



CRUISE OF 5 DAYS / 4 NIGHTS - REF. NAN_FESPP2

Fall Festival: The Wild, Majestic Loire River

NANTES - NANTES - CHALONNES-SUR-LOIRE - NANTES

Discover France's gentle autumn in the absolutely mesmerizing Pays de la Loire region. Discover the Royal Abbey of Fontevraud—listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site—and the fairytale-like Château d'Ussé during a full-day excursion in the Loire Valley.

Favorite : The Royal Abbey of Fontevraud, one of the largest surviving monastic cities from the Middle Ages—listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

CRUISE HIGHLIGHTS

- Onboard presentation
- Onboard contest: Win a gastronomic cruise on the Rhine with Marc Haeberlinter chef at the Michelin two-star restaurant L'Auberge de l'III(1)
- **ONLY WITH CROISIEUROPE!** Vacation on our exclusive paddle riverboat—the zenith of elegant water travel.
- Evening of traditional entertainment on board
- **ALL EXCURSIONS INCLUDED**
- **THE MUSTS:**
 - Angers, its 13th-century castle, and one of the most important collections of medieval tapestries in the world
 - The Château d'Ussé, a fairytale come true
 - Nantes and the fascinating Machines de l'île

CRUISE PROGRAM (5 DAYS / 4 NIGHTS)

Day 1 : NANTES

Passengers are welcome to board our ship at 6 p.m. After comfortably settling into your cabins, we'll introduce our crew at a welcome cocktail. Enjoy an evening of entertainment.



Day 2 : NANTES - CHALONNES-SUR-LOIRE

We'll spend the morning cruising to Chalonnes-sur-Loire.

Onboard presentation: "The Loire: The Longest River in France."

Followed by an ONBOARD CONTEST.(1)

This afternoon, join us for an included excursion: Angers. We'll leave for Angers and a tour of its château to see one of the most important collections of medieval tapestries in the world. We'll return on board in Chalonnes-sur-Loire.

Enjoy an evening of traditional entertainment on board.



Day 3 : CHALONNES-SUR-LOIRE

Leave by coach for a full-day, included excursion to the Royal Abbey of Fontevraud and the Château d'Ussé. We'll tour the Royal Abbey of Fontevraud, one of the largest surviving monastic cities—listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 2000. At the end of our tour, we'll visit a cellar to taste some of the wines from the Saumur region. We'll have lunch in a local restaurant. In the afternoon, we'll continue on to Rigny-Ussé to visit the Château d'Ussé. Rebuilt in the 15th and 16th centuries, this stronghold with fortified towers, turrets, and steeples looks like something out of a fairytale. It is even thought to have inspired Charles Perrault when writing Sleeping Beauty.

Enjoy an evening of dancing.



Day 4 : CHALONNES-SUR-LOIRE & NANTES

Our ship will cruise to Nantes.

ONBOARD CONTEST.(1)

Before lunch, enjoy a bite of Curé Nantais cheese and a glass of Muscadet wine.

This afternoon, join us for an included excursion: Nantes and the fascinating Machines de l'île.(2) Our excursion will begin with a panoramic tour of the city, passing famous sites such as the Le Lieu Unique (a national theater space), the Castle of the Dukes of Brittany (exterior), the Île Feydeau, and Saint Anne's Butte—where the view is unforgettable. Then, we'll visit the Machines de l'île. This totally unprecedented artistic project, sprung from the inspirations of two French designers—François Delarozière and Pierre Orefice—is a cross between the imaginations of Jules Verne and Leonardo da Vinci. Don't miss the Galerie des Machines and the Carrousel des Mondes Marins during your time here!

We'll return on board the ship in Nantes.

This evening, we'll hold the drawing to announce the winner of our contest. Festive gala evening.



Day 5 : NANTES

Enjoy breakfast on board this morning before disembarking.

This offer includes

Your cruise with all meals from dinner the first evening to breakfast on the final day - onboard drinks included (except for drinks from our special lists) - double-occupancy cabin with shower in bathroom - The presentation on the Loire and the evening of traditional entertainment on board.- assistance from our onboard multi-lingual host/hostess - - welcome cocktail - gala dinner - onboard entertainment - travel assistance and repatriation insurance - all port fees.

This offer does not include

Drinks from our special lists, or drinks ordered during excursions or transfers - optional excursions (must be reserved and paid for on board or at travel agency) - cancellation and baggage insurance - transfers/travel to and from departure/arrival points - personal expenses.

Transport

Port-to-port cruise without transfers

Formalities

Valid national identity card or passport required. Non-EU nationals are advised to consult their embassy or consulate.

THE CROISIEUROPE DIFFERENCE

- **All meals included - DRINKS INCLUDED** with meals and at the bar
- Refined French cuisine - **Gala dinner and evening** - Welcome cocktail
- **Free Wi-Fi** onboard
- Headsets are included for excursions
- Official welcome from the captain and crew
- Onboard activities
- Travel assistance and repatriation insurance
- All port fees included

MENTIONS

For navigational safety reasons, the company and the captain are the only authorized persons who can modify the cruise itinerary.

- (1) Participants will answer questions and the winner will be entered in the random drawing at the end of the cruise. Grand prize: A gastronomic cruise on the Rhine with Marc Haeblerlin for one person in a Main Deck cabin (only one prize per cruise program available).
- (2) A guided tour of Nantes will replace this excursion on Mondays when the Machines de l'île is closed.

Alcohol can be harmful to your health. Please drink in moderation.