

Seine River Cruise

Sailing on the Avalon Tapestry September 2-13, 2022

Featuring Normandy Beaches, Saint-Malo & Mont St. Michel



\$5,299.00

Rate is per person based on double occupancy.

*Optional Pre-Cruise Paris and/or
London Packages Available.*



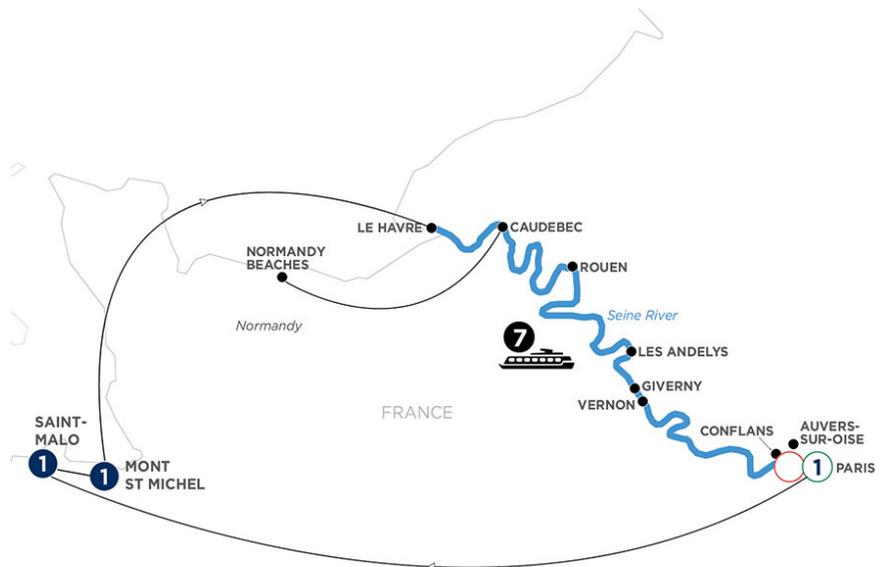
Start your vacation with a night in Paris—“The City of Light,” and enjoy an evening in what is called the most romantic city in the world. On your way transfer to Saint-Malo, stop for a visit to the 12th-century Notre-Dame de Chartres. After enjoying a walking tour of Saint-Malo, you will reach Mont St. Michel. Discover its magnificent abbey, one of the first UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Next morning take a transfer to Le Havre, to board your Avalon Suite Ship®. Enjoy a guided sightseeing tour of Le Havre, a World Heritage Sites. From Caudebec, you may wish to take an excursion to the Normandy beaches and memorials and monuments to the Allied Forces. Alternatively, you may take a “Taste of Normandy” excursion to discover the farming traditions and culinary specialties of this area.

Continue to Rouen for a walking tour of the village where Joan of Arc was martyred, as well as the Notre-Dame Cathedral, and Astronomical Clock. Sail on to Les Andelys for guided tours of this picturesque village, and nearby castle ruins. Continue your river cruise through France to visit the home of master artist Claude Monet at the gardens of Giverny or visit magnificent Bizy Castle. Next, cruise to Conflans to visit Auvers-sur-Oise or Napoleon and Josephine’s Château de Malmaison.

Your river cruise on the Seine returns to Paris, where you’ll discover the true heart of Paris on a guided walk through its historic sites, or take a tour to see the famous landmarks, including the Louvre Museum, Arc de Triomphe, Eiffel Tower, and more. You’ll long reflect on this this remarkable Seine River cruise, with panoramic views and the remembrances of history, heroes, and artists brought to life.

Cruise Includes:

- Transfer & Air To/From Chicago
- Round-trip Airport Transfers
- Cruise Accommodations
- Some Shore Excursions
- Limited Beverages
- Onboard Entertainment
- Wi-Fi Onboard
- Bottled Water on Excursions
- Prepaid Ship Gratuities
- All Taxes & Port Fees



Detailed Daily Itinerary

Avalon has designed included activities with a choice of experiences. Select the tours, activities, and events that interest you most, so you can experience your cruise your way. Plus, there are independent exploration options and the use of AvalonGO APP on most of our cruises. Below are 3 types of included shore excursions for you to experience.

CLASSIC

Your local expert is ready to guide you through the history and heritage of local destinations. You'll marvel at the legends, lore, and spectacular architecture of iconic and historic sites.

DISCOVERY

We've found inspiring and interactive activities to speak to your interests - from cooking classes, to painting workshops - to immerse yourself in each culture you explore.

ACTIVE

Embark on energetic excursions to keep you in motion and on the go - from a guided jogging tour of Amsterdam, to biking, paddling, and hiking your way through scenic locals.

