We're on Le boat

BOATING HOLIDAYS

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY OR LICENCE REQUIRED

FRANCE | ITALY | GERMANY | NETHERLANDS | BELGIUM | IRELAND | ENGLAND | SCOTLAND | CANADA

PLAN YOUR LE BOAT Adventure

CHOOSE YOUR DESTINATION page 8-39

Le Boat operates in 18 unique destinations across 9 countries, so we know we have the perfect holiday destination for everyone!

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CHOOSE YOUR BOAT

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Whether you are a large group of friends, a couple or a family, our fleet has a boat for every party-size and budget.

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CHOOSE YOUR EXTRAS

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From bicycle hire to stand up paddle boards our holiday extras are the perfect add on to any cruise.

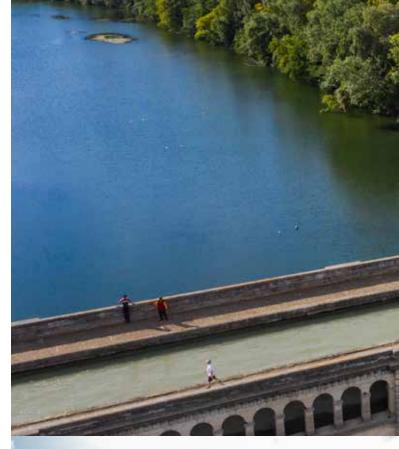
CHOOSE YOUR DATES

Our European boating season runs from late-March until the end of October, except for Ireland which starts from mid-March. In Canada, our bases are open from mid-May to mid-October.

You can choose to cruise for any duration from 3 nights to 1 week or longer.

Our turnaround days are on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, with some limited availability also on Sundays in France. Specific days are subject to availability and fleet planning - its best to have a little bit of flexibility when enquiring.









New for **2025**

NEW BOATS

We continue to invest more in our fleet that any other operator. We're building more of our Horizon boats which arrive in 2025 and we launch our new Liberty boat a brand new boat design for those wanting a luxury boating experience. (See pages 42-43)

HIRE A SKIPPER FOR THE DAY -ON THE CANAL DU MIDI

If you're a first-timer and a little extra guidance would put your mind at ease, hire a Le Boat skipper to spend the first full day with you.

NEW DEPARTURE/RETURN POINTS IN TWO FRENCH CITIES

We have new dedicated moorings in Narbonne (Canal du Midi region - see pages 18-19) and Angoulême (Charente - see page 23) which increases your choice of routes and allows more time to explore these amazing French cities.

NEW PRE-PAID FUEL

You can now buy unlimited fuel before your holiday so you can easily budget and not have to worry about how much you use while you're away. (See page 54)



You're in safe hands



YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

We've been doing this for a long time, so you can rely on us to offer exceptional service and a wealth of helpful advice and knowledge to ensure you have the best time on the water!



OUR BOATING EXPERTS

Our enthusiastic staff are boating experts and will be on hand to help you every step of the way. With an unparalleled knowledge of boating holidays and often proficient in multiple languages, our staff can answer any questions you might have before, during or after your cruise.



MORE CHOICE

We have Europe's largest fleet of self-drive boats, as well as boats in Canada, and the widest choice of fabulous boating destinations to choose from! This means you're more likely to find availability on the boat and destination that best suits you. And, thanks to our huge network of bases, we are also able to offer the biggest selection of one-way cruising routes than any other operator.



QUALITY AND RELIABILITY

Every year we heavily invest in the maintenance of our fleet - as well as the production of new boats - to ensure they are in great shape for you to enjoy. In fact, over the past 8 years we've spent over \in 32M on building over 185 brand new boats - that's more than any other boating operator.



YOUR MONEY IS SAFE

Le Boat are part of Travelopia, who own the world's largest collection of specialist travel brands and we benefit from the financial support and security they provide.

We had a wonderful experience and amazing time with Le Boat. The staff were so kind, helpful, informative, and fun.

E Kriz (Google review)

Chis was our second wonderful holiday with Le Boat. The staff were friendly and informative and the boat was comfortable and well maintained. We experienced no problems and we felt reassured that help was on hand if anything had happened. A big thank you to Le Boat.

A Rowland (Trustpilot review)

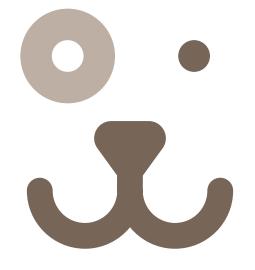
We were welcomed like family well done to the team member who was very well organized and super nice. We had lots of questions and she answered them all without problem.

Willems I (Tripadvisor review)











The paw-fect holiday for you and your dog

Our dogs are like members of our family and we don't want them left behind when we go on holiday. With Le Boat that's no problem. In fact, your holiday will be even better with your four-legged companion in tow.

Easy to get to

With so many bases all over Europe, as well as in Ontario, Canada, for many of our customers, there's a Le Boat cruising region you can drive to. For dog owners, this is a huge advantage over destinations you need to fly to. And if you want to cross borders with your dog, we can advise you what you need to do and what paperwork is required.

Scenic dog walking

The opportunities for long walks through the countryside or along the tow path are endless – and on a boating holiday, there's somewhere new to explore every day. You and your dog will love all the opportunities to relish in the 'great outdoors'. And while you're enjoying the boating, they're right with you experiencing all the same things.

Water play

Does your dog love the water? There are plenty of opportunities for your dog to have fun in the water, as well as on it. Even in our regions where we operate on canals (where swimming is not allowed) there are usually plenty of adjacent lakes and rivers running parallel. Just exercise the same caution as you would when you're at home, of course.



A maximum of two pets are very welcome on board. A pet cleaning supplement s payable so we can ensure the boat is spotless for the next guests.

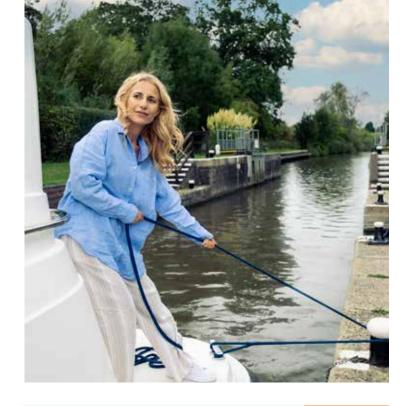
NEW TO BOATING HOLIDAYS?

No experience necessary, no licence required!

