

2025 Romantic Rhine River Cruise with Swiss Alps & Lake Como October 9-21, 2025

Our Rhine River Cruise getaway for 2025 will deliver you History, Castles, and Cathedrals. Explore one of Europe's best-loved rivers, the Rhine. Discover the turreted fortresses, grand cathedrals, historic cities, medieval towns and spectacular scenery of the Middle Rhine, which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Sip the region's renowned white wines, the roots of its terraced vineyards reaching back to Roman times. Savor the various culinary traditions of Alsace. Before we sail, we'll get an exclusive land touring experience starting in Lake Como Italy, with its mediterranean climate and breathtaking mountain lake views. Then, before we board our cruise ship, a little taste of the Swiss Alps and Lucerne. A breathtaking view of these magnificent mountains from Mount Pilatus, and a visit of the Historic Lucerne Bridge and Heart of a Lion. Then it's cruising time as we sail from Basel, Switzerland to Amsterdam, Holland. A journey rich in landscape, beauty, and culture. During the cruise, you'll have an inclusive, destination-focused experience, with complimentary shore excursions at every port of call, enrichment lectures and destination performances, food and drinks that represent the culture and region, all onboard a luxurious ship with only 166 guests. This is a once in a lifetime experience, and it's all-included on our special departure. Your package includes the 3-night stay in Lake Como, a 1-night stay in Lucerne, and your 7-night Rhine Cruise. Along with your trip being hosted with a MSSU Southern Safari Representative, and travel arrangements managed by Alumni Ken Mayer with GalaxSea Cruises & Tours. It is with great pleasure we say Willkommen an Bord!

Southern Safari Group Package Includes:

Transportation from MSSU to departure airport
Roundtrip Air Transportation (coach seating) and all ground transfers in Europe
3-night hotel stay in Lake Como (pre-cruise); and 1-night stay in Lucerne (pre-cruise)
(7) Night Rhine Cruise onboard the Avalon Envision
Included Shore Excursions during the River Cruise
Sightseeing during the Land Touring stays
Onboard ship meals, including regional specialties
24-hour Specialty Coffee, Teas, & Bottled Water
Beer, Wine, and Soft Drinks with your shipboard meals
Enrichment Lectures & Destination Performances
Panoramic View Suites available on this sailing
Free Onboard Wi-fi; Taxes, Fees, and Gratuities Included

Payment Schedule:

Your deposit is \$1000 per person, at time of joining, plus travel insurance costs. Another payment installment of \$1000 per person will be due in April. Your final balance will be due by July 7, 2025. **Contact Ken Mayer @ GalaxSea Cruises & Tours, before the cruise space sells out!**



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Southern Safari Package prices / room options

rates are per person, based on double occupancy

Standard room, room Category E or D \$6687 per person Panorama Suite, room Category B \$8236 per person Panorama Suite, room Category A \$8336 per person Panorama Suite, room Category P \$8386 per person

For single pricing, please call 417-451-5468

Not included are: passport fees; meals and beverages not listed or those that are not included on the cruise; additional sightseeing not included with the itinerary or cruise; airline seating upgrades; travel insurance; tipping outside the cruise; and any souvenirs/items of personal nature. Most airlines include 1 check-in bag for free, and 1 carry-on bag, per person. Any excess luggage or excess weight may have a charge.

Summary of travel itinerary

Thursday, October 9th Travel to Lake Como, overnight flight (flight schedules TBA).

Friday, October 10th Flight arrival in Milan, Italy. Transfer to Lake Como hotel, overnight

Saturday, October 11th Lake Como walking tour, and Lake Como Boat ride, overnight again same hotel.

Sunday, October 12th Day at leisure in Lake Como, overnight same hotel.

Monday, October 13th Travel to Lucerne, Switzerland, enjoy a guided walking tour, overnight Lucerne.

Tuesday, October 14th Excursion to Mt. Pilatus, then onboard your Suite Ship in Basel, Switzerland (cruise begins)

Wednesday, October 15th

Thursday, October 16th

Friday, October 17th

Breisach, Germany with excursions to Black Forest.

Strasbourg, France. Included sightseeing with Avalon.

Mainz, Germany with excursions to Heidelberg Castle.

Saturday, October 18th Rudesheim & Scenic Rhine Gorge Cruising, and overnight in Koblenz.

Sunday, October 19th Cologne, Germany. Included sightseeing with Avalon.

Monday, October 20th Amsterdam, Holland. Included sightseeing with Avalon.

Tuesday, October 21st Depart ship, and return back home (flight schedules TBA).

For more details on each day, please see the Avalon River Cruise Travel Packet

Airline Flights

By traveling with our group from Joplin, your airport transportation and airfare is included in the costs. If you need to travel from another city, please contact GalaxSea to make those arrangements. Our pricing includes the air travel in coach/main cabin seating, but there are some upgrading options. Please make your seating requests asap, so those arrangements can be secured. While pricing for air tickets changes constantly, we would estimate the following upgrade costs:

Extra legroom coach seating is approximately \$1500 per person additional

Premium Economy seating is approximately \$3500 per person additional.

