

# **INCLUDED FEATURES**

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

(With baggage handling.)

- Unpack once to enjoy seven nights aboard the exclusively chartered, first-class MS Amadeus Silver.

#### **TRANSFERS**

- Deluxe motor coach transfers in the Cruise Program and baggage handling.

#### **EXTENSIVE MEAL PROGRAM**

- Seven breakfasts, six lunches and seven dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with lunch and dinner.

#### YOUR ONE-OF-A-KIND JOURNEY

- Discovery excursions, including a choice of **PERSONALIZE YOUR CRUISE** options, highlight the local culture, heritage and history.
- An expert-led Enrichment program enhances your insight into the region.
- Free time to pursue your own interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- Clearly hear your English-speaking guide with your VOX headset.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.

#### **ITINERARY**

- Day 1 Depart gateway city\*
- Dav 2 Arrive in Frankfurt | Transfer to MS Amadeus Silver in Cologne
- Day 3 Cologne
- Day 4 Koblenz | Rhine Gorge
- Day 5 Miltenberg
- Day 6 Würzburg | Rothenburg
- Day 7 Bamberg
- Day 8 Nuremberg
- Day 9 Disembark ship | Transfer to Munich<sup>+</sup> and depart for gateway city

★Flights and transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions. Excursions often require walking on cobblestones, unpaved paths or other uneven surfaces.



#### **NO SINGLE** SUPPLEMENT JOURNEY for Solo Travelers

# Holiday Markets

# Cologne to Nuremberg

RIVER

# **Inspiring Moments**

- Relax on deck as the river's stunning scenery unfolds around you, vistas of clifftop castles, charming villages and rolling, verdant hills.
- ► Wander the festive holiday markets and savor the tantalizing aromas of mulled wine and gingerbread.
- Admire the quaint timbered homes and cobbled streets of medieval towns along the Romantic Road.
- Gaze upward at the magnificent soaring spires of Germany's largest cathedral in Cologne.
- ► Experience four UNESCO World Heritage sites.



Gingerbread hearts



# DISCOVERY

**Holiday Markets.** During Advent, veritable villages of wooden kiosks festooned with fresh pine branches, red ribbons and cheerful lights spring up in town squares across Germany. The aromas from bratwurst, fresh-baked pastries and simmering glühwein mix with the laughter of locals and tourists enjoying age-old Yuletide traditions. Experience this magical merriment at holiday markets throughout your journey.

**Koblenz.** Stroll through this beautiful city where the Moselle and Rhine rivers meet. See the town hall's fountain; the Church of Our Lady with a Gothic choir and baroque towers; the Old Castle and the Old Merchant's Hall.

**Miltenberg.** Take a guided walk through this very picturesque town, home to a 13th-century castle, a 16th-century fountain and timber-frame houses that line the winding, cobbled streets.

#### Rothenburg and the Romantic Road.

The Romantic Road connects scenic towns among southern Germany's forests and mountains. In pretty Rothenburg, be transported to the Middle Ages as you explore this superbly preserved fortified city.

**Würzburg.** Visit the stately Würzburg Residence, one of Europe's finest palaces. A team of leading architects, painters and builders built the enormous Baroque structure, decorated its lavish interior and laid out its elegant formal gardens. Continue to Würzburg's historic city center for a guided walking tour.

Choose from a selection of **PERSONALIZE YOUR CRUISE** excursions in these cities:

#### Cologne

Cologne Cathedral Walking Tour Jewish Heritage Walk

#### Bamberg

Bamberg Walking Tour Bamberg's Culinary Delights

#### Nuremberg

Nuremberg Sightseeing Nuremberg Historical Tour

#### **ENRICHMENT**

**Tradition of the Holiday Markets.** From Christmas trees to booths selling festive decorations and gifts, holiday customs abound in Germany. Learn how Advent is celebrated in Germany and delve into the rich history of the markets.



### **AHI Travel Expertise**

**Passenger Service Representative** | Helps with everything from arranging flights to fulfilling special requests.

**Travel Director** | Manages all details to ensure a memorable trip.

**Travel information** | Prepares you fully for your journey.

**Expert local guides** | Provide friendly, knowledgeable service.

**Lecturers** | Share their knowledge of and passion for their country.



## ACCOMMODATIONS

#### **MS Amadeus Silver**

http://bit.ly/AmadeusSilver

The state-of-the-art MS Amadeus Silver offers the utmost in service, safety and comfort. Step into the elegant reception area and immerse yourself in an ambience reminiscent of a high-end hotel. Savor international cuisine during breakfast and lunch buffets, and enjoy regional specialties served with wine at lunch and dinner.



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# **ELECTIVE EXTENSION**

Sometimes you want a more in-depth experience to take you further afield. That's why we have designed an extension to allow you to craft your individual travel experience.

**Munich.** Enjoy three extra nights in cosmopolitan Munich at the centrally located Hotel Bayerischer Hof. Take a scenic tour of the city's highlights and explore on your own. Journey to Hohenschwangau and Neuschwanstein, two fanciful mountaintop castles, and marvel at King Ludwig II's ornate rooms.

Elective experiences available at an additional cost

# **UNESCO World Heritage**

- 1. Cologne Cathedral
- 2. Upper Middle Rhine Valley
- 3. Würzburg Residence with the Court Gardens and Residence Square
- 4. Town of Bamberg

# Let us arrange your flights!

★**AHI FlexAir** | Our personalized air program offers incredible advantages:

- price guarantee
- arrival and departure transfers
- flexibility to change or cancel
- discounted upgrades
- assistance with changes or delays
- flight insurance



Miltenberg