# 2024

# From the Baltic Sea Islands Rügen and Usedom along the Oder to Berlin

### With Bike and Boat from Stralsund to Berlin

**MS PRINCESS** 



- Departure and arrival day: Saturday
- Length of cycle tours: approx. 168 km
- Character: individual, unguided
- Difficulty: ●●○○
- Profile: car-free paths, rural country roads with little traffic and asphalted bike lanes but also on dusty field paths and dirt roads, with a few short sections on federal highways. "Pleasure-biking" The routes are mostly flat with some hilly parts, although there will be a few steep inclines and downgrades.
- Language on board: German / English
- Travel documents: German / English
- Booking code DE-ODSSB-08I

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## **Tour Details**

From the old Hanseatic city of Stralsund you will sail along the unique Bodden coast to Germany's largest islands, Rügen and Usedom. The Bay of Szczecin will lead you to the Polish city of Szczecin with its magnificent castle. You will then continue on through the peaceful, unique Oder landscape to Schwedt and then to Eberswalde and Oranienburg on the Oder-Havel Canal through an expanse of forests until you have reached your destination, the metropolis of Berlin.

What could be more wonderful than sitting on the sun deck and enjoying the splendid views of the landscape slowly going by and finding out all sorts of interesting things about the country, people, culture and nature on lovely bike tours? Discover the northern German seaside resort architecture, baroque castles, brick gothic and varied flora and fauna of these unique fluvial landscapes.

Day	Port	Arrival	Dept.
Day 1	Stralsund, Embarkation		
Day 2	Stralsund		09:30
Day 2	Lauterbach (Rügen)	13:30	18:30
Day 2	Peenemünde	21:30	
Day 3	Peenemünde		11:45
Day 3	Wolgast	13:00	
Day 4	Wolgast		06:00
Day 4	Stettin	16:00	
Day 5	Stettin		08:00
Day 5	Mescherin	11:30	12:00
Day 5	Schwedt	16:00	
Day 6	Schwedt		06:30
Day 6	Hohensaaten	11:00	11:30
Day 6	Niederfinow	12:30	13:30
Day 6	Eberswalde	17:00	
Day 7	Eberswalde		05:00
Day 7	Oranienburg	10:30	11:00
Day 7	Berlin	15:00	
Day 8	Berlin, Disembarkation		

#### Day 1: Saturday, arrival in Stralsund

Individual arrive in Stralsund. Embarkation at 4:00 pm. Maybe you'll have some time and a notion to take a stroll through Stralsund's historic centre, which is situated on a small island. As a city with an important past, you will see numerous exceptional sights.

# Day 2: Sunday, Stralsund – Lauterbach – Peenemünde, bike tour, about 48 km

Your bike tour on this day will take you through Stralsund over the Rügen Dam to Gustow with its well-known village church, then past Poseritz, Groß Schoritz, the birthplace of Ernst Moritz Arndt and Garz to Putbus (tip: Don't miss the famous circus. Classical buildings line this circular "square", where all the streets converge). Then it's off to Lauterbach in the southeast of Rügen Island. You will board the boat here. Around 6.30 pm departure to Usedom.

# Day 3: Monday, Peenemünde – Wolgast, bike tour, about 16-20 km

Today you have plenty of time to explore the Usedom Island. Tip: historical/technical museum in the former power plant or alternatively you choose the "beach-route" via Trassenheide and Zinnowitz. Afterwards will bike past Karlshagen Harbour and Zecherin to Wolgast, also known as the "Gateway to Usedom Island The Medieval historic centre with its town hall and the Church of St. Petri are interesting sights in any case.

#### Day 4: Tuesday, Wolgast - Szczecin, day of rest on board

Today you will spend all day on board. You will cross the expansive waters of the Bay of Szczecin (Oder Lagoon) and reach Szczecin, the green city on the mouth of the Oder and one of the largest ports on the Baltic Sea. The reconstructed castle of the dukes of Pomerania situated in the city's historic centre is worth seeing.

#### Day 5: Wednesday, Szczecin – Mescherin – Schwedt, bike tour, about 30 km

In the morning you will sail from Szczecin to Mescherin. Biking past Gartz you will bike through a part of a unique, cross-border nature reserve, the "Lower Oder Valley National Park" before reaching Schwedt, today's destination.

#### Day 6: Thursday, Schwedt - Hohensaaten - Eberswalde, bike tour, about 32 km

In the morning you will sail from Schwedt to Hohensaaten. Then a bike ride in the direction of Niederfinow (boat lift – a tour is always an option) through the splendid landscape, passing by small hills, glades and forests – the last section will be on the Treidel bike route along the Finow Canal – to Eberswalde. In the heart of the city, in the Finow Canal, is the oldest working lock in Germany, which has been a technical monument since 1978.

#### Day 7: Friday, Eberswalde - Oranienburg - Berlin, bike tour, about 38 km

In the morning shipping to Oranienburg. Sightseeing tip: the Baroque castle with its park, museum and orangery. Then the well-marked bike route will take you southwards through the Ruppin sea area to Berlin.

#### Day 8: Saturday, departure from Berlin

After breakfast, disembarkation until 9:00 am and individual trip home.

## Travel Dates I Prices I Services

#### Travel Dates 2024 / From Saturday to Saturday

11.05. – 18.05. | 25.05. – 01.06. | 08.06. – 15.06. | 22.06. – 29.06. | 06.07. – 13.07. | 20.07. – 27.07. | 03.08. – 10.08. | 17.08 – 24.08. | 31.08. – 07.09.

