



Daily Program

Welcome Aboard

On behalf of Uniworld River Cruises and the entire crew of the **River Baroness**, I would like to welcome you aboard and thank you for choosing Uniworld for your river cruise holiday. It is our sincere pleasure having you sail with us on our **Paris and Normandy** program, and we look forward to providing you with a memorable river cruise experience.

To make your stay with us as pleasant and comfortable as possible, we recommend you read the Daily Program that will be placed in your cabin each evening and that you attend the daily briefings given by your Cruise Manager. Please don't hesitate to ask your Cruise Manager if you have any questions and your Hotel Manager and Reception staff are always at your service.

Now, as we begin our exciting journey, please relax, get settled into your stateroom and let yourself be pampered by our professional, attentive crew members. We look forward to being of service to you.

Warmest regards,



Guy Young
President
Uniworld River Cruises

Schedule of Activities

12:00 am – 4:00 pm

Enjoy our Light Lunch Buffet in the Lounge

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Cocktail hour with Live Piano Music in the Lounge

5:30 pm

All onboard, please

6:00 pm

The *River Baroness* sets sails towards Les Andelys

6:15 pm – 7:00 pm

Welcome and Safety Briefing by your Captain, Hotel Manager and Cruise Manager in the Lounge.

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Dinner is served in the Restaurant. Bon Appétit!

After dinner

Easy music by our onboard musician, László, in the Lounge

Your River Baroness Team

Pierre VANDEVILLE, 1st Captain

The master of the vessel, the Captain is responsible for the navigation of the ship and the safety of all passengers and crew.

Sébastien WENDLING, Hotel Manager

The Hotel Manager is responsible for the smooth operation of all hotel services onboard and looks after all your needs.

Emmanuelle BONNEAU, Cruise Manager

The Cruise Manager is your direct liaison for all aspects of the shore excursion and entertainment program and will provide you with all the information and guidance you may need.

Martina BRECKOVA, Restaurant Manager

The Restaurant Manager is in charge of the ship's Restaurant and the onboard food and beverage services.

Cláudio Da SOUSA, Executive Chef

The Executive Chef is responsible for the preparation and presentation of your daily menu selections.

Jana DURIKOVA, Purser

The Purser is in charge of the Reception Desk and will gladly accept and follow up on your daily requests.

Martin SUROVY, Housekeeper

The Housekeeper is in charge of the cleanliness of your staterooms as well as all public areas onboard of the River Baroness.



Daily Program

Paris

Sunday, December 13th, 2009

Docking address:

**Port de Javel Bas
Quai André Citroën
Entrée Pont Garigliano**

Expected Weather for Today

37°F/-3°C, Cloudy

Onboard Shop Hours

8:30 pm – 9:30 pm

Fitness Centre Hours

7:00 am – 10:00 pm daily

Cocktail of the Day

Rusty Nail

Non alcoholic cocktail

San Francisco

DVD Channels

Channel 13: Kingdom of Heaven

Screening at:

3 pm, 6 pm, 9 pm

Channel 14: Seven Lives

Screening at:

4 pm, 7 pm, 10 pm

General Information

Announcements

General announcements such as safety instructions excursion departure times etc. will be audible in all parts of the ship. Commentary from the bridge on points of interest will only be audible in the Lounge and on the Sundeck.

Bicycles

There are a limited number of bicycles and Nordic Walking Sticks available for your use ashore and bicycle paths are easily accessible from some of the ports-of-call. Reservation can be made by the Front Desk and their use is solely at your own risk.

Boarding Passes

Please always collect your boarding pass at the Front Desk before going ashore and hand it back when returning onboard. This is our security check and the only way for us to know if you are on board at time of departure.

Currency Exchange and Stamps

Limited currency exchange facilities (from USD to EUR) as well as stamps are available at the Front Desk.

Departure Forms

In order to ensure a smooth disembarkation a departure form will be placed into your cabin at Tuesday. Please complete this form and return it to the Front Desk no later than Wednesday of this cruise.

