



Cruises and Tours for the Deaf

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Christmas Market Land & River Cruise

December 2-13, 2022

Switzerland - Germany - France - The Netherlands

Including Sign Language Interpreter Service

Dec 2 ZURICH, SWITZERLAND

Arrive in Zurich and check-in to your hotel. The remainder of the day is free.

Dec 3 ZURICH, SWITZERLAND

Set alongside a gleaming lake and framed by the Alps, Zurich seamlessly blends its historic past with its progressive future-all of which will be on full display during your walking tour. See Grossmünster Abbey; St. Peter, which boasts the world's largest church clock face; Old Town; Town Hall; and Fraumünster Abbey. Experience the magic of Zurich dressed in her holiday best. Visit Zurich's Christmas Markets, including the largest indoor Christmas Market in Europe located in Zurich's Main Train Station. An absolute highlight is a 50-foot-tall Christmas tree decorated with thousands of sparkling Swarovski crystals. (B)

Dec 4 ZURICH - LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

Check out of your hotel for a scenic drive past three lakes before reaching Vitznau. Upon arrival, enjoy a cruise across the tranquil waters of Lake Lucerne. Afterwards, check into your hotel. (B)

Dec 5 LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

Take a walking tour of Lucerne soaking up the festive atmosphere of this medieval gem. The iconic Lion Monument, which you'll visit was sculpted in memory for the Swiss Guards massacred during the French Revolution in 1792. It has captured the hearts and minds of visitors for centuries, including Mark Twain who praised it as "the most mournful and moving piece of stone in the world." You'll also visit the spectacular medieval walls and towers, dating back to the 13th century. Located around the Musegg Wall area, the towers rise high over the city, giving great panoramic views of Lucerne, the Reuss River and the surrounding mountain scenery. There are a total of nine towers, including one featuring the oldest clock in the city. Afterwards, soak up the festive atmosphere of this medieval gem wandering through its Christmas Market located at the Franziskanerplatz and enjoy the festive atmosphere with a mug of holiday cheer, Glühwein. (B)

Dec 6 LUCERNE - BASEL - EMBARKATION

Check out of your hotel and head to Basel. Before boarding the ship, you'll go on a highlights tour of the city. One of Switzerland's most cosmopolitan cities, Basel is home to 40 museums (the highest concentration in the nation), a picturesque Old Town and richly decorated Market Square, a 500-year-old Rathaus (town hall) and Switzerland's oldest zoo (built in 1870 and home to 600 animal species and exotic flora). (B,D)

Dec 7 BREISACH, GERMANY

Visit the enchanting Alsatian town of Riquewihr beautifully dressed in her holiday finery with twinkling decorations and a lively Christmas Market. On your walking tour, admire historical architecture, as well as famous sights, such as the Dolder Gate. (B,L,D)

Dec 8 STRASBOURG, FRANCE

Strasbourg is even more alluring during the season of Advent. The Christkindelsmarkt dates back to 1570, making it the oldest Christmas Market in France. Enjoy a panoramic bus tour that takes you past the Parc de l'Orangerie, the European Parliament and the Place de la République. Afterwards, walk through the historic town center on the Grande Ile, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and through the lovely "La Petite France" district, where you will see the Cathédrale de Notre Dame with its famous astronomical clock and then visit the town's famous Christmas Market. You can also choose to explore Strasbourg's different districts by bicycle. During the afternoon, visit Gengenbach Christmas Market where every year the locals countdown to Christmas with a 24-day, larger-than-life Advent calendar. (B,L,D)

Dec 9 LUDWIGSHAFEN, GERMANY - RUESDESHEIM

Visit Heidelberg, a city that will capture your heart with its mighty castle and historic university. While here, wander along one of Europe's longest pedestrian shopping streets, the Hauptstrasse, soaking up the Yuletide celebrations at the town's Christmas Markets. Later in the day, sail to Ruedesheim where you can taste one of the town's special delights, Ruedesheimer Coffee, ceremoniously made with brandy. (B,L,D)

Dec 10 RUEDESHEIM - RHINE GORGE, GERMANY

Your exploration of Ruedesheim continues with your choice of two excursions. Take a gondola ride to the Niederwalddenkmal Statue, where you can enjoy panoramic views of the river. Afterwards, indulge your taste buds with a sampling of Riesling wines in the vineyards. Alternatively, you can join a guided bike ride through the town and along the Rhine River to Schloss Johannisberg. During the afternoon, set sail along the scenic Rhine River Gorge with its fabled legends and many castles. (B,L,D)

Dec 11 COLOGNE, GERMANY

Join a guided tour through the enchanting Old Town. Explore the UNESCO-designated cathedral and then visit one of Europe's largest and most renowned Christmas Markets located in front of the cathedral. Alternatively, ride a bike along the Rhine and through the historic Stadtgarten; or visit a local tavern to taste Cologne's traditional Koelsch beer and Reibekuchen-potato pancakes served with apple sauce. (B,L,D)

Dec 12 AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS

Cruise the iconic canals of Amsterdam, considered the "Venice of the North" and admire the historic architecture along the way. Then, taste local specialties at one of Amsterdam's grand cafes. (B,L,D)

Dec 13 AMSTERDAM - DISEMBARKATION, THE NETHERLANDS

Bid Farewell to Amsterdam and prepare for your homeward flight. (B)

B - Breakfast, L - Lunch, D - Dinner

**ONLY 2 SPACES LEFT DOUBLE OCCUPANCY
AND
1 SPACE LEFT FOR A MALE TRAVEL COMPANION**

Land & River Cruise Category E*	Fixed Window, 160 sq. ft.	SOLD OUT
Land & River Cruise Category D*	Fixed Window, 160 sq. ft.	SOLD OUT
Land & River Cruise Category C	French Balcony, 170 sq. ft.	\$6,408.00
Land & River Cruise Category BB	French & Outside Balcony, 210 sq. ft.	SOLD OUT
Land & River Cruise Category BA	French & Outside Balcony, 210 sq. ft.	SOLD OUT
Land & River Cruise Category AB	French & Outside Balcony, 235 sq. ft.	SOLD OUT
Land & River Cruise Category AA	French & Outside Balcony, 235 sq. ft.	SOLD OUT
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Land and & River Cruise Category Suite	French & Outside Balcony, 300 sq. ft.	SOLD OUT

*close to the water line, steep staircase with no elevator access

All prices are based on double occupancy. Prices and itinerary are subject to change at any time without prior notification. Prices do not include travel insurance, tips, round trip air from the U.S. etc. The full deposit payment of \$450 per person is due NOW in order to make a firm reservation. Flight arrangements are offered by AMAWATERWAYS and can be booked through Kerstin's Deaf Travel. A passport, valid for 6 months beyond the completion date of your travel and an ETA are required. Appropriate physical fitness is required since the tour includes walking at each stop. Minimum group size: 20 guests, maximum group size: approx. 40 guests.

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