



Specifically prepared cruise program for the Probus Club of Mississauga South

# Highlights of the Rhine & Moselle Rivers Revealed

May 20–June 2 /2016 14 days–12 nights

**BASEL TO AMSTERDAM**



TOUR  
DESIGN

A Special River Cruise program from



Travel in style along the magnificent Rhine and Moselle Rivers. This quieter, slower paced mode of travel, lets you explore Europe's great cities and enjoy its charming rural scenery in luxurious comfort.

Why travel on a river cruise? You will enjoy outstanding cuisine for breakfast, lunch, afternoon coffee or tea and dinner with convenient open seating for dining. Our ship docks conveniently downtown in most ports so you can step ashore in the heart of the city. We have local guides with the Audio Guide system so you can always hear the commentary. As always, enjoy quality red and white wines from Europe's great wine regions served with dinner, cocktail receptions, welcome and farewell dinners. Then to top it off, all shore excursions are included in your tour package as well as entertainment on board.



**DAY 1 Fri, May 20 /2016 In Flight**

Limousine pickup will be arranged from your home to Pearson International Airport – within GTA – for our flight to Frankfurt and onward to Basel with Air Canada / Lufthansa. Meals in flight

Suggested flights:

AC 872	20 MAY	Toronto to Frankfurt	4:40 pm	6:10 am	(21 MAY)
LX 3911	21 MAY	Frankfurt to Basel	9:30 am	10:20 am	

**DAY 2 Sat, May 21 /2016 Embarkation, Basel**

Welcome to Basel, We arrive into Basel, Switzerland's third most populous city (behind Zurich and Geneva), with 195,000 inhabitant located where the Swiss, French and German borders meet. Some free time for lunch before transferring to the pier for embarkation in the late afternoon onto their newest flagship in the innovative AMADEUS fleet, namely the MS AMADEUS SILVER (NEW), to be launched in early 2016 (a twin of the Amadeus Silver II launched in 2015 (used for the total number of cabins). Numbers in brackets indicate the number of cabins allocated to Tour Design/Probus. The AMADEUS SILVER (NEW) has a total of 54 (34) enlarged standard cabins. Those on the Mozart and Strauss decks will have a unique form of French balcony – the upper half of the floor to ceiling window wall lowers to bring the outside in – giving your stateroom its own "balcony". The 12 (4) AMADEUS Balcony Suites have 'walk-out' exterior balconies with their own seating groups, enormous panoramic windows and comfortable bathrooms



Moored overnight in Basel • Day 1



Moving Fountain, Basel • Day 3



Black Forest Excursion • Day 4



Mechanical Music Cabinet, Ruedesheim • Day 6

# Highlights of Moselle River

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Scenic Moselle River • Day 7



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16 14 days-12 nights



Alsace & Wine Excursion • Day 5



European Parliament • Day 5



World's Largest Wine Barrel • Day 6



See Dutch Masterpiece • Day 12



Village of Edam • Day 13

with bath, separate WC and separate shower. The 14 (2) cabins on the Hayden level have fixed windows. Once on board, unpack once as the ship becomes your floating boutique hotel while you are on the river the next 12 nights. There will be a welcome cocktail party before dinner is served on board. Enjoy World Class Austrian hospitality. There is open seating for all meals and your dinners include unlimited red or white wine from Europe's great wine regions. The ship remains moored overnight in Basel. (Breakfast in flight and dinner).

### **DAY 3 Sun, May 22, 2016 Basel sightseeing**

After breakfast, enjoy your city tour of Basel. Located on the Rhine River near the borders of France and Germany, Basel will captivate you with its charm and medieval appearance. While the city is known today as a centre of pharmaceuticals, banking, and publishing, it is also home to Switzerland's first university, and now has a large teaching hospital. The Rathaus (townhall), has a colourful painted facade, with frescoes in the courtyard. We return to our ship for lunch. In the early afternoon we set sail to Breisach, a small town near the French border. (Breakfast, lunch and dinner)

