



# Seine River Cruise: National Geographic Photography Sailing

EUROPE | France

Season: 2022

 **8** DAYS

 **20** MEALS

 **23** SITES

What better place to hone your photography skills than in France on this magnificent 8-Day/7-Night National Geographic photography Seine River Cruise by *Adventures by Disney*. From the provincial landscape of Monet's beloved Giverny to the beaches of Normandy and stunning destinations in between, you'll engage in an exciting array of photography workshops, immersive entertainment and exhilarating activities for the whole family.

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## Trip Overview

 8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS

 ACCOMMODATIONS

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 6 LOCATIONS

Les Andelys, Le Havre, Rouen,  
Vernon, Giverny, Conflans

 AGES

Minimum Age: 4

Suggested Age: 8+

 FLIGHT INFORMATION

**Arrive:** Charles de Gaulle  
Airport (CDG)

**Return:** Charles de Gaulle  
Airport (CDG)

 20 MEALS

7 Breakfasts, 6 Lunches, 7  
Dinners

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## PARIS

### Activities Highlights:

Arrive in Paris, Board the Ship and Stateroom Check-in, Welcome Dinner

On Board the Ship

 Dinner Included

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### Arrive in Paris, France

Fly into Charles de Gaulle Airport (CDG) where you will be greeted by your driver who will handle your luggage and transportation to the *AmaLyra* ship.



### Board the Ship and Check-in to Your Stateroom

Check into your home for the next 8 days and 7 nights—the *AmaLyra*—and find your luggage has been magically delivered to your stateroom.



### Welcome Dinner On Board the Ship

Meet up with your fellow Adventurers as you toast the beginning of what promises to be an amazing adventure sailing along the beautiful Seine River through the provincial and cosmopolitan towns and cities of France.



### Paris Departure

Begin your voyage along the Seine River with the magnificent “City of Light” lit up against the nighttime sky as a spectacular start to your *Adventures by Disney* river cruise adventure.

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## LES ANDELYS

### Activities Highlights:

Morning Activity Options: Chateau Gaillard Hike, Chateau Gaillard Hike and Bike, Macaron-Making Demonstration and French Cheese Seminar & Tasting



Breakfast, Lunch and

Dinner Included



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### Breakfast on Board the Ship

Enjoy a Full-American buffet of breakfast favorites that will energize you for the adventure-filled day ahead. For early risers, coffee, tea and fruit will be available.



### Morning Activity Options:

#### OPTION A:

##### Château Gaillard Hike

Reward yourself with spectacular views of the Seine and the Normandy countryside after an exhilarating hike 300 feet (90 meters) above the commune of Les Andelys to the Chateau Gaillard, a ruined medieval castle that was constructed in 1196 AD under Richard the Lionheart.



#### OPTION B:

##### Château Gaillard Hike and Bike

For those fit Adventurers with extra energy to burn, get the best of both worlds as you take to the hiking and biking trails. Your bike ride takes you on the trails throughout the provincial town of Les Andelys, followed by a hike

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where you will ascend 300 feet (90 meters) up to the medieval masterpiece, Chateau Gaillard, for magnificent views of Les Andelys and the Seine.



### OPTION C:

#### **Panoramic Coach Tour**

Relax in the comfort of a mini-coach as you take in the surrounding sites of the provincial town of Les Andelys on this amazing guided tour. You'll also take a photo stop with stunning views of Château Gaillard, Les Andelys and the Seine River.



#### **Lunch On Board the Ship**

Enjoy a delightful lunch on board the ship.



#### **Macaron-Making Demonstration & French Cheese Seminar & Tasting**

Stay aboard the ship and enjoy an afternoon of smooth sailing along the Seine while an AmaWaterways chef teaches you how to make macarons, the meringue-based confection that is a popular sweet French treat. Then, please your palate as you learn about—and taste—a variety of delicious French cheeses while continuing your voyage along the Seine.



#### **Dinner On Board the Ship**

Share a delicious meal on board the ship with your family and fellow Adventurers while swapping stories from your day in Les Andelys.

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## LE HAVRE

### Activities Highlights:

Full-Day Excursion to Normandy

 Breakfast and Dinner

Included

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### Full-Day Excursion to Normandy Beaches

Spend the day on the beaches of Normandy, including Omaha Beach, the site of the famed D-Day invasion.



### American Cemetery Visit

Honor the brave American soldiers who fought to defend our freedom in World War II on Normandy Beach—the site where an armada of Allied troops landed on D-Day.



### Lunch On Your Own in Normandy

Feed your appetite with a delicious lunch.



