A World of Discovery

On this marvelous, seven-night discovery of France’s unique Alsace region, uncover the best aspects of French and Germanic culture. Enjoy days filled with gently rolling vineyards and inviting cities, cozy Alsatian villages and candy-colored architecture. Spend free time strolling along romantic canals, hanging out in bustling squares and sipping locally made prestigious wines. The enduring beauty of this lauded region awaits you!

Inspiring Moments

- Experience the Franco-Germanic culture, incredible gastronomy and welcoming communities of the Alsace region.
- Visit old-world villages and taste fine wines along the Alsace Wine Route.
- Glide through Colmar’s “Little Venice.”
- Stroll through the sun-bathed Münsterplatz in Freiburg.
- Gaze at the awe-inspiring Strasbourg Cathedral, a Gothic treasure.
- Enjoy delicious Alsatian cuisine, a blend of French and German traditions.
- Explore the storied Chateau du Haut-Koenigsbourg.
- Connect with Basel’s historical heritage while strolling through its old town.
- Experience two UNESCO World Heritage Sites.
Dear Duke Travelers,

Tucked between the magnificent Vosges mountains and the Black Forest is the enchanting Alsace region, known for its timeless Franco-German heritage, wonderful wines and gracious communities. Here, enriching experiences show you the true essence of the region and visitors celebrate the *art de vivre* like locals.

We’ll stay for seven nights in beloved Colmar, an intimate town painted with scores of impressive landmarks. Spend sunny days visiting wineries and exploring Alsatian hamlets dressed with rustic fountains and exquisite floral displays. Cross neighboring borders to visit Basel and Freiburg, and admire the architectural gems and photogenic “Petite France” of Strasbourg. The sumptuous gastronomy and unique traditions of this one-of-a-kind destination will steal your heart!

You’ll enjoy comfortable accommodations, ample meals, engaging insights from expert local guides and speakers, plus worry-free travel, thanks to a dedicated Travel Director. As the Duke group grows in size, a Duke representative will be engaged to join you as well. Duke Travels is pleased to have engaged AHI Travel to offer this journey comprised of all these fantastic elements. This trip is sure to be popular, so please call today and get ready for unforgettable moments in France with Duke!

Forever Duke,

Beth Ray-Schroeder ’83  
Senior Director, Duke Travels  
Duke Alumni Engagement and Development

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**UNESCO World Heritage**

1. **Fortifications of Vauban, Neuf-Brisach, France**
2. **Strasbourg, Grand Ile and the Neustadt, France**

*Kammerzell House, Strasbourg*  
*Neuf-Brisach*
Reserve your trip today!
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Program Dates

Travel dates+
September 29 – October 7, 2024
+ Travel dates include any overnights required for international travel. These dates may vary depending on air schedules.

Tour dates*
September 30 – October 7, 2024
* Tour dates begin on the scheduled arrival date at your destination and end on the scheduled departure date from your destination.

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Day 1 | In Transit
Depart your gateway city for Zürich, Switzerland.

Day 2 | Zürich, Switzerland | Colmar, France
Upon arrival in Zürich, transfer to Colmar and check in to the Grand Hôtel Bristol. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception and Dinner at the hotel.

Day 3 | Colmar
Enrichment: History of Alsace.
Colmar, the Alsatian Wine Capital. With its interlocking waterways, flower-filled window boxes, decorative shopfronts and tucked-away cellar restaurants, Colmar is host to indisputable charms. On a walking tour, gain insight into Colmar’s history and view architecture that reflects centuries of French and German co-existence. See the eye-catching Fisherman’s Quay, the Pfister House with its octagonal turret, the 15th-century Customs House, a façade adorned with 111 head sculptures and the Unterlinden Museum, home to the celebrated Isenheim Altarpiece.
After a lunch of hearty Alsatian cuisine, enjoy a canal cruise through “Little Venice,” passing houses in shades of blue, lemon and apricot and dressed with geraniums.
Free Time: Craft your own path through Colmar. Walk to the Place de l’Ancienne Douane to see the Schwendi Fountain or stroll Colmar’s maze of cobblestones to find a quaint café.