If you've never been on a boating holiday before, the concept is simple. We provide you with a boat, which will be your home and transport for the duration of your holiday. Pick it up from one of our many bases, situated along some of the most beautiful waterways in Europe and Canada, and the rest is entirely up to you. Go where you want; do as you please. The only requirement is that you return it back to the base on time.

IT'S EASY PEASY!

Not many of our new customers have driven a boat before. However, they quickly realise how easy it is and soon become confident navigating the waterways. Our base teams will tell (and show) you everything you need to know, to make sure you are completely happy with the controls. And the predeparture, arrival and on board information we provide has been thoughtfully put together to ensure you have relevant and helpful information at hand exactly when you need it.





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IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT THE BOAT

Boating is a lot of fun and a most relaxing way of getting about. However, you will treasure the moments you leave your boat just as much. The waterways provide you with an ever-changing playground and somewhere new to explore, every day.



PLAN YOUR TIME IN DETAIL OR TAKE EACH DAY AS IT COMES – WHATEVER SUITS!

There is a waterways map on board which makes it very clear where you can and can't go. Other on-board information tells you approximately how long it will take you to travel from point to point, where you can moor and what you can expect to find in each waterside town or village. Some people like to plan their holiday itinerary in fine detail. Others enjoy waking up each morning and chatting about what to do that day, around the breakfast table.

IT'S ALL ON BOARD

All our boats have comfortable cabins; hot water, showers and toilets; dining tables and fully-equipped kitchens – everything you'll need to be self-sufficient for the duration of your holiday. You can travel from place to place, without the need to keep unpacking and packing again! For more about our boats, see pages 40 - 53.

CRUISE FOR AS LONG AND AS FAR AS YOU WANT

In many of our boating regions, we have more than one base, which means you can either return your boat to the same base you started from, or you can cruise one-way between two bases. You can book any duration from a three-night short break to a two-week holiday, or even longer. We won't allow you to book a duration that doesn't allow enough time to get to your destination base. We've provided helpful cruising suggestions on our destination pages, to show you how long it will take to cruise between bases. An average of three to four hours cruising a day is quite a nice pace.

LOCKS ARE EASY... AND GOOD FUN!

Going through locks is an enjoyable part of your holiday. It gives everyone on board the chance to get involved, no matter their age or experience. You'll quickly get the hang of them and enjoy the crew camaraderie and the opportunity to chat with fellow boaters. The types of lock vary by region, whether manually-operated or electric; automatic or manned by a lock keeper.

Great people and good quality boats. A great experience for anyone who has never driven a boat and wants to try.

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Sebastian (Tripadvisor review)





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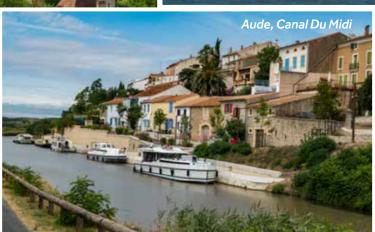
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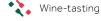




p18-19 Canal du Midi

The Canal du Midi, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is a wonderful journey through the sundrenched vineyards and pretty villages of the Languedoc - France's most prolific wine producing region.

Especially great for.



Castles and Cathar history

🔥 Cycling



p20 Camargue

The Camargue hosts many fabulous beach resorts, ancient ports, fishing villages and historic towns. It also is a wildlife haven and is one of the few nesting sites for graceful flamingos in all of France.

Especially great for:

Beaches and seaside fun Amazing wildlife Delicious seafood



p21 Aquitaine

Aquitaine in south-west France provides both cultural and culinary delights with ancient hilltop villages and colourful markets specialising in French delicacies such as truffles.

Especially great for:

• Wine-tasting 💑 Cycling Glorious gastronomy



p22 Lot

Discover majestic scenery, wide valleys and steep gorges; spectacular limestone cliffs and cascading waterfalls; a nature-lovers dream, popular for wildlife-spotting, kayaking and canoeing

Especially great for:

, Swimming and fun in the river



Breathtaking scenery



p23 ■ Charente

Supposedly the 'loveliest river in France', the crystal clear waters of the Charente are perfect for swimming in. Pass fields of vibrant sunflowers, ancient Roman sites and cognac distilleries.

Especially great for:

Swimming and fun in the river



Historical monuments



p25 Alsace

Alsace, neighboured by Germany, has a distinctly cosmopolitan feel and offers superb cruising to suit all tastes; nature-lovers, history buffs and city explorers. Alsace has it all!

Especially great for:



Cosmopolitan cities

Breathtaking scenery



p26-27 Burgundy: Loire & Nivernais The Nivernais Canal is reputed to be one of France's prettiest and the Loire provides gentle cruising with few locks. Both offer spectacular views, hilltop vineyards and charming towns and villages.

Especially great for:





p28-29 Burgundy: Franche Comté As well as fine wines and gourmet cuisine, the landscapes of this region are rich with the natural beauty of pine forests, mountain scenery, rolling pastures and meadows of flowers.

Especially great for:

- Wine-tasting
 - , Swimming and fun in the river
 - Glorious gastronomy

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p24 Brittany

Full of Celtic charm and fairy-tale castles, unique Breton culture and traditions come to life in this picturesque cruising region, with many pretty villages and lively towns to explore.

Especially great for:



- Delicious seafood
- Lively cities and culture



p14-15 M Trent-Severn

Cruise to the heart of the Kawartha Lakes and enjoy spectacular waterside forests, hiking trails and watersports. Reconnect with Mother Nature in our newest cruising region.

Especially great for:



Big lakes & watersports Hiking and walking trails

Breathtaking scenery



p32-33 — Germany

With dramatic lakeside castles, historic cities, modern café culture, protected nature reserves and crystal clear lakes, this stunning region is a haven for watersports enthusiasts and nature lovers.

Especially great for:

Big lakes and watersports

Waterside castles and palaces



Big city art and culture



p37 I Ireland

Discover castle ruins and Celtic monuments, surrounded by verdant green countryside. Go fishing, play a round of golf or just relax while experiencing the genuine warmth and hospitality of the Irish.

Especially great for:



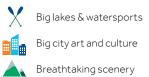
Lively villages and a warm welcome



p16-17 💽 Rideau Canal

Bookended by vibrant Ottawa and bustling Kingston, both teeming with culture, the Rideau Canal (a UNESCO World Heritage Site) connects a series of wide open lakes, home to endless outdoor pursuits and watersports.

