy dinner and the river landscapes of the Moselle and Rhine leisurely pass by in front of the window.

### Highlights

- Original vineyard hike and wine tasting by renowned winemakers
- Picturesque landscapes in the romantic Moselle valley, in the Eifel and in the Hunsrück
- World cultural heritage on tours in Cologne and Trier
- Visit of Bernkastel Kues
- Accommodations on the Stella, state of the art cruise ship
- Stress-free battery-assisted cycling with a support vehicle

### Itinerary

Day 1: Engelhartszell

Day 2: Vienna | 21 mi. (34 km)

Day 3: Vienna - Klosterneuburg | 20,5 mi. (33 km)

Day 4: Esztergom - Visegrad - Budapest 20 mi. (32 km)

Day 5: Budapest City Day

### services:

#### What's Included

- Accommodation for 5 nights in selected category of cabin
- Breakfast
- Lunch as a picnic buffet or as a buffet on board according to the program
- 5 multi-course dinners buffet style
- All drinks are included on this trip, with the exception of champagne, bottled wine, and exclusive rarities
- Free use of on-board facilities such as sauna and fitness area
- 15% discount on treatments in the SPA-ROSA
- Bathroom amenities, bathrobe and bottled water in the cabin
- Children up to 15 years of age travel free of charge when accompanied by at least one adult supervising them
- Expertise and services of our experienced Trip Leaders
- Support van for shuttles and services along the route
- Electric bike
- Guided tours and entrance fees in Cologne, Bernkastel-Kues & Trier
- 1 commented wine tasting
- All transfers as indicated in the itinerary
- Departure airport transfer
- All port and passenger fees (tourist taxes)
- CO2 compensation of the terranova excursion program

#### What's Not Included

- Helmet
- Gratuities
- Bike protection
- Travel Insurance

### added options / discounts:

Transfer from the airport of Frankfurt to Cologne	350 €
Transfer from the airport of Frankfurt to Cologne	450 €
Rental helmet	10 €

### dates & prices:

Day 6: Bratislava 15,5 mi. (25 km)

Day 7: Wachau - Melk 16 mi. (26 km)

Day 8: Departure or extension in Passau or Munich

\*All distances are approximate. The itinerary is subject to change, at times without prior notice. Some waterways may be subject to occasional closures due to drought, storms, floods, canal or lock repairs, or other unforeseen circumstances that make navigation unsafe or impossible. The captain reserves the right to make any changes deemed necessary.

### DAY 1: ARRIVAL IN COLOGNE

At 1.30 p.m., your tour guides will be waiting for you at Cologne Central Station to collect your luggage and bring it to the ship. Cologne's history goes back to Roman times, but it wasn't until the Middle Ages that Cologne became a cosmopolitan city. Numerous Romanesque churches and the cathedral bear witness to this. In 1248 the foundation stone of the cathedral was laid, which should not only be the official church of the Archbishop of Cologne, but also one of the most important pilgrimage churches in Europe due to the relics of the Three Kings. Due to a lack of money, the construction stalled and the building of the cathedral could only be completed in 1880 by the Prussian king! Be amazed not only at the huge walls and dimensions of the cathedral, the furnishings are also precious and unique. You can admire the detailed carving of the choir stalls, the mastery of Stefan Lochner on the altar of the Cologne city patron or the artful mosaics from the 19th century. You board the ship around 4 p.m. and the A-ROSA SILVA will cast off at 5 p.m., while you can move into your cabins before dinner. At night you drive upriver via Koblenz in the direction of Cochem. Dinner and 1st night on board.

Please note: For special events in Cologne Cathedral, a visit is not possible on the day of arrival. In such a special case, we will only visit Cologne Cathedral on the 6th day of travel before your departure.

### DAY 2: FIRST GREETING TO THE GREEN VINE SLOPES OF THE MOSEL 40 km

In the morning the ship docks in Cochem - the mighty castle towers over the place and dominates the lovely river valley. The first leisurely bike stage to get in the mood to Zell (Mosel) starts directly from the ship. Green vineyards greet you and will accompany you over the next few days. The cycle route leads along the bends of the river, completely flat. You pass the romantic village of Beilstein, towering high above the ruins of Metternich Castle. Shortly afterwards, the impressive Moselle slope of the Bremmer Calmont lies in front of you. The "hot" mountain is considered to be the steepest individual vineyard in Europe and a particularly good Riesling grows on its slate slopes. Here, as for centuries, the winemakers are still dependent on manual labor and muscle power. After a picnic lunch, you can easily follow the course of the river on your e-bike and you will be in Reil in the afternoon. Here you will learn about a friendly winemaker, during a wine tasting and about his daily work. Your tour guides will then take you back to the ship in Cochem by terranova bus. Enjoy the deep evening sun at dinner while the SILVA glides through the river to Bernkastel-Kues.

