

2026

Bike & Barge for those who enjoy comfort and discovery along the Main, Rhine & Neckar Rivers

Frankfurt/Main to Stuttgart / Bad Cannstatt

MS CASANOVA

ORIGINAL TOUR

- Trip length: 8 Days / 7 Nights
- Departure and arrival day: Saturday
- Length of cycle tours: approx. 175 - 200 km
- Character of cycle tours: individual, unguided
- Difficulty: ●●○○
- Profile: Mostly on well-developed long-distance cycle paths along flat river landscapes, with paved or finely gravelled surfaces. The route also includes some quiet country roads. Gentle hills and occasional climbs must be tackled, making this tour ideal for active travelers who enjoy both exercise and comfort.
- Languages on board: German/English
- Travel documents: German/English
- Booking code DE-NESFS-08I



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Tour Details

The Neckar Valley Cycle Route runs almost entirely without climbs, stretching 370 km from the Neckar's source in the Schwenninger Moos to the city of Mannheim, known for its grid layout. On this Bike & Barge journey, you'll experience the navigable part of the Neckar—always with your floating hotel close at hand! Your journey begins in the vibrant metropolis of Frankfurt am Main. The constant interplay of nature and culture, of past and present—with quiet villages and lively cities—makes your holiday along the Neckar especially varied and rich in contrast. Wide river meadows, narrow valleys, vineyards, castles, palaces, and historic town centers await you as you cycle through the heart of Baden-Württemberg.

(All times subject to change)

Day	Port	Arr	Dept
Day 1	Frankfurt/Main, Embark. from 16:00 h		18:00
Day 2	Nierstein	00:30	10:00
	Mannheim	15:00	
Day 3	Mannheim		10:00
	Heidelberg	14:00	
Day 4	Heidelberg		09:45
	Eberbach	15:00	
Day 5	Eberbach		09:45
	Bad Wimpfen	15:30	
Day 6	Bad Wimpfen		10:00
	Lauffen	14:00	18:00
Day 7	Stuttgart /Bad Cannstatt	03:00	
Day 8	Stuttgart / Bad Cannstatt; Disembark. until 09:00 h		

1st Day: Frankfurt/Main – Embarkation, Shipping to Nierstein

Embarkation starts at 4:00 p.m in Frankfurt/Main. At 6:00 p.m., it's time to cast off! Enjoy your first dinner cruise as the ship travels from the Main into the Rhine. Your vessel will moor overnight in the idyllic town of Nierstein.

2nd Day: Nierstein – Mannheim, Cycle tour approx. 60 km

With almost 1,000 hectares of vineyards, Nierstein is the largest wine-growing community along the Rhine. Start your day with a visit to the historic town center, featuring a medieval marketplace and noble estates. Then cycle directly along the Rhine, heading first to the imperial city of Worms. The scenic path across the Friesenheimer Island later offers a striking contrast to the industrial Rhinefront of BASF on the opposite bank. A few kilometers further on, you'll reach the confluence of the Neckar and Rhine rivers near Mannheim, where your ship will be waiting. If you still have some energy, take a detour through the "City of Squares" to its impressive baroque palace.

3rd Day: Mannheim – Heidelberg, Cycle tour approx. 26 km

Today, follow the scenic course of the Neckar River by bike all the way to Heidelberg. The Roman town of Ladenburg, with its charming historic center, is well worth a short stop along the way. From a distance, the ruins of Heidelberg Castle can already be seen towering above the old town. Stroll across the famous sandstone bridge or wander through the narrow alleys and picturesque squares of Heidelberg's historic center.

4th Day: Heidelberg – Eberbach, Cycle tour approx. 34 km

Today, you'll cycle via Ziegelhausen and through the Odenwald to Neckarsteinach. From there, continue on to Hirschhorn and finally to your stage destination: the historic Staufer town of Eberbach. A stroll through its narrow alleys and small squares offers a chance to soak up the cheerful atmosphere of this charming old town.

