

# Romantic Rhine



**BURKHALTER  
TOURS**

**October 9-17, 2020**

Join Michelle Dent on one of Europe's most legendary rivers. This exciting journey along the Rhine River, takes you across Germany and touches in Holland, France, and Switzerland! This magnificent river cruise begins in the ever popular, modern city of Amsterdam, sail through the spectacular Rhine Gorge—the most beautiful stretch of the Rhine River, before the end of your European river cruise vacation, stop in Breisach, Germany, the gateway to Germany's Black Forest to top off this amazing cruise experience.

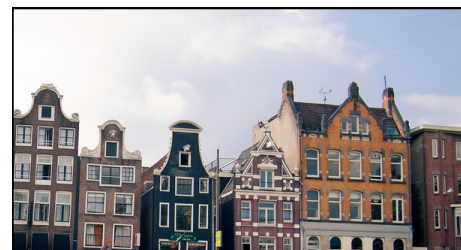
**Day 1, Wed, October 9: Depart the U.S. and travel to Amsterdam.** Depart O'Hare International Airport and board your overnight flight to Amsterdam.

**Day 2, Thu., October 10: Amsterdam, Holland (Embarkation)** Your day in Amsterdam is free to explore at your leisure, before boarding your ship by 5pm. (D)

**Day 3, Fri., October 11: 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, Sat., October 12: Cologne, Germany.** Prost! Celebrate in the Rhineland's Capital City. Take a Guided City Walk of Cologne - with its soaring twin-steeped 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, Sun., October 13: Koblenz— Rudesheim.** Travel Through 2,000 Years of Monumental History. Take a Guided City Walk amid ancient fortress walls, towers, squares, and monuments. Relax on the Sky Deck for an afternoon cruise through the



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## Tour Inclusions

- Round-trip (estimated) airfare
- Round-trip transfers + luggage handling within Europe
- 7 nights aboard your luxurious floating hotel: *Panorama*
- Free onboard gratuities
- 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
- Michelle Dent as your tour host

## Price Per Person

## Special Group Pricing

Category E	\$5,512	\$4,762
Category D	\$5,729	\$4,979
Category B	\$6,769	\$6,019
Category A	\$6,828	\$6,078
Category P	\$6,937	\$6,187

**Based on Double Occupancy**

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



Rhine Gorge to Rüdesheim. Sail past the legendary rock of The Lorelei - where the siren of mythology sang songs to lure ill-fated sailors.

Take a Guided Tour of the incredible Mechanical Music Museum for a one-of-a-kind instrumental experience. Later, enjoy a coffee or wine tasting before boarding your ship for live entertainment this evening. (B,L,D)

**Day 6, Mon., October 14: Mainz and Excursion to Heidelberg.** After breakfast, you can either join a guided City Walk, including a visit to the Gutenberg Museum to see the captivating history of printing. Or take a guided tour to Heidelberg Castle to see the ruins of the magnificent renaissance treasure towering above the city, and its famed Great Vat, the "World's Largest Wine Barrel." Join your Avalon Adventure Host for an afternoon Hike up Philosophers' Way for an inspiring view of the city below. Cruise overnight to Strasbourg. (B,L,D)

**Day 7, Tue., October 15: Strasbourg, France.** Today, join a City Sightseeing Tour, including Strasbourg's gothic, stained-glass cathedral with its celebrated ancient murals and astronomical clock, as well as the magical La Petite France District. Cruise overnight to Breisach, Germany. (B,L,D)

**Day 8, Wed., October 16: Breisach, Germany. Excursion to the Black Forest.** After breakfast, choose to visit the charming village of Colmar on a Guided Tour of its half-timbered medieval and early renaissance buildings. Follow your visit to Colmar with a free afternoon in Breisach. Take a bike from the ship, or walk among the pastel-painted houses above the Rhine. Or, choose to join a full-day Guided Tour to the magical Black Forest to experience the Vogtsbauernhof open-air-museum, visit an authentic water mill, and see a traditional Bavarian butter-making demonstration. (B,L,D)

**Day 9, Thu., October 17: Basel, Switzerland (Disembarkation) - Return to U.S.** Sadly, your tour ends after breakfast this morning, when you transfer to the Zürich airport for your homeward-bound flight. (B)



### Your luxurious floating hotel: Avalon Waterways Panorama

- Two full decks of suites with wall-to-wall panoramic windows that transform the space into an open-air balcony
- Comfort Collection beds and spacious closets
- Large bathrooms with hairdryer + luxury amenities
- Flatscreen satellite TV, individual climate control
- Complimentary Wi-Fi, direct-dial telephone
- Well-stocked mini-bar, complimentary bottled water
- Bathrobe and slippers



# TOUR APPLICATION

TOUR NAME: **Romantic Rhine**

TOUR DATES: **October 9-17, 2020**

TOUR # **H3039**

*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: July 1, 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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## 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 July 1, 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. The group will be hosted by Michelle Dent with no minimum number of Burkhalter travelers required for the tour to operate. 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 fares 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.

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