### DAY 3: HOLY NICHOLAS & THE MAARE-MOSEL CYCLING TRAIL 58 km

Today starts with a walk through the pretty Bernkastel-Kues. You will also get to know Nicolaus Cusanus (von Kues). The medieval church philosopher was decades ahead of his time: long before Copernicus, he overthrew the Ptolemaic worldview and nevertheless became the Pope's deputy.

Nikolaus von Kues (Cusanus) has thought about the age-old question of mankind, who gives people power to rule over other people, since all people are by nature free.

21.07.2024 - 26.07.2024 - Accommodation - SILVA Rhine River Cruise Ship

Cabin Category A double/single-use	3194 €
Cabin Category C double/single-use	3614 €
Cabin Category D double/single-use	3824 €
per person in Cabin Category A	2594 €
per person in Cabin Category C	2894 €
per person in Cabin Category D	3044 €



To this he gives an answer that is still unreservedly valid today: "But the law should be enacted by those who oblige it, or by the majority of those who have been elected by those subject to the law ... because: as far as everyone is concerned, must be approved by everyone ... "

You can take the bus to today's bike start in Daun in the Eifel. Today's Maare-Moselle cycle path is one of the most beautiful railway cycle paths in Germany. On the disused route, the Daun cycle path leads through the mountains of the Vulkaneifel, over viaducts and through long tunnels back to the Moselle. The part of the Eifel, shaped by volcanism and the maars, is gradually being replaced by the cultural landscape of viticulture. The vineyards on the Middle Moselle are so steep that winemakers become mountaineers. At the lunch picnic you can thank you for the dry Riesling.

#### **DAY 4: RUWER, ROMAN VILLAS & TRIERS IMPERIAL GLANZ 39 km**

In the morning the SILVA moored in a small wine village outside of Trier and you will soon be amazed about the remains of a Roman villa. In order to recover from the lush city life, the Romans built magnificent country villas here in a graceful landscape. After a few kilometers along the winding Moselle, you will reach the mouth of the small Ruwer river. On an old railway line you slide into the green Ruwer valley. The water power of the lively river was used here as early as Roman times. The Roman Ruwer aqueduct supplied ancient Trier (Augusta Treverorum) with water from the Ruwer. During the well-deserved lunch picnic, your tour guide will tell you about the university town of Trier. After the break, the route leads in serpentine into the middle of Roman Trier. During the descent you will always have fantastic views of Trier. Once there, imperial splendor unfolds! In Roman times the city was the imperial residence and capital of the Gallic province. During a guided tour of the city you will be amazed at the evidence of the rich past.

#### **DAY 5: ALONG THE TERRASSENMOSELLE TO THE GERMAN CORNER 30 km**

You follow the Moselle very flat, past old wine terraces and medieval castles. The vineyards are particularly steep on the Lower Moselle. It doesn't need to be explained to the wine connoisseur that the steep slopes mean that the power of the sun is approaching. What is known as the equator effect is the multiplication of the sun's radiation intensity. On particularly steep slopes, it corresponds to locations that can be found up to 1000 km further south! In the center of the Lower Moselle, people like to quote the sun temperatures, which allow an almost Mediterranean flora and fauna here. The Moselle and Rhine converge at the Deutsches Eck. The monumental equestrian statue of Kaiser Wilhelm I was erected here in 1897. Before we enjoy the last evening on board together, you will learn more about the symbol of the patriotic Rhine romanticism 'from your guide. Even years after the Federal Horticultural Show, Koblenz is in full bloom. With a colorful bouquet of colors, shapes and ideas, the garden show changed the face of the city for the long term. The romantic palace garden was awakened from its slumber during the redesign! Final dinner and 5th night on board.

#### **DAY 6: DEPARTURE FROM COLOGNE**

Today the cruise ends and you leave the ship at around 9 a.m., so that you can comfortably start your journey home by train / car.

Of course, it is advisable to extend another night (or two) in Cologne in order to experience this lively and fascinating city even more extensively.