Especially great for:





p34-35 — Netherlands

The rivers and lakes of Holland and Friesland will provide glimpses of beautiful windmills, waterside villages, vast lakes and colourful fields. And don't miss a day trip to vibrant Amsterdam.

Especially great for:

Big lakes and watersports



Big city art and culture



p38 → England

The River Thames provides a magical combination of lush green countryside, historic castles, royal palaces & gardens and countless attractions to keep the most restless of travellers entertained.

Especially great for:

Castles, palaces and stately homes

Theme parks and family attractions



Big city art and culture



p30-31 Italy

Venice and its surrounding islands will enchant you with opulent architecture, vibrant culture and spectacular vistas. By contrast, the rural charm of the Friuli region will surprise and delight.

Especially great for:

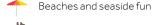




p36 💶 Belgium

Historical monuments, gothic facades, ancient towns, famous Belgian chocolate and pretty humpback bridges make Belgium an enchanting destination with a vast tapestry of charms.

Especially great for:



Historic monuments and war memorials





p39 ➡ Scotland

Steeped in Celtic mystery, myth and legend, such as the tale of the Loch Ness monster, this breathtaking region has the majestic mountains of the Scottish Highlands for a backdrop – stunning!

Especially great for:



Breathtaking scenery

Outdoor pursuits

NEED INSPIRATION?

If you need a little help picking your perfect Le Boat destination, why not take a look at some of our suggestions, ideal for the following groups of people and interests.



A ROMANTIC ESCAPE

Just the two of you? Head to Holland (p34-35) where you can cruise past tulip fields, cycle the flat countryside towpaths and immerse yourself in the culture and bright lights of Amsterdam. Or Belgium (p36) offers delightful Bruges along with picturesque canals, pretty scenery and chocolate! And not forgetting Italy (p30-31) and the most romantic city in the World – Venice!

FAMILY FUN

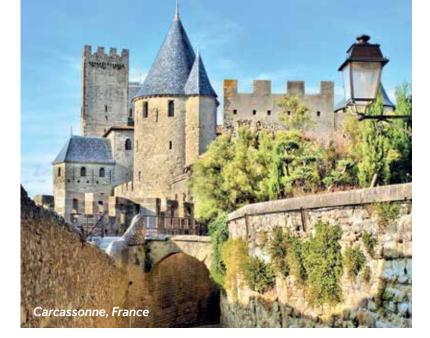
Head to the sunny south of France, where the Camargue (p20) offers amazing wildlife, sandy Mediterranean beaches, horse-riding, quadbiking and more.

Or the captivating River Thames (p38) is packed full of fun and thrills with wildlife and theme parks, woodland trails, activity centres and countless parkland for picnics and running wild in.

GROUP ADVENTURES

Sharing a boat with friends and discovering new places to see and new things to do each day is not only great fun, but it's affordable too! The Thames (p38) and the Canal du Midi (p18-19) are teeming with waterside attractions and sites of interest, while Amsterdam (p34-35), and Venice (p30-31) make a good ' city and countryside combo' to suit a mix of holiday desires! The Camargue (p20), Lot (p22), Mecklenburg (p32), Friesland (p34) and Scotland (p39) are all good if your group is particularly active and enjoy outdoor pursuits.





HISTORY AND HERITAGE

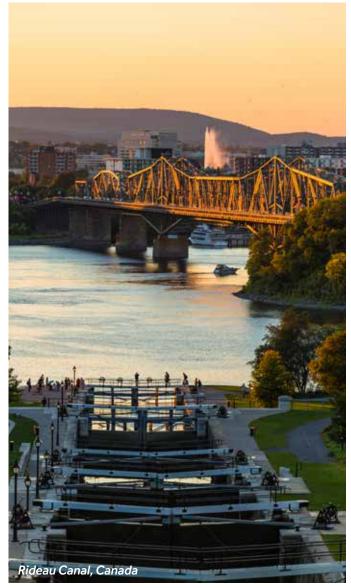
The Cathar castles of the Canal du Midi (p18-19), including the impressive walled city at Carcassonne, will enthral history buffs, while Celtic Brittany (p24) has its fair share of enchanting chateaux to visit. Or explore royal Windsor Castle and Hampton Court Palace on the historic Thames (p38).

SCENERY AND COUNTRYSIDE

The waterways meander past glorious countryside in whichever destination you choose. However, the rugged highlands of Scotland (p39) are particularly stunning: the perfect escape from it all. Alternatively, get away to the peaceful Nivernais and Loire (p26-27) with pretty cobbled French villages, vineyards, forests and countryside. Or the vast lakes and leafy forests of the Rideau Canal in Canada (p16-17) will take your breath away.







GLORIOUS GASTRONOMY

Crusty French bread, fine wine and delicious cheeses await you in all of our French regions, although a cruise through Aquitaine (p21) will also reward you with Agen prunes, foie gras, truffles and Bordeaux wine. And, with its wealth of gastro pubs, exquisite riverside eateries and Michelin-starred restaurants, the Thames (p38) is also a food-lovers paradise.

SWIMMING AND WATERSPORTS

A cruise in one of our beautiful river destinations, such as the River Lot (p22) and River Charente (p23), or the open lakes of Mecklenburg in Germany (p32-33), Friesland in the Netherlands (p34-35) and the UNESCO Rideau Canal & Trent-Seven Waterway in Canada (p14-17) will allow you to swim straight from your boat. Kayaking, and sometimes sailing, is popular in these destinations and you can also hire stand-up paddle boards from Le Boat to take with you (selected destinations only). For fun in the sea, try the Mediterranean beaches of the Camargue (p20) or the Adriatic coast in Friuli, Italy (p30-31).

FISHING

Our river destinations make perfect fishing grounds. You can hire angling dinghies with your boat hire in the Lot (p22), Charente (p23), Germany (p32-33), Netherlands (p34-35) and Ireland (p37) so you can reach the most secluded spots. Scotland (p39) is also a great destination for the avid angler. Ask us about fishing licences.

AND THERE'S MUCH MORE...

Whether you love golf, fishing, cycling, gastronomy, wine tasting, wildlife, swimming or watersports - we have a choice of perfect destinations for you. Visit our website or call our expert team for recommendations.

