

PROVENCE & RHONE DISCOVERY

7 NIGHTS | MAY 12, 2020 | AVALON POETRY II

Join your host, Chef Umberto Menghi on a fabulous 8-day Rhône river cruise.

He cooks, he makes wine, he runs a cooking school – and his ambition is boundless. A feast of a man, Vancouver restaurateur Umberto Menghi is one of this country's most celebrated chefs.

Join Umberto on this special Culinary Voyage sailing the beautiful Rhone river in Southern France.

Guests will also have the option of a 4-night pre-cruise package with Umberto at his hotel & cooking school, Villa Delia, in Tuscany.

Your cruise on the Rhône River begins in Lyon, the culinary capital of France! With Avalon Choice included excursions, you'll find a variety of ways to explore each port you visit. Choose from Active, Classic, and Discovery included excursions that interest you—from casual and leisurely to cultural and active. Admire the lovely scenery of the French countryside, join a culinary walk to discover architecture and local specialties, or take a cooking class in Lyon. Embark on a canoe excursion or simply linger in a sidewalk café; stroll Avignon's papal palace or attend a wine tasting in an underground cave. With so many included choices, you'll find the perfect way to spend your day—from a ghost tour in Viviers to a guided bike ride through the birthplace of rosé wines; to a chocolate factory tour and a visit to a French museum of perfumes. Visit an oyster farm, bike through Camargue Regional Nature Park to spot flamingos, or take a painting workshop in Arles—in the style of Van Gogh. Our Active Discovery Rhône River cruise with Avalon Choice includes activities and excursions to experience the Rhône River at your pace in every place along the way. It's a vacation in France made just for you.

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The Avalon Poetry II offers a delightfully intimate cruise setting. Like its sister Suite Ships®, the Avalon Artistry II, Avalon Visionary, Avalon Tapestry II, and Avalon Tranquility II, the Poetry II features two full decks of suites featuring Wall-to-Wall Panoramic Windows that transform the living space into a unique Open-Air BalconySM. With 200 square feet, Panorama SuitesSM are more than 30% larger than the industry standard, giving you the rare opportunity to wake each morning to the enchanting scenery and fresh breezes. Onboard amenities include an alternative dining option in the Panorama Bistro, complimentary computer use in public areas and WIFI access, a Fitness Center, and a spacious Sky Deck with premium lounge chairs, whirlpool, and light al fresco lunches at the Sky Bistro.



CATEGORY	PRICE
Category P – Panorama Suite	\$6,434*
Category A – Panorama Suite	\$6,224*
Category B – Panorama Suite	\$6,171*
Category D – Deluxe Stateroom	\$5,111*
Category E – Deluxe Stateroom	\$4,860*

Taxes are \$250 pp. Waived single supplement (available on 5 cabins only per sailing).*

Expedia® Extras

This hosted voyage includes welcome & farewell cocktail parties, cooking demonstrations and optional private and unique shore excursions.*



*All prices are per person in CAD, based on double occupancy for the first & second passengers only, on specific stateroom categories and are subject to availability at time of booking. Expedia Extras offers are per stateroom and apply to new bookings only, are not combinable with any other offer, are capacity controlled and may be withdrawn at any time. Additional restrictions may apply. Contact us for full terms & conditions. CPBC License Number:25615/6



DAY 1 | EMBARKATION – LYON, FRANCE

Bienvenue en France!

Your Suite Ship® is Ready for Boarding. The remainder of the day is free to start exploring.

DAY 2 | LYON

A Festival of Colors, Aromas, and Taste.

Join a Guided Nature walk in the Parc de la Tête d'Or, a vast urban park with many trails and lake, OR: Take a Guided Culinary Walk through Lyon to discover architecture and local specialties in a festival of colors, aromas and taste—exclusive for Avalon guests, OR: Join our Cooking Class to learn to make your own Saucisson brioché and other local culinary favorites. This afternoon, you might take an off-the-beaten-path Guided Optional Tour through private and public terraces for panoramic views of Lyon, starting on the roof of the Basilica de Fourvière, or you may opt for a Guided Optional Mountain Bike Excursion through the Beaujolais wine country.