Day 1 Paris: Welcome to France. Your day is free to explore the world's most romantic city. Get acquainted with the City of Lights today with some shopping, strolling, or with a croissant and café au lait to watch the world go by amid the Parisian cityscape.

Day 2 Paris–Saint-Malo: Transfer to Saint-Malo; visit of Notre-Dame de Chartres Cathedral one of the world's most famous gothic cathedrals.

Day 3 Saint-Malo–Mont St. Michel: Between Piracy and Granite Walls. Transfer to Mont St. Michel.

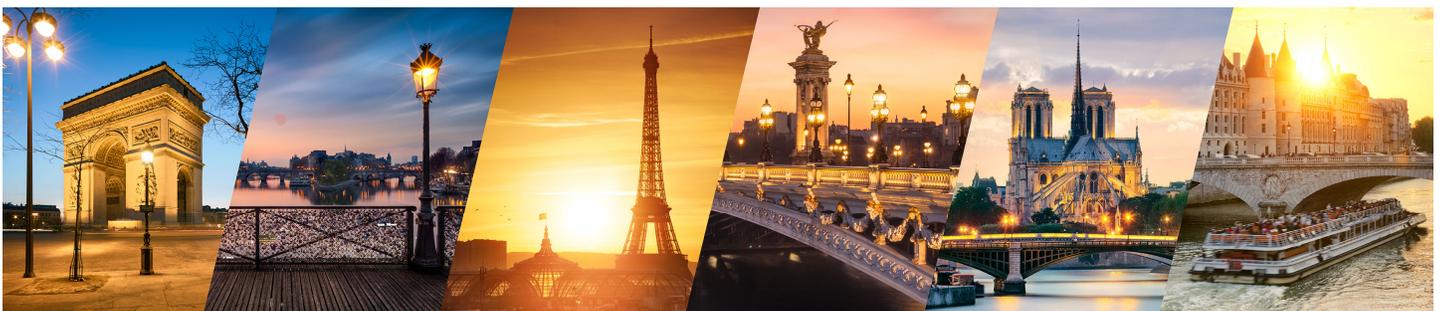
- CLASSIC: Enjoy a Walking Tour of the walled city of Saint Malo famous for his long history of piracy,
- ACTIVE: Enjoy a Bike Ride to coastal village of Saint-Benoît-des-Ondes with a stop for local products tasting,
- DISCOVERY: Stop in Saint Benoît des Ondes for a delicious taste of local products,

Day 4 Mont St. Michel-Le Havre (Embarkation): Your Suite Ship® is Ready for Boarding. Transfer to Le Havre. Tonight, enjoy dinner on board and explore your Suite Ship®. This evening we dock overnight in Le Havre.

- CLASSIC: Take a Guided Tour to discover Mont St. Michel and its abbey, one of the first UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

Day 5 Le Havre: 20th Century Architecture and White Cliffs of Normandy. Visit the Adventure Center for today's activities with your Adventure Host. This afternoon, you may want to choose among the Guided Optional Excursions available. This evening we cruise overnight to Caudebec.

- ACTIVE: Explore the city as only a local would: by bicycle. Cycle up to the quartier Saint François,
- DISCOVERY: Travel to FECAMP to visit the Palais Benedictine where the world famous Benedictine liquor is made. Enjoy a short Self-Guided Tour followed by a cocktail workshop focused around the famous liquor,
- CLASSIC: Take a Guided Tour to Le Havre and discover the modern architecture of its city center, rebuilt by Auguste Perret and part of the World Heritage of Humanity.





Day 6 Caudebec. Choice of full day excursions to Normandy landing beaches, or “A Taste of Normandy” excursion or bike with your Adventure Host. Later, enjoy live entertainment on board your ship while sailing to Rouen. Overnight Docking in Rouen.

- **DISCOVERY:** Join “A Taste of Normandy” Guided Tour for an in-depth look at this rich agricultural region. See the famous Bayeux Tapestry, visit the beautiful village of Beuvron en Auge and taste Calvados apple brandy at a local distillery,
- **CLASSIC:** Join a Guided Visit to the WWII landing beaches of Normandy. Take a full-day tour of significant U.S. sites, including Omaha Beach, the Pointe du Hoc monument, and the American Cemetery
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Day 7 Rouen: Choice of guided tour, see the Astronomical Clock and visit to the cathedral, or guided kayak tour; time at leisure.

Day 8 Les Andelys-Vernon: Serenity on the Seine

- **ACTIVE:** Join a Guided Hike up to the castle ruins of Château Gaillard—historic home of King Richard the Lionheart and a masterpiece of medieval military architecture,
- **DISCOVERY:** Visit one of 'most beautiful villages of France' situated in a beautiful forested setting in Normandy. Afterwards discover the legends of the haunted Abbey de Mortemere and the fountain of singles,
- **CLASSIC:** Take a Guided Walking Tour of Les Andelys—one of France’s most picturesque spots on the Seine. Visit the Saint Sauveur’s Church of Le Petit Andely.
- **DISCOVERY:** While sailing, enjoy a traditional French luncheon of authentic French crêpes, followed by a Pastry Demonstration.

