RIVER CRUISING

A Day in the Life: Crystal & Viking
U.S. River Cruise Options
River Cruising World Map
WHY RESERVE YOUR RIVER CRUISE WITH CRUISE SPECIALISTS?

For travelers seeking the perfect balance of value, quality, and distinctive cultural experiences, there is no better value than a river cruise. At Cruise Specialists, we raise the bar for our clients even further in several ways.

First, the complimentary personal service we have offered to ocean cruise clients for 30-plus years is also extended to our river cruise clients. We will do our very best to help you find a river cruise line that is the perfect fit for your preferences and budget.

Additionally, over the past several years, we have invested time ensuring our entire staff is well-versed in the evolving river cruise market. We meet personally with river cruise representatives to learn more about the unique features of each river cruise line. A number of our cruise consultants have taken river cruises, learning about popular river cruise destinations and gaining a better understanding of the activities available to river cruise clients.

Our complimentary amenities are another benefit of reserving your river cruise with Cruise Specialists. When you book with us, on select voyages you will reserve an amenity such as prepaid gratuities, shipboard credit, an exclusive Virtuoso host and welcome reception, or other special treats. We can tell you more when you contact us. We offer amenities such as these on the following river cruise lines:

- AmaWaterways
- Avalon Waterways
- Crystal River Cruises
- Tauck
- Uniworld Boutique River Cruise Collection
- Viking River Cruises

We look forward to providing you a wealth of options – and even better, narrowing down those choices to find you the ideal river cruise.

Sincerely,

Annie Scrivanich
Senior Vice President
Cruise Specialists
“Ama” is derived from the Latin word for “love” – and it permeates every aspect of what you can expect on an AmaWaterways voyage. Since 2002, they have expanded their global fleet to 20 ships, with river cruises in Europe, Asia and Africa, always on the lookout for new itineraries and enriching shore excursions. AmaWaterways was the first river cruise line to provide complimentary bicycles for guests and they have an extensive selection of guided hiking and biking tours for those who wish to be more active.

**Something Special:**
AmaWaterways received a spectacular honor from the Berlitz guides, with its ships receiving all 10 of the top 10 ship awards based on accommodations, dining, service and other miscellaneous onboard features.

“The world is your canvas” with Uniworld Boutique River Cruise Collection. Their custom boutique ships feature handcrafted furniture and carefully-curated artwork throughout each ship, including each stateroom and suite. Everything is included: all gratuities (both onshore and onboard), all scheduled airport transfers, unlimited beverages, shore excursions, bicycles and walking poles, shipwide Internet, and more.

**Something Special:**
Uniworld has a phrase for the little niceties that take your cruise from good to grand: Tiny Noticeable Touches – or TNTs for short. By getting to know you and your preferences, they’ll deliver an experience that is just the way you’d like it to be, right down to breakfast in bed with your coffee already prepared to your liking.
ONLY WITH CRYSTAL RIVER CRUISES WILL YOU ENJOY:

- All Inclusive: complimentary fine wines, premium spirits, authentic regional, local and seasonal wine and beer offerings, gratuities and more
- Crystal Complimentary Adventures™
- Limited-time Book Now Cruise-Only Fares
- Optional Personal Select Air Program available

On every Crystal River Cruise, guests enjoy one extra special event. Guests aboard Crystal Mozart are invited to a private art and classical music event at the Belvedere Palace in Vienna. Similar experiences are featured for guests aboard the other four Crystal River ships.
The river yachts of Crystal River Cruises offer the largest luxury suites, the highest staff-to-guest ratio and an unrivaled standard of state-of-the-art design and amenities as they traverse Europe’s waterways.

Guest suites are sanctuaries of refined elegance, filled with natural light and laden with creature comforts and the latest technologies. Every suite aboard Crystal Bach, Crystal Mahler, Crystal Debussy and Crystal Ravel features an expansive panoramic window, which opens from the top with the touch of a button, creating a French Balcony. Aboard Crystal Mozart, the spacious suites feature either a French Balcony or a large picture window. Venture out to discover expansive social spaces, boutique lounges, a spa and fitness center, and open decks that lead to an array of enchanting destinations, waiting to be explored.