### **DAY 4 Mon, May 23 /2016**

#### **Breisach sightseeing, Black Forest excursion**

Located at the foot of the Kaiserstuhl Mountain on the French-German border, Breisach (walk included) is the gateway to Germany's Black Forest Region, an area of unrivaled beauty with its forests of thick pine trees. The area got its name because the forests are so dense that local residents described them as black. Experience this fascinating city with its more than 4000 years of history and various architectural treasures like St. Stephan's Cathedral. We enjoy an early lunch on board, followed by an included excursion to the Black Forest. The beautiful mountain landscape and dense forests lead the way to Titi Lake. Following the shores of this small lake, we come to Triberg, famous for Germany's highest waterfalls, which have an overall drop of 163 meters over 7 cascades. This area also offers many opportunities for shops that offer cuckoo clocks, woodcarvings, souvenirs as well as Black Forest ham and kirsch. The countryside here is fantastic. We follow the Uhrenstrasse and the Kinzig Valley as you return by coach to the ship in Strasbourg. (Breakfast, lunch and dinner)

### **DAY 5 Tue, May 24 /2016**

#### **Strasbourg sightseeing, Alsace and wine excursion**

Capital city of France's Alsace region, Strasbourg is situated at the German border. On our included tour, you will visit the monumental red-sandstone gothic cathedral with its ancient murals, stained-glass windows and fascinating clock as well as the magical La Petite France district, home to half-timbered houses, quaint shops, inviting bistros and a waterfront promenade. Spend some time exploring Place Kleber, a large historic square in the heart of the city. The richness and sheer density of Strasbourg's historic buildings have led to the entire city centre being adopted as a UNESCO World Heritage site. After this tour you will return to the ship for lunch.





Strasbourg UNESCO World Heritage site • Day 5

In the early afternoon you will take an Alsace & wine excursion to experience the unique atmosphere of this region. Alsace is part of the Rhine valley corridor, one of the most important trading routes in Europe since the Middle Ages. Enjoy the drive through a picturesque landscape with romantic wine villages where the tradition of brightly coloured half-timbered houses has become firmly established as the local Alsatian style. Travelling on part of the famous wine route, we visit a local winery and taste some regional wines. We return to our ship for dinner. (Breakfast, lunch and dinner)

**DAY 6 Wed, May 25 /2016**

**Heidelberg sightseeing and Rudesheim sightseeing**

Wake up in Worms, a city in Rhineland-Palatinate, Germany situated on the Upper Rhine, about 60 kilometres southwest of Frankfurt. We disembark on our excursion to Heidelberg, home to Germany's oldest university, which was founded in 1386. Visit the imposing ruins of Heidelberg Castle, towering magnificently over the city and among the most important Renaissance structures north of the Alps. You'll also see the famed Great Vat, the "World's Largest Wine Barrel." At nearly 23 feet high and 28 feet wide, the cask holds over 58,000 gallons of wine and has a dance floor built on top of it! After the tour, we rejoin the ship in Wiesbaden. While you are having lunch on board, the ship will leave for Rudesheim. Pretty Rudesheim is a typical Rhine Valley wine town. Here, we visit Siegfried's Mechanical Musical Instrument Museum, where you will see and hear a large collection of self-playing calliopes and music boxes from the 18th and 19th centuries. Walk the cobblestoned Drosselgasse where colourful flowers, open-air wine gardens, and live music add to the festive atmosphere. Downstream from Rudesheim is the

dramatic Rhine Gorge, a 65km section of the river between Koblenz and Bingen that is now one of the UNESCO World Heritage Sites, and is the most beautiful stretch of the river. Here, ancient castles stand sentry on lofty cliffs rising 400 feet above the waters. Cruise past the legendary Rock of Lorelei, which soars 120 meters above the water, where echoes of an enchanted siren song lured unwitting sailors to their doom. (Breakfast, lunch and dinner)

**DAY 7 Thu, May 26 /2016**

**Bernkastel sightseeing and Moselle Valley**

The confluence of the Moselle and Rhine Rivers is at Koblenz. We enter the Moselle River, which runs for 195km from Trier to Koblenz on a slow, serpentine course, revealing new scenery and Germany's largest expanse of vineyards at every bend, perfect for our 360 degree view from the Sun Deck. The Moselle starts in the Vosges Mountains of northeastern France and enters Germany at Trier. The entire valley is famous for its beautiful and tranquil scenery, and in the middle of this region is the charming wine village of Bernkastel with its well-preserved half-timbered houses that have stood since the Middle Ages. Find the arm rings in the walls of the Rathaus (Town Hall) – a great picture! Enjoy our guided walk that includes the beautiful marketplace with its renaissance-style Town Hall. You will feel as if the hands of time have been turned back centuries in this fairy tale town. Enjoy the rest of the day visiting one of the prettiest towns in Germany, on your own and you may want to visit the famous "Birdcage House" in the market. After dinner on board our ship, you might wish to take a stroll shore to further explore this lovely town. (Breakfast, lunch and dinner)