While in Vernon, discovery Monet’s Muses, Castle Courtyards, and Crêpes du Jour. This evening we cruise to Conflans.

- **ACTIVE:** Enjoy a scenic Guide Bike Tour from Vernon to the picturesque Giverny,
- **DISCOVERY:** Enjoy and learn all about the Normandy cheese trail and traditional French pastries during this Guided Walking Tour,
- **CLASSIC:** Take a Guided Tour of Giverny, home and inspiration of the master impressionist painter Claude Monet. Walk the grounds and see Monet’s charming residence, and the flower and water gardens captured in his masterpieces.





Day 9 Conflans: The Footsteps of Van Gogh and Bonaparte. Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

- **ACTIVE:** This Guided E-bike Tour will take you to the Château de Maisons-Lafitte where you will enjoy a special snack.
- **DISCOVERY:** Travel to the Chantilly Castle on your own where the experts of the Confrérie des Chevaliers Fouetteurs de crème Chantilly will show you how to prepare your own Chantilly cream.
- **CLASSIC:** Join a Guided Tour of Auvers-sur-Oise, and walk in the footsteps of Vincent van Gogh, who lived, worked, and is buried here. See the landscapes and village scenes captured in his paintings.
- **CLASSIC:** Take a Guided tour of the opulent Château de Malmaison—home of Napoléon Bonaparte and his wife Josephine.

You may join a Guided Optional Excursion to the Palace of Versailles—home to a succession of French kings. Alternatively visit the house-museum of famous French composer Debussy and head to the residence of the author Alexandre Dumas, the Château de Monte-Cristo. This afternoon, cruise to Paris and in the evening enjoy live entertainment on board your ship. Tonight we dock overnight in Paris.

Day 10 Paris: Cafés, Cathedrals and Canvases in the city of Lights Truly Shines. This afternoon, you may want to choose among the Guided Optional Excursions available. Alternatively, stroll through Paris on your own or linger over wine in a literary café on the Left Bank. This evening we dock overnight in Paris.

- **ACTIVE** Hop on a bike to explore Paris like a local. Coast along the banks of the Seine, and go where the Parisians, young and old, come out to play,
- **DISCOVERY** Immerse yourself on our Food and Cultural Tour of Paris where you will find out why the French food and culinary tradition has been even added to the UNESCO heritage list,
- **CLASSIC** Join a Guided Sightseeing which will show you magnificent must-see sights

Day 11 Paris (Disembarkation): Your vacation ends this morning unless you decide to extend your stay in Paris. You will be transferred to the airport for your return flight to the USA.



Optional Extensions



Paris One Night Only Pre-Cruise Extension

One Night Pre –Night: \$275.00 per person

Sometimes it is a nice idea to arrive early and acclimate to the time change and rest before you start your adventure.

London & Paris Extension

**3 night (Pre-Cruise) London Tour, 1 Night Paris (Post Cruise): August 29 - September 3, 2022
\$1035.00 per person.**

Geese fly across the pond...and now it's your turn! Nope, we aren't talking about your local park pond; we're talking about that big pond called the Atlantic Ocean. After all, London is waiting for you, and Monograms has made it easy for you to hop on a plane and travel "across the pond." On this London trip, we've included your hotel reservations, exclusive sightseeing, and daily buffet breakfast. Plus, it's important to us that your vacation runs smoothly and that you have someone to help you throughout your stay. So we've included the services of a Local Host®, who will help you get the most out of your London package.

Your London trip begins as soon as you arrive. We can pick you up at the airport and whisk you to your centrally located hotel, where you will meet your Local Host. You'll receive materials on London, so you can start exploring immediately. Your Local Host will also help you personalize your trip and answer any questions you may have. The next morning, after a hearty, included breakfast, your expert local guide will pick you up at your hotel for a half-day sightseeing tour. You'll see the must-see sights—like Big Ben and Westminster Abbey—and you'll hear the inside stories that only a local can tell. You'll visit St. Paul's Cathedral and hear about its long history before arriving in time to see the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace. If you've ever wondered what it would be like to be live like royalty, now's your chance to see!

In your leisure time, visit one of London's hundreds of museums, including the British Museum or the Churchill Museum & Cabinet War Rooms. London offers some of the best shopping in the world with large department stores, luxury boutiques, and quirky shops. Its theater scene rivals that of New York's Broadway, so be sure to catch a show. Visit the historical treasures and examples of the British monarchy, such as Windsor Castle and Buckingham Palace. Or take an excursion outside of London to fascinating Stonehenge or Shakespeare's Stratford-upon-Avon. Be sure to ask your Local Host for suggestions.

