



MS OSCAR WILDE · RHINE CRUISE TO SWITZERLAND · DEPARTING 18 SEPTEMBER 2026

An important update on your cruise, and where the ship sails instead

Low water on the Upper Rhine means your ship cannot reach Switzerland, so rather than cancel your holiday, she will sail our Holland and Belgium itinerary instead, across the same eight days. Switzerland, Strasbourg and the Rhine Gorge will no longer form part of the river cruise. In their place, you will enjoy Amsterdam by canal, a full day in Bruges and the windmills of Kinderdijk plus Cologne. **If you have booked our Glacier Express extension, this remains.**

THE RIVER, AND WHY WE HAVE CHANGED YOUR ITINERARY

Our river cruise partner's nautical team and our own in house team check the gauges and the weather every day, and judge what they mean for your ship rather than the river in general. Downstream is a different river: the lower Rhine carries far more water and much of your new route is lock controlled, so levels are managed rather than left to the weather. It is the best plan we can give you rather than a promise, and your Cruise Director will tell you if anything changes.

YOUR ITINERARY, DAY BY DAY

Day 1	Join your ship in Düsseldorf, moored overnight in the city.
Day 2	A guided tour of Cologne in the morning, then Düsseldorf at leisure. * As mentioned, it may be necessary for you to disembark the Oscar Wilde on Day 2 of your holiday and transfer to the MS Riviera Resplendence, the newest addition to our fleet, which was launched in July 2026. We will confirm this arrangement before your departure and keep you fully informed.
Day 3	Amsterdam: a canal cruise past the gabled merchant houses, then overnight in port.
Day 4	Kinderdijk: nineteen working windmills along the canal banks, UNESCO listed.
Day 5	Ghent on a guided walk, or a full day in Bruges: the Markt and the Belfry.
Day 6	Antwerp: the Grote Markt, its guildhouses and the Brabo Fountain.
Day 7	Nijmegen, then Oosterbeek: the British headquarters and Commonwealth cemetery.
Day 8	Disembark in Düsseldorf after breakfast and travel home.

If you booked the Glacier Express extension, it still stands and we will confirm the arrangements with you.

You join at Düsseldorf, just down the Rhine from Cologne, and fly home from there rather than Basel.

On the Bruges day you are ashore over lunch, so we give you €25 per person.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT IS UP TO YOU

We would love you to travel with us, and if you do there is something extra by way of apology.

Travel, and take a voucher. A future travel voucher worth 75% of your cruise price.

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YOU WILL BE WELL LOOKED AFTER

Your Cruise Director, Cruise Host and crew are aboard throughout, as booked. Everything on board is unchanged: exceptional dining, all inclusive drinks, local entertainment and immersive experiences.

For the latest on river conditions and our 5-point promise:

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