5th Day: Eberbach – Bad Wimpfen, Cycle tour approx. 45 km

Today's destination, Bad Wimpfen, is a fairytale-like medieval town that once served as a residence for Emperor Frederick I Barbarossa in 1182. Before arriving, you might take a detour to Hornberg Castle — one of the most beautiful castles in the Neckar Valley. After 1259, it became a fief of the Bishops of Speyer and later, in the 16th century, the home of Götz von Berlichingen.

6th Day: Bad Wimpfen – Lauffen, Cycle tour approx. 30 km, Shipping to Stuttgart / Bad Cannstatt

Today, enjoy a relaxed and delightful ride along the Neckar, following well-developed cycle paths through gentle river valleys, past vineyards and idyllic wine villages. Along the way, it's well worth stopping in one of the small wine towns, known for their rustic taverns and welcoming local inns. Your destination is Lauffen am Neckar – the hometown of the famous poet Friedrich Hölderlin and a true gem of the region. The charming old town, with its timber-framed houses and rich wine tradition, invites you to linger. A route full of nature, culture, and indulgence – perfect for a laid-back cycling day in the heart of the Neckar Valley.

7th Day: Stuttgart / Bad Cannstatt, Day of rest

Today is all about Baden-Württemberg's capital, Stuttgart. Discover the city's diverse surroundings — from idyllic vineyards and green parks to charming suburbs. If you're up for a workout, tackle the heights of the Stuttgart basin and you'll be rewarded with sweeping views over the city, the Rems Valley, or the Swabian Alb. Whether you prefer a leisurely ride along the Neckar or a more athletic route through the vineyards, a cycling tour around Stuttgart offers something for everyone and shows the city at its green, indulgent best. If you'd rather skip the bike, there's the option to explore Stuttgart and its surroundings on a guided walking tour (optional). Must-sees include Schlossplatz - the vibrant heart of the city - the Königsstraße, and the Staatsgalerie. Tech enthusiasts will enjoy the Mercedes-Benz Museum or the Porsche Museum (not included).

8th Day: Departure from Stuttgart / Bad Cannstatt

Disembarkation by 9:00 a.m. and individual journey home.

Travel Dates | Prices | Services

Travel Dates 2026 / From Saturday to Saturday

30May – 06Jun | 13Jun – 20Jun | 25Jul – 01Aug | 08Aug– 15Aug | 03Oct – 10Oct

Price per person in Euro:

Main Deck				Upper deck		
2-bed cabin Eco*	2-bed cabin Standard	2-bed cabin Deluxe**	2-bed cabin Single use	2-bed cabin Eco*	2-bed cabin Standard	2-bed cabin Single use
1.199.-	1.399.-	1.499.-	1.959.-	1.499.-	1.599.-	2.239.-

*Eco = Cabins located in the rear part of the ship. Engine and generator noise may be noticeable when the ship is moving or docked.

**Deluxe = Cabins with more space in the front part of the ship. 2-bed cabins for single use available in limited numbers.

Supplements

Rental bike fee 7-gear-Unisex: € 99.- bike insurance included

Rental bike fee 8-gear-E-Bike: € 219.- bike insurance included

Bring your own bike / own E-bike: € 49.- (on request only, limited number; no tandems or tricycles)

Bikes:

- 7-gear-Unisex-trekking bikes und 8-gear-E-Bikes (brand: Velo de Ville - special SE-Tours edition)
- With handbrake and pedal brake or 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. Onboard Selling: UVEX I-VO € 45.- per helmet, limited number.

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
- Room cleaning every day, changing of towels and bed cloths as necessary
- Welcome-Drink
- Full board consisting of 7x breakfast, 6x lunch snack on board (non-cyclists) or lunch package for cycle tours, 6x coffee or tea in the afternoon, 7x 3-course-dinner
- Daily meeting for the cycle tours
- Digital travel documents via GUIBO-App incl. GPS tracks for bike tours
- Tour guide on board

Not included

Journey to Frankfurt/Main and from Stuttgart / Bad Cannstatt, shuttles, bike rentals, entrance fees and excursions, city maps, ferry fees, travel insurances, parking fees, tips, drinks on board

Parking in Frankfurt/Main (subject to change, as of August 2025)

Details to follow.