### Normandy Tour Continues

Following lunch, proceed to Pointe du Hoc where you will visit the location where U.S. Army Rangers scaled the 100 foot cliffs and the historic battle ensued.

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 **Photo Stop at Les Braves Memorial**

Salute the courage of those who made the ultimate sacrifice on June 6th, 1944 at this stunning memorial.

 **Dinner On Board the Ship**

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## ÉTRETAT AND HONFLEUR

### Activities Highlights:

Étretat Cliffs Hike, On Your Own Time in Étretat Village, On Your Own Time in Honfleur and/or Orchard Visit with Calvados Tasting



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### Étretat Cliffs Hike

Take in the breathtaking views as you hike at the beautiful seaside commune and farming town of Étretat, known for its stunning chalk cliffs, which include three natural arches and a pointed formation known as the Needle, which reaches a height of 230 feet (70 meters) above the sea overlooking the English Channel.



### On Your Own Time In Étretat Village

Enjoy some time on your own to try out some of the photography tips and tricks from the National Geographic Photography e-book that you received prior to departure. Explore the quaint seaside village which is home to the Notre-Dame de la garde Chapel which was built by sailors in the 19th century, as well as the old market square that is home to a number of charming boutiques and shops featuring local cheese and apple products.



### Lunch On Your Own in Honfleur

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Discover a local spot to dine on a delicious lunch.



### Afternoon Activity Options:

#### OPTION A:

##### On Your Own Time in Honfleur

Spend the afternoon strolling and shopping through the picturesque coastal town of Honfleur, whose Vieux-Bassin (old harbor) has served as the inspiration for artists that include Gustave Courbet, Eugène Boudin and Claude Monet. The town, located where the Seine meets the English Channel, is home to the Sainte-Catherine church, a 15th-century church built by shipbuilders and is the largest wooden church in France.



#### OPTION B:

##### Apple Orchard & Calvados Tasting

Spend the afternoon touring a local apple orchard, where you'll learn about – and taste – calvados, a sweet apple brandy that is a specialty of the Normandy region.



#### OPTION C:

##### Both Option A & B with Briefer On Your Own Time

Enjoy both Option A and Option B activities with less On Your Own Time in Honfleur.



### Dinner On Board the Ship

Tuck into another delightful meal prepared and presented by the *AmaLyra* chefs and kitchen staff.

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## ROUEN

### Activities Highlights:

Rouen Walking Tour and Chocolate & Cheese Tasting OR Tree Climbing Park, Rouen Walking Tour and Chocolate & Cheese Tasting OR Kayaking



Breakfast, Lunch and  
Dinner Included



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### Breakfast On Board the Ship

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### Morning Activity Options:

#### OPTION A:

#### Walking Tour of Rouen

Walk in the footsteps of Vikings and Joan of Arc, as well as many others who had an affection for this ancient port city and capital of the Normandy region. You'll explore the Jewish Quarter, see the Gothic churches, including Cathédral Notre-Dame and walk along the cobblestoned pedestrian center that is lined with medieval half-timbered houses. Keep an eye out for sites that will be on your National Geographic Photography Scavenger Hunt list!



During the tour, you'll also treat your taste buds to a French epicurean delight as you sample some of the finest cheeses and chocolates in Normandy, a region known for its dairy, as well as its small farms and confectioners.

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**OPTION B:****Tree Climbing Park**

Take to the treetops where you'll enjoy an exciting adventure of tree climbing rope courses for all ages. See important details

**Lunch On Board the Ship**

Take a break from a morning full of adventure and get reinvigorated with a hearty lunch before you head out for an activity-filled afternoon.

**Afternoon Activity Options:****OPTION A:****Walking Tour of Rouen**

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**OPTION B:****Kayaking**

Take an inspiring kayak trek, paddling through the scenic countryside of France's Normandy region.

**Dinner On Board the Ship**

Share stories of the day's adventures with family and friends as you eat a wonderful meal prepared by the ship's chefs. Enjoy a hands-on photography workshop with the National Geographic photography expert to brush up your skills and get ready for another day of picturesque sightseeing.

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## VERNON AND GIVERNY

### Activities Highlights:

Claude Monet's House and Gardens Visit, Giverny Museum of Impressionisms, Lunch On Board the Ship, Afternoon Activity Options: Visit Château de Bizy; OR On Your Own Time in Vernon; OR On Your Own Bicycle Ride in Vernon



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### Breakfast On Board the Ship

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### Claude Monet's House and Gardens Visit

Journey into the stunning Giverny landscape on this visit to Claude Monet's beautifully restored 19th-century home, where he lived from 1883 until his death in 1926. Enjoy a privately-guided tour that includes the lush gardens where the famed French impressionist painter found inspiration for some of his most renowned works including, *Water Lilies* and *Wheatstacks*.