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We reserve the right to make changes to the timetable and program!

Due to high and low tide, maintenance work and waiting times at locks and bridges, there may be changes to the timetable at short notice. In rare cases of high or low tide or force majeure, parts of the route may have to be covered by bus or train and, in individual cases, hotel accommodation may be necessary.



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**EBIKE TRIP - ROUTE ASSESSMENT:** The cycling route is a total of 167 km. The bike routes are not short, but with a few exceptions run on paved and car-free bike paths! They usually follow without ascents along the rivers or on old railway lines. On the Moselle and Ruwer as well as on the Maare-Mosel cycle path through the Eifel, cycling is a carefree pleasure.

## Accommodation - SILVA Rhine River Cruise Ship

Your A-ROSA River Cruise ship

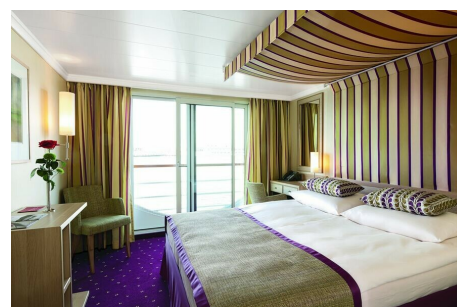
Live comfortably on the ship: Your room will accompany you on this journey! The A-ROSA SILVA is one of the newest ships in the fleet and was only put into service in 2012! A state-of-the-art river cruise ship with a lot of comfort and space. At 135 m in length, the ship offers a generous design of the public areas: a spacious sun deck, outdoor pool, outdoor SPA area, saunarium, indoor and outdoor restaurant, putting green, etc. on the upper deck, plus a bar, café, lounge and fitness area on the ship. The cabins are spacious, modern and comfortably furnished, equipped with individually adjustable air conditioning, bath / toilet, TV and hairdryer. The windows on the C-deck with the French balcony can be opened. The SILVA also offers 6 very spacious suites.

### Ship details of the A-ROSA SILVA

- Passengers: max. 186 guests
- Cabins: 89 outside cabins, 4 junior suites, 2 balcony suites
- Length x width: 135 m x 11.4 m
- Speed: max. 22 km / h
- Drive: four times 331 kW / 1,800 PS in total
- Shipyard: Neptun Werft GmbH, Warnemünde
- Year of construction: 2012
- Flag: Germany

### Deck plans:

[Deck 1: cabin categories S and A](#)



[Deck 2: cabin category C](#)

[Deck 3: cabin categories D, E and F](#)

[Deck 4: sundeck](#)

#### THE BEST ESCAPE OF EVERYDAY LIFE: ON THE SHIP

- Spacious sun deck with a relaxed atmosphere
- Sufficient loungers, parasols and sails
- Heatable outdoor pool with countercurrent system
- Shuffleboard, putting green and large figure chess
- Outside restaurant on the back deck
- Coffee specialties, wines, refreshments at the café bar
- Panorama lounge with bar and dance floor
- Stylish, casual dress code

#### THE CULINARY OFFER

- Full board plus: Varied buffets with live cooking every day
- freshly prepared regional and seasonal specialties
- Afternoon: cake buffet with coffee and tea
- Mineral water with main meals
- Specialty evenings
- Free meal times and free choice of table in the market restaurant, the day lounge and the outdoor restaurant
- Wine menu tailored to the region
- Wine & Dine arrangement can be booked on board: exclusive 5-course dinner with corresponding wines
- BBQ buffet on the aft deck (weather permitting)

#### FEEL AT HOME ON HOLIDAY: THE CABINS

- Generously proportioned, comfortable cabins, mostly with a French balcony
- Elegant design and fine materials create a feel-good atmosphere
- Equipment: Safe, air conditioning, TV, fly screen, hairdryer, shower / toilet, sauna towel, wool blanket, telephone, bathrobe on request

#### IT FEELS LIKE A HOLIDAY ON HOLIDAY: THE SPA-ROSA

- Large selection of beauty and body treatments with high-quality products
- Professionally trained SPA and beauty team
- Panorama sauna and bio sauna
- Fitness room with modern cardio equipment: cross trainer, ergometer and treadmill
- Experience showers and relaxation room



Further information on the ship's equipment and the many services included can be found in the detailed travel information, which you can request without obligation.

A-ROSA protection and hygiene concept