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Trent-Severn Waterway and the Kawartha Lakes

Journey through an enchanting, natural paradise

Our newest cruising region, and our second in Canada, the Trent-Severn Waterway (a National Historic Site of Canada) stretches 386km and passes through the stunning Kawartha Lakes in central Ontario. If you are looking to escape from it all, experience the great outdoors and reconnect with nature (and family and friends) then this is the region for you.

Pass through Peterborough Lift Lock, the highest lift lock in the world.

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- The remote island setting of Lovesick Lock, a tranquil overnight mooring.
- Enjoy spectacular canoeing, kayaking and SUPing in one of the world's greatest freshwater destinations
- A vibrant mix of shopping, dining and cultural experiences in Bobcaygeon, home to the world renowned Kawartha Dairy Ice Cream.

Soak up arts and culture in Coboconk and explore neighbouring Balsalm Lake Provincial Park.

 Venture across Ranney Falls suspension bridge, not far from the main waterway.

CRUISING SUGGESTIONS

All cruises must start and finish in Peterborough.

DURATION	ROUTE	HOURS	NO. LOCKS
1 WEEK RETURN	Peterborough > Peterborough/Ashburnham > Bobcaygeon > Peterborough	25	22
CRUISING	Peterborough > Peterborough/Ashburnham > Campbellford > Peterborough	22	12
	Peterborough > Peterborough/Ashburnham > Bobcaygeon > Coboconk > Kirkfield Lift Lock > Peterborough	38	28
3, 4 OR 5 NIGHT	Peterborough > Peterborough/Ashburnham > Hastings > Peterborough	14	4
SHORT BREAK	Peterborough > Peterborough/Ashburnham > Lakefield > Lovesick Island > Peterborough (min. 4 nights)	15	18

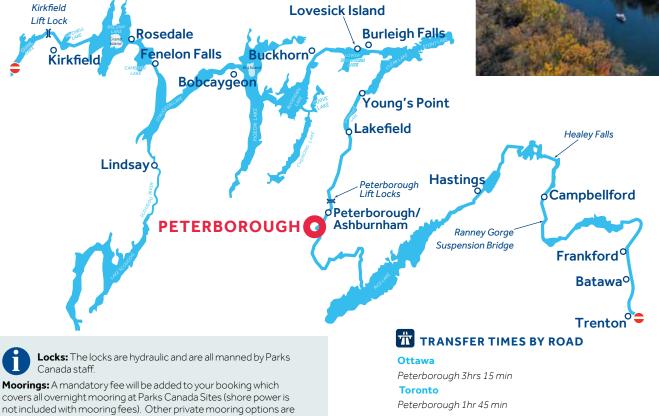
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^oCoboconk







Ask us about taxi transfers to our bases in Canada - we can recommend the best taxi companies to use.

Boats: Our Canada fleet is comprised solely of boats from our premier Horizon fleet.

Boating Season: Our boating season in Canada runs from mid-May

available at local marinas for a fee, which is payable locally

to mid-October.

CANADA

Rideau Canal

Combine waterside wilderness with big city culture

We took our boats to the Rideau Canal in 2018 and this cruising region, our first outside of Europe, has skyrocketed in appeal and popularity every year since. Cruise effortlessly on a chain of lakes, rivers and canals that run from Ottawa to Kingston. Find your own frontier spirit and engross yourself in the region's spellbinding natural wonders, quaint towns and not forgetting Canada's vibrant capital city. Whether you are after breath-taking nature or vibrant culture, the UNESCO-listed Rideau Canal has it all.



▲ Our premier Horizon boats.

CRUISING SUGGESTIONS

All cruises must start and finish in Smiths Falls.

DURATION	ROUTE	CRUISING HOURS	NO. LOCKS
	Smiths Falls > Portland >Jones Falls > Smiths Falls	27	12
1 WEEK RETURN CRUISING	Smiths Falls > Newboro > Seeleys Bay > Smiths Falls	33	20
	Smiths Falls > Merrickville > Burritts Rapids > Long Island > Smiths Falls	34	20
	Smiths Falls > Merrickville > Long Island > Ottawa > Smiths Falls	43	36
10 TO 14 NIGHTS RETURN CRUISING	Smiths Falls > Merrickville > Burritts Rapids > Upper Nicholsons > Long Island > Manotick > Ottawa > Smiths Falls	43	38
	Smiths Falls > Newboro > Kingston > Smiths Falls	50	30
3, 4 OR 5 NIGHT	Smiths Falls > Perth > Smiths Falls	10	8
SHORT BREAK	Smiths Falls > Merrickville > Smiths Falls	13	10

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🔺 Ottawa, Ontario



 The pretty limestone town of Perth with its lively local culture, quaint boutiques and active markets.



 Rideau Ferry - home to a beautiful 10 acre recreation area on the shores of Lower Rideau Lake.



66 Navigating from lake to lake in the middle of the Canadian forests is probably the best of the boating holidays: for the landscapes of course, but also for the kindness of the lock keepers and the relaxed climate. An experience not to be missed under any circumstances...



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Walk to Rock Dunder - one of the highest points of the region for spectacular views.

- Smiths Falls is both the location of one of our bases and a hub of outdoor activity and adventure - the ideal place for a breath of fresh air.
- Find Ottawa's only working museum in Manotick. Watson's Mill is both a fascinating museum and one of the only remaining operating grist mills in North America!
- > Taste the locally inspired brews of Perth Brewery, Cartwright Springs Brewery, or Whitewater Brewing Co.
- Voted Canada's prettiest village, Merrickville, home to a vibrant artisanal community and often dubbed the 'Jewel of the Rideau'.
- Pamper yourself with a wine-tasting and tour, followed by a lake-view lunch at the Scheuermann Vineyard and Winery in Westport.



Canal du Midi



A wonderful journey through the old Languedoc region of southern France

Bathed in warm sunshine for most of the year, a cruise along the Canal du Midi, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is the perfect holiday choice for friends and families looking to enjoy the wonderfully relaxed ambience of life along this beautiful, historic waterway.



CRUISING SUGGESTIONS

You can take a one-way cruise between any of our bases in this region, in either direction, except between Carcassonne (Trèbes) and Port Cassafières. Or you can book a return-to-base cruise (3 nights minimum) from any base.