Internet Facilities

In the reception area we provide one Internet Station for your use. To use the Internet Facilities please contact the Front Desk. Network connection can not be guaranteed in certain circumstances, such as when the ship is transiting a lock or high objects such as trees and buildings block the satellite signal.

Itinerary Changes

The very nature of a river means that there will be times when weather or other conditions require Uniworld to make modifications to an itinerary without notice. In such cases we will do everything we can to make sure the locations visited, the excursions taken and the hotels or vessels offered are similar to the ones originally planned. Any changes to itineraries will not result in eligibility for a refund.

Privacy

Please respect each other's privacy by refraining from jogging on the sundeck before 8 am and please try to avoid the noise on the corridors after 11 pm.

Sundeck Access

For safety reasons, access to the sundeck may be limited while passing areas with low bridges. Please watch your step while using the stairs.

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Les Andelys et Rouen

Monday, December 14th, 2009

Docking address

Les Andelys-am
Rouen – Quai de Paris - pm

All aboard time

12:00 pm

Expected Weather for Today

31°F/-1°C, Clear

Onboard Shop Hours

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Fitness Center Hours

6:00 am – 10:00 pm

Cocktail of the Day

Whiskey Sour

Non-alcoholic cocktail of the day

Sunset Cooler

DVD Channels

Channel 13: Slumdog Millionaire

Screening at:

7 am, 9:30 am, 12 pm, 3 pm, 6 pm, 9 pm

Channel 14: Marie Antoinette

Screening at:

8 am, 10:30 am, 1 pm, 4 pm, 7 pm, 10 pm

Schedule of Activities

6:30 am – 7:30 am

Coffee and Pastries in the Patio

7:30 am – 9:30 am

Sumptuous Breakfast Buffet in the Restaurant

8:00 am approx.

River Baroness arrives in Les Andelys

9:30 am

Introduction and Demonstration on Massage by Peter in the Lounge

10:00 am

Departure of walking tour to the castle or by coach according to walking abilities

12:00 pm

All onboard, please

12:30 pm

The *River Baroness* sets sail towards Rouen

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

Lunch Buffet in the Restaurant

4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Served Tea Time in the Lounge with Live Piano Music

5:30 pm approx.

River Baroness arrives in Rouen

6:00 pm – 6:30 pm

The Lounge is closed for the preparation of the Captain's Welcome Cocktail

6:30 pm

Captain's Welcome Cocktail followed by Crew Introduction and Port Talk in the Lounge

7:00 pm

Captain's Welcome Dinner is served in the Restaurant

After dinner

Put your dancing shoes on and join us for a fun and rocky evening with Monsieur Philippe de Nemours, French entertainer



Daily Program

Les Andelys - History and Culture

The sister towns of Les Andelys are built in a valley at the heart of the most beautiful of the Seine loops.

The name comes from the river Andelle meaning "troubled waters" in Celtic. The 2 cities, le Petit Andely, and le Grand Andely, separated by vast marshes several centuries ago, are today connected and share the name in plural form : Les Andelys.

Located 60 miles from Paris and 25 miles from Rouen, the city was ruled by the archbishops of Rouen, taken over in 1197 by the Duke of Normandy, and conquered by Philip Augustus during the battle of Chateau Gaillard in 1203. Today many visitors along the Seine banks stop for the Collegiate church and Château Gaillard, a historical monument.

In 1197, the great military leader and warrior Richard the first, known as Richard the Lion heart, King of England and feudal Duke of Normandy ordered that an impregnable fortress be built on the promontory overlooking the valley. The aim was to protect Rouen and Richard's duchy of Normandy from the armies of the French kings. The project lasted a little more than 12 months. Richard died before the fortress was complete, and the construction was taken over by his brother John. The building of the castle continued but for two alterations, a window built on the chapel's outer wall and a toilet in the chapel. The outer bailey was formed in arcs of stone, an innovation

for 12th-century, that presented two advantages: the round wall absorbed the damage from siege engines much better, and the arrow slits in the curved wall allowed arrows to be fired at all angles.

