Ama Waterways · Ama Cello

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Greetings all countryside vineyard lovers, art/history seekers, and adventurers! I've always wanted to explore the Provence region of France and would LOVE to have you join me! River cruising is the best way to explore this area and AMAWaterways is the best river cruise operator to explore this area with! I've cruised on both the Rhine and the Danube, but nothing sounds as amazing to me as cruising down the Rhone, bicycling through lavender fields and sipping wine from locally grown vineyards! AMAWaterways is perfect for both guests that want to be more active, and guests that want to sit back, relax and enjoy the breathtaking scenery! Whether you are experienced or new to river cruising, this would be a great opportunity and I'd love you have you join me in the fun!

HOSTED BY VACATION COUNSELOR, CASSIE JOHNSON



DAY 1: EMBARKATION - ARLES, FRANCE

Board your cruise in Arles. This evening, meet your fellow passengers for a Welcome Dinner. (D)

DAY 2: ARLES

Considered one of the most beautiful cities in France, Arles enchants. For art lovers, you'll wish to visit Saint Paul de Mausole Asylum, where Vincent van Gogh once lived and painted such well-known works as "The Irises" and "Starry Night." Many people consider Van Gogh's Arles period to be the most creative of his career. Afterwards, go to the Carrières de Lumières, where you'll be treated to a spectacular presentation of art, sound and history projected on the walls of caves. Alternatively, venture to the medieval hilltop village, Les Baux de Provence, followed by a visit to an olive farm where you'll learn about age-old Provençal traditions from a master olive miller as well as sample the olive oil. During the afternoon, you can join a walking tour of Arles highlighting top sights, including the Romanesque cathedral and Roman amphitheater; or take a guided bike tour to the Roman ruins. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: AVIGNON

Avignon, aptly named the "City of Popes," was the center of the Catholic Church in the 14th century when its "Palais des Papes" was the equivalent of today's Vatican. Depending on your interests, you have four choices of excursions. Discover the history of Avignon on a guided walking tour that includes the Papal Palace and the well-preserved medieval walls surrounding the historic center of town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Alternatively, you can go to another UNESCO World Heritage Site, the impressive Pont du Gard, a Roman aqueduct that is a masterpiece of ancient engineering. Or if you prefer, visit three venues around Avignon where you can taste regional specialties, including macarons, cheese and wine, and tapenades. Or pedal your way through Avignon on a bike tour. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: VIVIERS

Visit the magnificent medieval hilltop village, Grignan. The village offers unique panoramic views to the north, south, east and west. After visiting this enchanting Provencal town, go in search of the highly prized "Black Diamond," truffles, with a farmer and his trustworthy canine companion. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: TOURNON

Take a train ride past magnificent landscape carved along the Gorge du Doux stopping at the charming little station of Colombier le Vieux-Saint Barthélemy le Plain, where the train maneuvers in preparation for its return journey. Alternatively, lovers of wine and chocolate will want to visit Le Château de Tournon for a presentation and tasting on the pairing of red wine and chocolate. For a more active adventure, take a bike ride or a hike through the vineyards of Tain l'Hermitage, followed by a visit to a local winery where you'll sample some of the wines. (B,L,D))

DAY 6: VIENNE - LYON

Situated between the wine regions of Beaujolais and Côtes du Rhône lies Vienne with a Roman past that can be seen in its marvelously preserved ruins. Take a walking tour to see the amazingly well-preserved Augustus and Livia Temple, the Saint Maurice Cathedral, a Gothic church that took more than 500 years to build, and St. Pierre Abbey-one of the oldest surviving churches in France, and now an Archaeological Museum. For those wishing to be more active, you can either take a guided bike tour along a portion of the ViaRhôna bike route or a guided hike from the ship to the Monastery at Mount Pipet. Later in the day, set sail to Lyon. Discover dynamic Lyon, starting in Fourvière Hill, part of the city's historic region that is now a designated UNESCO World Heritage Site and home to the 19th-century basilica Notre-Dame de Fourvière. Continue on to the old town of Lyon, followed by a guided walk or bike ride through the St. Jean district, where you will be introduced to the city's unique covered walkways, known as "traboules." Or for those more interested in discovering why Lyon is France's culinary capital, visit the city's famed indoor food market, which has nearly fivedozen stalls selling countless gourmet delights. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: LYON

Enjoy morning free time in Lyon and then travel to the Beaujolais wine region—known as the Pays d'Or or "land of the golden stones." While there, indulge in a wine tasting at a traditional winery and learn about the history and techniques of their vineyard. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: LYON - DISEMBARKATION

Disembark your cruise in Lyon. (B)



ecorated in a vibrant palette of gold and orange. Relax in spacious, elegantly appointed staterooms, ranging in size from 170-225 sq. ft., or in a single stateroom of 140 sq. ft. You can always indulge even more in one of the suites at 255 sq. ft. Most staterooms have a French balcony. Additional stateroom amenities include Entertainment-On-Demand, featuring free highspeed Internet access, unlimited Wi-Fi, movies, music and English language TV stations; climatecontrolled air conditioning; and an in-room safe. In the marble bathroom, enjoy multi-jet showerheads, soothing bath and body products, robes and hair dryers. Suites feature added enhancements, including a larger sitting area with sofa and two chairs, and an expansive bathroom complete with a bathtub and separate shower.

The AmaCello offers a host of added comforts and conveniences, including a sauna, whirlpool,

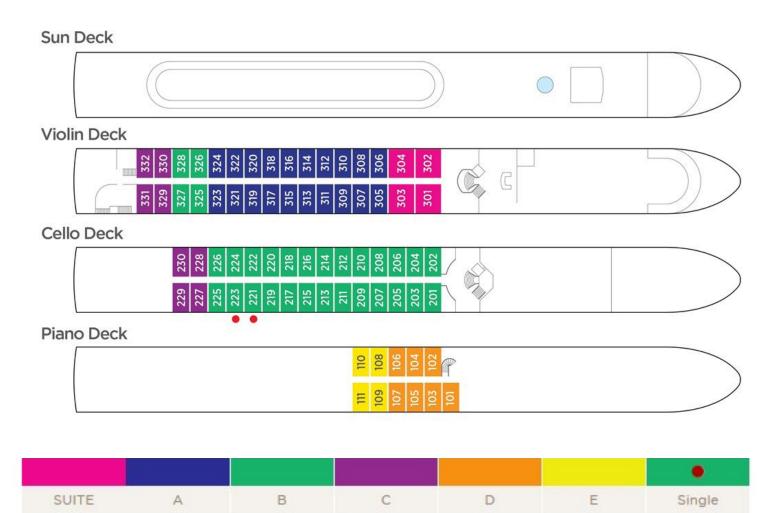
massage and hair salon, a stylish and inviting Main Lounge, and specialty coffee station.

As a member of La Chaîne des Rôtisseurs, the exclusive international culinary society, you'll be treated to exquisite, locally-inspired cuisine always paired with unlimited wine, as well as beer and soft drinks with lunch and dinner. You'll also enjoy a variety of dining venues, including The Chef's Table specialty restaurant, featuring an exquisite tasting menu prepared right before your eyes.

With a walking track on the Sun Deck, a fitness room and a fleet of onboard bicycles to use on your own or on one of the many guided bike tours, as well as healthy menu choices, you'll have everything needed to stay active and healthy while sailing Europe's great rivers.



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