

Travelinformation

- Beautiful river valleys and vineyards on Moselle and Saar -

**13.05. – 20.05.2023; 27.05.-03.06.2023; 19.08 – 26.08.2023;
02.09. – 09.09.2023; 16.09. – 23.09.2023; 30.09. – 07.10.2023**

Saarburg - Koblenz

1. Port Location MS Olympia

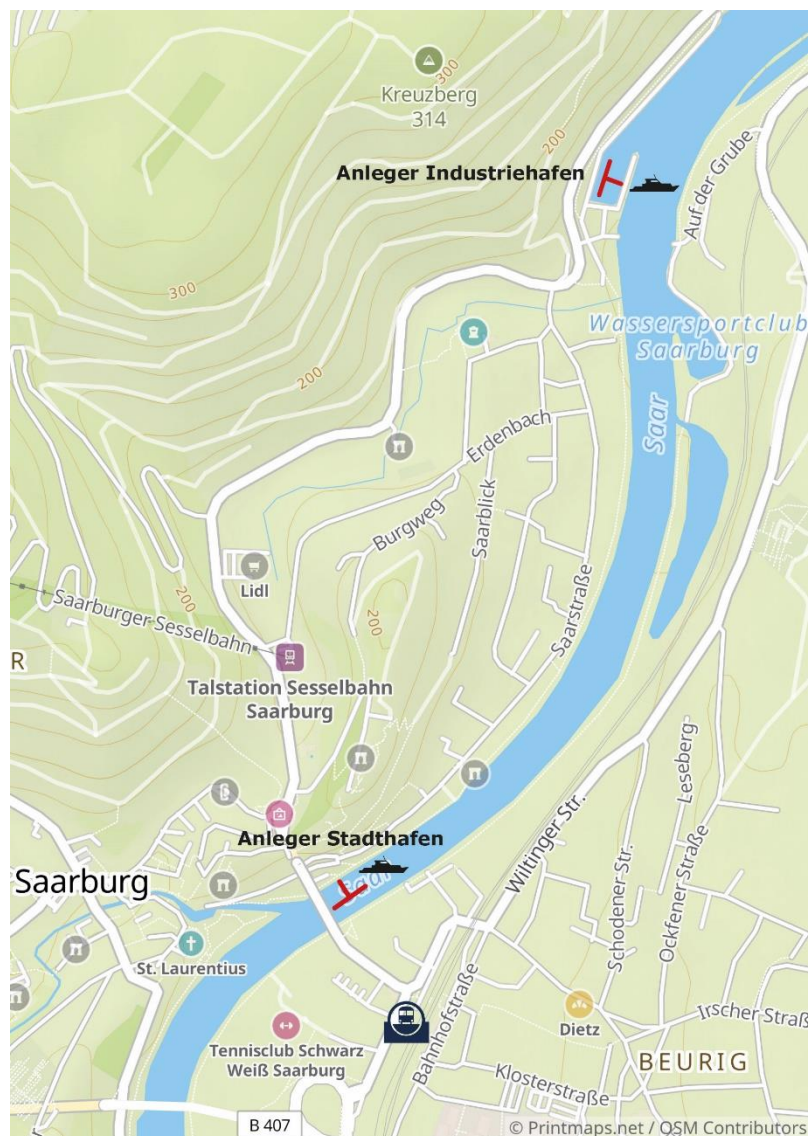
You will find your ship at the following berth on the day of arrival:

Saarburg Stadthafen; Below the Altstadtbrücke / Left bank of the river

Departure 02.09.: Saarburg Industriebahnhof; near the Wasser- und Schifffahrtsamt

Please note: The berth can also change at short notice. The port authorities may assign a common berth to several ships. Your ship may be moored behind another ship. If you do not find your ship, please contact the emergency numbers given in your travel documents.

You will be told the berth for disembarkation by your cruise director on the last evening.



2. Embarkation

Embarkation will take place at **4 pm**.

Please plan your arrival so that you arrive in time for embarkation. If you arrive later, please let us know in time.

Earlier embarkation is not possible for organizational reasons.

Please mark your luggage with a luggage tag with your name, cabin number and the ship's name.

3. Disembarkation

Disembarkation takes place after breakfast from around 9 am

We ask that you vacate your cabin by 9 am at the latest. You will receive more detailed information about the procedure from your on-board tour guide on the last evening.