Ship's description | Remarks

Built in 2001 | Registry Switzerland | Length 103 m | Width 9.7 m | Height 4.6 m | Draft 1.55 m | Max passengers: 96

A touch of Rococo and an elegant atmosphere welcome you aboard the MS Casanova. Lovingly designed details, playful ornaments, and reproductions of famous paintings lend the ship its very own charm. In the stylish restaurant, the attentive crew takes care of your culinary needs. The spacious panorama lounge, with its royal flair, invites you to relax — whether over a glass of wine, a cocktail, or a pleasant chat at the bar. Those who wish to enjoy the scenery outside will find comfortable loungers and seating on the partially covered sun deck — the perfect place to take in the passing river landscapes.



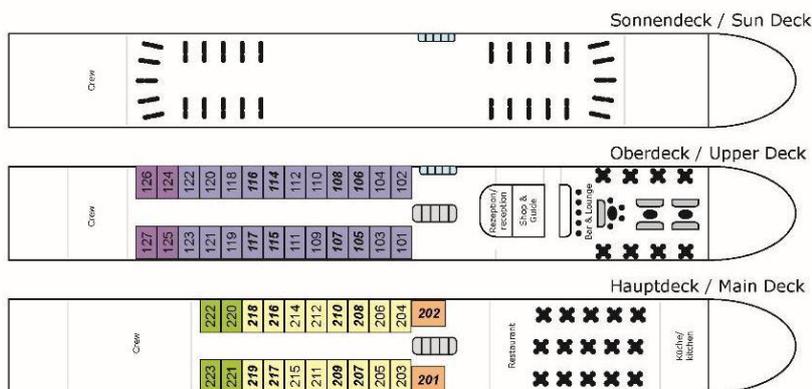
Cabins All 48 cabins are located on the outside of the ship and are equipped with a shower/WC, hairdryer, TV, safe (deposit required), minibar, onboard telephone, and individually adjustable air conditioning. In cabins with two single beds, one bed can be converted into a sofa during the day for added comfort. Cabins with a double bed (160x200 cm) have separate mattresses. All twin-bed cabins are approximately 12 m² in size.

Main Deck: A total of 22 cabins with panoramic windows that cannot be opened. 16 twin-bed cabins: eight with two single beds, eight with a double bed. Four Eco* twin-bed cabins with two single beds located in the rear of the ship. Two more spacious Deluxe cabins with a double bed located in the front of the ship.

Upper Deck: A total of 26 cabins with French balconies (= floor-to-ceiling windows that can be opened). 22 twin-bed cabins: 14 with two single beds, eight with a double bed. Four Eco* twin-bed cabins with two single beds located in the rear of the ship. * Engine and generator noise may be noticeable.

Important remarks

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Embarkation from 4 pm | **Disembarkation** until 9 am.
Minimum number of participants 75 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. E-bikes exclusively with removable battery pack. We exclude any liability for loss, theft and damage - this also applies to damage caused by transportation from shore to ship or vice versa. **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). **Luggage** We recommend: rainwear, bicycle helmet, sunhat and sneakers. **Schedule and program changes** Basically, we reserve the right to make changes of routing and program. In case of flood or low tide, the shipping company reserves the right to bridge parts of passages by buses. In extreme situations, the shipping company reserves the right to cancel the journey on short notice. No legal right shall be constituted of both situations. The same applies for officially ordered - previously not announced - repair work on locks or bridges. **Notes** Please be aware that a cruise ship is not only your hotel but also a machine, working with engine power also during the night. Especially crossing locks and bridges - and the preparation work - may cause noise. If you are sensitive please bring your own ear plugs. **Digital Travel documents and roadmaps:** In the interest of sustainability and climate protection, please choose our digital route book instead of printed travel documents. The GUIBO app is your constant companion during your SE-Tours original trip. A glance at your smartphone is enough to keep you safe and worry-free, with all the important information at hand. Travel information, ship and contact details and your bike tours are available digitally in the route book, available offline and thus accessible at any time. The app is available for free and works on all standard smartphones. You will automatically receive the access data to download your booked trip via email before your journey begins. **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**