

# Bike and Boat along the Oder to the Baltic Sea to Usedom and Rügen From Berlin to Stralsund

## MS PRINCESS 2020



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From the metropolis of Berlin with its vast forests in the north, you will first sail to Schwedt on the Oder-Havel Canal, passing through Oranienburg and Eberswalde. The peaceful, unique beauty of the Oder landscape will accompany you to the Polish city of Szczecin with its magnificent castle. The river will then take you along the unique Bodden coast through Usedom to Germany's largest island, to Rügen, with its famous chalk cliffs. The old Hanseatic city of Stralsund is today's destination.

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 varied flora and fauna of these unique fluvial landscapes, baroque castles, brick gothic and northern German seaside resort architecture.

**Itinerary** (All times are subject to change):

Day	Port	Arrival	Dept.
Day 1	Berlin	Embarkation 16:00 h	
Day 2	Berlin		11:30
Day 2	Oranienburg	15:00	16:00
Day 2	Eberswalde	22:30	
Day 3	Eberswalde		09:30
Day 3	Niederfinow	10.30	11:00
Day 3	Hohensaaten	13:30	14:30
Day 3	Schwedt	19:00	
Day 4	Schwedt		09:30
Day 4	Mescherin	12.30	13:00
Day 4	Stettin	16:00	
Day 5	Stettin		06:00
Day 5	Wolgast	16:00	
Day 6	Wolgast		09:30
Day 6	Peenemünde	12:30	18:00
Day 6	Lauterbach (Rügen)	21:00	
Day 7	Lauterbach (Rügen)		09:15
Day 7	Stralsund	13:30	
Day 8	Stralsund	Disembarkation until 9:00 h	

### Day 1: Arrival in Berlin

Individual arrival in Berlin. Embarkation at 4:00 PM. Berlin is always worth a trip. Maybe you'll have some time and like to take a stroll on the Kurfürstendamm, take a walk through the Nicolai Quarter on Spree Island or take gander at the Brandenburg Gate. The possibilities of Berlin are almost endless.

### Day 2: Berlin – Oranienburg – Eberswalde, bike tour, about 38 km

The well-marked bike route meanders northward through the Ruppiner See area to Oranienburg. Sightseeing tip: the Baroque castle with its park, museum and orangery. This is your embarkation point, after which you will sail 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 3: Eberswalde – Hohensaaten – Schwedt, bike tour, about 32 - 64 km

First you will bike through the splendid landscape on the Treidel bike route along the Finow Canal, passing by forests, glades and small hills in the direction of Niederfinow (boat lift – a tour is always an option) to Hohensaaten. There you will get back on board and sail to Schwedt or if you still like to cycle you go by bike (add. 32 km).

### Day 4: Schwedt – Mescherin – Szczecin, bike tour, about 30 km

Today you will bike through a part of a unique, cross-border nature reserve, the "Lower Oder Valley National Park", then on to Garz and Mescherin, where you will get back on the boat. Then you will sail to 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: Szczecin – Wolgast, day of rest on board

Today you will spend all day on board.

After one last narrow passage, the boat will arrive in the expansive waters of the Bay of Szczecin (Oder Lagoon). After the crossing, you will reach Wolgast, 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 6: Wolgast – Peenemünde – Lauterbach, bike tour, about 15 km

In the morning you will bike through Zecherin and Karlshagen Harbour to Peenemünde (tip: historical/technical museum in the former power plant). When the weather is fine you may feel like cycling the "beach-route" via Trassenheide and Zinnowitz alternatively. In Peenemünde you will get back on board and at about 6 pm you sail to Lauterbach in the southeast of Rügen Island (arrival around 9 pm).

### Day 7: Lauterbach – Stralsund, bike tour, about 48 km

Today you should not miss a visit to the nearby city of Putbus (about 2 km) with its well-known circus. Classical buildings line this circular "square", where all the streets converge.

Your bike tour on this day will take you through Putbus, Garz, Groß Schoritz, the birthplace of Ernst Moritz Arndt, Poseritz and Gustow with its well-known village church over the Rügen Dam to Stralsund, where the boat will meet you. As a city with an important past, a stroll through the historic centre, which is situated on an island, will take you past numerous exceptional sights.

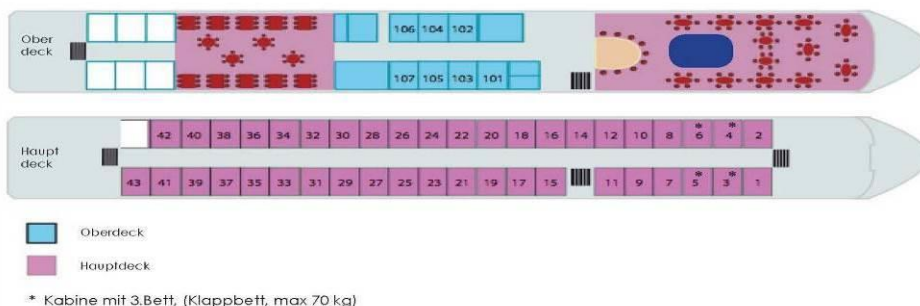
## Day 8: Departure from Stralsund

After breakfast, disembarkation until 09:00 am and individual trip home.

