

## Romantic Rhine & Moselle Valleys by Rail

From £849 per person // 8 days



Enjoy a relaxing rail holiday taking in the stunning landscapes of the Rhine and Moselle Rivers. Your journey takes you to Trier, the 'Rome of the North', then onto the banks of the Rhine, with stays in beautiful Boppard and Rudesheim.

### The Essentials

- The historic city of Trier, home to eight UNESCO World Heritage Sites and Germany's oldest cathedral
- Pretty Boppard on the Rhine, with its pretty cobbled streets and hill-top castles
- Romantic Rudesheim in the Rhine Gorge, surrounded by vineyards
- Scenic rail journeys along the Rhine and Moselle Rivers

### What's included

- Standard Class rail travel with seat reservations
- 7 nights' handpicked hotel accommodation with breakfast
- Comprehensive directions to your hotels
- All credit card surcharges and complimentary delivery of your travel documents

### Tailor make your holiday

- Decide when you would like to travel
- Adapt the route to suit your plans
- Upgrade hotels and rail journeys
- Add extra nights, destinations and/or tours

## - Suggested Itinerary -



### Day 1 - London To Trier

Board a Eurostar at London St Pancras or Ebbsfleet International, taking you to Belgian capital, Brussels. Here, you board an InterCity service that makes its way south into Luxembourg. Once you arrive into Luxembourg, it's a short hop across to the German city of Trier, where you will be staying for the next 2 nights. Your accommodation is at the Mercure Hotel Porta Nigra (or similar), located in the centre of this historic city.



### Day 2 - Trier

Trier is one of the oldest cities in Germany, with an impressive eight landmarks which have been designated World Heritage Sites by UNESCO. Despite this, it's often a destination which is off the radar for foreign tourists. In some ways this is a shame, but of course it's also an advantage for visitors looking for less crowded streets and an authentic experience. We would recommend a visit to Germany's oldest cathedral, dating back to the 4th century AD, and the pretty Old Town area. Trier is also nicknamed the 'Rome of the North' with some stunning remains to discover, including the Porta Nigra, the Roman Bridge across the Moselle River as well as the remains of an amphitheatre and Roman baths.



### Day 3 - Trier To Boppard

Today your journey takes you alongside the Moselle River and the surrounding rolling hills as your train twists and turns in time with the gorgeous Moselle River. On reaching Koblenz, change onto a local service for the short journey along the Rhine to Boppard, where you are staying for the next 3 nights at the Bellevue Rheinhof (or similar).



### Days 4 & 5 - Boppard

With its lovely location on a horseshoe bend in the Rhine, Boppard is one of the prettiest destinations in the region, with a flower-decorated waterfront and a charming historic centre. As well as wandering through the old town, you might also like to explore the local area. You can hike or take a chairlift up to the Vierseenblick (Four Lakes View) for fantastic views over the Rhine Valley. Alternatively, take a boat cruise and visit nearby castles like Lahneck and Lebenstein, on hilly outcrops overlooking the river.



### Day 6 - Boppard To Rüdesheim Am Rhein

Hop aboard any regional train along the western bank of the Rhine today, down to Bingen am Rhein. Here, you stroll down to the pier and take the famous Bingen-Rüdesheimer ferry across the mighty river. This isn't something we can book from here, so you will need to pay the relatively nominal fare on-location. On arrival in Rüdesheim, check in at the Breuer's Rüdesheimer Schloss (or similar) for a 2-night stay.



### Day 7 - Rüdesheim Am Rhein

Spend a full day discovering Rüdesheim and the surrounding area. Walk along the cobbled streets of the Old Town including the famous Drosselgasse, with its wine taverns and boutiques or take in the views from the Niedervald Monument, located in the park of the same name, above the town. For even more breathtaking views, you can take a cable car up to the Germania monument and then walk the short trail along to the pretty village of Assmannshausen, with panoramic vistas all the way. No visit to Rüdesheim would be complete without a wine tasting tour. There are plenty to choose from and you can also visit the fascinating wine museum in the stunning surroundings of Brömserburg Castle, one of the oldest in the Middle Rhine region.



## Day 8 - Rüdesheim To London

Bid farewell to the Rhine Valley today with a journey along its eastern bank to Koblenz, giving you a different perspective of the sights. On arrival in Koblenz you make an easy platform-switch onto an InterCity train up to Cologne and then a high-speed train over to Brussels, where you connect with an evening Eurostar back to London.

## Pricing

From £849 per person

Low season (November-March) from £849pp

High season (April-October) from £999pp

These prices are based on two people sharing a twin or double room. Single supplements will apply for sole occupancy. It is based on Standard Class rail travel and includes seat reservations as necessary. It is based on the best fares on the trains. If you travel during a peak period, particularly at short notice, then supplements may apply.