DAY 3 | TAIN L'HERMITAGE/TOURNON

Chocolatiers and Railway Engineers in the Twin City Gorge.

For a unique experience and panoramic views, join a Guided Excursion this morning on a rail-bike along the descent of the Gorges du Doux, OR: Join a Guided Hike in the picturesque vineyards surrounding the twin cities of Tournon and Tain-l'Hermitage, OR: Have a true “chocolate experience” with a tour of the Valrhona Chocolate Factory and Museum. Make your signature chocolate bar and of course taste to your heart's content, OR: Take a Guided Sightseeing Tour of Tournon—twin city to Tain-l'Hermitage and one of France's oldest medieval cities. You'll see its imposing 16th-century castle and Roman ruins.

DAY 4 | VIVIERS - LOCK BOLLÈNE

River Gorge Canoeing, Crocodiles, and Wine Caves.

Immerse yourself in the scenery with a Guided Canoe Trip in the Gorges de l'Ardèche on the spectacular canyons of this Rhône tributary, OR: Find inspiration from the amazing landscape of the region with a Guided Hike through the Natural Reserve of Cirque d'Estre, OR: Join a Guided Visit for a surprising underground Wine Tasting—under the direction of an expert Speleologist (cave guide) and an oenologist (wine-making expert), OR: See a surprising side of local culture with a visit to a Crocodile Farm and discover the wonderful world of reptiles—not only crocodiles, but also snakes, turtles, iguanas, and an amazing botanical garden, OR: Visit the awe-inspiring water facility at Bollène and tour the power plant of this immense lock along the Rhône.

DAY 5 | AVIGNON

Essential Oils and Ancient Roman Aqueducts.

Join a leisurely Guided E-Bike Ride through Tavel - birthplace of French Rosé. After the tour, enjoy a Wine Tasting in a local cave; after all, no need to pedal on the way back, OR: Experience the French art of fragrance with a Guided

Tour of the Musée des Arômes et du Parfum where aromatic herbs and essential oils in this museum will inspire your senses and help you create your own unique scent, OR: Take a Guided Sightseeing Tour of Avignon, including a visit to the world's largest gothic fortress—the 14th-century Palace of the Popes. Also, explore Les Halles' covered market.

This afternoon, you may choose to join a Guided Optional Tour of the famed wine cellars of Châteauneuf-du-Pape for a wine tasting, as well as the chance to make your own wine blend, or you may opt for a Guided Optional Excursion on a canoe through the waters of Pont du Gard—the highest of all elevated Roman aqueducts. You may choose to spend free time to explore Avignon—known as the heart of Provence. Take a leisurely stroll or a bike ride through the tree-lined streets and leafy squares within Avignon's medieval walls.

DAY 6 | ARLES

A Master Class, Mysterious Images, and a Matador in Provence.

Experience the legends of Val d'Enfer with a Guided Hike; an area taking its name from the unique white limestone rock formations. The excursion includes an unforgettable later be entranced by a magical Audio/Visual Experience of light, images, and music at the Carrières de Lumières, OR: Attend a Painting Workshop to learn the style and techniques of Vincent van Gogh. You'll create your own painting in the style of the classic master who took inspiration from the Provence light and landscape in Arles, OR: Join a Guided Sightseeing Tour of Arles to get to know this charming town, including a visit with a local bullfighter to learn about the secrets and traditions handed down through generations.

You may choose to join a Guided Optional Excursion to the natural salt marsh at Salin d'Aigues-Mortes, to discover the magic of the pink waters of the Camargue. Alternatively, enjoy free time to shop, stroll, or just relax in a lovely park along Arles' Boulevard des Lices.

