

2025

# Along the river Havel and Oder to the Baltic Sea - to the Islands Usedom and Rügen



With Bike and Boat from Berlin to Stralsund

MS PRINCESS



- Trip length: 8 Days / 7 Nights
- Departure and arrival day: Saturday
- Length of cycle tours: approx. 166 - 208 km / 103 – 129 mi
- Character: individual, unguided
- Difficulty: ●●○○
- Profile: car-free paths, rural country roads with little traffic and asphalted bike lanes but also on dusty field paths and dirt roads, with a few short sections on federal highways. "Pleasure-biking" - The routes are mostly flat with some hilly parts, although there will be a few steep inclines and downgrades.
- Language on board: German / English
- Travel documents: German / English
- Booking code DE-ODSBS-08I



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## Tour Details

From the metropolis of Berlin with its vast forests in the north, you will first sail to Schwedt on the Oder-Havel Canal, passing through Oranienburg and Eberswalde. The peaceful, unique beauty of the Oder landscape will accompany you to the Polish city of Szczecin with its magnificent castle. The river will then take you along the unique Bodden coast through Usedom to Germany's largest island, to Rügen, with its famous chalk cliffs. The old Hanseatic city of Stralsund is today's destination. What could be more wonderful than sitting on the sun deck and enjoying the splendid views of the landscape slowly going by and finding out all sorts of interesting things about the country, people, culture and nature on lovely bike tours? Discover the varied flora and fauna of these unique fluvial landscapes, baroque castles, brick gothic and northern German seaside resort architecture.

(All times are subject to change)

Day	Port	Arrival	Dept.
Day 1	Berlin, Embarkation		
Day 2	Berlin		11:30
Day 2	Oranienburg	15:00	16:00
Day 2	Eberswalde	22:30	
Day 3	Eberswalde		09:30
Day 3	Niederfinow	10.30	11:00
Day 3	Hohensaaten	13:30	14:30
Day 3	Schwedt	19:00	
Day 4	Schwedt		09:30
Day 4	Mescherin	12.30	13:00
Day 4	Stettin	16:00	
Day 5	Stettin		06:00
Day 5	Wolgast	16:00	
Day 6	Wolgast		09:30
Day 6	Peenemünde	10:30	18:00
Day 6	Lauterbach (Rügen)	21:00	
Day 7	Lauterbach (Rügen)		09:15
Day 7	Stralsund	13:30	
Day 8	Stralsund, Disembarkation		

### Day 1: Arrival in Berlin

Individual arrival in Berlin. Embarkation at 4:00 pm. Berlin is always worth a trip. Maybe you'll have some time and like to take a stroll on the Kurfürstendamm, take a walk through the Nicolai Quarter on Spree Island or take gander at the Brandenburg Gate. The possibilities of Berlin are almost endless.

### Day 2: Berlin – Eberswalde, bike tour, approx. 42 km

You are exploring the expansive forests of the Ruppiner Lake District on your first cycling tour by following mysteriously interconnected waterways. The well-developed cycle path leads you northwards and away from the metropolis to Oranienburg. The palace in the heart of the city is one of the most significant Baroque buildings in the country, and the adjacent palace park invites you to linger. Here, you board again and continue to Eberswalde. The Eberswalde city lock in the heart of the city is the oldest operational lock in Germany.

### Day 3: Eberswalde – Schwedt, bike tour, approx. 33 - 65 km

First, you ride along the towpath cycle path by the Finow Canal through beautiful landscapes, passing forests, clearings, and small hills towards Niederfinow with its impressive ship lift – visiting is possible at any time. Then, you return on board to sail to Schwedt. For those who wish, you can continue cycling through the crane resting area of the Auennationalpark from Hohensaaten to Schwedt (approximately 32 km).

### Day 4: Schwedt – Szczecin, bike tour, approx. 28 km

Today you will bike through a part of a unique, cross-border protected area "Lower Oder Valley International Park" via the Oder-Neisse Cycle Path. The former estate of Criewen houses the National

Park Center of Germany's only floodplain National Park. Upon reaching Mescherin, you return on board and enjoy the cruise to Szczecin (Stettin). Known as the green metropolis at the mouth of the Oder River, Szczecin is one of the largest ports on the Baltic Sea. Noteworthy is the castle of the Dukes of Pomerania located in the old town.

