

# Magic of Christmas on a Rhine River Cruise

Starting at:  
**\$4779 FROM NEW YORK**

(Air/land tour price is \$4159 plus  
\$620 gov't taxes/airline surcharges)

**10 Days:**  
**December 10 - 19, 2025**

**MUNICH**  
**NUREMBERG**  
**ROTHENBURG**  
**STRASBOURG**  
**LORELEI ROCK**  
**RUDESHEIM**  
**MAINZ**  
**GAMBSHEIM**  
**HEIDELBERG**  
**COLOGNE**

Hosted by  
**LUKE AND MELANIE**  
**CHANDLER**



**MS Beethoven**



**Rudesheim**

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- ◆ Roundtrip airfare from New York
- ◆ Accommodations on the land portion of the tour at a first class/select hotel in twin-bedded rooms with private facilities
- ◆ Accommodations on the *MS Beethoven* in handsomely appointed staterooms sharing in twin-bedded cabins
- ◆ All meals while on board the cruise as well as breakfast daily and one dinner on the land portion
- ◆ All Shore Excursions while onboard the *MS Beethoven*
- ◆ Free-flowing red & white regional wines, beer, and soft drinks with lunch and dinner onboard the cruise portion of the tour
- ◆ Services of a professional English-speaking tour guide during the land portion of the tour
- ◆ All admission fees and hotel service charges
- ◆ All port charges and local taxes
- ◆ Transfers between airport/hotel/pier on arrival and departure

## DAY BY DAY ITINERARY

### NEW YORK/ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

#### WEDNESDAY, DEC 10

Depart today from New York on board your overnight transatlantic jet flight to Munich, arriving the following day.

### ARRIVE MUNICH

#### THURSDAY, DEC 11

This morning, arrive in Munich, the capital of Bavaria. Munich was ruled for over 650 years by the Wittelsbacher dukes and kings, who left their mark on the architecture and founded the world-famous Munich art collection. Overnight in the Munich area. (D)

### MUNICH/NUREMBERG

#### FRIDAY, DEC 12

Your orientation tour, drive via Karolinenplatz to the Olympic Stadium, built for the 1972 Olympics. Proceed past the 1,000-foot-high Television Tower to Nymphenburg, the former Royal Residence. Then on to Odeon Square with the beautiful Theatiner Church and the Hall of Generals. After your tour, enjoy some time at leisure to stroll past the twinkling lights of one of the most famous of all the Christmas Markets...the Christkindlmarkt on the Marienplatz in Munich. Shop for Christmas bargains in some of the most fashionable stores in all of Europe, sip some hot spiced wine or just relax and watch all of the Christmas festivities happening around you. Next depart Munich and continue to Nuremberg and your hotel for overnight. (B)



### NUREMBERG/ROTHENBURG/STRASBOURG/ EMBARK ON RIVER CRUISE

#### SATURDAY, DEC 13

Today begins in the walled city of Nuremberg, one of the most interesting cities in southern Bavaria famous for its "fachwerk" (black-timbered houses), medieval turrets and towers, narrow cobblestone streets, and masterpieces of artwork. Enjoy a panoramic tour, where you will see the Imperial Castle and the 12<sup>th</sup> Century White Tower. Afterwards, you will have time for browsing through the fabulous Nuremberg Christmas Market, famous for its life-size crèche since 1697 and the largest Christmas fair in Germany. Hundreds of festive booths containing locally handcrafted wooden toys and artifacts are set up in the square in front of the Frauenkirche (Our Lady's Church). In the early afternoon, your journey continues as you travel to the imperial city of Rothenburg, a medieval village surrounded by massive stone walls and decked out in its Christmas finest. Take a leisurely walk to see such historic sites as the Town Hall, 14th century St. James Church with Riemenschneider's famous Holy Blood altar and Herrngasse with its lovely mansions. Afterwards, enjoy Rothenburg's Christkindlmarkt, one of Germany's finest. Historians say this market is virtually unchanged since its opening 500 years ago. Here you will have the opportunity to shop at the famous Kathe Wohlfahrt Christmas stores and at the many smaller booths selling Christmas wares and foods. Next, cross the border into the Alsace region of France travel to the port for embarkation in Strasbourg on your festively decorated ship the *MS Beethoven*. Enjoy a welcome cocktail before the official Welcome Dinner. (B,SD)

