

11 Days | French Seine River Cruise | With Paris

Paris - Vernon - Giverny - Rouen - Caudebec - Les Andelys - Auvers-Sur-Oise

From **\$5,999** Typically \$7,299 ✈ pp twin share



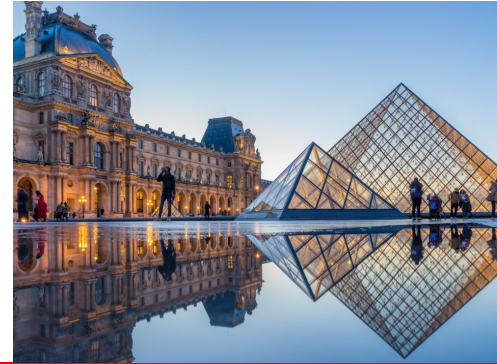
Return Economy Class Airfares from All Australian Capital Cities to Paris

7 Nights onboard the Monarch Countess and 2 Nights in Paris

Tour Paris, the historic City of Light and view the Eiffel Tower, Les Invalides and the Latin Quarter

Visit the historic city of Rouen with its beautiful medieval quarter and Auvers-sur-Oise where Van Gogh spent his final days

Description



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Embarking on a 7-night river cruise aboard the Monarch Countess is a journey of elegance and cultural exploration.

Travel dates are available for 2024 and NOW 2025!

Starting in the enchanting city of Paris, guests are treated to the iconic landmarks along the Seine River, immersing themselves in the rich history and scenic beauty of the French countryside.

The first stop is Vernon, a charming town with its half-timbered houses and the medieval Old Mill. Guests have the opportunity to explore the local culture, perhaps indulging in some French cuisine or strolling through the picturesque streets.

Giverny, famously known as the home of renowned Impressionist painter Claude Monet, is the next destination. Visitors can wander through the mesmerizing gardens that inspired some of Monet's most celebrated masterpieces. The vibrant colors and tranquil atmosphere provide a unique glimpse into the artist's creative mind.

Rouen, a city with a fascinating history dating back to medieval times, invites guests to explore its well-preserved architecture, including the stunning Gothic cathedral and the Gros Horloge, a beautiful astronomical clock. The cobblestone streets and timber-framed houses add to the city's allure.

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Caudebec offers a taste of Norman charm, with its timbered houses and beautiful churches. The opportunity to savor local cuisine and stroll along the Seine's banks adds to the leisurely pace of the river cruise.

Les Andelys, nestled between limestone cliffs, presents a landscape that captivates with its medieval castle, Château Gaillard. Exploring the castle grounds and enjoying panoramic views of the Seine Valley create lasting memories for travelers.

Auvers-Sur-Oise, where Vincent van Gogh spent his final days, provides a poignant journey into the world of art. Guests can visit the artist's grave and explore the landscapes that inspired his masterpieces.

Returning to Paris, the cruise concludes with a two-night stay, allowing guests to immerse themselves further in the city's cultural treasures. A visit to the Louvre, home to the world-famous Mona Lisa, is a highlight, showcasing art and history in an unparalleled setting. Additionally, travelers can explore Paris at their own pace, indulging in French cuisine, visiting iconic landmarks like the Eiffel Tower, or simply strolling along the Seine's banks.



This exclusive deal also includes return economy class flights from all Australian Capital Cities, ensuring a seamless and enjoyable travel experience from start to finish. The combination of a luxurious river cruise, cultural excursions, and the opportunity to explore Paris makes this journey aboard the Monarch Countess a truly unforgettable experience.

Itinerary

Day 1

Australia ✈ Paris, France

Today you will check in and board your flight bound for Paris! Enjoy the services of your flight as you fly North.

Meals: Inflight Menu

Day 2

Paris

Bonjour! Welcome to Paris. On arrival, you will clear customs, immigration, collect your bag and meet your transfer to the ship. Embarkation begins at 2PM. After arrival formalities, it's time to relax on board. Tonight, meet your Cruise Director and enjoy a welcome dinner, as it sets the mood for your delightful river cruise.

Meals: Dinner

Accommodation: Monarch Countess

Day 3

Vernon Giverny

Before arriving in Vernon late in the morning, attend a lecture on the life of Joan of Arc and a presentation of Chateau Gaillard. After early lunch disembark the ship for your excursion to Giverny, home of Claude Monet, one of the world's greatest impressionist painters. Walk through the famous gardens that inspired many of his masterpieces, including his famous "Water Lilies" series of paintings. In the afternoon, free time to discover Vernon, before you set sail for Rouen.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: Monarch Countess

Day 4

Rouen

This morning, take a walking tour of the medieval quarter of Rouen. View the Gothic Notre-Dame Cathedral that inspired Claude Monet to paint the cathedral series and the famous Gros Horloge, a 16th century astronomical clock. Walk through the cobblestone streets lined with half-timbered storybook houses and view the courthouse and the Market Square where Joan of Arc was martyred. The afternoon is at leisure, or join the optional Half Day Honfleur. Discover the historic city of Honfleur. View Vieux Bassin, the old harbor with its half-timbered houses, and colorful boats, Church of Saint-Etienne, Sainte-Catherine Church, built entirely out of wood, and the Lieutenancy, an ancient medieval fortification. Conclude the tour with a tasting of local cider and fresh crepes.

