



SEINE RIVER CRUISE ITINERARY

DAY 1 Thursday, August 21, 2025 - Depart for France

DAY 2, Friday, August 22, 2025 - Arrive in Paris, embark on the MS Monarch Countess ship

In the morning we arrive in Paris on Delta Flight # DL 228 at 8:25 am. Meet our coach for the transfer to newly restored Notre Dame Cathedral. Enjoy free time for lunch on your own before visiting the Montmartre region where you'll have time to take photos of the Moulin Rouge and the Sacré-Coeur Basilica and perhaps do some souvenir shopping (time permitting) before transferring to the ship for embarkation. In the evening, meet your Cruise Director and enjoy dinner where you will get acquainted with your fellow passengers.

Meals: Dinner

DAY 3, Saturday, August 23, 2025 – Paris

Begin the day in Paris, the *City of Lights*, with a comprehensive city tour, including a drive along the Champs Elysées to the Arc de Triomphe. View the iconic Eiffel Tower, Les Invalides, the Latin Quarter and the Opera district. In the evening, enjoy a Captain's welcome cocktail reception and dinner as we set sail down the Seine.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 4, Sunday, August 24, 2025 - Giverny

Today is one of the highlights of our Seine voyage - the opportunity to visit Claude Monet's famous house and garden in Giverny. It is a magnet for art and culture lovers. The verdant garden looks like a meadow of dancing flowers straight off the canvas of an impressionist painting. The highlight is the magical lily pond, which inspired many of Monet's masterpieces, including his famous "water lilies" series.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 5, Monday, August 25, 2025 - Le Havre and Étretat

In the early morning we will arrive at Le Havre. After breakfast, we embark on a memorable tour to Étretat. This exceptional natural site will take your breath away. The incredible cliffs of this 19th century fishing village has inspired artists, writers, composers and painters for centuries. In the evening we will arrive at Caudebec in Caux.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 6, Tuesday, August 26, 2025 - Caudebec in Caux, Caen and Rouen

After breakfast, we meet our expert WW II guides in Caen for an informative and moving tour of some of the most historic regions of Normandy. We begin with a visit to Pointe du Hoc, the 100-foot cliff that juts out over Omaha and Utah beaches, where thousands of US troops landed and stormed the coast on June 6, 1944, turning the tide of WW II in their favor. Next we visit Omaha Beach which is dotted with the remains of German bunkers. On the shore is the stainless steel sculpture Les Braves, which commensurates the American Soldiers that fought in the war. After a lunch break at St. Laurent sur Mer, we visit the Normandy American Cemetery which contains the graves of 9,389 US soldiers, most of whom lost their lives in the D-Day landings, before departing for Rouen.

In the late afternoon we will arrive in Rouen for a walking tour of Normandy's capital. A veritable museum city, Rouen leaves no one indifferent with its beautiful half-timbered houses, its narrow streets and its Gothic churches. We'll visit the Church of Saint-Etienne, Sainte-Catherine Church, the Gothic Notre-Dame Cathedral and the famous Gros Horloge, a 16th century astronomical clock. Return to the ship in time to freshen up for dinner.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 7, Wednesday, August 27, 2025 - Les Andelys and La Roche Guyon

Today we will begin our morning at Les Andelys between Paris and Rouen, one of the most picturesque patches of the Seine. In Les Andelys the 12th century ruins of Château-Gaillard lie, the reputedly impregnable fortress of Richard the Lionheart. The site is situated on a rocky spur and is a historic monument in a protected natural area.

After lunch onboard we sail to La Roche on the banks of a meander of the Seine. At the foot of the picturesque limestone escarpments, lies the village of La Roche-Guyon. Topped by the effigy of its keep, it is one of the most

beautiful villages in France. The fortified keep, which haughtily dominates the Seine valley, is linked to the château by a mysterious staircase carved into the rock. The Château de La Roche-Guyon is owned by the La Rochefoucauld family and is a blend of medieval, Renaissance and classical styles. We will make a photo stop at Chateaux Gaillard so you will be able to take unforgettable pictures.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 8, August 28, 2025 - Poissy and Auvers-sur-Oise

In the early morning you will arrive in Poissy. Embark on a visit to the picturesque town of Auvers-sur-Oise and learn about the life of Van Gogh. See the Ravoux Inn, where he spent the last months of his life. During his stay in Auvers-sur-Oise, Van Gogh was very prolific and painted more than 70 works of art. See the cemetery where he is laid to rest and return to the boat for lunch. Remainder of the day is at leisure. In the evening enjoy a Captain's Farewell Dinner with our captain, crew members and fellow passengers.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 9, August 29, 2025 - Depart France, return to the USA

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight back to the USA, Delta Flight # 229 which departs Paris CDG at 10:50 am, taking back fond memories of our *Rendezvous on the Siene*.

Meals: Breakfast

PLEASE, NOTE THAT THE ITINERARY IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO WEATHER OR OTHER CONDITIONS BEYOND OUR CONTROL.