DURATION	ROUTE	CRUISING HOURS	NO. LOCKS
	Port Cassafières > Narbonne > Port Cassafières	27	44
1 WEEK RETURN CRUISING	Homps > Carcassonne > Homps	20	42
	Castelnaudary > Carcassonne > Castelnaudary	21	48
	Port Cassafières > Castelnaudary	33	63
1 WEEK ONE-WAY	Homps > Castelnaudary	20	45
CRUISING (Choose to cruise in either direction)	Narbonne > Carcassonne > Carcassonne (Trèbes)	20	44
	Homps > Port-Cassafières	13	18
	Port Cassafières > Homps > Narbonne	20	34
10 TO 14 NIGHTS RETURN CRUISING	Carcassonne (Trèbes) > Béziers > Carcassonne (Trèbes)	36	58
	Homps > Le Somail > Homps	11	12
3, 4 OR 5 NIGHT	Homps > Le Somail > Carcassonne > Carcassonne (Trèbes) (4 nights one-way)	19	40
SHORT BREAK	Homps > Le Somail > Carcassonne > Carcassonne (Trèbes) (4 nights one-way)	19	40
	Castelnaudary > Carcassonne (Trèbes) (4 nights one-way)	14	31

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Pretty Le Somail with its antiquarian bookshop and lovely restaurants.



All locks are electric and free to use. Some are automatic, but most are manned.

The Fonseranes staircase of locks can get busy and have specific hours of operation which may slow your progress along the canal. If you are on a return-to-base cruise and wish to save time by not passing through them, you can still see Béziers by mooring at the top or bottom and walking or cycling into the city.

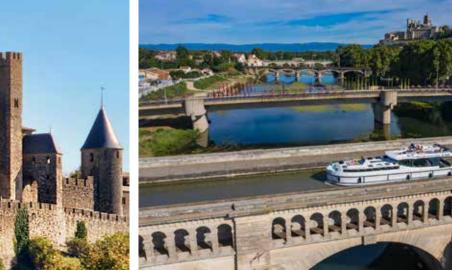




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Cathédrale St-Nazaire in Béziers.









- Ancient walled city and the World Heritage listed stronghold at Carcassonne.
- Visit the Cathar Castle, Château de Minerve, the site of a ten week siege during the Cathar crusades.
- The staircase of locks at Fonseranes and the aqueduct bridge over the River Orb.
- The Roman town of Narbonne with its impressive Gothic Cathedral, lively streets, pedestrianised precincts and the famous Merchant's Bridge.

TRANSFER TIMES BY ROAD

Toulouse

Castelnaudary - 50mins • Carcassonne (Trèbes) - 1hr 10mins • Homps - 1hr 30min • Narbonne - 1hr 40mins

Carcassonne

Castelnaudary - 35min • Carcassonne (Trèbes) - 20mins • Homps -35min • Narbonne - 45mins

Béziers

Homps - 1 hrs 30 mins • Port Cassafières - 20 mins • Narbonne - 40 mins



Camargue

Colourful traditions, ancient ports and wonderful wildlife

You'll love it's bustling seaside resorts, by day and by night, excellent sandy beaches and traditional lifestyle which includes local festivals, jousting and modern-day cowboys.



Excellent seafood restaurants and pretty fishing villages. Don't miss oysters in Bouzigues.



Sandy Mediterranean beaches and sunshine from April to October.

- Abundant bird and wildlife in the wetlands and lakes, including pink flamingos. May - June is the best time for birdwatching.
- AOC Costières de Nîmes wine cellars at Gallician.
- Saint-Gilles and its beautifully-restored historical centre.



The Camargue region has few locks, and no locks on the Etang de Thau (it's an inland sea water lake), so it's perfect for anyone new to cruising or looking for an easy cruising experience. You are advised to moor in the harbours at night as larger barges passing by could pull you away from makeshift moorings.

 Horse riding, quad biking, sand buggies

Ancient port and medieval walled city of Aigues-Mortes.

and jet skiing



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CRUISING SUGGESTIONS

You can take a one-way cruise between either of our bases in this region, in either direction. Or you can book a return-to-base cruise (3 nights minimum) from any base.

DURATION	ROUTE	CRUISING HOURS	NO. LOCKS
	St. Gilles > Etang de Thau > St. Gilles	22	0
1 WEEK RETURN CRUISING	Port Cassafières > Aigues Mortes > Port Cassafières	28	4
1 WEEK ONE-WAY CRUISING (Choose to cruise in either direction)	St. Gilles > Port Cassafières	17	2
3, 4 OR 5 NIGHT SHORT BREAK	St Gilles > Aigues Mortes > Palavas-les-Flots > St. Gilles	13	0

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Bouzigues

Maguelone

Frontignan

Montpellier St Gilles - 45mins

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TRANSFER TIMES BY ROAD

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Aquitaine

Cosmopolitan cruising at its best

Culture and gastronomy go hand-in-hand in the sunny region of Aquitaine in south-west France, and both can be enjoyed in full from the waterways. In the past, Aquitaine's picture- postcard scenery inspired many famous artists. Today people come here to discover the perfect ingredients for gourmet cruising.



Chic shopping and culture in Montauban and Agen.

Glassworks at Vianne.

- Art Museum at Agen boasting works by Goya, Sisley and Dufy.
- Flower-adorned Castelsarrasin and one of the best farmer's markets in the region.





TRANSFER TIMES BY ROAD

Bordeaux Le Mas D'Agenais - 1hr 10min Toulouse Le Mas D'Agenais - 1hr 40min Bergerac Le Mas D'Agenais - 1hr 15min

Toulouse

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Armagnac tasting in its home town of Condom.



Moissac's world-famous abbey and cloisters.

FRANCE





7thcentury stone village of Saint-Cirq Lapopie, perched high on the cliffs and home for centuries to craftsmen and artists.

An active adventure through majestic scenery

The clear waters of the River Lot meander through wide valleys and steep gorges, beneath spectacular limestone cliffs and hilltop villages.



We do not recommend this region if this is your first boating holiday, as river currents can sometimes be strong.

All locks are manual and user-operated. There are no lock- keepers on the River Lot. As such, a good level of fitness is required from at least two crew members.

Access to shore power facilities on the River Lot is severely restricted.

- > The cave drawings and stalagmites of the Pech-Merle caves near Cabrerets.
- Pretty Luzech with its 13th century church.
- The 7th century castle at Mercuès.

CRUISING SUGGESTIONS

All cruises **must** start and finish in Douelle.

