

Christmas Markets Cruises

Experience timeless holiday traditions on board



On our Christmas Markets River Cruises through Europe, guests experience unique festive traditions of fascinating destinations and feel the magic of the season in cities illuminated with millions of twinkling lights.

Colourful market stalls brim with whimsical handicrafts and the aromas of seasonal delights fill the air. From the legendary Danube River to the fairytale Rhine, we offer unparalleled experiences for guests of all ages.

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Every Detail, Thoughtfully Considered

Everything you'll enjoy during your journey – at no additional cost



Onboard traditions such as tree trimming, cookie decorating or carolling



Seasonal delights on shore like regional holiday treats and decorated town squares



New Year's Eve gala with live entertainment, dancing and champagne countdown



Opportunity to participate in local celebrations on shore on select sailings



The services of one of our extraordinary Cruise Managers throughout your journey

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Choose between our Taste of Christmas sailings, our dedicated Christmas Markets Cruises or New Year's Cruises



Brasov, Romania



Salzburg, Austria



Bordeaux, France

Magical Christmas Markets of Germany

7-night cruise between Frankfurt and Nuremberg, Germany

From 2027, guests can enjoy a magical river cruise through Germany, witnessing as towns transform into a winter wonderland. They are treated to medieval charm and a cosy market offering mulled wine and handcrafted gifts.

Magna on the Danube | Christmas Markets

7-night cruise between Vilshofen, Germany and Budapest, Hungary

From a festive Bavarian welcome in Vilshofen to the twinkling squares of Passau, Linz, and the Wachau Valley, you'll wander cobblestone streets filled with handcrafted treasures, gingerbread aromas, and warm mulled wine.

Swiss Alps & Rhine Castles | Christmas Markets

7-night cruise between Basel, Switzerland and Amsterdam, Netherlands

Discover fairytale castles and historic vineyards as part of this spectacular Rhine River holiday fantasy. Encompassing the Netherlands, Germany, France and Switzerland, as well as iconic landmarks and majestic mountain landscapes, this itinerary is truly a Christmas miracle.

Taste of Bordeaux | Taste of Christmas

7-night cruise roundtrip Bordeaux, France

Tour centuries-old wineries and savor Bordeaux's finest vintages, visit historic castles adorned with holiday charm, and explore festive villages like Saint-Émilion and Cussac-Fort-Médoc. Wander cobblestone streets or cycle through the winter countryside, enjoying the sights, flavors, and spirit of a French Christmas.

Flavours of Portugal & Spain | Taste of Christmas

7-night cruise between Porto to Vega de Terrón, Portugal

Set sail in Porto, the beautiful "City of Bridges" and gateway to the Douro River Valley, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Historic places, unspoiled beauty and distinctive wines are guests' to be enjoyed as you savour the flavours of Spain and Portugal at this special time of year.

AmaInsider Tips



Peak-season departures fill up quickly, but our mid-to-late November Taste of Christmas itineraries, including Thanksgiving sailings on the Danube, generally have more availability. They also feature festive décor and visits to Christmas Markets including those in Budapest and Vienna.



We recommend adding our optional land package in Prague, Czech Republic to select Christmas Markets sailings on the Danube River, both of which offer visits to Prague's Christmas Markets, as well as free time to explore more of this fascinating city on your own.