

# Canals, Vineyards & Castles



September 1-11, 2020

**Tour Highlights:** Your scenic river cruise on the Rhine and the Moselle rivers takes you through both the spectacular and the charming destinations of France and Germany. You'll visit Holland's popular, modern capital of Amsterdam. Cruise through the dramatic Rhine Gorge. Continue on to cruise the Moselle River to the picturesque town of Cochem where the Riesling grape is cultivated. Your river cruise vacation adds a stay in romantic Paris. The "City of Lights" dazzles with Notre Dame Cathedral, the Eiffel Tower, and the Louvre Museum.

**Day 1, Tue., September 1: Depart the U.S. and travel to Amsterdam.** Depart O'Hare International Airport and board your overnight flight to Amsterdam.

**Day 2, Wed., September 2: Amsterdam, Holland (Embarkation).** Your day in Amsterdam is free to explore at your leisure, before boarding your ship by 5pm. (D)

**Day 3, Thu., September 3: Amsterdam.** Colorful Amsterdam - with Canals, Crooked Houses, and cuisine of a Golden Age. Explore the iconic waterways of Amsterdam on a guided canal cruise past stately homes of Amsterdam's "Golden Age." This afternoon and evening enjoy your scenic cruise to Cologne. (B,L,D)

**Day 4, Fri., September 4: Cologne, Germany.** Prost! Celebrate in the Rhineland's Capital City. Take a guided city walk of Cologne - with its soaring twin-steepled gothic cathedral, or a guided walking Tour of Cologne's important Jewish heritage sites. Don't miss the chance to enjoy free time over a glass of Kölsch pale lager locally brewed for over 100 years! Later local musicians will join us on board for live entertainment. Sail overnight to Koblenz. (B,L,D)

**Day 5, Sat., September 5: Rhine Gorge - Rüdesheim.** This morning, relax on the Sky Deck while sailing through the magnificent Rhine Gorge. Take a guided tour of the incredible Mechanical Music Museum for a one-of-a-kind instrumental experience. Or, take an open-air cable car ride to the Niederwald Monument. Ride or walk back down through the vineyards. Later, enjoy a coffee or wine tasting before boarding your ship for the evening in Engers. (B,L,D)



## Tour Inclusions

- Round-trip estimated airfare from Chicago
- Round-trip transfers & luggage handling within Europe
- 7 nights aboard your luxurious floating hotel: *Panorama*
- Free onboard gratuities & 2 free drinks
- 20 meals - 7 Breakfast (B), 6 Lunch, 7 Dinner (D): beer, wine + soft drinks from the region are included with all onboard lunches and dinners
- Admissions and sightseeing per itinerary  
(including audio headsets)
- Professional Cruise Director and local guides at every port

## Tour Price Per Person Double Based on Double Occupancy

Category E	\$5,046
Category D	\$5,254
Category B	\$6,247
Category A	\$6,299
Category P	\$6,404

**Ask about current booking specials and cash discounts!**



**Day 6, Sun., September 6: Cochem.** Dine for breakfast sailing through the Moselle Valley, famous for the beautiful growing villages and their vineyards. Once docked, join a guided walk of Cochem to see the charming town's half-timbered houses and winding streets. Visit Cochem's hilltop Reichsburg Castle with a bird's-eye-view of the Moselle Valley and river bend. Return to your ship this evening and cruise to Bernkastel. (B,L,D)



**Day 7, Mon., September 7: Bernkastel.** After breakfast, choose to either take a guided walking tour of the charming wine village of Bernkastel - with its medieval marketplace and 17th-century gabled timber-framed houses, or join your Avalon Adventure Host for a hike to nearby castle ruins. Spend some free time at your leisure this afternoon, perhaps biking through the Renaissance-style village, or visiting a café to sample Apfelkuchen or other wonderful German desserts. Later, join a Wine Tasting to experience the tradition of legendary German wine making before boarding your ship for some live entertainment tonight. (B,L,D)



**Day 8, Tue., September 8: Remich, Luxembourg.** This morning, choose to either join a guided tour of Luxembourg City - with its dramatic views, ancient ruins, and modern architecture along the deep gorge terrain. Or take a history-focused guided optional Excursion to Roman Trier to learn more about the history of Roman civilization in the oldest city in Germany. After your tour, enjoy some free time in Trier. Dock overnight in Remich. (B,L,D)



**Day 9, Wed., September 9: Remich (Disembarkation) -Paris, France.** Today, travel by motorcoach to Luxembourg City or Metz to board a high-speed train to Paris, and enjoy guided sightseeing upon arrival. Known as one of the world's most romantic and lively cities, Paris is a delight for all your senses. Your included city sightseeing shows you magnificent must-see sights, such as Notre Dame Cathedral, the unique Louvre Museum with its glass pyramid as a contrast to its ancient architecture, the commemorative Arc de Triomphe, and the Eiffel Tower. (B)

**Day 10, Thu., September 10: Paris.** In your free time, stroll down the Champs Elysées with its lavish cafés, or perhaps visit the world-famous Louvre, the Palace of Versailles or Montmartre with its gleaming white Sacre Coeur Basilica and bevy

of artists on Place du Tertre. All of this awaits your discovery! (B)

**Day 9, Fri., September 11: Paris- Return to U.S.** Sadly, your tour ends after breakfast this morning, when you transfer to the airport for your homeward-bound flight. (B)



Avalon has designed included activities with a choice of experiences. Select the tours, activities, and events that interest you most, so you can experience your cruise your way. There are 3 types of included shore excursion on every European cruise.