DAY 7 | PORT-SAINT-LOUIS

Oysters and Flamingos in the Rhône Delta.

Enjoy a morning cruise to Port-Saint-Louis on the Sky Deck of your ship. Join a Guided Hike through the Camargue Regional Nature Park. You'll see its lush marshland habitat at the mouth of the Rhône—home to a wide variety of flora and fauna—in one of France's most protected and natural reserves, OR: Take a Guided Bike Ride through the Camargue Natural Park with an eye out for more than 400 bird species—including pink flamingos—along the trails of the Mediterranean's Rhône delta, OR: Enjoy a taste of local life with a visit to an oyster farm in the Camargue Natural Park on a Guided Tour to enjoy an oyster tasting and learn how this delicacy is farmed.

This evening, cruise back to Arles.

DAY 8 | ARLES – DISEMBARKATION

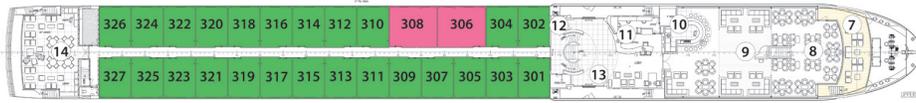
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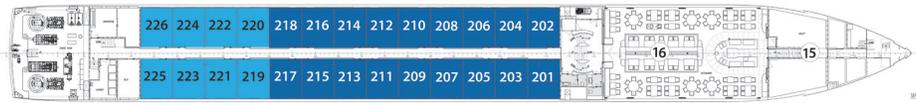
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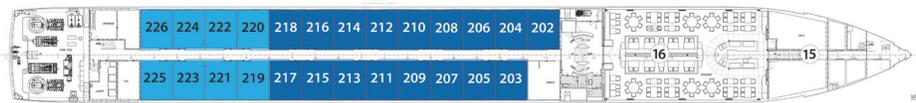
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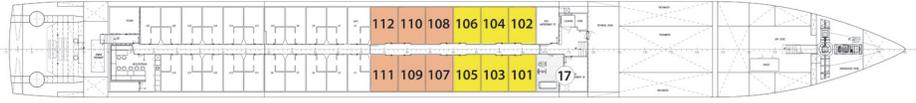
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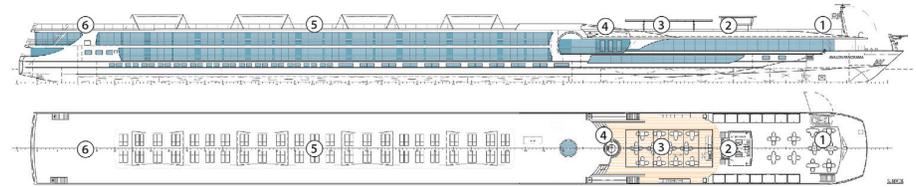
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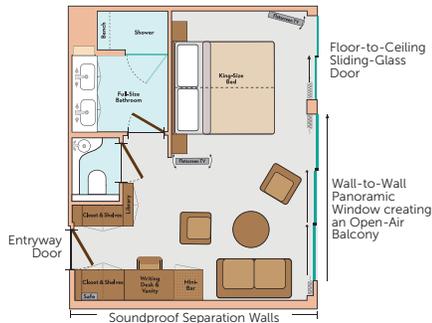
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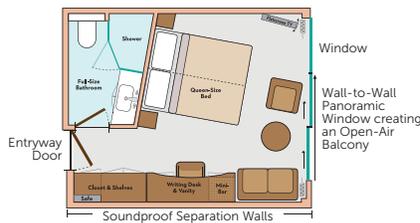
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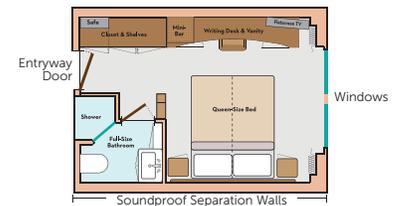
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