



Cologne - Rotterdam, MS Olympia

ENJOYABLE CYCLING ALONG THE LOWER RHINE FROM COLOGNE TO ROTTERDAM

What could be more relaxing than discovering the natural beauty of the Lower Rhine by bike? The Lower Rhine region has one of the most beautiful and largest cycle route networks in Europe. By cycling along good quality routes, you can explore the marvellous landscape. This well-developed route leads past river landscapes, meadows and fields and offers nature lovers an especially relaxed way to explore the region. Labyrinths of rivers on the Rhine delta in the Netherlands, quaint little towns and vibrant major cities along the route offer a welcome change and guarantee a relaxed and eventful stay.

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Easy



8 Days / 7 Nights



Self-guided Tour



Minimum number of participants:
75 persons

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Itinerary

DAY
1

Arrival in Cologne

Embark between 3 and 5pm. Enjoy a cosy evening on board the ship or taste a Kölsch, a typical beer from Cologne, in one of the numerous Old Town pubs with a view over the Rhine. Along with many historical sights, the Cathedral City has got a considerable number of parks and gardens too.

DAY
2

Cologne - Düsseldorf

Cycle tour approx. 55 km. Boat Tour Düsseldorf - Wesel

In the morning, your cycle tour begins in Cologne. Cycle along the Rhine Cycle Route on well-paved bike paths past quaint villages and with a view over the other bank of the Rhine. This route is very diverse and the scenery keeps varying between industry and idyll. It is well worth taking short detours to the villages located directly on the Rhine. The medieval wall and tower remains will leave you impressed. At the end of today's cycle ride, you will reach Düsseldorf. The multifaceted city is one of the leading cultural metropolises in Germany.

DAY
3

Düsseldorf - Xanten - Emmerich

Cycle tour approx. 30 km. Boat Tour Emmerich-Arnhem

Situated at the Rhine's confluence with the Lippe River and the Wesel-Datteln-Canal, the Hanseatic city of Wesel boasts numerous remains of the region's Prussian past. Here you will start today's tour leg, which also leads past the Roman city of Xanten. In Emmerich, the tour ends and in the evening the ship will set sail for Arnhem crossing the German - Dutch border.

DAY
4

Arnhem - Rhenen

Cycle tour approx. 40 km. Boat Tour Rhenen - Wijk bij Duurstede

After crossing the Dutch border, the Rhine branches off into smaller rivers, which form the Rhine-Maas-Delta. You start today's cycle tour in Arnhem. If you take a detour to the city centre, it will take you back to bygone days with its narrow alleys and picturesque buildings. Continue cycling through parks and woods, past embankment foreland and reach Rhenen. In the evening, the ship will take you from Rhenen to Duurstede.

DAY
5*Wijk bij Duurstede - Gorinchem*

Cycle tour approx. 45 km

The day starts with a short stretch along the woodland area of "Utrechtse Heuvelrug" (eng.: Utrecht Hill Ridge), a tree-covered ridge of low sands created during the last glacial period. Enjoy the bike ride through unspoilt nature. Continue following the Linge River, a tributary of the Rhine until you reach the fortified city of Gorinchem.

DAY
6*Gorinchem - Dordrecht*

Cycle tour approx. 30 km

On your way from Gorinchem to Dordrecht, you pass by the national park of De Biesbosch, a green maze of rivers with crystal clear water and small forested islands. It is one of the few tidal freshwater zones in the world. At the end of the day, you dive out of the quietness of nature and into vivid city life in Dordrecht. Holland's oldest city is located on an island bordered by large rivers and is characterised by numerous historic buildings, city ports and a fantastic atmosphere.

DAY
7*Dordrecht - Rotterdam*

Cycle tour approx. 40 km

Today is the last cycle ride on this holiday. Explore the best-known windmills in the Netherlands at Kinderdijk. The 19 windmills, which date back to the 18th century, are beautifully preserved and are listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The windmills are well worth a visit! Follow the route along the Maas River up to Rotterdam, which is one of the largest ports in the world.

DAY
8*Departure from Rotterdam*

After breakfast, it is time to disembark. Please do so before 9am. Journey home as organised by you.

Tour character

The cycle paths along the route are in top quality. Most sections are paved or asphalted. They lead alongside the Rhine dikes and there are no noteworthy hills. This makes the trip suitable even for novice cyclists.



Prices and events

Place of arrival: Cologne

Season 1

26.06.2021 |

Arrival Saturday

Bike & Boat Along the river Rhine - Cologne - Rotterdam, main deck, MS Olympia 8 days, DE-RHSKR-08I-H

Base price 949.00

Surcharge 2-bed-cabin
single use 300.00

Bike & Boat Along the river Rhine - Cologne - Rotterdam, upper deck, MS Arkona, 8 days, DE-RHSKR-08I-O

Base price 1,099.00

Discount 2-bed-cabin
front/back -50.00

Surcharge 1-bed cabin 200.00

Our rental bikes

Filter

7-gear with back brake 7500

7-gear with freewheel 7500

Electric bike with freewheel 16500

E-Bike with back brake 16500

Prices per person in EUR

Services and infos

Services

Included:

- Accomodation in outer cabins with shower/WC in the booked category
- Programme according to itinerary
- Welcome drink
- Full board (7x breakfast, 6x packed lunch for cycle tours or lunch snack, 6x coffee and tea in the afternoon, 7x three-course dinner)
- GPS tracks available
- Daily cleaning of the cabins
- Bed linen and towels
- Passenger and port fees
- Daily briefing on board for the respective cycle tour
- Tour guide on board
- 1 set of maps and information material per cabin

Infos

Arrival/Parking/Departure:

- Car park/parking garage - Globus-garage (secure, must be booked in advance) – approx. 6 km away from the pier in Cologne. Parking fee approx. €90 to €110 per week.

Notes:

- Further important information according to the package travel law and additional information about your bike and boat trip can be found [here!](#)

Accommodation



MS Olympia

Comfortable and cosy river ship with family environment. The ship was refurbished in 2015/2016.

Beds: 96

Crew: 21

Length: 88,50

Width: 10,50

Contact & booking

Do you still have questions about the tour? We are happy to help and look forward to your inquiry.



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