### LORELEI ROCK/RÜDESHEIM

#### SUNDAY, DEC 14

This morning cruise the Rhine to the legendary rock of the Lorelei, following the twists and turns dominated by dramatic ruins, scenic vineyards, and majestic fortresses. Taste the delicious Alsatian holiday cookies known as delicious bredeles while taking in the gorgeous landscape from the lounge. The first port of call is Rudesheim, a picturesque village lined with narrow, cobblestone streets and half-timbered homes. Board a tourist train for Siegfried's Mechanical Music Cabinet, showcasing 350 self-playing, mechanical music instruments dating from the 18th to the 20th centuries and including delicate musical boxes and a gigantic piano-orchestration. Afterwards, enjoy some free time on your own to discover the international Christmas market located in the city's historic downtown area. The 120 wooden chalets set the stage for an authentic German Christmas market displaying artisan objects, great gift ideas, and delicious culinary specialties such as local confections and cookies, and of course, pretzels! The city is also home to one of the largest nativity scenes in Europe. Return to the ship by walking down the famous Drosselgasse, lined with numerous cafés and bars. After dinner on board return for a brief jaunt back to the city to taste the exquisite Rudesheimer Kaffee. (B,L,D)

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**RUDESHEIM/MAINZ/GAMBSHEIM**

**MONDAY, DEC 15**

Early this morning your cruise ship arrives in Mainz. Upon arrival, you'll set out for a tour on foot of the city to see many of its remarkably restored sites. This excursion includes an inside visit to the magnificent 1,000-year-old Saint-Martin's Cathedral. Next stroll down the picturesque streets of the old city to the Gutenberg Museum, which houses two copies of the Gutenberg Bible, the first major book printed with movable type in the West. Enjoy some free time on your own before heading back to the ship. Don't miss the colorful local Christmas market near the cathedral, framed by splendid Renaissance-style buildings. Germany is known for its decorative wooden Christmas carousels, and a larger than life one is usually found at the market in Mainz surrounded by traditional chalets selling handcrafts, souvenirs, and luscious goodies. You might notice that German Christmas markets are more than just a place to buy or sell. In fact, they become a true reflection of everyday life where the locals gather for a quick bite or drink at the end of the winter day. So, join in the holiday spirit and top off your well-deserved vacation. After the tour, we'll have lunch on the ship and spend the afternoon cruising to Gamsheim. Feel free to join us for a bit of onboard entertainment recounting Christmas traditions. This evening is your exclusive Captain's Gala Dinner. The MS Beethoven will cruise through the night. **(B,L,SD)**

**GAMBSHEIM/WINGEN SUR MODER/STRASBOURG**

**TUESDAY, DEC 16**

Upon arrival in Gamsheim, disembark the ship and travel by coach for an excursion to Wingen-sur-Moder as well as a visit to the Musée Lalique where you will learn about crystalware-genius René Lalique and his successors. Lalique became one of the greatest names of his time, both as a jeweler and a master glassmaker. His instantly recognizable style was a major influence in the Art Nouveau and Art Deco movements. Discover the company's wide range of impressive crystal and glass designs, pieces of jewelry, tableware, lights, and vases. Admire the fabulous collections and don't miss the temporary exhibit just for the holidays! Christmas is the perfect time to showcase the exceptional past and present work of Lalique. Afterwards, return on board and enjoy lunch as you cruise to Strasbourg. Upon arrival, feel free set out on your own to admire the lights around the city near the cathedral, the Place Kléber, Carré d'Or,

and Place Gutenberg. It's quite a sight! And don't forget to browse a few of the Christmas Markets set up across the city. The crew of the MS Beethoven will greet you with a hot cup of mulled wine\* as you return on board. Enjoy an authentic Alsatian dinner this evening, followed by a quiz to test your knowledge about Alsatian Christmas Markets. **(B,L,SD)**

**STRASBOURG/DISEMBARK CRUISE/HEIDELBERG/COLOGNE**

**WEDNESDAY, DEC 17**

This morning disembark from your river cruise ship. Board your waiting motorcoach and cross the Rhine River back into Germany. Drive to Heidelberg, the oldest University town in Germany and home of the "Student Prince." See the medieval Town Hall, the Castle ruins, the enchanting Old Town and the University, founded in 1386. Afterwards, continue north through the Rhine River Valley to the Ancient city of Cologne. Transfer to your hotel. **(B)**



**COLOGNE**

**THURSDAY, DEC 18**

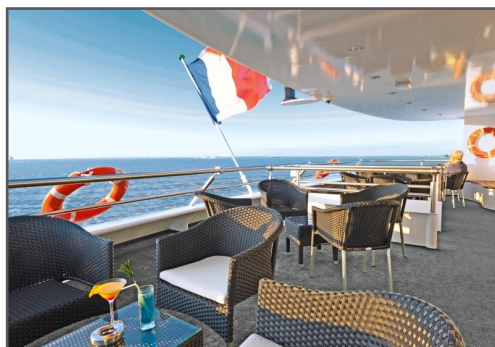
Known as "the City of Churches", Cologne dates back over 2,000 years. Enjoy an orientation tour of the city. Highlights include the Cologne Cathedral, the Roman Dionysus mosaic and the Old Town. The afternoon is free to further explore this amazing city and visit its many Christmas Markets full of holiday good cheer. In the evening regroup for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. **(B,D)**

