



FRANCE

PANACHE - ALSACE & LORRAINE CRUISE (TOUR CODE: 11858)

STARTS AND ENDS

in Strasbourg

TRAVEL PERIODS

25 May 25 - 14 Dec 25

EXPERIENCE

Food & Wine
Cultural

TRAVEL STYLE

Cruise

Journey through Alsace & Lorraine to appreciate the very best of the region, pass storybook villages and experience the famous boat elevator

Highlights

- Explore the **Route des Vins d'Alsace** with a private wine tasting
- **Candlelit meal** whilst cruising through the Arzviller tunnels
- Explore the spectacular **René Lalique Collection**, showcasing exquisite glasswork, jewelry, and art pieces created by the renowned French designer René Lalique
- Visit **Strasbourg** and its Gothic cathedral
- Experience an ascent or descent of the **unique Arzviller boat elevator**
- Along the route, enjoy excellent towpath for walking

Panache is a hotel barge that has been fitted out in traditional yacht style with brass and mahogany fittings in the spacious public areas and very comfortable cabin accommodation. In the saloon the panoramic windows let in plenty of natural light, and the tempting cocktail bar and comfortable leather sofas are enhanced by polished hardwood flooring.

In the Summer and Autumn, Panache cruises the beautiful and varied waterways of **Alsace & Lorraine**, a region of France offering a unique mix of French and German cultures, history and local gastronomy.



INCLUSIONS

- 6 nights onboard the Hotel Barge Panache in a Stateroom
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily prepared by your chef
- Crew of 5 (Captain, tour guide, chef and 2 hostesses)
- Captains farewell dinner on your last night
- Selection of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages
- Transfers by an air-conditioned minivan
- Excursions as per itinerary
- Use of barge facilities

ITINERARY

Deck Hotel Barge Panache

Deluxe | 12 Passengers | 6 Crew

- 128 Feet Long
- 6 Twin/Double Junior Suites (150sq ft incl. en suite)
- Air-Conditioned / Centrally Heated
- Spa Pool
- TV / DVD in Cabins



Day **1** Strasbourg Kraft

Guests are met in Strasbourg* and transferred by private chauffeured minibus to Panache for a **champagne welcome** and the first opportunity to meet your crew. Perhaps there is time for a walk or cycle ride before dinner on board.

Overnight stay onboard **Hotel Barge Panache** in a Junior Suite.

Selection of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages included.

Dinner



Day **2** Kraft Strasbourg

Your day starts with a morning cruise, past the Gran Ried wetlands and on to your mooring at the historic city of **Strasbourg**. Later, enjoy a tour of the beautiful 'capital city of Europe' including, of course, a **visit to the 12th century**

Gothic pink sandstone cathedral, home to an astronomical Renaissance clock and soaring spire. You will **visit Place Gutenberg and explore La Petite France**, a pedestrian area brimming with half-timbered houses, boutique shops and cafés. Dinner on board.

Overnight stay onboard **Hotel Barge Panache** in a Junior Suite.

Selection of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages included.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day **3**

Strasbourg Waltenheim-sur-Zorn

After breakfast, your cruise takes you past the impressive **European Parliament building** on the outskirts of Strasbourg and on through the Brumath Forest to our picturesque mooring at **Waltenheim-sur-Zorn**.

This afternoon, enjoy a scenic drive into the rolling Vosges hills on the Route des **Vins d'Alsace**, where the finest wines of Alsace are produced, and a private tasting of Gewürztraminer, Pinot Noir and Riesling wines at the long-established family-owned winemaker, Domaine Lissner. Dinner ashore this evening at a traditional Alsatian restaurant.

Overnight stay onboard **Hotel Barge Panache** in a Junior Suite.

Selection of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages included.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day **4**

Waltenheim-sur-Zorn Saverne

This morning, Panache cruises further along the canal, with good walking and cycling opportunities, to the enchanting town of **Saverne** where history traces back over 2,000 years to the Gallo-Roman Times, mooring at the foot of the Château de Rohan, also known as the '**Versailles of Alsace**'. You will have a **walking tour** of the town and drive up to Château Haut-Barr to enjoy the wonderful views. Dinner on board.

Overnight stay onboard **Hotel Barge Panache** in a Junior Suite.

Selection of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages included.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day **5**

Saverne Lutzelbourg

This morning, perhaps after a visit to Saverne's market, enjoy a cruise to our mooring in the picture postcard village of **Lutzelbourg**, surrounded by hills and overlooked by the ruins of the medieval castle.