#### Price per Person in EURO

	Upper Deck			
3-bed- cabin	2-bed astern*	2-bed- cabin	2-bed cabin single use (limited quantity)	2-bed-cabin
799,-	1.049,-	1.199,-	1.499,-	1.449,-

\* Cabins at the front and rear of the ship; perceptive engine and generator noise (when ship is in motion and in locks)

#### Supplements / Reductions

Child reduction:	till 13 years 20% in a 3-bed cabin with 2 adults
Rental bike fee 7-gear-Unisex:	€ 89
Rental bike fee 8-gear-E-bike:	€ 199
Bing your own bike / own E-bike:	€ 29 (on request only, limited number)

#### Bikes:

- 7-gear-Unisex-trekking bikes and 8-gear-E-Bikes (brand: Velo de Ville special SE-Tours edition)
- With hand brake and pedal brake <u>or</u> hand brakes only (subject to availability, please indicate as a non-binding customer request by the booking)
- · Pannier bag and rental bike insurance included
- E-Bikes on a limited number only
- · Please indicate your body height by the booking

Travel safe and secure with SE-Tours: We recommend to wear a bike helmet. Please bring your own bike helmet (no onboard selling).

#### Services included

- · Seven nights in outside cabins with private facilities in the booked cabin category
- Program according to routing
- All charges for harbours, bridges and locks
- Welcome-Drink
- · Room cleaning every day, changing of towels and bed cloths as necessary
- Full board consisting of 7x breakfast, 6x lunch package for cycle tours or snack on board (non-cyclists), 6x coffee or tea in the afternoon, 7x 3-course-dinner
- Daily meeting for the cycle tours
- Printed instructions and maps for daily individual bike tours (1 per cabin)
- GPS tracks for cycle tours
- Tour guide on board

#### Not included

Arrival and departure, parking fees and shuttles, bike rentals, local visitor's tax may apply during cycle tours, entrance fees and excursions, city maps, ferry fees, travel insurances, tips, drinks on board and personal expenses.

#### Passenger car parking options in Stralsund (subject to change, effective May 2023):

Various parking garages near the boat's berth "See-, Hafenstraße, Hafeninsel area", e.g. Parkhaus am Ozeaneum garage for about € 28.00 for 2 days, each additional day ca. € 6.00. No reservation possible. Return by train from Berlin to Stralsund approx. € 46.00 per person.

## Ship's description I Remarks

#### **MS PRINCESS**

Built in 1981 | Registry Netherlands | Length 80 m | Width 9.5 m | Height 4 m | Draft 1.30 m | Passengers max. 102

Thanks to its dimensions, the comfortable MS PRINCESS is the ideal boat for cruises on the Oder River. It has a brightly decorated restaurant and a cosy salon. All decks, including the sun deck, can also be reached by a stair lift in addition to the stairs. The stairs are very steep (chairlift on the passenger and sun deck, max. 100 kg).

**Cabins** 49 outer cabins. with a shower and toilet, hair dryer, phone, Sat.-TV, safe (for a fee) and central A/C. The two separate beds can be turned into a sofa and seating area during the day.

**Main Deck** 42x 2-bed-cabins (about 10.5 m<sup>2</sup>), of which four can handle three-person occupancy thanks to their fold-out Pullman beds (bearing capacity of the third bed is max. 70 kg), the window cannot be opened.

Upper Deck 7x 2-bed-cabins (about 10.5 m<sup>2</sup>), the window cannot be opened.



#### Important remarks

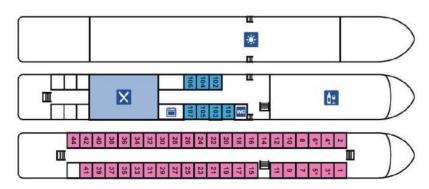
**Embarkation** at 4:00 p.m. | **Disembarkation** until 9:00 a.m.

**Minimum number of participants** 70 guests (must have been reached within 21 days prior to departure).

**To bring your own bike** On request only – due to lack of space on sun deck.

**Excursions** We offer a small excursion program, that can be booked directly on board at the cruise director only. You will get a brief description together with your travel documents. Depending on the number of participants some excursions could be carried out in 2 languages (German/ English).

**Schedule and program changes** Basically, we reserve the right to make changes of routing and program. If there is low or high water and a route



7 Doppelkabinen Oberdeck

42 Doppelkabinen Hauptdeck

cannot be shipped, the captain reserves the right to change the route in view of your safety (this cannot be accepted as a reason for free withdrawal). Same applies to previously unknown administrative orders of lock or bridge repairs.

**Travel documents** EU-citizens (without special situations like dual citizenship, main residence abroad or a limited-validity passport) are required to have a valid passport or ID-card, not expiring within six (6) months of the return of your cruise. We kindly ask non-EU citizens, EU-nationals with multiple citizenship or anybody who has to respect special legal entry requirements for the country to visit, to inform about visa and entry documents at the competent embassy.

#### This trip is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility.

We recommend that you take out a **travel health insurance** with repatriation coverage as well as baggage, accident and travel cancellation insurances.

**To bring your own bike** On request only – due to lack of space on sun deck. We exclude any liability for loss, theft and damage - this also applies to damage caused by transportation from shore to ship or vice versa.