Please don't forget to leave your cabin key at the reception.

4. Emergency number

You can reach your on-board tour guide **on the day of arrival** at the following cell phone number:

+49 (0) 171 8084428

In case of urgent emergency, the following contacts are also available:

Reception MS Olympia: **+316 83 33 14 81**

SE-Tours emergency phone (on the day of arrival only): **+49 (0) 171 826 17 18**

If you have any enquiries before the start of your trip, please contact your booking office.

5. Arrival to Saarburg



Arrival by train:

The destination station is Saarburg. The station is approx. 500 m from the Saarburg Stadthafen landing stage. A taxi costs approx. € 10-15.

The Saarburg Industriehafen landing stage is approx. 2.5 km from the station. A taxi costs approx. € 15.



Arriving by plane:

From Saarbrücken, Luxembourg, Frankfurt am Main, Cologne/Bonn or Düsseldorf airports by train to Saarburg station (see rail journey).



Arrival by car:

Parking facilities: Car park at the castle, 54439 Saarburg Car park, Graf-Siegfried-Straße 1, 54439 Saarburg; 30 min free of charge, each additional half hour or part thereof costs € 1. Parking fees can be paid with a domestic bank card.

Prices are subject to change without notice, as of March 2023



6. Timetable and Itinerary

The history of this region goes back to the Roman Era, some 2,000 years ago. Beautiful timbered houses, vineyards, the Porta Nigra in Trier, the "German corner" (conjunction of Moselle and Rhine) in Koblenz and Saarburg (also known as "little Venice") are only a few of the highlights during this trip. The Moselle, with a length of 544 km, is the Rhine's longest tributary and it is also the second most important shipping route in Germany. The Saar, which has the greatest abundance of water and a length of 246 km, is the Moselle's longest tributary. The quality of the cycle paths along this route is excellent. Most of the path along the Moselle is paved or asphalted and does not have any gradients of note. This makes the trip suitable even for relatively unpractised cyclists.

(All times are subject to change)

Day	Port	Arr	Dept.
1.	Saarburg		
2.	Saarburg		10:30
	Trier	13:00	
3.	Trier		10:00
	Mehring	12:30	
4.	Mehring		09:45
	Bernkastel-Kues	14:00	
5.	Bernkastel-Kues		09:45
	Zell	14:00	
6.	Zell		10:30
	Cochem	14:00	
7.	Cochem		09:00
	Koblenz	15:30	
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Day 1: Arrival to Arrival to Saarburg

Embarkation at 4 pm. You will spend the first night and evening in Saarburg. In its centre you will find a waterfall 20 meters deep as well as many baroque buildings and fisher houses.

Day 2: Saarburg – Wasserbillig (Luxemburg) – Trier, Cycle tour approx. 39 km

Today you will cycle from Saarburg along the idyllic nature reserve of the abandoned meander of the River Saar. Further on to Wasserbillig in Luxemburg and from here to the Igeler Säule. Later you will reach Trier, where MS OLYMPIA is already waiting for you.

Day 3: Trier – Mehring, Cycle tour approx. 26-28 km

After breakfast you will cycle via Pfalzel to Mehring, the largest winegrowers' community in the Mosel-Saar-Ruwer region.

Day 4: Mehring – Piesport – Bernkastel-Kues, Cycle tour approx. 47 km

Today you will reach Bernkastel-Kues by bike. The market place from the Middle Ages with many wood timbered houses invites you for a rest. On your way you visit Neumagen-Dhron which is the oldest wine city of Germany. Further on you reach Piesport, the oldest wine growing community along the Moselle. You should take the time to enjoy the popular wines.

Day 5: Bernkastel-Kues – Traben-Trarbach – Zell on the Moselle, Cycle tour approx. 43 km

From Bernkastel-Kues to Traben-Trarbach the route continues along the right bank of the Moselle. You follow the meanders of the Moselle and reach Zell on the Moselle – known for the "Zeller Schwarze Katz" wine location. In Zell you should take the opportunity to get to know the good wines of the Moselle.

Day 6: Zell on the Moselle – Beilstein – Cochem, Cycle tour approx. 38 km

The perfect maintained historical centre of Beilstein, "the Sleeping Beauty of the Mosel", is waiting for you. Today's tour ends in Cochem with the Reichsburg. Cochem is a lovely little town with historical half-timbered houses and a picturesque Old town.