Avalon Tapestry Ship



The Avalon Tapestry II is a true haven on the river with two full decks of Panorama Suites with wall-to-wall, floor-to-ceiling panoramic windows that transform the living space into river cruising's only Open-Air Balcony. Onboard amenities and services include complimentary computer use in public areas and free Wi-Fi access, a Fitness Center with state-of-the-art equipment, an elevator, and a spacious Sky Deck with shade system, whirlpool, deck games, and the delightful Sky Bistro for al-fresco lunches of

- Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the ship
- Panoramic windows throughout the ship
- Elegant, contemporary design & decor
- Friendly, English-speaking crew & Cruise Director
- Sky Deck with whirlpool, shade awnings, game area and premium lounges
- Covered Observation Lounge
- Club Lounge with 24-hour self-serve beverage station with complimentary cappuccinos, lattes, tea, hot chocolate & premium coffees, as well as treats throughout the day



Discounted Cruise Package Rates

Package Price Includes: roundtrip air transportation, all port fees, gratuities, cruise accommodations, all amenities listed below on the Tapestry, featured shore excursions.



Avalon Deluxe Stateroom
Category E - Window
\$5,299.00 per person



Panorama Suite
Category A - French Balcony
\$6,698.00 per person

Beverages Included Onboard: Sparkling wine and juices at breakfast; beer, soft drinks and unlimited wines at lunch and dinner (new selections daily); a Sip & Sail cocktail hour with complimentary wine, beer and spirits; plus, gourmet coffee, tea and bottled water 24/7.

Rate does not include: Certain beverages like soda, beer, wine or cocktails. Use of the telephone in each cabin for ship to shore. Items of a personal nature such as laundry, spa or gift shop. Optional shore excursions that might be offered in addition to our daily included shore excursion program. Travel protection insurance. Airline fees for excess baggage, upgrades or seat assignments. Please note that deviations such as pre or post extensions are subject to additional fees such as air, transfers, accommodations and insurance.

Payment Terms & Insurance:

A \$500.00 per person deposit is required in order to guarantee space for this cruise. The ship is nearly sold out with only a handful of cabins remaining. If you are interested in booking contact us and we can put you on a waitlist or recheck availability on request. The deadline final payment is May 7, 2022.

Once paid, monies are non-refundable unless you have purchased travel protection and are canceling for a covered reason. No exceptions.

Cancel For Any Reason Travel Protection is highly recommended. Direct Travel highly recommends travel insurance which provides reimbursement coverage for trip cancellation for covered medical reasons, and other benefits including Bankruptcy/Default, Trip Delay, Missed Cruise Departure, Accident Medical Expense, Sickness Medical Expense, Common Carrier AD&D, 24-hour AD&D, Baggage & Personal Effects, Baggage Delay. Our cancel for any reason policy will allow for you to cancel your vacation up to 24 hours (business day) before your trip departure and you would receive 80% of your money deposited with Direct Travel back less the cost of the policy. If you are canceling for a covered reason then you will receive 100% of your money back less the cost of the policy.



Seine River featuring Normandy Beaches requires an initial deposit of \$500.00 per person.

All monies that are paid are non-refundable thus Direct Travel recommends trip cancellation insurance.

Mail form to Direct Travel 2415 East Washington Street, Suite D | Bloomington, IL 61704; or email to jliescheidt@dt.com.

Please print names exactly as they appear on your passport. Passports must be valid through January 24, 2023.

PASSENGER 1: _____

Passport #: _____ Passport Expiration: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Known Traveler # if Applicable: _____

PASSENGER 2: _____

Passport #: _____ Passport Expiration: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Known Traveler # if Applicable: _____

I certify that my name written above and dates of birth are EXACTLY as they appear on my passport. Errors or omissions are subject to fee for correction.

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Credit Card #: _____ Name On Card _____

Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Please select your cabin category. (Rate is per person based on double occupancy)

- Category E - \$5,299.00 + Insurance \$544.00
- Category A - \$6,699.00 + Insurance \$703.00
- Category S \$7,798.00 + Insurance \$801.00
- 1 Night Pre Paris Extension \$285.00 + Insurance \$35.00
- 3 Nights London, 1 Night Paris \$1135.00 per person + Insurance \$125.00

No, I do not want Travel Protection. Direct Travel has recommended that I purchase travel protection insurance. I have been made aware of the cancellation fees associated with my trip, and I understand that if any unforeseen circumstance (including medical emergencies) should occur and I do not have insurance, I would not be covered which will result in a 100% penalty and forfeiture of deposit held by Direct Travel.

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