In 1203, the troops of Philip Augustus "the god-given" of France, captured the castle after a long siege. The French had gained access to the outermost ward on the line of approach by undermining the tower, and the battle was at a standstill. Philip ordered a group of his men to look for a weak point in the castle. They located the disposal chute for the toilet. They climbed up the drain into the locked chapel and soon set fire to the buildings. After a short period, the English troops surrendered to the French army, bringing to an end the siege of Château-Gaillard.

In 1333, during the second war of Scottish independence, the child-king David the 2nd, 9 years old, and his bride Joan of the Tower, the twelve year old daughter of Edward II, were granted the use of the castle by Philip VI, where they remained in residence for 7 years. The castle was besieged again by the English troops and transformed into a jail during the prolonged conflict of the hundred years war that started in 1337.

At the start of the 17th century, having lost its strategic value once France was united and the central power established, Henry the 4th ordered the castle's dismantlement after 400 years of proud existence.

Les Andelys,

9000 Inhabitants,
27 Eure - Haute Normandie.

Discover on your own,

La rue Grande : The main street with a beautiful view on chateau Gaillard. Local shops and galleries. Do not hesitate to enter one of the cafés and order un café crème.

Eglise Saint Sauveur : Built in 1202, a jewel of simplicity. The windows were created by the the master glassmaker **Max Ingrand** 1908-1969, who designed windows for hundreds of religious buildings in the second half of the 20th century, amongst which Washington and Sao Paulo's cathedrals, and the church of Lac au saumon, Quebec. Canada.

Walk along the **River Docks**, garden of the Seine banks.



Daily Program

Conflans

Tuesday, December 15th, 2009

Docking address

Conflans – Quai Francois Mitterand
Paris – Quai Javel BAS

Expected Weather for Today

35°F/0°C, Partly cloudy

Onboard Shop Hours

1:30 pm – 2:30 pm

Fitness Center Hours

6:00 am – 10:00 pm

Cocktail of the Day

Cosmopolitan

Non-alcoholic cocktail of the day

Fruit Punch

DVD Channels

Channel 13: Seven Lives

Screening at:

7 am, 9:30 am, 12 pm, 3 pm, 6 pm, 9 pm

Channel 14: Mamma Mia

Screening at:

8 am, 10:30 am, 1 pm, 4 pm, 7 pm, 10 pm

Schedule of Activities

6:30 am – 7:00 am

Coffee and Pastries in the Patio

7:00 am – 9:00 am

Sumptuous Breakfast Buffet in the Restaurant

9:00 am

Departure to Auvers sur Oise by bus for a 2 hours guided walking tour

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

Lunch Buffet in the Restaurant

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

Light Lunch Buffet in the Lounge with Live Piano Music

1:30 pm

All on board

2:00 pm

River Baroness sets sail to Paris

2:30 pm

Christmas cookies cooking demonstration in the Lounge

4:30 pm

Practical briefing on Paris (if you want bring pen and paper to take notes)

6:00 pm – 6:30 pm

River Heritage Club Cocktail Party for past passengers in the Lounge, please brings your invitation (Contact reception if you have not received one.)

6:45 pm

Port Talk with Emmanuelle in the Lounge

7:00 pm – 9:00pm

Dinner is served in the Dining Room

8:00 pm approx.

