



## 'Meanderer'

### Cruising in France

#### CRUISE ITINERARIES

'Meanderer' offers a choice of two cruise itineraries in France's scenic Upper Loire valley. On the Canal de Briare, she cruises between Châtillon-sur-Loire and Montargis. She also operates a route that is 75% canal and 25% river on the Canal du Loing and the River Seine.

Itineraries with special themes (such as cycling) 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

Each of the three en suite 150-square-foot cabins has an en suite bathroom and is equipped with flat-screen TV/DVD and a small combination safe. Beds can be made up as either one queen or two twins. Windows can be opened; one is a skylight window. Electrical current is 220V (standard European). A selection of L'Occitane toiletries, one robe per guest and a hairdryer are also provided.

#### NUMBER OF GUESTS / CHILD POLICY

'Meanderer' is best suited for chartering parties of six guests. There is special pricing for less-than-capacity chartering parties of four or five persons, and individual cabin bookings are accepted on a limited number of departures. Children over 16 are welcome on hotel sailings; children over 12 are welcome on charters.

#### MEALS DURING THE CRUISE

Gourmet dining is an integral part of a barge cruise experience, and 'Meanderer' is proud to have renowned chef Ollie Timberlake in her galley. Chef Ollie prepares all meals using the freshest ingredients from local markets, and on occasion guests may accompany her to market in the morning. Although the kitchen is not open, three to four guests can be accommodated at any one time for cooking demonstrations. The wines and cheeses served on board are specially selected to enhance the dining experience.

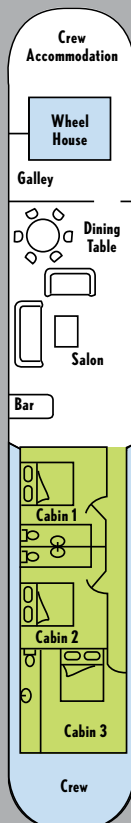
Breakfast and lunch are served buffet, and dinner is offered with a set menu. Guests with specific food or dietary requirements can generally be accommodated with advance notice. Weather permitting, there is also the possibility of *al fresco* meal service under the canopy on the outdoor sun deck.



## 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 transfers between Paris and the barge embarkation/disembarkation points.

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



## BARGE SPECIFICS

- Owned and operated by George and Susan Kovalick
- Staffed by a chef, boatman and stewardess for one of the highest crew-to-guest ratios on any six-passenger barge in France
- Barge is 125 feet long, 17 feet wide and features air conditioning and central heating and a water softener on board
- Salon/dining area offers 800 square feet of living space with carpeting in living area and hardwood flooring in the dining and walkway areas, a CD player and complimentary Internet access
- Teak sun deck offers an additional 500 square feet of space and features a heated spa pool and a partially covered area for *al fresco* dining
- Barge is not handicap accessible and is appropriate for those with only minor mobility issues
- Touring/hybrid bicycles provided for guests' use
- Strict non-smoking policy in force for all interior areas of the barge
- No guest telephone access on board 'Meanderer' but ample opportunities ashore
- Euros only form of payment accepted on board