**DAY 8 Fri, May 27 2016**

**Trier sightseeing and Luxembourg sightseeing**

This morning you wake up in the episcopal city Trier, Germany's oldest city colonized in 2000 BC. It was a favoured residence of several Roman emperors, including Constantine the Great. The Roman baths are still visible today, as is the mighty Cathedral Constantine. Some say that Trier is even older than Rome and that it was populated over a thousand years before the Romans arrived. An included city walk through Trier's market square is one of the nicest squares in Germany, filled with fruit stands, flowers, painted facades and fountains. See the Roman Baths and the Porta Negra- both sure to delight you. Trier's most famous son was socialist revolutionary Karl Marx. After lunch, our coach takes us to Luxembourg. Small in size, Luxembourg is steeped in history, tradition and culture and is the world's only remaining sovereign Grand Duchy. The country is a founding member of the European Economic Community and plays a significant role in the European integration process. The capital city of Luxembourg is the administrative seat of the European Union. In the early evening the ship casts off, heading to Cochem. (Breakfast, lunch and dinner)



Cochem • Day 9

**DAY 9 Sat, May 28 /2016**

**Cochem sightseeing**

As we cruise the wide, peaceful curves of the Moselle River, it quickly becomes obvious why the Moselle Valley is well-known for its scenery, and that this is an important wine-growing area. The town of Cochem, a picture - postcard perfect German Village, is a sight worth seeing (city walk and wine tasting included), not only because of its narrow streets and twisty alleys, the lovingly restored houses with typical slate roofs, the historical market-place but also because of its medieval town gates, churches and walls. You have free time this afternoon and you might like to venture up using the Chairlift – a fantastic way to view the entire valley and to see the magnificent Reichsburg, the big castle, situated on a precipitous rock high above the town, dominating the landscape. (Breakfast, lunch and dinner)



Ride the oldest cog railroad in Germany • Day 10

**DAY 10 Sun, May 29 /2016**

**Königswinter sightseeing**

Good morning in Königswinter! After breakfast you have a walk through the historic centre of this fascinating town. Then we join the “Drachenfelsbahn”, the oldest cog railroad in Germany that will take us from this picturesque village to the summit of the Drachenfels Mountain, 950 feet above the Rhine River. The panoramic views from the summit are spectacular and include the magnificent Siebengebirge. Or “Seven Mountains”, which consists of 40 mountains and hills. After lunch we cruise on to our next destination – Cologne, arriving after dinner. (Breakfast, lunch and dinner)

**DAY 11 Mon, May 30 /2016**

**Cologne sightseeing**

Cologne straddles both sides of the Rhine and is known for its soaring twin-steeped gothic spires of its cathedral (Kolner Dom), a master piece of High Gothic architecture, and a UNESCO World Heritage site. It was saved by the allied bombing crews because it was used as a navigational aid. It was one of the few landmarks easily recognizable from that high altitude. Most everything in the center of Cologne was destroyed during the WWII, except for this cathedral. Its art treasures include a shrine housing the relics of the Three Holy Kings (three Magi from Milan). The city is regularly voted the country’s single most popular tourist attraction. The city’s museum landscape is especially strong when it



Cologne UNESCO World Heritage site • Day 10

comes to art but also has something in store for fans of chocolate, sports and even Roman history. Its people are well known for their liberalism and joie de vivre and it’s easy to have a good time right along with them year-round in the beer halls of the Altstadt (Old Town). After our morning city walk (included), our ship leaves Cologne after lunch heading upstream for the Netherlands. (Breakfast, lunch and dinner)