River Baroness arrives in Paris

After dinner

Come and join the crew of the *River Baroness* for the Christmas corals in the Lounge followed by a fun quiz with Emmanuelle



Daily Program

Paris

Wednesday, December 16th, 2009

Docking address

Paris – Quai Javel BAS

Expected Weather for Today

32°F/-1°C, Fair

Onboard Shop Hours

9:00 pm – 10:30 pm

Fitness Center Hours

6:00 am – 10:00 pm

Cocktail of the Day

White or Black Russian

Non-alcoholic cocktail of the day

Coconut Kiss

DVD Channels

Channel 13: Moulin Rouge

Screening at:

7 am, 9:30 am, 12 pm, 3 pm, 6 pm, 9 pm

Channel 14: About a Boy

Screening at:

8 am, 10:30 am, 1 pm, 4 pm, 7 pm, 10 pm

Due to a big number of pick pockets in Paris, it is highly recommended to leave your passport on board of the ship, and to take limited amount of cash.

Schedule of Activities

6:00 am – 7:00 am

Coffee and Pastries in the Patio

7:00 am – 9:00 am

Sumptuous Breakfast Buffet in the Restaurant

9:00 am – 12:30 am

City tour of Paris by bus

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

Lunch Buffet in the Restaurant

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

Light Lunch Buffet in the Lounge

2:00 pm 2:30 pm and 3:00 pm

Coaches depart to Arch of Triumph from outside of the ship

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Tea Time with Live Piano Music in the Lounge

4:30 pm 5:00 pm and 5:30 pm

Coaches depart from Concorde square back to ship

6:00 pm – 6:30 pm

The Lounge is closed for the preparation of the Holiday Cocktail Reception

6:30 pm

Holiday Cocktail Reception in the Lounge followed by Port Talk with Emmanuelle

7:00 pm

Gala Dinner is served in the Restaurant

9:00 pm

French entertainment with Jean-Louis and Marie in the Lounge

Please remember to give back to reception your transfer form for Sunday BEFORE going to the city tour in the morning.



Daily Program

Paris - History and Culture

Paris was founded towards the end of the 3rd century BC on what is now the Île de la Cité by a tribe of Celtic Gauls known as the Parisii. Julius Caesar's legions took control of the territory and the settlement became a Roman town. Christianity was introduced in the 2nd century AD. The Romans were defeated in the 5th century by the arrival of the Franks, after whom the country takes its name. In 508 AD, the Frankish king Clovis I united Gaul as a kingdom and made Paris his capital.

Paris prospered during the Middle Ages. In the 12th century, construction began on the Notre Dame cathedral that continued for 200 years. The Louvre Museum began its existence as a riverside fortress around 1200, Sainte Chapelle was consecrated in 1248 and the Sorbonne University opened its doors in 1253. Paris embraced the trappings of the Italian Renaissance at the end of the 1400's and many of the city's signature buildings and monuments sprang up during this period.

Louis XIV, known as the "Sun King", ascended the throne in 1643 at the age of 5 and held the crown until 1715. During his reign, he nearly bankrupted the national treasury with prolonged bouts of battling and building. His most important legacy is the palace at Versailles, south-west of Paris. He was succeeded by Louis XV and Louis XVI. The excesses of the monarchy and the capricious queen, Marie-Antoinette, led to the French Revolution.

The post-revolution government was consolidated under a young Corsican general, Napoléon Bonaparte, whom the Pope crowned "Emperor of the French" in 1804. Napoléon proceeded to conquer most of Europe. His legacy in Paris includes the massive Arc de Triomphe. After his exile, France faltered under a string of inept rulers until a coup d'état in 1851 brought emperor Napoléon III, to power. He oversaw the construction of a flashy new Paris, with wide boulevards, sculptured parks and a modern sewer system. His army was defeated against the Prussians in 1870, the emperor was captured, Parisians masses took to the streets again demanding that a republic be created.

The "Third Republic" ushered in the glittering belle époque ("beautiful age"), with its famed Art Nouveau architecture and advances in the arts and sciences. By the 1920's Paris had become a worldwide center for the artistic avant-garde...That era was cut short by the Nazi occupation of 1940. After the war, Paris regained its position as a creative hotbed and nurtured a revitalized liberalism that reached its crescendo in the student-led "Spring Uprising" of 1968, wherein some 9 million people joined in a paralyzing strike in opposition to the General de Gaulle government.