### Giverny Museum of Impressionisms & Junior Adventurer Painting Activity

Discover the works of Monet and see the influence that his work had on his contemporaries, as well as generations of artists that followed him at the Museum of Impressionisms. Junior Adventurers will create their own masterpieces in the museum's

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garden. See important details



### Lunch On Board the Ship

Head back to the ship for a delightful lunch before returning to Vernon for an afternoon of adventure.



### Afternoon Activity Options:

#### OPTION A:

##### Château de Bizy

Marvel at the ornate castle and stunning gardens that showcase a true passion for elegance. This amazing castle and vast gardens, now a historic monument, was begun in 1740 with successive owners adding their own touches through the years. The gardens boast a splendid collection of fountains and an English-style vegetable garden. During this visit, enjoy exclusive lawn games and traditional entertainment on the stunning castle grounds.



#### OPTION B:

##### On Your Own in Vernon

Adventurers may choose to explore the quaint historical district of Vernon, located on the banks of the river Seine and home to shops, cafés and restaurants, as well as sites like the Old Mill, the Archives Tower, Tourelles Castle and the House of Long Ago.



#### OPTION C:

##### On Your Own Bicycle Ride in Vernon

Enjoy a leisurely, on your own bike ride through the town of Vernon where you can explore the historical district and its Gothic architecture, 12th-century castles and the famous old mill.



### Dinner On Board the Ship

Return to the ship for a lovely dinner where you can share stories of your day.

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## CONFLANS

### Activities Highlights:

Morning Activity Options: Chateau Malmaison OR Auvers-sur-Oise,  
Afternoon Activity Options: Scenic Sail to Paris OR Coach to Paris for On  
Your Own Time, Farewell Dinner On Board the Ship, Illuminations Cruise



Breakfast, Lunch and  
Dinner Included



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### Breakfast On Board the Ship

Enjoy a Full-American buffet of breakfast favorites that will energize you for the adventure-filled day ahead. For early risers, coffee, tea and fruit will be available.



### Morning Activity Options:

#### OPTION A:

##### Visit Château Malmaison

Explore this exquisite French castle and its accompanying park that was once home to Napoleon and Josephine Bonaparte, as well as the headquarters of the French government from 1800 to 1802. It now serves as a national museum.



#### OPTION B:

##### Visit Auvers-sur-Oise

Get inspired on your visit to this commune in Paris' northwest suburbs where 19th century artists including Paul Cézanne, Camille Pissarro, Jean-Baptiste-Camille Corot and most notably, Vincent Van Gogh, lived and painted. The

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guided visit includes the final resting cemetery of both Vincent and Theo Van Gogh, as well as a look inside the boarding house where Vincent last lived.



### Lunch On Board the Ship

Head back to the ship and enjoy a lovely lunch on board.



### Afternoon Activity Options:

#### OPTION A:

##### Scenic Sail to Paris

Relax and soak up the scenery on a daytime sailing to Paris. Spend time with the National Geographic photography expert on the main deck to get informal pointers on how to best capture the breathtaking vistas as they glide by.



#### OPTION B:

##### Coach to Paris for On Your Own Time

Leave the ship and take a motor coach to Paris for an afternoon of on your own time exploring the sites, shops and cafés of the city.



### Farewell Dinner On Board the Ship

Say *au revoir* to your fellow Adventurers and new found friends as you celebrate the conclusion of an amazing adventure-filled vacation cruising along the River Seine.



### Paris Arrival and Illuminations Cruise

Bask in the glow of the iconic buildings of Paris lit up at night as you sail through the magnificent city.

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## PARIS

### Activities Highlights:

Transfer to Charles de Gaulle Airport OR Paris Escape OR Post-Stay Night  
in Paris

 Breakfast Included

 None



### Breakfast On Board the Ship

Enjoy a Full-American buffet of breakfast favorites that will energize you for the adventure-filled day ahead. For early risers, coffee, tea and fruit will be available.



### Transfer to Charles de Gaulle Airport (CDG), OR Paris Escape OR Post-Stay Night in Paris

Receive assistance with your luggage and transfer to your next destination—either Charles de Gaulle Airport (CDG), or to your Paris Escape. You may also enjoy a post-stay night in Paris.

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## IMPORTANT DETAILS

### Day 5

**Please note:** The Tree Climbing activity is not included on Adult-Exclusive departures.

### Day 6

**Please note:** The painting activity at the Museum of Impressionisms is not included on Adult-Exclusive departures.



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