**DAY 12 Tue, May 31 /2016**

**Kinderdijk sightseeing and Delft Tour**

This morning the ship docks in Kinderdijk, which – due to its 19 splendid windmills – is one of the best known Dutch tourist sites. The area stands on reclaimed polder land between the Rivers Lek and Noord. Windmills have become a symbol of Holland, and our visit to one of these windmills will explain their function as pumps when the water was drained from the polders around 1740. Today we also visit beautiful Delft, which is primarily known for its historic town center and canals, but also for the famous Dutch painter Vermeer. Delft is one of the oldest Dutch cities and home to the famous Delft Blue pottery famous worldwide. Enjoy a relaxing evening on board. The ship casts off for the last stop of our cruise and capital of the Netherlands: Amsterdam. (Breakfast, lunch and dinner)

**DAY 13 Wed, June 1 /2016**

**Amsterdam sightseeing and Volendam Tour**

Tree-shaded canals, arched bridges, colourful cafés and historic buildings combine to create the city of Amsterdam’s

uniquely magical atmosphere. Our included sightseeing tour this morning covers some of the city’s greatest attractions and includes a canal cruise from which you can view the many beautiful homes that line the water fabled bridges and the famous house where Anne Frank once lived in hiding during WW2. In the afternoon, join our “Holland Waterland” excursion to see the breathtaking scenery of the countryside in the province of North Holland. Board your coach and drive out to Volendam, a unique open harbor with a maze of fishermen’s houses built on poles. We will journey into the countryside to visit a dairy specializing in local Dutch cheeses. While observing how they are made, there’ll be time to try some and, if you wish, buy some. You will have time to stroll around the quaint village of Edam, which gave its name to the brand of cheese now known all over the world. On this final evening of the cruise the captain will be delighted to welcome you to a special dinner during which the ship’s orchestra will, as usual, entertain everyone with its spirited playing. (Breakfast, lunch and dinner)

**DAY 14 Tue, June 2 /2016**

**Disembarkation and flight home**

We must say farewell to our ship this morning as we disembark after breakfast. We move to Schiphol Airport for our return flight to Toronto.

Suggested flights:

LH 991	2 JUNE	Amsterdam to Frankfurt	2:05 pm	3:15 pm
AC 877	2 JUNE	Frankfurt to Toronto	5:15 pm	7:30 pm



Kinderdijk UNESCO World Heritage site • Day 12





**PACKAGE PRICE** From Toronto  
**CRUISE & AIR** PER PERSON BASED ON TWIN SHARING

Category C-1	Haydn Deck	\$6,895 per person
Category B-1	Strauss Deck	\$7,425 per person
Category A-1	Mozart Deck	\$7,805 per person
Category Suite	Mozart Deck	\$8,615 per person

**Single Supplement Plus**

Category C-1	CDN \$3,405 per person	Single passengers booked in double occupancy are limited to 10% of total passengers within the group.
Category B-1	CDN \$3,895 per person	
Category A-1	CDN \$4,275 per person	
Category Suite	CDN \$5,085 per person	

**CHOOSE YOUR CABIN:**

Deck	Category	# Cabins available	Window/French Balcony	To Open
Haydn Deck	C-1	<b>2</b>	Window	No
Strauss Deck	B-1	<b>18</b>	French Balcony	Yes
Mozart Deck	A-1	<b>16</b>	French Balcony	Yes
Mozart Deck	Amadeus Suite	<b>4</b>	Walk-out balcony	Yes

*Do not delay, reserve as soon as possible. We have the above cabin allocation and it is not flexible. Once we are sold out, that is it. We have a lot of interest in this cruise.*

**DEPOSIT**

- Deposit of \$750 per person at the time of booking plus optional insurance
- Second payment \$750 per person September 22 /2015
- Final payment February 22 /2016

**CANCELLATION**

- Between date of booking and September 22 /2015 \$250
- Between September 23, 2015 and February 22, 2016 \$750
- Between February 23, 2016 and date of departure 100% of tour cost

