

# Germany - Berlin to Stralsund by Bike and Boat (2025) Individual Self-Guided 8 days / 7 nights



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, Rügen, with its famous chalk cliffs. The old hanseatic city of Stralsund is the trip's destination.

What could be more wonderful than sitting on the sun deck and enjoying the splendid views of the landscape slowly passing 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.

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### **Itinerary Day to Day**

#### Day 1: Arrival in Berlin

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



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

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.33-65km

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 Auennational park from Hohensaaten to Schwedt (approximately 32 km).

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

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, Szczecinis 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 center with its town hall and the Church of St. Petri are interesting sights in any case.



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

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 Zinnowitzand 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 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 trip home







#### **Route**



#### **Technical Characteristics:**

**Tour Profile:** You will mostly be biking on 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. If you don't feel like a bike ride on a particular day, you can spend the day on the ship.

Distance: 195 km

**Travel Season: Saturday departures from Berlin** May 24; June 7; June 21; July 5; July 19; August 2; August 16; August 30; September 13

**Saturday departures from Stralsund** May 17; May 31; June 14; June 28; July 12; July 60; August 9; August 23; September 6



# <u>Price per Person in Euros double occupancy:</u> all prices subject to confirmation on booking

2 Bed Cabin on main deck eco*	€ 1099
2 Bed Cabin on Main Deck eco comfort**	€ 1149
2 Bed Cabin on Main Deck	€ 1249
2 Bed Cabin on Upper Deck	€ 1599
2 bed cabin single use main deck	€ 1749
Bike Rental	€ 89
Electric Bike	€ 199
Bring own bike- limited spots	€39

<sup>\*</sup>Cabins at the rear of the ship; perceptive engine and generator noise (when ship is in motion and in locks)\*\* 2-bed-cabin comfort = approx..11.5 m², Cabins at the rear of the ship; perceptive engine and generator noise (when ship is in motion and in locks)

#### Included:

- 7 nights' accommodation in an outside cabin with shower/toilet in the booked cabin category
- Program according to the itinerary
- Welcome drink
- Daily cabin cleaning
- Bedding and towel changes as needed
- Full board: 7x breakfast, 6x lunch snack on board (non-cyclists) or packed lunch for cyclists, 6x coffee and tea in the afternoon, 7x three course dinner
- All port and lock dues
- Daily bike tour meeting
- On-board tour guidance
- GPS tracks
- Detailed digital documents, navigation app

#### Not Included:

- Transfers
- Bike rentals
- Entrance and sightseeing fees
- City maps, ferry fees, visitors tax
- Travel Insurance
- Gratuities and personal expenses



#### **MS Princess**



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. The MS PRINCESS has a total of 49 outer cabins arranged in a modern style, about 10.5 m2,with shower and toilet, hairdryer, 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 Deck42x2-bed-cabins,about 10.5 m²,twoof which as 2-bed-cabin comfort with room size about 11.5 m2, the window cannot be opened. Upper Deck7x 2-bed-cabins,about 10.5 m²,panoramicwindow can be opened









#### Important remarks

Embarkation at 4:00 p.m. Disembarkation until 9:00a.m. Minimum number of participants70guests (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 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.

This trip is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility



# **Bikes**





7-gear-Unisex-trekking bikes und 8-gear-E-Bikes (brand: Velo de Ville)

- •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

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