Day 4 | Kaysersberg | Riquewihr | Eguisheim
Alsace Wine Route. Venture into the undulating terre de fête, France’s wine-tourism area, and visit the endearing villages of Kaysersberg, Riquewihr and Eguisheim. Continue to a winery to sip fine vintages, such as Riesling and Pinot Gris. Engage with a local wine producer who discusses Alsace’s biodynamic viticulture, a form of organic agriculture when grapes are grown in a manner that respects the Earth’s magnetic fields and the rhythms of the sun, moon and planets. Settle in for lunch on the pretty property.

Day 5 | Strasbourg
Strasbourg, a European Capital. Few cities match Strasbourg for its rich architectural heritage. On a walking tour, witness the inspiring Cathédrale Notre-Dame de Strasbourg with its towering spire and intricate rose window, and
see Kammerzell House, known for its wooden sculptures depicting secular and sacred scenes. Your guide shares details about the city's history and culture, including background into “La Petite France.” Originally home to tanners, fishermen and millers, this district brims with cobbled streets and waterfront gathering spaces. See a different side of Strasbourg during a panoramic canal tour. Cruise by the UNESCO-listed Neustadt district, the tanners’ quarter, the European Quarter and more.

Unwind over a lunch of regional dishes, such as tarte flambee, a traditional flatbread.

**Enrichment: Alsace’s Franco-Germanic Culture.**

**Day 6 | Basel, Switzerland | Freiburg, Germany | Neuf-Brisach, France**

**Basel, Freiburg & Neuf-Brisach.** Delight in a full day visiting some of the region’s most atmospheric cities! Begin in Basel, a multicultural city that boasts over 40 museums, a thriving arts scene and landmarks like the Tinguely Fountain and the red sandstone Basel Minster. Learn how the city’s unique history and heritage have shaped the Basel of today. Next, visit Freiburg, viewing its ancient gates, lively square and distinctive minster. Take note of the iconic Bächle, tiny waterways lining the streets that were once used to provide water and fight fires. You may see children pulling brightly painted boats along the streams. On your return to Colmar, pass by the fortified village of Neuf-Brisach, constructed by order of King Louis XIV.

**Day 7 | Orshwiller | Chateau du Haut-Koenigsbourg**

**A Mighty Chateau.** Travel to the Chateau du Haut-Koenigsbourg, constructed during the 12th century. The castle occupied a strategic
position controlling the wine and wheat routes to the north and the salt route from the east. Today, it’s a popular attraction of the Alsace-Lorraine region. Admire the architecture and massive defensive ramparts, and cross the drawbridge to enter the castle. Learn about the people who once lived here and take in views across the valley.

Free Time: Back in Colmar, spend leisure time uncovering more landmarks and local life.

Day 8 | Colmar

Enrichment: Contemporary Alsace.

Colmar’s History, Culture & Cuisine. Gain insight into Colmar’s Jewish community and the region’s poignant history during a guided walk along Rue Berthe Molly, one of France’s oldest streets. Your guide points out the prime spots for photographing Colmar’s scenic panoramas and typical street scenes. Cap off the excursion with a delicious wine and cheese tasting in the city center.

Raise a toast to your Alsatian adventure during a Farewell Reception and Dinner.

Day 9 | In Transit

Transfer to Zürich airport for the return flight to your gateway city.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

Flights and transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.

Note About Activity Levels

We have designated activity levels for all excursions on this program. For more details, please call or visit our website.

Excursions on this itinerary require:
– walking on cobblestones, unpaved paths and/or uneven surfaces
– getting on/off motor coaches and boats
Grand Hôtel Bristol | Colmar

Enjoy Alsatian hospitality, well-appointed guest rooms, delicious local cuisine and typical Alsatian style during your stay in Colmar. If you are looking to unwind, visit the hotel’s fitness room, sauna and steam room. Massages also are available. At the day’s end, visit the hotel’s fifth-floor terrace and soak up spectacular city views backed by the splendid Vosges mountains. Wi-Fi is complimentary.
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