DURATION	ROUTE	CRUISING HOURS	NO. LOCKS
1 WEEK+ RETURN CRUISING	Douelle > Luzech > Tour-de-Faure > Douelle	26	28
3, 4 OR 5 NIGHT SHORT BREAK	Douelle > Vers > Douelle (min. 4 nights)	13	16

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The iconic arches and towers of Pont Valentré in Cahors.



 Cycle along the tows path cut into the cliff face with stunning views of the river below.

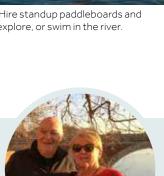
TRANSFER TIMES BY ROAD

Bordeaux

Douelle - 2hrs 30mins Toulouse Douelle - 1hr 25mins Bergerac Douelle - 1hr 30mins

What a stunning river running through steep sided cliffs bordered by small pretty villages. Be sure to stop in Vers and book a table at the Hotel de la Truite Dorée, a gem!

The service was good the food better and the Malbec better still!







BERGERAC Cabrerets o Le Boat h Navigable river Caillac Bouziès Laroque St-Gérv s-Arcs DOUELLE Tour-de-Faure Savanad Saint-Cirq Arcambal Lapopie TOULOUSE XŽ



Hire standup paddleboards and explore, or swim in the river.

Charente

The loveliest river in France

The Charente is known as one of France's most beautiful rivers – its crystal clear waters are perfect for swimming and fishing and its pretty river banks are home to an abundance of flora and fauna.





There are only a few locks on the River Charente. They are all manually-operated with no lock- keepers. As such, a good level of fitness is required from at least two crew members. Locks are open on public holidays.

From St. Savinien to Rochefort the river becomes tidal – affected by Atlantic tides, strong currents and fast changes in river levels. Therefore only those with some previous boating and/or sailing experience should set out to visit Rochefort by boat. Alternatively, you can easily moor at St. Savinien and take the train to Rochefort.





 Excellent maritime museums and delicious seafood in the naval town of Rochefort.

- Thriving hilltop cathedral city of Angoulême for stunning views, café culture and shopping.
- Impressive renaissance châteaux.
- Fine Romanesque art at the church of St. Pierre in Châteauneuf-sur-Charente.
- Vintage car collection at Mosnac.

CRUISING SUGGESTIONS

You can take a one-way cruise between either of our bases in this region, in either direction (allow at least 7 nights). Or you can book a return-to-base cruise (3 nights minimum) from either base.

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		BY ROAD	DURATION	ROUTE	CRUISING HOURS	NO. LOCKS	
L		Bordeaux Angoulême - 1hr 30mins		Jarnac > Angoulême > Jarnac	22	30	
	X 1	Jarnac - 1hr 30mins La Rochelle	1 WEEK+ RETURN CRUISING	Angouleme > Cognac > Angouleme	24	36	
Rochefort		Jarnac - 1hr 30mins		Jarnac > St-Savinien > Jarnac	21	10	
	_	Angoulême - 2hrs	1 WEEK ONE-WAY CRUSING (Choose to cruise in either direction)	Angouleme > Saintes > Jarnac	20	25	
	oSt-Sav	vinien			12	16	
	2		3, 4 OR 5 NIGHT SHORT BREAK	Angouleme > Jarnac	9	15	
P	Port d'Envaux			Jarnac > Cognac > Saintes > Jarnac (min. 4 nights)	15	10	
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		Cogna	c O Bourg- Charente	St-Simon Trois- Palis		2	
			Château sur-Char			23	

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The Roman town of Saintes with its famous Arc de Germanicus, Roman frescoes and Amphitheatre ruins.

Cognac whiskey distillery guided tour and tasting session.



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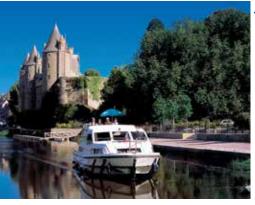


Celtic charm and fairytale castles

Brittany is a charming region to explore. Its 600km of waterways and Napoleonic canals meander through a peaceful landscape of woodland and pastures, dotted with medieval towns and fairytale castles.



Medieval fortified town of Dinan, high on the cliffs above the harbour.



Imposing turreted ◀ castle in the beautiful town of Josselin with its timber houses and pavement cafés.



Breton oysters and excellent seafood restaurants in the sailing harbours of La Roche Bernard.



CRUISING SUGGESTIONS

All cruises must start and finish in Messac.

DURATION	ROUTE	CRUISING	NO. LOCKS
1 WEEK RETURN	Messac > Josselin > Messac	35	36
CRUISING	Messac > Nantes > Messac	44	36
3, 4 OR 5 NIGHT SHORT BREAK	Messac > La Gacilly > Messac (min. 4 nights)	16	6

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Historic Nantes with its magnificent Gothic cathedral, Castle of the Dukes of Brittany and floral gardens. Visit Les Machines de l'Île, home to the Grand Éléphant.▼



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Nantes

• Beautiful St. Sauveur Abbey, cloisters and lively Monday markets in Redon.

- Stunning Yves Rocher botanical gardens in La Gacilly and the Photo Festival throughout the summer.
- Rennes with its bustling markets (especially on Saturdays), cathedral, Parliament building, museum, science centre and planetarium.

Locks are manual or electric and all of them have a lock keeper.

TRANSFER TIMES BY ROAD

Rennes Messac - 30mins Nantes Messac - 1hr St. Malo Messac - 1hr 15mins FRANCE

Alsace

Cosmopolitan cruising at its best

The tiny French regions of Alsace, and neighbouring Saarland in Germany, are blessed with breathtaking scenery and are renown for the art and architecture of their cities.



Marvel of modern engineering – the St-Louis / Arzviller Boat Lift.



 Rose Garden, Château des Rohan (above) and excellent views from the sumptuous Haut Barr Castle in Saverne



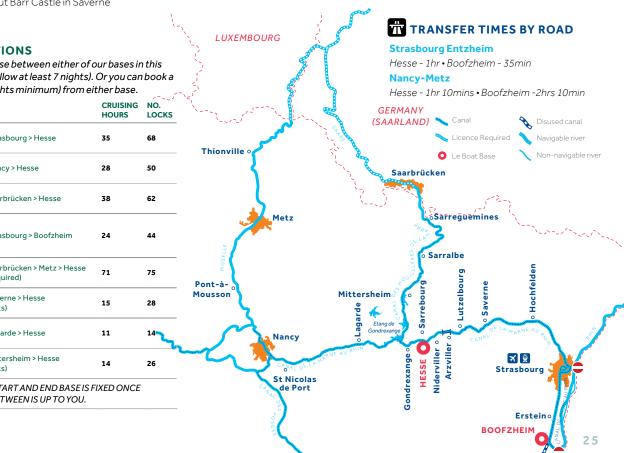
4 The Place Stanislas in Nancy, one of the most beautiful squares in the world and

a must for Art Nouveau lovers.

