Rhine & Moselle Splendors

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Overview

- This is a wonderful cruise on the Moselle and Rhine Rivers.
- This route has 4 great fairytale villages—Bernkastel, Cochem, Rüdesheim and Riquewihr—you will just be enchanted by their charm and uniqueness!
- You will enjoy great wines from Germany's Rheingau and Moselle valleys.
- The cruise starts in the oldest town in Germany, Trier, and ends in Basel, Switzerland.
- There are optional pre/post tours. The pre tour is Paris (including a stop in Luxembourg) (3 nights); and the post tour is 2 nights in Lucerne and 2 nights in Zurich.

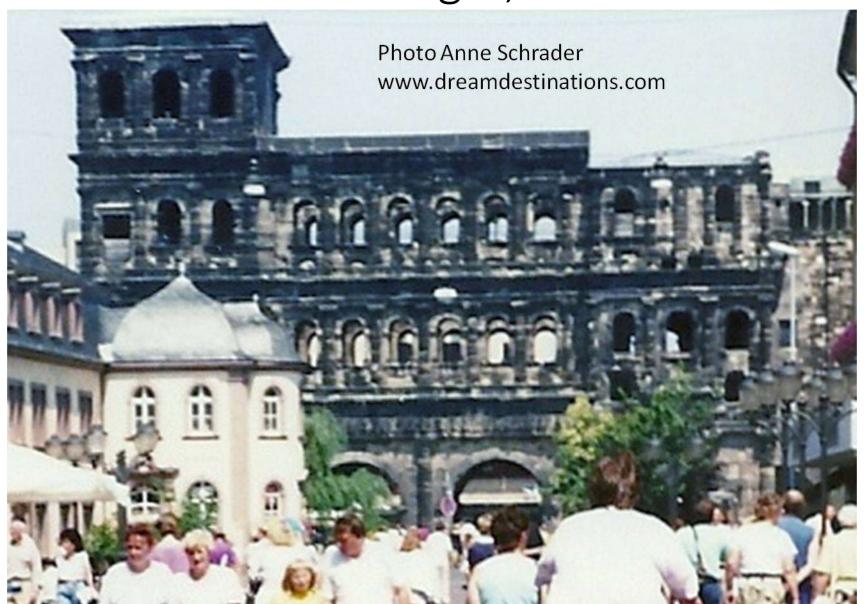
Map of the Route



TRIER & BERNKASTEL

- "Rome of the North Tour" of Trier
- Or Petrisberg Hike
- Sail to Bernkastel
- Walking Tour and wine tasting
- Or Landshut Castle Tour