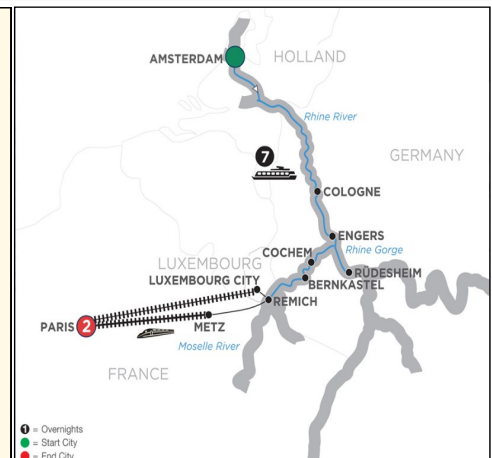
**Classic:** Your local expert is ready to guide you through the history and heritage of local destinations.

**Discovery:** Find inspiring and interactive activities to speak to your interests - from cooking classes, to painting workshops.

**Active:** Embark on energetic excursions to keep you in motion and on the go - from a guided walking tour of Cologne, to biking, paddling, and hiking your way through scenic locales.

### Your luxurious floating hotel: Avalon Waterways Imagery II

- Comfort Collection beds and spacious closets
- Large, private bathrooms with full showers, hairdryers, amenities
- Onboard Tour Director
- Flatscreen satellite TV and individual climate control
- Complimentary Wi-Fi, direct-dial telephone, in-room safe
- Well-stocked mini-bar, complimentary bottled water
- Fitness Center, Sky Deck whirlpool
- Onboard lectures, activities and nightly entertainment





# TOUR APPLICATION

TOUR NAME: **Canals, Castles & Vineyards** TOUR DATES: **September 1-11, 2020**

TOUR # **H3020**

*Note: The name on your tour documents and airline tickets must match your passport name. One form per address, please.*

*Please provide a copy of your current passport with the application*

Name on Passport1 \_\_\_\_\_ 1st name for Name Tag \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: ☐ Female ☐ Male TSA Pre-check/Global Entry KTN# \_\_\_\_\_

Passport # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Passport 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 1st name for Name Tag \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female TSA Pre-check/Global Entry KTN# \_\_\_\_\_

Passport # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone-cell \_\_\_\_\_ Phone-home \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Roommate or other travel companions: \_\_\_\_\_

*Special Requests - please understand that we cannot guarantee that requests will be granted.*

Accommodations: ☐ Single ☐ Double-one bed ☐ Double-two beds Cabin Category \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ E ☐ D ☐ B ☐ A ☐ P

Room requests: \_\_\_\_\_ Dietary requests: \_\_\_\_\_

Travel extension request: \_\_\_\_\_

Air: ☐ With group ☐ Individual/customized Seat requests: ☐ Window ☐ Aisle ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Celebrating any special occasions: \_\_\_\_\_

Any medical conditions we should be aware of: \_\_\_\_\_

Any special assistance required: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact name: \_\_\_\_\_ **Burkhalter Agent** \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Travel protection? ☐ Yes; please provide information. ☐ Maybe, please send info. ☐ No, thanks

I/we have read and understand the terms and conditions for this tour:

**SIGNATURE REQUIRED**

## PAYMENT

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ \$300 per person due + travel protection **Final Due: May 20, 2020**

**Payment:** ☐ Cash or check payable to Burkhalter Tours ☐ Credit card (call us with your card info if you prefer not to mail it)

CC # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration date \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_

Name on credit card: \_\_\_\_\_

## RESERVATIONS/INFORMATION

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Fitchburg, WI 53711

### Baraboo - Burkhalter Travel

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Baraboo, WI 53913

### Stoughton - Chalet Travel

608/873-8133, 800/733-6970

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Stoughton, WI 53589

### Prairie du Sac - Travelog Travel

608/643-4599, 800/242-8457

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### Brookfield - Olson Travel

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2095 John F. Kennedy Rd., Ste 1  
Dubuque, IA 52002

## TOUR TERMS AND CONDITIONS - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

**I.D./Citizenship:** Travelers must possess a passport valid for at least six months beyond the tour dates with names matching those on their tour and flight reservations. Complete name, gender and birth date are required to confirm reservations per TSA/airline requirements.



