



## **The Loire Valley, The Royal Way (#18041)**

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### **Overview**

Embark on a cruise on the Royal Loire River whose beauty is legendary. Visit Nantes and The Machines of the Isle of Nantes, a gallery that recreates the imaginary world of the famous writer Jules Verne. Discover Saint-Nazaire and admire its shipyard and the Escal' Atlantic which immerses you in the world of steamships from the beginnings of their gigantic construction to life on board. Soak up the magical castles of the Loire such as Brissac, the highest castle in France whose monumental facades rise up from its large landscaped park.

### **Trip Highlights**

Nantes - Saint-Nazaire - Nantes - Ancenis - Chalonnes-Sur-Loire - The Châteaux of the Loire Valley - Ancenis - Nantes

### **Detailed Itinerary**



**Day 01**

**DAY 01: NANTES - SAINT-NAZAIRE**

Passengers are welcome to board our ship at 6:00 p.m. After comfortably settling into your cabins, we'll introduce our crew at a welcome cocktail before dinner. The ship will sail towards Saint-Nazaire.

**Meal:** Dinner

**Day 02**

**DAY 02: SAINT-NAZAIRE - NANTES**

This morning, join us for the optional excursions for both package: tour of Saint Nazaire, a town on the sea. We'll visit Escal'Atlantic, a museum that explores the historic ocean liner experience, and the Saint-Nazaire shipyard, one of the largest shipyards in Europe (This excursion must be booked in advance through your travel agency. Each passenger will be asked to produce a valid passport in order to book the excursion and gain access to the shipyard).

In the evening, join us on an optional excursion for both packages: we'll board a local boat for a cruise on the Erdre River, one of the most beautiful in France.

**Meal:** Breakfast, lunch and Dinner

**Day 03**

**DAY 03: NANTES - ANCENIS**

This morning, join us for the optional excursions proposed :

**CLASSIC :** Guided tour of Nantes and the Castle of the Dukes of Brittany.

**DISCOVERY:** Nantes, the Machines de l'Île(3), secret courtyards and covered passageways.

This afternoon, join us for the optional excursions proposed :

**CLASSIC :** The Muscadet Wine Route and Clisson, a charming medieval town.

**DISCOVERY:** Helicopter ride(2), the Loire from above (this excursion must be booked in advance through your travel agency).

**Meal:** Breakfast, lunch and Dinner



**Day 04**

**DAY 04: ANCENIS - CHALONNES-SUR-LOIRE - Angers(1)**

We'll cruise towards Chalonnes-sur-Loire. Join us for the optional excursions proposed:

CLASSIC: Guided tour of Angers, its historic districts and the famous Apocalypse tapestry(5).

DISCOVERY: Tour of Brissac castle(4) and its cellars complete with a wine-tasting session.

Enjoy an evening of entertainment.

**Meal:** Breakfast, lunch and Dinner

**Day 05**

**DAY 05: CHALONNES-SUR-LOIRE - The Châteaux of the Loire Valley - ANCENIS**

Join us on a full-day included excursion for both packages to discover the Castles of the Loire Valley. We'll return on board in Ancenis. Tonight's our gala dinner and evening. Our ship will start sailing towards Nantes.

**Meal:** Breakfast, lunch and Dinner

**Day 06**

**DAY 06: NANTES**

Enjoy one last buffet breakfast before disembarking at 10:00 a.m. End of our services.

**Meal:** Breakfast

## Inclusions

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

## Exclusions



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.

## Note

\*Price based on double occupancy.

Child discount (2-9 years) : - 20% (On request)

The ship available for this cruise is MS Loire Princesse.

Accommodation available for Pre and Post Cruise on request.

No shore excursion on the non listed days (Rates available on request).

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

Complete your trip with our extension (On request).

## CRUISE HIGHLIGHTS

- **EXCLUSIVE TO CROISIEUROPE** the Loire from above(1-2)
- **Full-day excursion to the castles of the Loire Valley:** guided tours of the castles of Ussé, Azay-le-Rideau and the gardens of Villandry
- Wine-tasting in the cellars of the **Brissac castle**(1-4)
- The **Saint-Nazaire**(1) shipyard, embodiment of French pride
- The **wine route of the Muscadet**(1) through the vineyards of the Nantes region
- **Cruise on board a paddle steamer.**

## THE GGTS 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



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## Fixed Departure

<p><b>21 Sep, 2024</b> Cruise AUD 3,309 P P twin share AVAILABLE</p>	<p><b>26 Sep, 2024</b> Cruise AUD 3,309 P P twin share AVAILABLE</p>	<p><b>06 Oct, 2024</b> Cruise AUD 3,309 P P twin share AVAILABLE</p>
<p><b>11 Oct, 2024</b> Cruise AUD 3,309 P P twin share AVAILABLE</p>	<p><b>16 Oct, 2024</b> Cruise AUD 2,904 P P twin share AVAILABLE</p>	<p><b>21 Oct, 2024</b> Cruise AUD 2,904 P P twin share AVAILABLE</p>
<p><b>26 Oct, 2024</b> Cruise AUD 2,904 P P twin share AVAILABLE</p>		