### Day 5: Szczecin – Wolgast, day of rest on board

Today you will spend all day on board.

After one last narrow passage, the boat will arrive in the expansive waters of the Bay of Szczecin (Oder Lagoon). After the crossing, you will reach Wolgast, the „Gateway to Usedom Island". The Medieval historic centre with its town hall and the Church of St. Petri are interesting sights in any case.

### Day 6: Wolgast – Lauterbach, bike tour, approx. 15 - 25 km

Today, you have three cycling routes to choose from on the Island Usedom: the short route takes you directly to Zecherin and then to Peenemünde, allowing you plenty of time to explore the Historical-Technical Museum in the former power plant. If the weather is nice, you might prefer the slightly longer tour via Karlshagen, with a brief detour to the Baltic Sea, or you can enjoy the extended "beach route" through the Baltic Sea resorts of Zinnowitz and Trassenheide, where you can sunbathe on the fine sandy beach. Around 6.00 p.m., your ship departs from Peenemünde and takes you to Lauterbach in the southeast of the island of Rügen (arrival around 9.00 p.m.).

### Day 7: Lauterbach – Stralsund, bike tour, about 48 km

Today you should not miss a visit to the nearby city of Putbus (about 2 km) with its well-known circus. Classical buildings line this circular "square", where all the streets converge.

Your bike tour on this day will take you through Putbus, Garz, Groß Schoritz, the birthplace of Ernst Moritz Arndt, Poseritz and Gustow with its well-known village church over the Rügen Dam to Stralsund, where the boat will meet you. As a city with an important past, a stroll through the historic centre, which is situated on an island, will take you past numerous exceptional sights.

### Day 8: Departure from Stralsund

After breakfast, disembarkation until 9:00 am and individual journey home.

# Travel Dates | Prices | Services

## Travel Dates 2025 / From Saturday to Saturday

24.05. – 31.05. | 07.06. – 14.06. | 21.06. – 28.06. | 05.07. – 12.07. | 19.07. – 26.07. | 02.08. – 09.08. | 16.08. – 23.08. | 30.08. – 06.09. | 13.09. – 20.09.

## Price per Person in EURO

Main Deck				Upper Deck
2-bed cabin Eco*	2-bed cabin Eco Comfort**	2-bed cabin	2-bed cabin single use (limited quantity)	2-bed cabin
1.099,-	1.149,-	1.249,-	1.749,-	1.599,-

\* Cabins at the rear of the ship; perceptible engine and generator noise (when ship is in motion and in locks) \*\* 2-bed-cabin comfort = approx. 11.5 m<sup>2</sup>, Cabins at the rear of the ship; perceptible engine and generator noise (when ship is in motion and in locks)

## Supplements

<b>Rental bike fee 7-gear-Unisex:</b>	EUR 89.-
<b>Rental bike fee 8-gear-E-bike:</b>	EUR 199.-
<b>Bing your own bike / own E-bike:</b>	EUR 39.- (on request only, limited number)

## Bikes:

- 7-gear-Unisex-trekking bikes and 8-gear-E-Bikes (brand: Velo de Ville - special SE-Tours edition)
- With hand brake and pedal brake or hand brakes only (subject to availability, please indicate as a non-binding customer request by the booking)
- Pannier bag and rental bike insurance included
- E-Bikes on a limited number only
- Please indicate your body height by the booking

**Travel safe and secure with SE-Tours:** We recommend to wear a bike helmet. Onboard selling (limited quantities; brand: UVEX I-VO): EUR 40,- apiece, payment: cash only

## Services included

- Seven nights in outside cabins with private facilities in the booked cabin category
- Program according to routing
- All charges for harbours, bridges and locks
- Welcome-Drink
- Room cleaning every day, changing of towels and bed cloths as necessary
- Full board consisting of 7x breakfast, 6x lunch package for cycle tours or snack on board (non-cyclists), 6x coffee or tea in the afternoon, 7x 3-course-dinner
- Daily meeting for the cycle tours
- Detailed digital travel documents, navigation app, and GPS data for the bike tours
- Tour guide on board

## Not included

Arrival and departure, parking fees and shuttles, bike rentals, local visitor's tax may apply during cycle tours, entrance fees and excursions, city maps, ferry fees, travel insurances, tips, drinks on board and personal expenses.