During the 1980's, President François Mitterrand initiated the futuristic "grands projets", like the glass pyramids at the entrance to the Louvre, the modern library and the glass arch in La Défense.

Paris, Population 2 125 000

Discover on your own

The Eiffel Tower

The tower was built for the World Fair of 1889, held to commemorate the centenary of the French revolution. Named after its designer, Gustave Eiffel, it stands 1050 feet high and held the record as the world's tallest structure until 1930. It is possible to visit any of the three public levels, which can be accessed by an elevator or stairs.

Cathédral de Notre Dame

The city's cathedral ranks as one of the greatest achievements of Gothic architecture. Notre Dame was begun in 1163 and completed around 1345. The massive interior can accommodate over 6000 worshipers. The interior is dominated by spectacular rose windows and a 7800-pipe organ.

Avenue des Champs Élysees

This popular promenade has long symbolized the style and joie de vivre of Paris. 1 mile long and 235 feet wide, it is the ideal place for evening walks and seeing or being seen.

Centre Georges Pompidou

This arts center was built between 1977 and 1981 by Richard Rogers and Renzo Piano. The architects put the elevators, escalators and heating and air-conditioning pipes on the outside, color-coding them by their different functions and leaving the inside free for a multitude of arts activities.



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Paris

Thursday, December 17th, 2009

Docking address

Paris – Quai Javel BAS

Expected Weather for Today

32°F/0°C, Partly cloudy

Onboard Shop Hours

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Fitness Center Hours

6:00 am – 10:00 pm

Cocktail of the Day

White or Black Russian

Non-alcoholic cocktail of the day

Coconut Kiss

DVD Channels

Channel 13: Breakfast at Tiffany's

Screening at:

7 am, 9:30 am, 12 pm, 3 pm, 6 pm, 9 pm

Channel 14: Phantom of the Opera

Screening at:

8 am, 10:30 am, 1 pm, 4 pm, 7 pm, 10 pm

Schedule of Activities

6:30 am – 7:30 am

Coffee and Pastries in the Patio

7:30 am – 9:30 am

Sumptuous Breakfast Buffet in the Restaurant

9:30 am

Departure by bus to the Louvre museum

12:30 pm approx.

The tour return to the ship

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

Lunch Buffet in the Restaurant

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

Light Lunch Buffet in the Lounge

2:00 pm

Coaches depart to Eiffel Tower and Opera

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Tea Time with Live Piano Music in the Lounge

5:00 pm

Coaches return from Opera to ship

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Onboard Cocktail Hour and Margarita Happy Hour with Live Piano Music in the Lounge

6:15 pm

Port Talk with your cruise manager Emmanuelle in the Lounge

6:30 pm

Dinner is served in the Restaurant

8:30 pm

Departure of the Lido optional tour

After Dinner

Our onboard musician László plays for your pleasure in the Lounge



Daily Program

Paris

Friday, December 18th, 2009

Docking address

Paris – Quai Javel BAS

Expected Weather for Today

32°F/0°C, Snow showers

Onboard Shop Hours

10:00 am – 12:00 am

Fitness Center Hours

6:00 am – 10:00 pm

Cocktail of the Day

Manhattan

Non-alcoholic cocktail of the day

Fruit Smoothie

DVD Channels

Channel 13: Santa Clause

Screening at:

7 am, 9:30 am, 12 pm, 3 pm, 6 pm, 9 pm

Channel 14: Christmas Lights

Screening at:

8 am, 10:30 am, 1 pm, 4 pm, 7 pm, 10 pm

Schedule of Activities

6:00 am – 9:00 am

Coffee and Pastries in the Patio for early risers

9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Brunch Buffet in the Restaurant

Brunch special drinks selection available in the Restaurant. Please ask your waiter.