Business Class seating will be approximately \$6500 per person additional.

Select your requests on the reservation form, or contact GalaxSea for more details.

How Do you Sign Up?

Reservations are being accepted now and are sold first-come, first-served. Space is limited. On these river cruises there isn't a block of rooms for us to sell, all of the rooms are open to everyone, everywhere. Please book your room soon to secure your space. Check, cash, or most major credit cards are accepted for your initial non-refundable deposit of \$1000 per person, plus travel insurance. Passport names are required, along with date of birth, telephone number, and mailing address. For your convenience, a reservation form is enclosed for you to complete and send with your payment. You may also copy this flyer for other persons you may know who are interested. An online reservation form is also available, and a website page of this information. Additional payment installments of \$1000 per person are due in April (2025). Your final balance will be due by July 1, 2025.

Travel Insurance:

Travel insurance costs will vary on this trip as there could be different programs to consider for you. Because your initial deposit is non-refundable, we encourage you to consider adding insurance soon. We will provide you a quote or quote options that would be the best fit for your package.

Passport Requirements:

You must have a valid passport for this cruise. If you do not have a passport, please plan to get one soon. If you already have a passport, please make sure it will not expire prior to March 22, 2026. If you are not a US Citizen, please contact GalaxSea Cruises & Tours for the required documents.

Need More Information:

If you have further questions or concerns, please contact Ken Mayer with GalaxSea @ ken@galaxseaonline.com. You can also call his office at 417-451-5468. You can contact Melissa Thompson-Holt with Missouri Southern at Holtnance-M@mssu.edu. Don't forget to share this information with your friends, and if you aren't following us on Facebook yet, please like our page at facebook.com/galaxseacruises

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Cancellation Penalties/Fees:

After deposit Deposit is non-refundable

After June 14, 2024 35% of total, plus any non-refundable services
After July 9, 2024 50% of total, plus any non-refundable services
After August 9, 2024 80% of total, plus any non-refundable services

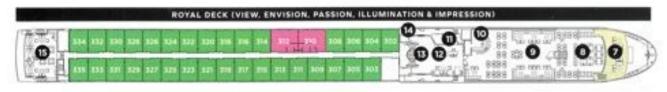
After September 9, 2024 Full Penalty

Travel Protection Insurance is available for purchase on your package. Cancellation fees are charged regardless of your reason to cancel. We suggest you purchase a premium soon. A customized insurance quote will be provided to you within 7 days of your deposit so you can understand your options. Whatever policy you choose, coverage will not go into effect until your premium is paid. Once purchased this premium is non-refundable. We will be in touch with you to make sure you have the best insurance plan for your vacation, shortly after receiving your reservation deposit.

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> Passengers: 166 | Crew Members: 47 | Length: 443 ft. | Decks: 4 Royal Suites: 2 (300 sq. ft.) | Panorama Suites^{su.} 65 (200 sq. ft.) | Deluxe Staterooms: 16 (172 sq. ft.)







DECK PLAN

- Observation Lounge
- Panorama Bistro
- 9 Panorama Lounge
- 10 Bor
- 11 Guest Services
- 12 Adventure Center
- 13 Lobby
- 14 Elevator

CATEGORIES

- WAL BUILT Royal Deck | Royal Suites
- CAT P Royal Deck | Panarama Suites
- CAT. A Sopphire Deck Forward | Panarama Suites
- GATAS Sapphice Deck Aft | Panarama Suites
- Indigo Deck Aft | Deluxe Staterooms
- CAT. E Indigo Deck Forward | Deluxe Staterooms

ROYAL SUITES

300 SQ. FT.



PANORAMA SUITESSM

200 SQ. FT.



DELUXE STATEROOMS

15 CubLourge

17 Panarama Dining

18 Fitness Center

16 Galley

Room

172 SQ. FT.



Southern Safari 2025 Rhine River Cruise

RESERVATION FORM

Passenger Name(s) (Name spelling should match your passport)	Date of Birth	Gende	er Daytime Telepho	ne
1				
2				
Mailing Address:				
Home Phone:Work F	Phone:	Ce	II Phone:	
Email Address:			Home or Work	
Room type/category Requested		Air Cit	y if not with Group	
Are you sharing your room with anyone not li	sted above?			
Do you wish to upgrade your airline seating?	YES	NO		
Extra Legroom Coach	Premium E	conomy	Business Clas	S
Travel Insurance (Yes or No)				
Deposit Amount Enclosed: Deposit (\$100	00 per person)			
Total	Enclosed			
Please make c	hecks payable to	GalaxSea Cru	ises & Tours.	
OR CHARGE TO YOUR CREDIT CARD:				
Credit Card Number:		Sec Code	Expiration	
Name on Card: Signature:				
Credit Card Billing Address:				
ANY	' SPECIAL REQU	ESTS OR NEE	DS	

Please complete form and send to GalaxSea Cruises & Tours