Sample Itinerary
7-Day Legendary Rhine
Basel to Amsterdam
Crystal Debussy
Countries: Switzerland, Germany, Netherlands

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Day 2  Take a Crystal Complimentary Adventure from Kehl, Germany, to Strasbourg, France, the official seat of European Parliament. During this half-day adventure, enjoy a panoramic canal boat tour of the city before exploring its many highlights by foot, including the historic city center, called the Grand Île, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and majestic Strasbourg Cathedral. Or choose an optional, half-day trip to Baden-Baden, recognized for centuries for its ancient, curative mineral waters, and in modern times noted for its health spas and worldly lifestyle of its citizens.
Although you have dozens of choices for river cruises in Europe, at Cruise Specialists we can also help you select a river cruise from many other countries and regions around the world. Here’s a look at some of the most popular.
ALL THIS IS INCLUDED:

- One shore excursion in each port of call, led by a knowledgeable local guide
- All onboard meals featuring regional specialties made with locally sourced ingredients and always available American classics
- Wine, beer and sodas with onboard lunch and dinner
- Specialty coffees and teas available 24 hours
- Bottled water replenished daily
- Unlimited Wi-Fi
- All port charges & government taxes
- First-class hotels for overnight stays during cruisetours
- In-room infotainment system

Koblenz, Germany
EMBARK ON A JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY

Viking River Cruises®, The World’s Leading River Cruise Line®, offers destination-focused itineraries on the great rivers of Europe, Russia, Asia and Egypt. Enjoy exciting cities, culturally enriching experiences, regional cuisine and spacious accommodations on board elegant, state-of-the-art ships. Plus, with Viking®, all you need is covered in one inclusive cruise fare, so all you have to do is relax and enjoy a great journey.

Sample Itinerary
8-Day Rhine Getaway
Amsterdam to Basel (or reverse)
Countries: The Netherlands, Germany, France, Switzerland

Day 1  Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Day 2  Kinderdijk, The Netherlands
Day 3  Cologne, Germany
Day 4  Koblenz, Germany
Day 5  Heidelberg, Germany
Day 6  Strasbourg, France
Day 7  Breisach, Germany
Day 8  Basel, Switzerland

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Day 4  Proceed along the Rhine, disembarking to tour the 700-year-old Marksburg Castle. Alternately, choose an optional excursion that offers a tour of Ehrenbreitstein Fortress, or an optional guided exploration of Koblenz on foot. After, enjoy an onboard lunch as you cruise the scenic Middle Rhine, a UNESCO World Heritage site, with turreted castles and fortresses. Arrive in Rüdesheim in the late afternoon. Spend free time in the pedestrian-only Drosselgasse and sample a glass of locally-produced wine. Dine on board your ship, or in town if you prefer. You may also choose to experience one of Viking’s optional dinners on shore. Depart after midnight.
Scenic Luxury Cruises & Tours invites you to experience a truly all-inclusive lifestyle as you travel iconic waterways of the world. With Scenic, guests enjoy luxuriously-appointed suites with butler service, fine dining and complimentary beverages throughout the cruise, transfers and gratuities, a variety of types of excursions, and other luxury touches.

**Something Special:**
As part of Scenic's commitment to immersing you into the cultural traditions of Europe, they've introduced a new experience on all Scenic Space-Ships. Scenic Sundowners are exclusive cocktail receptions hosted at some of Europe's most majestic locations where you can toast the day's end and the beauty of the riverside destinations.

Avalon Waterways offers styles of river cruising allowing you to forge your own path. With river cruising's only Open-Air Balcony, these wall-to-wall, floor-to-ceiling windows open wider than any other in the industry. Whether you'd like a weeklong break from the every day, or an extended exploration, Avalon Waterways allows you to choose the river cruise revealing the best of Europe, Asia or South America.

