



Alsace-Lorraine

A blend of cultures

Proudly French, but with many distinctive Germanic influences, Alsace is France's smallest province. Allowing you to pass through three countries - France, Luxembourg and Germany - this pretty cruising ground is also home to the European Parliament in Strasbourg. Half-timbered houses in well preserved medieval towns mingle with neatly planted vineyards along the waterways and vast beech and fir forests provide the perfect spots for picnics. Marked paths wind through the countryside indicating excellent walking and cycling routes while more than 200 museums and art galleries await your discovery.



TEMPERATURES°

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| APRIL | 14 |
| MAY | 18 |
| JUNE | 21 |
| JULY | 27 |
| AUGUST | 27 |
| SEPTEMBER | 19 |
| OCTOBER | 15 |

② Lutzelbourg ③ Mettlach

Cruising suggestions

1 WEEK - ONE WAY TRIP

Hesse/Boofzheim OR VICE-VERSA

Canal de la Marne au Rhin
Canal de la Marne au Rhône

Marvel at the biggest stained glass window in Europe at **Sarrebourg**. Visit the Chateau du Haut Barr in **Saverne**, which overlooks the whole Alsace plain. Cruise through the vast wetland of the **Grand Reid**, home to countless different species of birds and interwoven with cycle routes and footpaths.

- ▶ 106 km • 43 locks
- ▶ 28 hr one way cruising time

1 WEEK - RETURN TRIP

Hesse/Strasbourg

Canal de la Marne au Rhin

Descend the **St. Louis Arzwiller** inclined plain, a magnificent example of modern canal engineering. Admire the beautiful landscape from the boatlift and cruise on to **Saverne**, which boasts a magnificent rose garden. **Strasbourg** is home to numerous museums as well as the Palace of the Cardinals of Rohan - a masterpiece of Renaissance architecture.

- ▶ 156 km • 68 locks
- ▶ 37 hr round trip cruising time

Hesse/Sarreguemines

Canal des Houillères de la Sarre

Moor beside the **Gondrexange Lake** and enjoy fishing or bird watching. Get active at **Mittersheim**, where a variety of watersports can be enjoyed. Amble through the town of Harskirchen and discover the 17th century water mill. Two museums in **Sarreguemines** retrace the history of the town's famous earthenware pottery.

- ▶ 160 km • 54 locks
- ▶ 35 hr round trip cruising time



TWO WEEKS ROUND TRIP

Hesse/Metz/Trier Saarbrücken/Hesse

Canal de la Marne au Rhin - Moselle Sarre - Canal des Houillères de la Sarre

To navigate Germany it is necessary to hold a boating permit or hire skipper

Cycle through **Lagarde**, part of the Lorraine Nature Park. Visit the Musée de l'Ecole in **Nancy** for Art Nouveau displays. Stroll in **Metz** and discover the Garden of Regattas or take a picnic ashore at lively **Trier**, the oldest town in Germany.

- ▶ 433 km • 74 locks
- ▶ 84 hr round trip cruising time