- > UNESCO World Heritage city of Strasbourg for culture, shopping, dining and its monumental cathedral.
- Thermal baths and the stunning stained-glass cathedral in Metz.
- > Watch crystal blowing demonstrations at Cristal Lehrer at the bottom of the Arzviller Boat Lift.

A boating licence is required if you wish to cruise from Saarbrücken City to Apach along the waterways of Germany and Luxembourg. Please speak to our Sales Team for further details about obtaining a licence. Licences need to be obtained before you cruise and cannot be obtained 'on the spot' in France.





CRUISING SUGGESTIONS

You can take a one-way cruise between either of our bases in this region, in either direction (allow at least 7 nights). Or you can book a return-to-base cruise (3 nights minimum) from either base.

DURATION	ROUTE	CRUISING	NO. LOCKS
	Hesse > Strasbourg > Hesse	35	68
1 WEEK+ RETURN CRUISING	Hesse > Nancy > Hesse	28	50
	Hesse > Saarbrücken > Hesse	38	62
1 WEEK ONE-WAY CRUISING (Choose to cruise in either direction)	Hesse > Strasbourg > Boofzheim	24	44
2 WEEK RETURN CRUISING	Hesse > Saarbrücken > Metz > Hesse (Licence required)	71	75
	Hesse > Saverne > Hesse (min. 4 nights)	15	28
3, 4 OR 5 NIGHT SHORT BREAK	Hesse > Lagarde > Hesse	11	14
	Hesse > Mittersheim > Hesse (min. 4 nights)	14	26

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Exceptionally scenic Sarre and Moselle rivers (licence required).

Burgundy: Nivernais & Loire

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Splendid châteaux, peaceful landscapes and pretty waterways

The charming Canal du Nivernais, Canal Lateral à la Loire and Canal de Bourgogne provide access to some of the most beautiful and varied cruising areas in France.

TRANSFER TIMES BY ROAD

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Migennes - Shrs 50mins • Tannay - Shrs 50mins • Decize - 4hrs 10mins <mark>Dijon</mark>

Migennes - 2hrs • Tannay - 1hr 50mins • Decize - 2hrs 20mins

CRUISING SUGGESTIONS

You can take a one-way cruise between any of our bases in this region, in either direction. Or you can book a return-to-base cruise (3 nights minimum) from any base.

DURATION	ROUTE	CRUISING HOURS	NO. LOCKS
	Migennes > Mailly-le-Château > Migennes	27	56
	Migennes > Ancy-le-Franc > Migennes	33	64
1 WEEK+ RETURN CRUISING	Tannay > Châtel Censoir > Chitry-les-Mines > Tannay	24	52
	Decize > Paray-le-Monial > Decize	30	38
	Migennes > Pont-sur-Yonne > Migennes	21	24
1 WEEK ONE-WAY CRUISING	Decize > Tannay	27	70
(Choose to cruise in either direction)	Tannay > Migennes	24	49
3, 4 OR 5 NIGHT	Decize > La Charité-sur-Loire > Decize (min. 5 nights)	25	28
SHORT BREAK	Migennes > Auxerre > Migennes	11	20



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I will always remember our wine tour in the Nivernais Loire. The Sancerre vineyards stretched as far at the horizon and as the sun set, turning the leaves from green to golden, we sampled wine made from the very grapes that surrounded us. Wine, nature, good company - life is good!



 The huge Cathedral Saint-Cyr, the impressive Palais des Ducs (left) and other historical gems in the Roman city of Nevers.



On Canal Lateral a la Loire, Canal du Nivernais & Yonne River (Migennes to Chatillon-sur-Loire to Migennes via Decize), most locks are manual with lock keepers. The Sardy Staircase near Baye has 16 locks and a lock keeper to assist. There are a few lifting bridges, operated by pushing a button.

On Canal de Briare & Canal du Loing (Chatillon-sur-Loire to Migennes via Montargis), most locks are automatic without lock keepers.

A train operates between Paris and Migennes almost every hour



▲ Watersports, hiking and spectacular aqueducts at Baye.

Fabulous Gothic cathedrals and churches in Migennes, Sens, Auxerre (right) and Nevers.





- Impressive Briare Aqueduct.
- Fishing in Prégilbert or Paray-le-Monial.
- Magnificent châteaux in Chitry-les-Mines and Châtillon-en-Bazois.
- Stunning views from the medieval hilltop village of Cercy-la-Tour.
- Famous Romanesque Basilica at Paray-le-Monial.

Burgundy: Franche-Comté

Natural beauty in the heart of France

From dense forests, craggy cliffs and mountain scenery to rolling pastures, vineyards and peaceful landscapes, Burgundy's network of gentle rivers and canals makes this a delightful region and haven for all who appreciate unhurried lifestyles, fine wines, gourmet cuisine and stunning scenery.



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TRANSFER TIMES BY ROAD

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St Jean-de-Losne - 1hr 50mins • Fontenoy-le-Château - 3hrs 40mins • Branges - 1hr 30mins Geneva

St Jean-de-Losne - 2hrs 20mins • Fontenoy-le-Château - 3hrs 50mins • Branges - 1hr 30mins Dijon

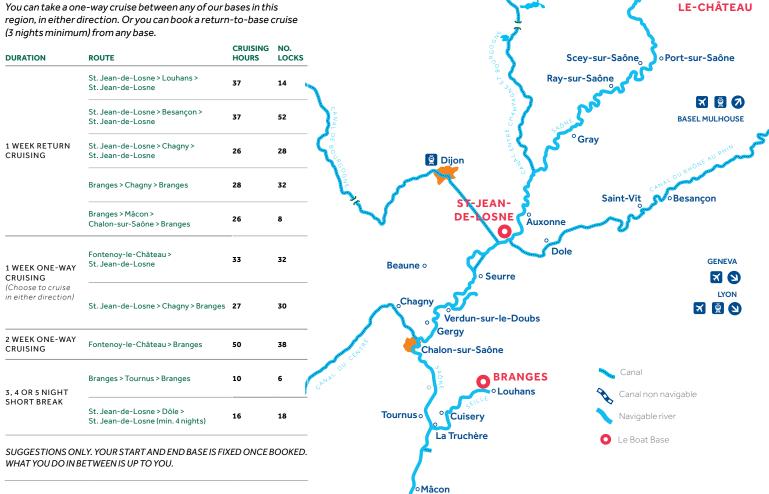
St Jean-de-Losne - 40mins • Fontenoy-le-Château - 2hrs • Branges - 1hr 20mins

Basel/Mulhouse

St Jean-de-Losne – 2hrs 20mins • Fontenoy-le-Château - 1hr 45 mins • Branges 2hrs 50mins

CRUISING SUGGESTIONS

You can take a one-way cruise between any of our bases in this



 Palatial buildings, opulent facades and rich heritage in Dijon – it's like a mini-Paris!