**Something Special:**
During new Active Discovery Cruises on the Danube and Rhine, there is something special for travelers with varying interests and fitness levels. On these voyages, you have more time with locals to learn about traditions and culture with hands-on activities. Take a bike tour along the Rhine, a running tour through Amsterdam, try a painting class or dress up in Roman attire at a Roman Clothes Workshop – as just a few examples.

The magic of Tauck's award-winning European river cruises lies in more than just the riverboat you're aboard or the landmarks you'll visit. There's a club-like atmosphere and personalized service, along with uncommon access to local culture and exclusive destination experiences you just can't get on your own. Virtually every river cruise expense is included – shore excursions, unlimited complimentary beverages onboard, so much that most clients say they feel like they got what they paid for, and then some.

**Something Special:**
It's easy to see the sights, but Tauck goes deeper. Their guides love showing guests their favorite hidden gems, and with the uncommon access provided by Tauck, you’ll feel as though you’ve been invited by royalty when you step into a real palace for dinner, or attend an interactive traditional Slovakian wedding celebration. As one Tauck representative says, “If you're settling for ordinary, you're just a tourist.”
American Queen Steamboat Company has elevated U.S. river cruising with the first all-suite U.S. paddlewheeler, also featuring spacious Loft Suites, aboard the new American Duchess. She follows in the pedigree of the line’s namesake, American Queen, with itineraries on the Mississippi and its tributaries. The third ship in the fleet, American Empress, follows the trail of Lewis and Clark throughout the Pacific Northwest.

**Something Special:**
Enjoy wine and beer with dinner, specialty coffees, and shore excursions in each port. For an in-depth experience covering a particular passion, ask about themed voyages, such as a Kentucky Derby cruise along the Ohio River (with an optional package that takes you right to Churchill Downs); a Pacific Northwest Vineyards cruise; Big Band; Autumn Colors; and other fascinating options.

This new entrant to the U.S. River Cruise market is backed by a highly-experienced team of river cruise and rail travel executives. Its sole ship, the Louisiane, specializes in American cruises with a sophisticated French flair. Fares include a pre-cruise deluxe hotel stay, breakfast and transfers to the ship on sailing day; shore excursions; bicycles for usage; free-flowing alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages; complimentary WiFi where available; and more.

**Something Special:**
French America Line lives up to its name with an array of luxurious amenities sure to delight guests, including Hermès® bath amenities in all suites or L’Occitane en Provence® amenities in staterooms. Vosges Haut-Chocolat® indulgent chocolate petites are placed on your pillow each night, and you’re greeted on board the first day with sweet Parisian macarons. Additional luxe touches abound.
Get to know the 5 river ships of Crystal Cruises

CRISTAL MOZART
Debuted: 2016
Guests: 158
River: Danube
Sample voyages:
• 10 or 11-Day Roundtrip Vienna
• 7-Day Vienna to Budapest (or reverse)

CRISTAL BACH
Debuted: August 2017
Guests: 106
River: Rhine
Sample voyages:
• 14-Day Amsterdam to Frankfurt (or reverse)
• 10-Day Amsterdam to Basel (or reverse)
• 12-Day Roundtrip Amsterdam

CRISTAL MAHLER
Debut: September 2017
Guests: 106
Rivers: Rhine, Main, Danube
Sample voyages:
• 16-Day Amsterdam to Budapest (or reverse)
• 9-Day Nuremberg to Budapest (or reverse)
• 7-Day Vienna to Budapest (or reverse)

CRISTAL DEBUSSY
Debut: April 2018
Guests: 106
Rivers: Rhine, Moselle
Sample voyages:
• 7-Day Roundtrip Amsterdam
• 7-Day Basel to Amsterdam
• 10-Day Amsterdam to Basel

CRISTAL RAVEL
Debut: May 2018
Guests: 106
Rivers: Rhine, Moselle, Main, Danube
Sample voyages:
• 14-Day Basel to Vienna (or reverse)
• 7-Day Vienna to Budapest (or reverse)

Crystal River Cruises on all ships are now open through December 2019. Popular voyages sell out quickly, so contact us soon with any questions and to begin planning your journey!