Optional: Half Day Honfleur (PM)

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: Monarch Countess

Day 5

Caudebec

Spend the day at leisure in the quaint town of Caudebec. Take a stroll along the riverfront promenade and continue to the historic center. Admire the intricate carvings in the entranceway and the ornate bell tower of the 15th century Gothic church of Notre Dame. Perhaps, join the optional full-day tour to Normandy Beaches. Immerse yourself into World War II history during this tour. View Utah Beach, and then make a stop at the Ranger Memorial at Pointe du Hoc. Continue east to visit Omaha Beach and the site of the Normandy American Cemetery and Memorial. The cemetery covers 172.5 acres and contains the graves of 9,387 American soldiers.

Optional: Full-Day Normandy Beaches

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: Monarch Countess

Day 6

Les Andelys

Arrive this morning at Les Andelys. Disembark and head up to Château Gaillard, built by Richard the Lionheart. Explore the grounds and admire the panoramic views of the Seine and of the charming town at the foot of the hill before returning to the ship for lunch. In the afternoon relax onboard and enjoy sailing towards Conflans.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: Monarch Countess

Day 7

Conflans Auvers Sur-Oise

Enjoy the morning at leisure or join the half-day optional tour to Montmartre. Explore Montmartre with its bohemian vibe. View the Moulin Rouge and walk along the winding lanes to mingle with street artists selling their wares at Place du Tertre. Spectacular views of the city await you from the steps of the Sacré-Coeur Basilica. Afterward, enjoy a drink at a local bistro. In the afternoon embark on a tour of the quaint town of Auvers-sur-Oise and learn about Van Gogh's troubled life. View Ravoux Inn, where he rented a room, and spent the final months of his life. During his time in Auvers-sur-Oise, Van Gogh was very prolific and painted over 70 works. View the cemetery where he is buried.

Optional: Half Day Montmartre (AM)

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: Monarch Countess

Day 8

Paris

Begin the day in Paris, the City of Light, with a panoramic 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 lively Opera district. Spend the afternoon at leisure, or join the half-day optional tour to magnificent Versailles to witness the grandeur of French classical architecture.

Optional: Palace of Versailles (PM)

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: Monarch Countess

Day 9

Paris

This morning you will disembark. Included is a visit to the incomparable Louvre, one of the world's most famous museums. Of the many exhibitions found therein, view the medieval fortress, Venus de Milo, Winged Victory of Samothrace and the museum's most reputed masterpiece, Leonardo da Vinci's Mona Lisa. This afternoon you will check in to your accommodation and the rest of the day is at leisure to further explore this fascinating city on your own.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: TBA on Booking Confirmation

Day 10

Paris

Spend the day at leisure or join the optional Champagne region tour. Travel to the heart of the Champagne region, which is famous for the sparkling white wine that bears its name. Drive along the elegant Avenue de Champagne, in Epernay, home to many of the world's most celebrated Champagne houses. Visit one of the wine cellars to learn more about the champagne process and savor tastings of this expensive delight. Then, on to Reims with its Gothic cathedral adorned with striking stained glass windows, where many of France's kings were crowned. Return to Paris and spend the rest of the evening at leisure

Optional: Full Day Champagne Region (AM)

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: TBA on Booking Confirmation

Day 11

Paris ✈ Australia

Today it's time to bid farewell to Paris as you prepare to fly home. Transfer to the airport and check in for your flight. Enjoy the services of the airline as you fly South.

Meals: Breakfast and Inflight Menu

Inclusions & Exclusions

Inclusions

- Return Economy Class Airfares from All Australian Capital Cities to Paris
 - 9 nights First Class accommodations
 - 7 nights outside cabin aboard the Deluxe Monarch Countess
 - Upgrade to French Balcony from \$1120 per person
 - 2 nights Paris
 - River port charges of \$190 per person
 - Cruise & Hotel porterage
 - All transfers are included
 - 22 meals: 9 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 7 dinners
 - Cruise director & activities host throughout the cruise
 - Services of local guides in all major cities
 - Local Host in Paris
 - Shore excursions per itinerary
 - Entrance fees per itinerary
 - Comfortable wireless earphones for enhanced touring during excursions
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Exclusions

- Meals not specified in the itinerary
- Tips & Gratuities
- Personal expenses like beverages, laundry, and phone calls
- Optional tours and activities
- Visas

Single Supplement: Solo supplement is \$2999 for this program and available at check out.

Child policy: Children are welcome on this tour, however, no child discount will apply. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Travel Insurance: We recommend Covermore travel insurance. To quote and book, please click [HERE](#).

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