**Deposits and Payments:** Please make checks payable to Burkhalter Tours. Most major credit cards are also accepted. **A deposit of \$300 per person** is required to secure reservations. All tour confirmations are subject to receipt of signed tour application and payment verification. **Final payment is due before May 20, 2020.**

**Cancellations/Refunds:** All cancellations are subject to a \$50 Burkhalter Tours service fee that may not be covered by tour operator insurance. In addition to the service fee and possible airline penalties, tour cancellation penalties are as follows: Up 91+ days prior to departure: Deposit; 90 days to day of departure: 100% non-refundable. No refund will apply on unused portions of the tour. If a roommate cancels, the remaining traveler may have to pay any single room supplement that is incurred. Name changes and departure date changes are considered reservation cancellations and are subject to cancellation fees. Once issued, airline tickets are 100% non-refundable.

**Travel insurance:** We strongly recommend the purchase of travel insurance to protect your investment and also to give you medical coverage in case of an emergency during the trip. Avalon Waterways offers a protection plan, but other plans are also available based on your needs. Most protection plans should be purchased at time of deposit. Ask your agent for more information.

**Tour Conditions:** This tour is a regular Avalon cruise departure. All arrangements are based upon tariffs in effect on 2/5/19 and are subject to change. Once deposit has been received, any changes to air or land arrangements may be assessed a revision fee between \$50-\$250. Revision fees may be higher once air is ticketed.

**Air Transportation:** The airfare portion of the tour price is subject to change until ticketed. Group airfares may require a minimum of 10 travelers. Airline schedules and routing are subject to change by the airlines at any time. Group seat assignments are usually done by the airline, and changes are subject to availability, which may be limited. If specific seat assignments are vital to your enjoyment of the tour, we recommend individual air reservations rather than booking with the group. Airline seat assignments may only be requested after final payment and may be limited in availability.

**Accommodations:** Your river ship and tour hotels are first-class or better properties with private ensuite facilities. Hotels are subject to change.

**Traveler Fitness:** Travelers should be in reasonably good health, able to board a motorcoach in a timely manner, climb stairs and walk moderate distances over sometimes uneven ground. Individuals with physical and/or cognitive limitations must be accompanied by an able individual who will assume complete responsibility for them. Tour personnel and hosts cannot and will not provide this kind of assistance.

**Passenger Consent Agreement:** Department of Transportation regulations require that we inform you that your purchase is subject to supplemental price increases beyond our control that may be imposed after the date of purchase. Such increases may come about due to increased fees, fuel surcharges, government tax increases, fluctuations in foreign exchange markets or any combination of these events. Post-purchase price increases may be applied to your invoice due to these unforeseen cost increases from suppliers. While a post-purchase price increase is rare and not anticipated, Burkhalter Tours will inform you of any increases as soon as possible. By signing the tour application and making your deposit, you are acknowledging that you have been made aware and accept the fact that such increases may occur, and that you agree to pay Burkhalter Tours accordingly.

**Responsibility:** Burkhalter Travel Agency, Inc., Hello America Tours d.b.a. Burkhalter Tours, Avalon Waterways, their sales agents and tour personnel and any IATAN and connecting ARC carriers act only in capacity of agent for the passenger in all matters pertaining to hotel accommodations, sightseeing tours and any means of transportation, and as such, hold themselves free of responsibility for any damages from any causes whatsoever, including any loss, accident, delay or irregularity which may be occasioned by reason of defect in any vehicle or for the conduct of such other parties. Burkhalter Travel Agency, Inc. and Burkhalter Tours will not be responsible for any damage, expense or inconvenience caused by late transportation arrivals or departures, or by any change of schedule or other conditions; nor will they be responsible for the loss of, or damage to, baggage or any article belonging to the passenger. In the event that it becomes necessary or advisable for any reason whatsoever, including but not limited to, acts of war, terrorism, disease or acts of God, to withdraw the tour or to alter the itinerary or arrangements, such alterations will be made without notice. Additional expenses, if any, will be borne by the passengers; conversely, refunds will be made to the passengers if any savings is effected thereby. Although no changes or substitutions are anticipated at the time of brochure production, participants must accept whatever changes are required. Burkhalter Travel Agency, Inc. and Burkhalter Tours are not responsible for financial or physical harm to any passenger resulting from acts of war, terrorism, disease or acts of God. We reserve the right to decline to accept or to retain any person as a member of this tour at any time. Public carrier companies, including airlines, involved in or used in connection with this tour are not to be held responsible for any act, omission, or any event during the time the passengers are not on board their conveyance or aircraft. Tickets of airlines or other public carriers issued in connection with this tour shall be the sole contract between the carrier and the passenger. Payment of deposit on the cost of the travel arrangements described in this brochure signifies the acceptance on the part of the purchasers and/or passengers of the limitations of Burkhalter Travel Agency, Inc. and Burkhalter Tours' responsibility and to the terms and conditions set forth in the passage contract (air ticket) issued by any IATAN or ARC carrier and/or their agents in connection with the land and/or surface arrangements described herein.