



'Hirondelle'

Cruising in France

CRUISE ITINERARIES

'Hirondelle' cruises the Upper Loire, a route that is 100% canal. Itineraries with special themes (such as golf) can be arranged for chartering parties with special interests.

All cruises are from Sunday through Saturday (six nights), with longer options available for chartering parties.

ON-BOARD ACCOMMODATIONS

'Hirondelle's' forward cabin is double-bedded; the other three cabins have twin beds.

All bathrooms are en suite with shower cubicles and offer shower gel, body cream, hand soap, shampoo and a hairdryer. Electrical current is 220V (standard European).

NUMBER OF GUESTS / CHILD POLICY

'Hirondelle' is best suited for couples, individuals or chartering parties of eight persons. Special pricing is offered for less-than-capacity chartering parties of six or seven persons.

MEALS DURING THE CRUISE

Gourmet dining is an integral part of the 'Hirondelle' experience. Menus are inspired by the culinary traditions for which France is known, and meals are prepared using the freshest ingredients from local markets; on occasion, interested guests may accompany the chef to the market. The wines and cheeses served on board are specially selected to enhance the dining experience.

Breakfast and lunch are served buffet style, while a set menu is offered at dinner. Guests with specific food requests can generally be accommodated with advance notice. Weather permitting, there is also the possibility of *al fresco* meal service on the outdoor sun decks.



CRUISE PRICE INCLUSIONS & EXCLUSIONS

The cruise price includes on-board accommodations for six nights; all meals from dinner on day of embarkation through breakfast on day of disembarkation; all alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages on board; fully-guided sightseeing excursions (as indicated on the day-by-day itinerary), including entrance

fees; and private driver transfer between Paris and the barge embarkation/disembarkation points.

The cruise price does NOT include gratuities to crew, travel insurance or airfare.



BARGE SPECIFICS

- Staffed by 4 crew members, including an on-board chef
- Barge is 128 feet long, 16.5 feet wide and has air conditioning and central heating
- Salon and separate dining area with additional living space and feature a television with DVD player, a stereo system, an assortment of CDs and DVDs, a computer with Internet connection and a Bose iPod docking station
- Partially covered sun deck for *al fresco* dining opportunities
- Barge not handicap accessible and is appropriate for those with only minor mobility issues
- Eight mountain bicycles available for guests' use
- Strict non-smoking policy in effect on all interior areas of the barge
- No guest telephone access on board but ample opportunities ashore
- Euros only form of payment accepted on board