**COLOGNE/FRANKFURT/NEW YORK**

**FRIDAY, DEC 19**

Bid farewell to Europe as you transfer to the Frankfurt airport for your flight back New York, arriving the same day. **(B)**

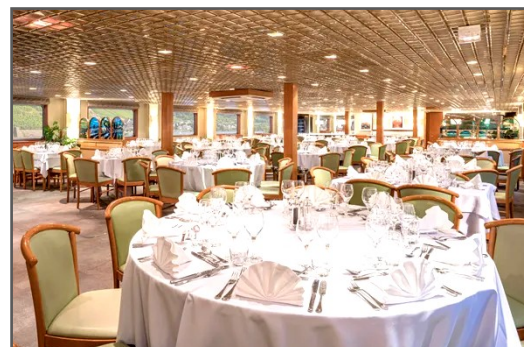
**(B) ~ Breakfast; (L) ~ Lunch  
(D) ~ Dinner; (SD) ~ Special Dinner**



**Sun Deck**



**Middle Deck Stateroom**



**Restaurant**

CABIN TYPE	NAWAS ALL INCLUSIVE PRICE PER PERSON FROM NEW YORK
Lower Deck (Outside stateroom w/ 2 lower beds & panoramic window)	<b>\$4779</b>
Middle Deck (Outside stateroom w/ 2 lower beds & panoramic sliding window)	<b>\$5029</b>
Upper Deck (Outside stateroom w/ 2 lower beds & French balcony window)	<b>\$5079</b>

All cabin categories are subject to availability and are offered on a first-come, first-served basis. Prices are per person, double occupancy. All prices listed above **INCLUDE** government taxes/airline surcharges of \$620 per person from both gateways, as of January 16, 2025.

## PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

Reservations may be secured upon payment of a deposit. Space is limited and offered on a first-come basis.

- A \$800 deposit is due with your reservation
- Final payment is due at NAWAS 140 days prior to departure date

## TOUR-SPECIFIC INFORMATION

For terms and conditions please visit:  
[www.nawas.com/terms-and-conditions2025](http://www.nawas.com/terms-and-conditions2025)

Taxes/Airline Surcharges: In effect on January 16, 2025.

Hotel Service Charges/Taxes: In effect on January 16, 2025 (excluding hotel tourist taxes).

Airfare: In effect on January 16, 2025.

Land Costs: Based on estimated 2025 tariffs, overseas government taxes and rates of exchange in effect on January 16, 2025 and a minimum of 32 or more participants per coach.

## About Luke Chandler's Tours

Luke Chandler has traveled extensively in Europe, the Bible Lands, and South America. He combines 30 years as a Bible teacher with experience from more than 20 international tours through Europe and Bible Lands plus 10 seasons of archaeological work. Luke holds an MA in Ancient & Classical History and is a professor of Biblical Studies and Archaeology at Florida College. Luke offers delightful, informative tours for Christians with beautiful destinations, comfortable accommodations, excellent food, and experiences that create lasting memories..

"Traveling with Luke is an enriching experience... Luke is so knowledgeable about all of the places visited, and he is a really personable tour leader who makes sure all of his travelers have a safe and exciting trip." - Dr. Norene MacDonald

"Traveling and touring with Luke Chandler was notable for both ease of arrangements and complete enjoyment of the cities and places on our itinerary. At each site, we were blessed to have Luke tell us the dramatic stories there... Every part of this tour - who and what we experienced: - remains vividly in our minds and hearts." - Linda Wade

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◆ **RESERVATION FORM** ◆

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**Bed configuration:**  Twin  Queen

**ACCOMMODATIONS DESIRED:**

- double room/cabin sharing with \_\_\_\_\_
- single room (*prices available upon request*)

**Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ as deposit (\$800 per person) for \_\_\_\_\_ person(s)**

**Cabin category desired on cruiseship:**

- 1st Choice \_\_\_\_\_
- 2nd Choice \_\_\_\_\_
- 3rd Choice \_\_\_\_\_

**Please include a clear photocopy of your Passport with this Reservation Form  
 Clearly print your full name (last/first/middle) as it appears on your passport:**

**Passenger #1**

**Name:**Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last \_\_\_\_\_  
 First \_\_\_\_\_  
 Middle \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gender: Please check  Male  Female

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Passport #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Issued:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date Expires:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(day/month/year) (day/month/year)

**Date of Birth:**     
MONTH DAY YEAR

**Place of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Country of Citizenship:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Passenger #2**

**Name:**Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last \_\_\_\_\_  
 First \_\_\_\_\_  
 Middle \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gender: Please check  Male  Female

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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 Signature Passenger # 1

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 Date

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 Signature Passenger # 2

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 Date