**INCLUDED IN THE TOUR COST:**

- International air Toronto-Basel /Amsterdam-Toronto
- Home - Airport - Home transfer in Toronto (Greater GTA)
- Arrival transfer from airport to pier in Basel and departure transfer from pier to airport in Amsterdam with the purchase of air and cruise package
- 12-night cruise accommodation in an outside stateroom and all port taxes included
- All shore excursions as described in the itinerary including the wireless AMADEUS-Audio-Guide
- Quality red & white wines from Europe's great wine regions are free-flowing and complimentary with every dinner on board
- Superb dining with all meals included (buffet breakfast, lunch, afternoon coffee & tea, dinner and midnight snack) in the elegant Panorama-Restaurant, which accommodates all guests in one seating
- 24 hour coffee station
- Cocktail Reception, Welcome Dinner and Captain's Gala Farewell Dinner and crew show
- Daily music performances by our on-board musicians and others
- English language on board
- Non-smoking environment however smoking is allowed only on the Sun Deck outside
- Services of an experienced cruise director throughout the cruise
- All gratuities for crew and shore excursions
- Bottled water in the cabin, one bottle per person per day

**NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR COST:**

- Airport departure taxes and security fees. As of February 2015, they were \$670 pp.
- Lunch first day (Basel)

Note that you must have a passport valid for six months from the date of departure at your last destination to travel on this tour. When booking your tour, please be sure that the names you submit are exactly as per your valid passport.

**AIR CREDIT**

\$600 per person on flight from Toronto to Basel, Amsterdam to Toronto

**UPGRADE**

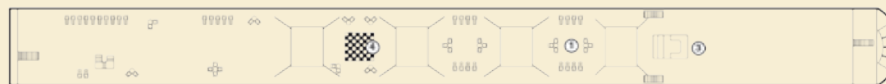
Upgrade to Premium Economy and Business Class will be dependent on the aircraft that is assigned to this route. We will have confirmation of aircraft 330 days prior to the return date of this tour or July 8, /2015. If you wish to have specific seating on the international flights, the best way to gain this is by upgrading to either Premium Economy or Business Class. If you remain as part of the group we will do our best to gain your seating preference but it is not guaranteed.



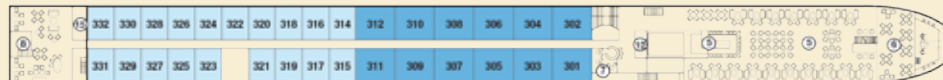
# MS AMADEUS SILVER II



SUN DECK



MOZART-DECK



STRAUSS-DECK



HAYDN-DECK



There is an elevator serving all decks with the exception of the Sun Deck

DECKPLAN: 1 Sun deck with deck-chairs · 2 Navigation Bridge · 3 Lido-Bar · 4 Chess Board · 5 Panorama-Bar · 6 River Terrace  
7 Café Vienna · 8 Amadeus Club with Internet Café · 9 Bord Shop · 10 Reception · 11 Panorama-Restaurant · 12 Lift · 13 Fitness Room  
14 Massage · 15 Hairdresser

## CHOOSE YOUR CABIN

Deck	Category	Size	Window/French Balcony	to open
Mozart-Deck	12 Amadeus-Suite	26,40 m <sup>2</sup>	Walk-out Balcony	yes
	19 Cabins	17,50 m <sup>2</sup>	French Balcony	yes
Strauss-Deck	35 Cabins	17,50 m <sup>2</sup>	French Balcony	yes
Haydn-Deck	14 Cabins	16,00 m <sup>2</sup>	Window	no
	4 Cabins	16,00 m <sup>2</sup>	Window	no

- Amadeus-Suite - Mozart-Deck
- A-1 - Mozart-Deck
- B-1 - Strauss-Deck
- B-4 - Strauss-Deck
- C-1 - Haydn-Deck
- C-4 - Haydn-Deck



CABIN (17,5 m<sup>2</sup> / 188 sq ft):  
1 Flatscreen TV · 2 Safe · 3 Toilet  
4 Wash basin · 5 Shower  
6 Drop-down French Balcony



AMADEUS-SUITE (26,4m<sup>2</sup> / 284 sq ft):  
1 Flatscreen-TV · 2 Minibar · 3 Safe  
4 Toilet · 5 Wash basin · 6 Shower  
7 Outside Balcony

## TECHNICAL DATA:

Built: 2015  
Draught: 1,45 m  
Height above water: 6,00 m  
Length: 135m / 443 ft  
Breadth: 11.4m / 37,4 ft  
Speed: 25 km/h / 15,5 mph  
Crew members: ca. 46  
Cabins/Suites: 72/12







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