In the afternoon, visit the mountaintop town of **La Petite Pierre**, then tour the outstanding René Lalique collection and see over 500 exceptional examples of Art Nouveau and Art Deco glassware. Nearby Wingen-sur-Moder is also the World War Two battleground where American infantry fought with distinction. Before dinner on board, time for aperitifs and perhaps some traditional Alsatian 'Flammekueche' prepared by your chef.

Overnight stay onboard **Hotel Barge Panache** in a Junior Suite.

Selection of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages included.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day **6**

Lutzelbourg Niderviller

For early risers, there is an optional visit to a local bakery to watch skilled patissiers preparing their delicious creations, before you cruise through beautiful Alsatian countryside, stopping to see artisan glassblowers en route. Then ascend the unique **Arzviller boat elevator** that carries Panache 450 feet up the mountainside in minutes and enjoy a candlelit cruise through the two Arzviller tunnels to our final mooring at **Niderviller**.

After lunch on board, set off on a **tour of Sarrebourg**, including visits to the 13th century chapel containing Marc Chagall's remarkable stained-glass window and the impressive museum of Roman and Medieval artefacts. **Captain's Farewell Dinner** on board.

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Selection of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages included.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



ARZVILLER BOAT ELEVATOR

Day **7**

Niderviller Strasbourg

After breakfast, guests are transferred by private chauffeured minibus to their choice of location in Strasbourg.

Breakfast



STRASBOURG

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

French

LOCAL CURRENCY

EUR

Departure Dates and Pricing:

2025 Cruise Rates

Rates are for 6 nights either: per person based on double occupancy per cabin or on a whole barge charter basis. Prices below are in Euros.

| Accommodation | Value | Regular |
|--|---------|----------------------------|
| Junior Suite | €6,450 | €7,490 |
| Single Supplement | €2,400 | €2,700 |
| Charter (Whole Barge) | | |
| Charter 8 passengers | €62,500 | €72,100 |
| Charter 9 passengers | €64,600 | €74,500 |
| Charter 10 passengers | €66,400 | €76,500 |
| Charter 11 passengers | €68,200 | €78,500 |
| Charter 12 passengers | €70,000 | €80,500 |
| Departure Dates (Sunday) | Rates | Cruise Region |
| May 25; Jun 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; Jul 6, 13 | Regular | France - Alsace & Lorraine |
| Jul 20, 27; Aug 3, 10, 17 | Value | France - Alsace & Lorraine |
| Aug 24, 31; Sep 7, 14, 21, 28; Oct 5, 12 | Regular | France - Alsace & Lorraine |
| 46314 | Value | France - Alsace & Lorraine |
| Nov 30; Dec 7, 14 | Regular | France - Alsace & Lorraine |

- This is a sample itinerary and is subject to change. On alternate weeks, the cruise will be in the reverse direction.
- This barge is available for charter bookings and theme cruises. Contact us for more details.
- Please note that Regent Petite France Hotel cannot hold luggage for non-residents.
- Transfers on Panache for cabin bookings are approximately 1 hour.

Pick-up Point

- Cabin bookings - Guests choice of location in Strasbourg between 4:00 pm and 4:30 pm
- Charter bookings - On a request basis to be agreed prior to booking: One location of the group's choice in Strasbourg starting from 4:00 pm.

Drop-off Point

- Cabin bookings - Guests choice of location in Strasbourg by 10:00 am
- Charter bookings - On a request basis to be agreed prior to booking: One location of the group's choice in Strasbourg by 10:00 am.

Booking / Payment Process

- On our website the Barge Cruise prices are show in Euros
- All payments will be made to us in Australian Dollars
- The current exchange rate will be used at the time of deposit and balance
- Our invoice will make this clear and our team is here to assist you

Supplier Booking Conditions Apply

Due to the boutique nature and limited capacity of this travel experience, under our Bookings Conditions this package classifies as "Booking Type 2 – Travel Experience where we act as agent only". Your contract for the delivery of travel arrangements will be with the principal supplier and will be subject to their Booking Conditions. We will advise you prior to confirming your booking the full details and Booking Conditions of the principal supplier. Our responsibility to you where we sell travel arrangements as agent for the supplier is specified in the 'Responsibility' section of our Booking Conditions.

Blackout dates may apply during festive season.

Excluded

- International airfares and taxes

- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.),
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package