### MS PRINCESS:

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. The MS PRINCESS has a total of 49 outer cabins. The boat has 42 two-bed cabins on the main deck, 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) and seven

#### MS Princess



two-bed cabins on the upper deck. All cabins are about 10.5 m<sup>2</sup> in size, have a shower and toilet, hair dryer, phone, Sat.-TV, safe (for a fee) and central A/C (the windows on both decks cannot be opened). The two separate beds can be turned into a sofa and seating area during the day. 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).

**Technical data:** Year constructed: 1981, number of passengers: max. 102; length: 80 m; width: 9.5 m; draught: 1.30 m; height: 4.00 m; speed: 20 km/h; flag: Holland. Currency used on board: Euro. Mastercard and Visa Credit cards are accepted.



**Important notes:**

- **Embarkation** at 4:00 pm, **disembarkation** after breakfast at 9:00 am.
- **Rental bikes on board:** smooth-running 7-gear unisex bicycle with hand and back pedal brake and saddle bag, made by Velo de Ville (special design for SE-Tours). Electric bicycle (limited number, an early booking is necessary).
- **Please indicate your body height when you book**
- **To bring your own bike:** on request only – due to lack of space on sundeck.
- **Bike tours:** the bike tours are individual and unguided. They cover distances between 15 and 45 km. All of the stated kilometre distances are approximate distances for the recommended bike tours.
- **Languages on board:** German, English
- **Bike routes/level of difficulty:** you will mostly be biking on 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.
- If you don't feel like a bike ride on a particular day, you can spend the day on the ship.
- **Luggage:** please make sure that your vacation luggage includes good rainproof gear (jacket and pants), a bike helmet, a sun hat and sunscreen as well as tennis shoes.
- **Schedule/timetable:** the schedule and programme are always subject to change.
- If a certain route cannot be taken due to high or low tides, the Skipper retains the right to change the route for reasons of safety without this constituting any legal entitlement to a claim.
- Because your boat will generally dock at the next port on the same day, your time frame for some activities and sight-seeing will be limited.
- Due to a very low overhead clearance of some bridges the sundeck will be closed from time to time.
- **Optional guided walking tours in Szczecin:** can be booked on board only. Depending on the number of participants the excursion could be carried out in 2 languages (German/English).
- **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.**

### Trip dates for 2020:

09May-16May/23May-30May/06June-13June/20June-27June/04July-11July/18July-25July

<b>Price per person in EUR:</b>	
<b>Departures from Saturday to Saturday</b>	
Three-bed cabin on the main deck	<b>599.-</b>
Two-bed cabin on the main deck astern*	<b>799.-</b>
Two-bed cabin on the main deck	<b>899.-</b>
Two-bed cabin on the upper deck	<b>1.099.-</b>
Two-bed cabin on the main deck for single use (limited quantity)	<b>1.299.-</b>

\*Cabins at the front and rear of the ship; perceptible engine and generator noise (regardless if ship is in motion or not)

**€ 75.-** 7-gear rental bike, hand brake and pedal brake or freewheel hub, back bags and rental bike insurance

**€ 165.-** E-Bike (advance reservation, limited number) with pannier bags and rental bike insurance

### **Included services/activities:**

- Seven nights' accommodation in an outside cabin of the MS PRINCESS with shower/toilet in the booked cabin category
- Programme according to the itinerary from Berlin to Stralsund
- Welcome drink
- Daily cabin cleaning
- Bedding and towel changes as needed
- Full board: 7x breakfast, 6x lunch snack on board (non cyclists) or packed lunch for cyclists, 6x coffee and tea in the afternoon, 7x three-course dinner
- All port and lock dues
- Daily bike tour meeting
- On-board tour guidance
- **GPS tracks**
- 1x book with route maps for individual tours per cabin

### **Not included:**

Arrival and departure, transfers, bike rentals, entrance and sightseeing fees, city maps, travel insurance, gratuities and personal expenses

### **Passenger car parking options in Berlin** (subject to change):

For example: Parking Garage "Hallen am Borsigturm" (1.600 parking spaces), always open, ca. € 10.00/day, about 800 m from mooring point. No reservation possible. Return by train from Stralsund to Berlin approx. € 46.- per person.

Minimum number of participants: 70 guests (must have been reached within 21 days prior to departure). You may cancel the booking at any time. For cancellation fees, please refer to the booking conditions of SE-Tours. The tour operator's terms and conditions apply: SE-Tours GmbH, **Am Grollhamm 12a, 27574 Bremerhaven**. We recommend that you take out a travel health insurance with repatriation coverage as well as baggage, accident and travel cancellation insurances.

### **Reservations:**

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