Day 7: Boat tour Cochem – Koblenz, day of rest on board | Alternative Cochem – Alken – Koblenz, Cycle tour approx. 53 km

Today you can spend the day on board and relax on the sundeck. Enjoy the beautiful Moselle landscape passing by and stroll along the "Deutsche Eck" in Koblenz in the afternoon, where Moselle and Rhine flow together. Experienced cyclists can cycle from Cochem to Koblenz and visit Burg Eltz.

Day 8: Departure from Koblenz

Disembarkation after breakfast from 9:00 am. Individual journey home.

7. Excursion program

In order to make your holiday week along the Moselle and Saar on board the MS OLYMPIA even more special and varied, we arranged an excursion program for you.



TRIER: Walking Tour through the Roman Trier,
Monday, 10:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M., Meeting point Porta Nigra in Trier

Welcome to Germany's oldest city! On this walking tour you will dive into the 2,000-year-old history of Trier. A high five-digit number of inhabitants in the year 300 made Trier – Augusta Treverorum – the biggest city north of the Alps and it therefore gained the status of a metropolis. Even today you can feel the former size and importance the city had when it was seat of government in the Western Roman Empire. Numerous Roman monuments, as for example the Cathedral of St Peter and the Church of Our Lady, were listed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites in 1986. Our guide accompanies you to the starting point of the walking tour – to the Porta Nigra, the former Roman city gate and landmark of Trier. From here, the tour leads via Hauptmarkt (old Market Square) and Cathedral to the Konstantin-Basilika, further on to the Electoral Palace to the Palace Garden. The walking tour ends at the Roman Imperial Baths.

Duration approx. 2 h / € 20,- per person

PIESPORT: First-hand Wine Experience – Roman History, Modern Day Viticulture and Wine Tasting
Tuesday, 12:30 P.M. – 2:00 P.M., Meeting point "Roman wine press", Ausoniusufer in Piesport

You should definitely not miss this special event, which takes you to one of the Moselle's most beautiful vineyards, home of the world-famous "Piesporter Goldtröpfchen". The winegrowing family Franzen will take you on a little detour into the vineyards. During a small wine tasting you will gather a lot of interesting facts about winegrowing, Roman wine culture and today's winegrowing life. With a wonderful panoramic view of the Piesport wine landscape, you will learn everything you want to know about viticulture on the Moselle in a relaxed wine conversation!

It is well known that the Romans left their mark - culinary, cultural and of course also in terms of viticulture. This tour includes a visit to the reconstructed Roman wine press. A Roman snack can be enjoyed in a Roman ambience: rustic bread fresh from the oven with spreads! Wine enjoyment for all senses!



Duration approx. 1 ½ h / € 20,- per person

ZELL: Covered wagon tour through the vineyards with Wine Tasting,
Wednesday, 3:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M., Meeting point pedestrian bridge in Kaimt



Look forward to a wine tasting of a different kind! A tractor with covered wagon picks you up beneath the pedestrian bridge in Kaimt. You will experience a wonderful tour through the vineyards of "Zeller Schwarze Katz" and "Briedeler Herzen". During a stopover opposite the "Königslay Terrassen", the winegrower will provide you with interesting information about viticulture and the region. Among other spots, you will pass the "Marienburg" (castle) and enjoy an excellent view of the wine villages Briedel and Pünderich as well as the slope viaducts of the so-called "Kanonenbahn" (canon railway). During the trip you can taste three different wines or enjoy the view with a glass of water. At the end of this memorable experience, the tractor will bring you back to the pedestrian bridge in Kaimt.

Duration approx. 2 h / € 30,- per person

How to book the excursions:

- Booking only possible on board.
- For payment refer to your tour guide (cash only in €).
- The excursions have capacity limitations – In some cases, short term reservations may not be considered. We recommend that you attend the tour information sessions.
- Minimum number of participants per tour: Zell 15 persons, Piesport 10 persons, Trier 20 persons
- Once an excursion has been booked and paid, no refunds will be made. (Except of cancellation by SE-Tours or if the minimum number of participants has not been reached).
- Please note that, for instance, due to weather conditions or lock closures the scheduled programme may change as well as the location of boarding and disembarking.

Itinerary as well as tour programs are subject to change. Rates effective March 2023.