10:00 am

Introduction on "France today" with Emmanuelle in the lounge

11:30 am 12:30 am 1:30 pm

Coaches depart from ship to Concorde square

2:00 pm 3:00 pm 4:00 pm

Coaches depart from Concorde square to ship

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Tea Time with live piano music in the lounge

5:30 pm

Disembarkation briefing and port talk in the lounge

6:00 pm

Dinner is served in the Restaurant

7:45 pm – 10:30 pm

Evening Paris city tour and Illuminations tour by coach

10:30 pm

Late night snack and Christmas glue wine in the lounge with live music from László



Daily Program

Paris

Saturday, December 19th, 2009

Docking address

Paris – Quai Javel BAS

Expected Weather for Today

25°F/-4°C, Clear

Onboard Shop Hours

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Fitness Center Hours

6:00 am – 10:00 pm

Cocktail of the Day

Apple Martini

Non-alcoholic cocktail of the day

Virgin Mary

DVD Channels

Channel 13: Love Actually

Screening at:

7 am, 9:30 am, 12 pm, 3 pm, 6 pm, 9 pm

Channel 14: Once Upon a Time

Screening at:

8 am, 10:30 am, 1 pm, 4 pm, 7 pm, 10 pm

Schedule of Activities

6:00 am – 7:00 am

Coffee and Pastries in the Patio

7:00 am – 9:00 am

Sumptuous Breakfast Buffet in the Restaurant

8:30 am

Versailles tour departs by coach from the ship

12:30 pm approx.

Coaches return from Versailles tour

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

Lunch Buffet in the Restaurant

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

Light Lunch Buffet with live piano music in the Lounge

Afternoon at leisure in Paris

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Tea Time with Live Piano Music in the Lounge

6:00 pm – 6:30 pm

The Lounge is closed for the preparation of the Captain's Farewell Cocktail

6:30 pm

Captain's Farewell Reception followed by Port Talk in the Lounge

7:00 pm

Captain's Farewell Dinner is served in the Dining Room

After dinner

Live Piano Music with our onboard musician László in the Lounge

For your own convenience, please remember to come to reception to settle your final accounts during the afternoon or before going to bed. This is to avoid delays of transfers on the Sunday morning.

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Daily Program
Paris
Sunday, December 20th 2009
Disembarkation

- 05:00– 06:00 am** Coffee & Pastries for our early risers in the Patio
- 06:00 – 08:30 am** Enjoy our wonderful Breakfast Buffet in the Restaurant

Departure times according to departure lists

**Please vacate your stateroom by 8:00 am
and do not forget to check your safe
before leaving your stateroom!**

Remember to hand back your keys to reception!
Thank you.

The crew of the MS River Baroness wishes you a good journey back home!

To our valued passengers,

As you come to the end of your sailing, I want to say a sincere thank you for choosing to travel with Uniworld. I hope that you have enjoyed your cruise and I am sure that you will agree that river cruising is a most wonderful way to experience Europe.

By now you have probably gotten to know our on board staff quite well and I hope that they have met or exceeded your service expectations. At Uniworld we pride ourselves on our service delivery. Our goal is to offer our customers a luxury boutique hotel style experience – on the river! In order to achieve this, our US and European headquarters work very closely together to try to ensure that we cover all details of your trip. We are all dedicated to improving our product delivery and feedback from our passengers is vitally important. Therefore may I please ask that you do take the time to fill out the attached survey.

River cruising is increasing in popularity but still remains somewhat of a well kept secret. We are very proud of Uniworld and would like for others to hear about our company. We believe that one of the best ways of doing this is through achieving awards and accolades as well as being featured in prestigious travel magazines.

In addition to completing the survey, if you have a few minutes, we would really appreciate it if you could write in your comments about your Uniworld cruise to one or both of the following publications:

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Thank you once again for choosing to travel with Uniworld. We value your patronage, welcome your feedback and appreciate your support.

Sincerely,



Guy Young
President – Uniworld Grand River Cruises