Porta Nigra, Trier



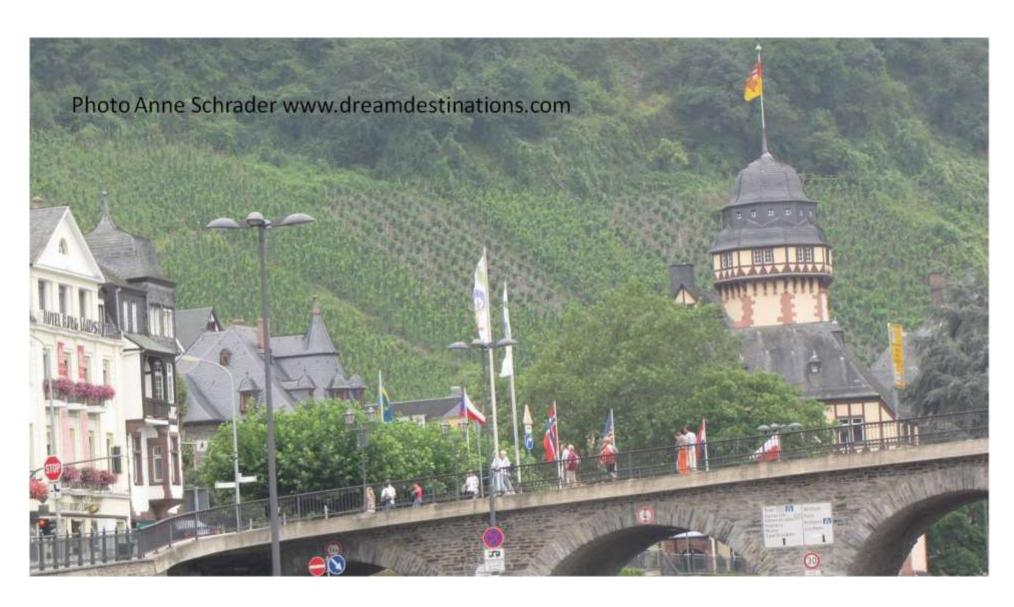
Trier Palace



Trier, Main Market



Bernkastel



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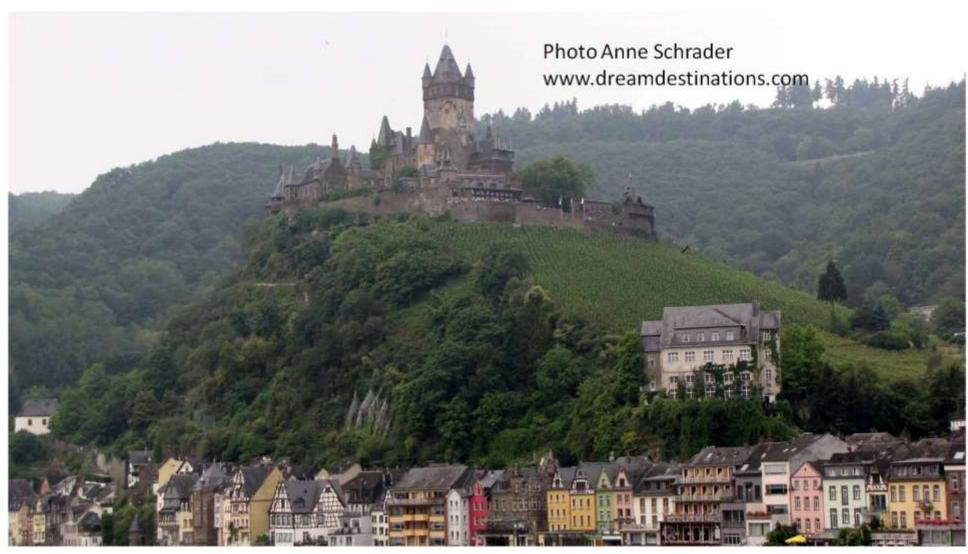


BernKastel

COCHEM, SCENIC MOSELLE CRUISING & LAHNSTEIN

- Reichsburg Castle (visit inside the castle) and walking tour
- Or Reichsburg Castle hike
- Or Bundesbank Bunker vault tour
- Or Cochem bike tour
- Scenic cruising
- Unique Lahneck Castle visit

Cochem



Reichsburg Castle



Tour inside Reichsburg Castle



Great Window Flower Boxes



RHINE GORGE

- Castles along the Rhine scenic cruising
- Gondola Ride and wine tasting
- Or Vineyard hike
- Or Schloss Johannisberg bike tour
- Siegfried's Mechanical Music Museum
- Or Rüdesheimer Coffee