## Passenger car parking options in Berlin (subject to change, effective May 2023):

For example: Parking Garage "Hallen am Borsigturm" (1.600 parking spaces), always open, ca. € 10.00/day, about 800 m from mooring point. No reservation possible.

Return by train from Stralsund to Berlin approx. € 46.- per person.

# Ship's description | Remarks

## MS PRINCESS

**Built in** 1981, **Renovation** 2024 | **Registry** Netherlands | **Length** 80 m | **Width** 9.5 m | **Height** 4 m | **Draft** 1.30 m | **Passengers** max. 98

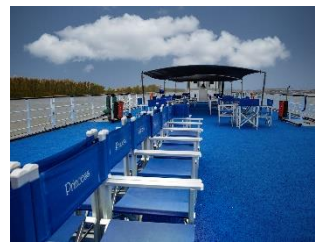
Thanks to its dimensions, the comfortable MS PRINCESS is the ideal boat for cruises on the Oder River. It has a brightly decorated restaurant and a cosy salon. All decks, including the sun deck, can also be reached by a stair lift in addition to the stairs. The stairs are very steep (chairlift on the passenger and sun deck, max. 100 kg).

**Cabins** 49 outer cabins arranged in a modern style, about 10.5 m<sup>2</sup>, with shower and toilet, hair dryer, phone, Sat.-TV, safe (for a fee) and individually controlled A/C.

The two separate beds provide storage space underneath for luggage and thus have a raised but comfortable entry. Above the beds, there are storage cabinets for your personal items. A small built-in wardrobe with hanging and storage options is also available.

**Main Deck** 42x 2-bed-cabins, about 10.5 m<sup>2</sup>, two of which as 2-bed-cabin comfort with room size about 11.5 m<sup>2</sup>, the window cannot be opened.

**Upper Deck** 7x 2-bed-cabins, about 10.5 m<sup>2</sup>, panoramic window can be opened.



## Important remarks

**Embarkation** at 4:00 p.m. | **Disembarkation** until 9:00 a.m.

**Minimum number of participants** 70 guests (must have been reached within 21 days prior to departure).

**To bring your own bike** On request only – due to lack of space on sun deck. We exclude any liability for loss, theft and damage - this also applies to damage caused by transportation from shore to ship or vice versa.

**Excursions** We offer a small excursion program, that can be booked directly on board at the cruise director only. You will get a brief description together with your travel documents. Depending on the number of participants some excursions could be carried out in 2 languages (German/ English).

**Schedule and program changes** Basically, we reserve the right to make changes of routing and program. If there is low or high water and a route cannot be shipped, the captain reserves the right to change the route in view of your safety (this cannot be accepted as a reason for free withdrawal). Same applies to previously unknown administrative orders of lock or bridge repairs.

**Digital Travel documents and roadmaps:** In the interest of sustainability and climate protection, please choose our digital route book instead of printed travel documents. The GUIBO app is your constant companion during your SE-Tours original trip. A glance at your smartphone is enough to keep you safe and worry-free, with all the important information at hand. Travel information, ship and contact details and your bike tours are available digitally in the route book, available offline and thus accessible at any time. The app is available for free and works on all standard smartphones. You will automatically receive the access data to download your booked trip via email before your journey begins. **Travel documents** EU-citizens (without special situations like dual citizenship, main residence abroad or a limited-validity passport) are required to have a valid passport or ID-card, not expiring within six (6) months of the return of your cruise. We kindly ask non-EU citizens, EU-nationals with multiple citizenship or anybody who has to respect special legal entry requirements for the country to visit, to inform about visa and entry documents at the competent embassy.

**This trip is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility.**

We recommend that you take out a **travel health insurance** with repatriation coverage as well as baggage, accident and travel cancellation insurances.

