



Christmastime on the Romantic Rhine with Traveler Journeys with Optional 2 Nights in Lucerne

Cruise Nov 30 to Dec 7, 2027 | Frankfurt to Basel | 7 Nights



Celebrate the season with a magical Christmastime river cruise from Frankfurt to Basel aboard your Avalon Suite Ship. Sail the Rhine past festively lit villages and visit charming Christmas markets at every stop. Highlights include Heidelberg's castle and holiday market, Strasbourg's blend of French and German traditions with one of Europe's oldest markets, and Breisach—the gateway to the Black Forest, known for its scenic beauty and seasonal treats. Enjoy Glühwein, bratwurst, handcrafted gifts, and the cozy charm of the season throughout your journey. An optional 2-night Lucerne extension is available.



Join this festive adventure
starting at only:

\$4,551* per person
(7-night cruise only)

\$5,500* per person
(with 2-night Lucerne extension)
*double occupancy

Tour Code: WEZ 71130

Invoice: 454340

Meals: 7 Breakfasts*

6 Lunches

7 Dinners

+ add 2 Breakfasts if opting for Lucerne

Itinerary

Day 1: (TUE) 30 Nov – Frankfurt, Germany (Embarkation)

Welcome to Germany! Your Suite Ship® is Ready for Boarding.

Day 2: (WED) 1 Dec – Mainz Enjoy a guided walk in Mainz, including a visit to the Gutenberg Museum. Browse the festive Christmas markets. Enjoy classic carols on board this evening.

Day 3: (THU) 2 Dec – Cologne Join a guided tour and tasting at Cologne's Chocolate Museum or explore the city's iconic twin-spired Gothic cathedral on a guided walk. Explore festive markets, an onboard holiday décor workshop, and a special Christmas concert at Baroque Engers Castle.

Day 4: (FRI) 3 Dec – Rhine Gorge–Rüdesheim Sail through the stunning Rhine Gorge, a UNESCO site, passing cliffside castles and the legendary Lorelei Rock. In Rüdesheim, tour the unique Mechanical Music Museum and sample authentic Rüdesheimer coffee. Enjoy festive markets and live entertainment on board.

Day 5: (SAT) 4 Dec – Ludwigshafen. Excursion to Heidelberg Choose a guided tour of Heidelberg Castle and the world's largest wine barrel or explore Speyer's imperial cathedral on a guided tour. Visit either local Christmas market after your tour.

Day 6: (SUN) 5 Dec – Kehl. Excursion to Strasbourg, France Enjoy a city tour of Strasbourg, including its stunning cathedral and charming La Petite France. Then soak in the festive spirit as you explore the glowing French Christmas markets filled with lights, music, and seasonal delights.

Day 7: (MON) 6 Dec – Breisach, Germany. Excursion to Black Forest Take a guided tour of Freiburg's medieval center or visit the Black Forest to experience local holiday traditions. In the afternoon, opt for a trip to charming Colmar or explore Breisach's festive Christmas markets.

Day 8: (TUE) 7 Dec – Basel, Switzerland (Disembarkation)

Optional Post-Cruise Extension:

Day 8: (TUE) 7 Dec – Basel–Mount Pilatus–Lucerne Transfer to Mount Pilatus for a scenic excursion offering panoramic views (or visit the Swiss Transport Museum in bad weather). Then, enjoy a guided walking tour of Lucerne, featuring the Lion Monument and Chapel Bridge.

Day 9: (WED) 8 Dec – Lucerne Free day in Lucerne.

Day 10: (THU) 9 Dec – Lucerne Your extension ends.



Avalon Waterways Cabin Pricing



Deluxe Stateroom – 172 sq. ft.
Categories D & E:
Included in *Price Listed



Panorama Suite – 200 sq. ft.
Category B: +\$1,899 (double)
Category A: +\$1,999 (double)
Category P: +\$2,049 (double)



Royal Suite – 300 sq. ft.
Category S: +\$3,899 (double)

Extension Hotel Accommodations**

Lucerne – Astoria or Radisson Blu

**Hotel space not being held. Listed hotels are indicative only. While Avalon will make every attempt to secure the named hotels your group may be accommodated in our Globus hotels.



Important Details

Price Includes: land/cruise with sightseeing, specified meals, port fees, complimentary pre-paid gratuities, and Tour Director. Welcome Back Credit can be applied. Price does NOT include airfare or travel protection. Airfare can be arranged by Avalon. Contact Avalon Waterways for more details.

Deposit Due: \$250 per person land only or \$550 per person air-inclusive, plus the cost of Travel Protection^{^^}

Deposits due at the time Passengers Names are provided. If you decide to add Travel Protection, you must purchase it together with deposit.

Final Payment Due: 9/1/2027

Dates, prices, and itineraries subject to change.

Travel Protection

^{^^}**Travel Protection starting at \$479 per person, with costs varying by upgrade.** This plan offers comprehensive coverage, including a Cancel for Any Reason Waiver Benefit for cancellations up to 24 hours before departure (or prior business day, whichever is farther out) for any reason. For non-covered cancellations under Travel Protection, the cancellation penalty retained by Avalon Waterways, minus the Travel Protection payment, are reimbursed as Travel Certificates valid for two years from the cancelled tour start date. The Cancel for Any Reason Waiver Benefit excludes Instant Purchase Air and independently purchased air. Rates based on vacation cost and may vary with additional services. Learn more about Travel Protection with Avalon at www.avalonwaterways.com/travel-protection.

Cancellation Schedule & Fees

Time of booking - 90 days prior to tour: Lose individual deposits

Final Payment - 31 days prior to tour: Lose 50% of total price

30 Days - 1 day prior to tour: Lose 80% of total price

Day of departure or later: Lose 100% of total price

Air Penalties: \$300 air penalty only
applies within airline
utilization date

Cancellation fees may also apply to any additional services, including accommodations, independently supplied services and optional excursions, reserved prior to, during and after the tour.

PLEASE NOTE: On trip and emergency contact information is due per person by Final Payment (9/1/2027). Passenger documents are available 2 - 3 weeks prior to departure. Travel documents will not be made available until emergency contacts are provided for each passenger. Please contact your group leader with your emergency contact information. Full passport information is required for all international vacations. Failure to provide full passport information will result in delayed documents.

Ready to book?

Call Avalon Waterways at: (866) 612-5118 #1

Complete this **form** today to reserve your spot!