Rhine Castles



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RÜDESHEIM



Rüdesheimer Coffee

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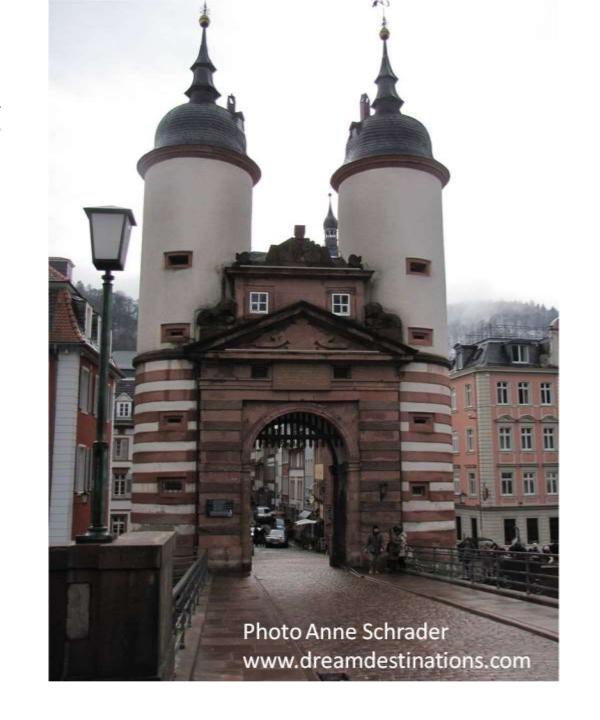
LUDWIGSHAFEN

- "Romantic Heidelberg" excursion
- Or Schwetzingen Palace and Gardens
- Or Heidelberg Philosopher's Hike path
- Or Ladenburg bike tour

Heidelberg Castle in the Snow



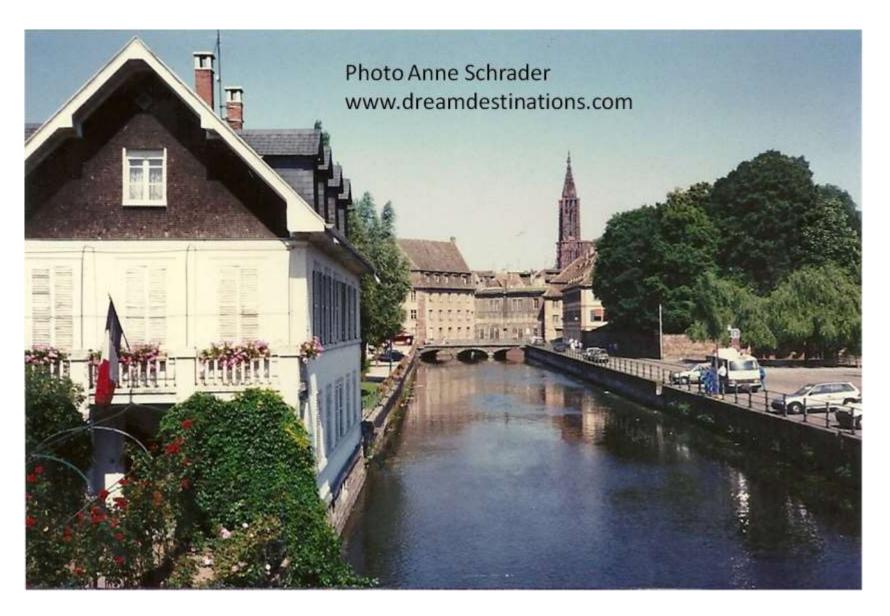
Old Bridge Gate Heidelberg



STRASBOURG, FRANCE

- Alsace's principal city is situated on the Ill River where it flows into the Rhine at the German border. This morning, take "The Gem of the Alsace" tour through this charming town lined with narrow cobblestone streets.
- Visit the "La Petite France" district, where you will see the sandstone Gothic Cathedral with its famous astronomical clock, timber-framed buildings, covered bridges and medieval watchtowers.
- Or Strasbourg bike tour

Strasbourg





Strasbourg

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BREISACH, GERMANY

- A visit to the wine village of Riquewihr on a walking tour.
- Or Freiburg excursion
- Or Breisach wine country bike tour
- Or Black Forest excursion
- The ship sails overnight to Basel

Riquewihr, France



Colorful Buildings in Riquewihr



Freiburg—Historic Merchant's Hall in the Augustinerplatz.



Market at Munster Square, Freiburg



Basel

- Disembark after breakfast.
- The town of Basel is known as a longtime center for banking, commerce and trade.
- Basel's glorious past is still evident in its medieval Town Hall and exquisite old homes.

Basel Town Hall



The Rhine River at Basel

