

ST. LOUIS - MINNEAPOLIS

MARK TWAIN'S MISSISSIPPI



The Mississippi River stretches north toward country that's almost as wild and beautiful as it was during Mark Twain's lifetime. From St. Louis to Minneapolis, the journey through America is still enlivened by the coming and going of rivercraft. This luxury river cruise offers adventure, beauty and comfort to all who embark upon it. The Upper Mississippi River offers the opportunity to explore the territory that served as his muse.



DATES:

2022 – JUL 23, 30* | SEP 3, 10*, 17
2023 – AUG 12, 19*, 26 | SEP 02*, 09

DURATION: 9 DAYS/8 NIGHTS

EMBARK: ALTON for ST. LOUIS, MO

DISEMBARK: RED WING –
for MINNEAPOLIS, MN
*REVERSE ITINERARY

SHIP: AMERICAN DUCHESS

FROM: \$2,799 + \$199 Port Charges

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ITINERARY

DAY 1: HOTEL STAY IN ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

Enjoy your complimentary stay at the pre-cruise hotel. The evening is yours to become acquainted with the city. Our Hospitality Desk will be located in the hotel, and our friendly staff can assist with everything from general questions about your upcoming voyage to reserving premium experiences. Both American Queen Steamboat Company and local representatives will be available to provide you with dining, entertainment and sightseeing options to maximize your time here.



DAY 2: ALTON, ILLINOIS (EMBARK)

This adventurer's oasis is always welcoming to our guests – as dewdrops of watercraft greet them from the shorelines. Founded in 1837, Alton has preserved its small-town aesthetic, but mated it with the modern industry and art that birthed its contemporary ambiance. Cafés overlook limestone bluffs draped in greenery as breezes and birds alike whistle through the trees. Enjoy both the indoor and outdoor treasures that showcase the enchantment that this river town has to offer.



DAY 3: HANNIBAL, MISSOURI

Hannibal could be described as ordinary, but the father of American literature would beg to differ. The town, with style and dignity, comes to life in the writings of Mark Twain. People, entities and livelihoods of Hannibal's past endure within the pages of masterpieces such as "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" and "Life on the Mississippi," and the town's preservation efforts allow our quests to step right onto the page where Twain left off. Today, the river stretches north toward country that's almost as wild and beautiful as it must have been then, and, still enlivened by the coming and going of rivercraft, this exuberant port marks the start of adventure for all who visit.



DAY 4: RIVER CRUISING

Watch small river towns and lush landscapes slowly become lost in the horizon as sunlight plays upon the deck. Take hold of a literary classic, curl up on a plush chair in a cozy corner and relish in the moment of tranquility. Experience the fulfillment that river cruising offers.



DAY 5: CLINTON, IOWA

At the height of its economy during the late 19th century, Clinton was regarded as the lumber capital of the nation. Today, agriculture plays a big part in Clinton's economy, which is visible in beautiful rolling fields filled in late summer with luscious, fresh harvest crops. Explore the history of this fascinating river town, and discover a lifestyle that will stand out from today's norm.



DAY 6: DUBUQUE, IOWA

Explore Dubuque, the roots from which Iowa sprouted. It's brimming with opportunity for river travelers to experience an All America City. Check off your outdoor bucket list in the perfect nature getaway for any adventure, and explore historic districts peppered with preserved history. From the architectural delight of Tiffany designed windows in St. Luke's United Methodist

Church to the exhibits of the Dubuque Museum of Art, this city captures artistry. Victorian meets bohemian in this ever-growing Mississippi River gem that's sure to leave dazzling memories.

DAY 7: LA CROSSE, WISCONSIN

This river town has a long-standing romance with the steamboat era, and as our paddle wheeler kisses its port, guests are welcomed by its eye-catching vistas and expansive waterfront park. Within its depths, La Crosse harbors a vibrant community; the cultural exchange among it and its six sister cities showcases a deep appreciation for enrichment through diversity. Influences from far-off destinations such as Bantry, Ireland, and Bavaria, Germany, woven into the history and charm of this scenic port, will certainly stir a traveler's soul.

DAY 8: RED WING, MINNESOTA

Red Wing was included on National Geographic Traveler's list of the world's most historic places. The city offers endless opportunities to travel back in time and learn about settlers and pioneers who occupied the land before today, or admire the craftsmanship and creativity of local artisans of both the present and the past. A walk through the city streets showcases an array of elegant hanging flower baskets from which shades of red, purple, orange and pink drape. Also home to the famous Red Wing Shoes, this is a place you're going to love to explore.



DAY 9: RED WING, MINNESOTA (DISEMBARK)

As the journey concludes, there are other opportunities for you to take in the town. Enjoy the city at your leisure or consider a transfer to the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport.



2022-23 RATES – PER PERSON, DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

RATES	INSIDE CABIN	VERANDA SUITE	DELUXE SUITE	LOFT SUITE	OWNER SUITE
2022	\$2,899	\$5,499	\$7,999	\$8,799	\$10,299
2023 – August	\$2,799	\$5,199	\$7,599	\$8,399	\$9,799
2023 - September	\$2,899	\$5,499	\$7,999	\$8,799	\$10,299
Plus \$199 per person Port Charges					

SUITE AND STATEROOM CATEGORIES

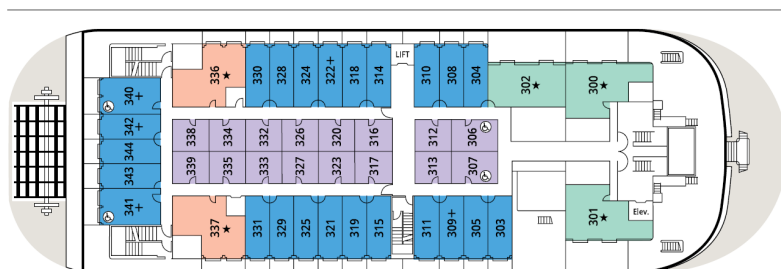
OS Owner's Suites
with Private Balcony

DS Deluxe Suites
with Private Balcony

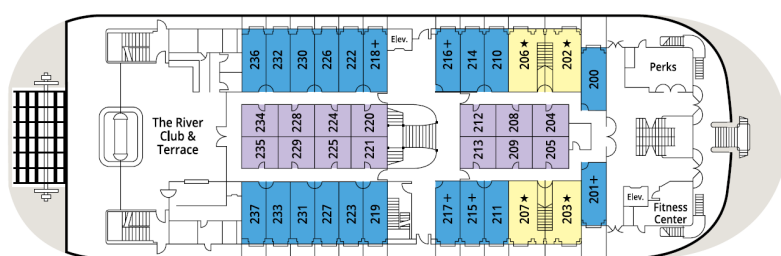
VS Veranda Suites
with Private Balcony

LFS Loft Suites
with Private Balcony

IS Interior Staterooms



DECK 3 – CABIN DECK



DECK 2 – OBSERVATION DECK

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The American Duchess is the smallest of the three Mississippi River Boats, with capacity of only 166 guests, compared to 245 for the American Countess, and 415 for the American Queen. We're happy to book any ship, and any itinerary you may wish. Just ask!

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