At the exit of the Rhone-Rhine canal you'll find a small corner of hidden paradise. The majestic, century old trees line the canal giving Dole a relaxing feeling of splendor and enchantment.

Brigitte and Armel Herbé



- Hospices de Beaune with its colorful tiled roof and captivating tour around the old hospital.
- ◀ Wine tasting at Côte de Beaune's premier 'cru' vineyards, with famous names such as Pommard, Chassagne-Montrachet, Rully and Mercury.



River Seille: Easy cruising; self-operated locks; numerous well-equipped moorings.

Grande Saône: Between St. Jean de Losne and Mâcon – 3 large electric locks, manned by lock keepers. A wide but generally slowmoving river. Mooring on pontoons or in a harbour is compulsory.

Petite Saône: Easy cruising. Automatic locks, some operated by a lock keeper, but most are user-operated.

Canal de Bourgogne: All locks are manual and are operated by a lock keeper.

Canal du Centre: Electric locks - most are user-operated.

Canal des Vosges: All locks are automatic, some are operated by a lock keeper.

- > Splendid châteaux and summer festivals in Scey-sur-Saône and Ray-sur-Saône.
- Bresse chicken from Louhans, famous for its Monday poultry market.
- Church of St Philibert in the bustling Roman town of Tournus.
- St John's Eve Festival in Fontenoy-le-Château in August.
- Historic Mâcon, one of the oldest towns in France, with its cathedral, châteaux, Museum of Fine Arts and theatre.







St Vincent's Cathedral and the busy Friday and Sunday markets in Chalon-sur-Saône.

▼ Dôle and Besançon (below) - towns steeped in history and charm.

Venice & Friuli

Effortlessly romantic & a delight to discover

Our cruising grounds in Italy offer two completely different experiences. Venice and the surrounding lagoon offers opulence, action and everything you'd expect from this world-famous water city. The waterways in the Friuli region offer a quieter escape where the pleasures of rural Italy and the Adriatic coast provide boating magic at a slower pace. Sparkling Prosecco, indulgent Gelato and divine Italian gastronomy.





All locks and lifting bridges in the Venetian Lagoon and surrounding waterways are automatic.

In the Lagoon, it's best to use public mooring places and catch a ferry over to tourist destinations.

Moor only in designated cruising areas.

Exclusive private moorings are available for Le Boat customers cruising in the Venetian Lagoon for which there is a compulsory supplement to / from Casale. They are located on Mazzorbo (for Burano), Vignole (for Venice) and in Chioggia. Note: Exclusive private moorings do not have access to shore power. The number of public moorings and private marinas are limited.

The colourful streets of Burano and its famous lace-making. 🗸

 Venice – the most romantic city in the world with its many attractions including St Marks Basilica, the Palazzo Ducale and the Grand Canal.

CRUISING SUGGESTIONS

You can take a one-way cruise between either of our bases in this region, in either direction (allow at least 5 nights). Or you can book a return-to-base cruise (3 nights minimum) from either base.

DURATION	ROUTE	CRUISING HOURS	NO. LOCKS/ LIFTING BRIDGES
1 WEEK RETURN	Casale > Treviso > Venice > Chioggia > Casale	22	2/0
CRUISING	Precenicco > Marano Lagunare > Caorle > Precenicco	17	4/2
2 WEEK ONE-WAY CRUISING (Choose to cruise in either direction)	Precenicco > Caorle > Venice > Casale	24	4/6
	Casale > Venice > Casale	10	2/0
3, 4 OR 5 NIGHT SHORT BREAK	Precenicco > Marano Lagunare > Grado > Aquileia > Precenicco (min. 4 nights)	14	2/0
	Precenicco > Marano Lagunare > Lignano Riviera > Precenicco	7	0/0

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- The ancient University city of Padova the City of Science its buildings, ambience and art exude splendour and magnificence.
- Ancient towns and fishing villages along the peaceful Litoranea Veneta.



Glass-blowing on Murano.

Cruising the Lido towards the west, the surprise at the end is: Chioggia! A small Venice. Canals everywhere filled with small boats that form a beautiful palette of colours and the fishing port with its many trawlers, plus the lively market with its eels, sardine fillets, cicadas etc. This is Italy!





 The Adriatic beach resorts of Jesolo, Lido, Grado, Caorle, Lignano and Bibione.



Mecklenburg & Brandenburg

Nature reserves, watersports and lakeside castles

The clear waters of Germany beckon those wishing to combine spectacular scenery with fascinating German culture. This unexpected boating heaven will captivate your senses and have you coming back for more.

We anchored in a nice bay of one of the many lakes in the Mecklenburg region. My family and I spent the whole afternoon jumping into the clear waters, swimming, having fun on the paddle boards and lazing in the glorious sunshine. We enjoyed one of the most beautiful summer sunsets ever and

danced until the stars came out - that's what boating holidays are all about...freedom, independence, joy and just being together!

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Vibrant Berlin with its many attractions and bustling nightlife – don't miss the futuristic Potsdamer Platz, the Reichstag building and the famous Brandenburg Gate. You can reach Berlin on cruises of 10 days or more, or take a train from Fürstenberg.

 Water sports in the beautiful Lake Müritz National Park – windsurfing, paddleboarding, kayaking or swimming.



▲ The medieval villages of Mirow, Rechlin, Röbel (above), Klink, Plau and Waren with their distinctive waterside houses and narrow cobbled streets.



The Baroque lakeside castles at Schwerin, Rheinsberg (above), Fürstenberg and Neustrelitz.

Locks on the Brandenburg & Mecklenburg waterways are free, fully automatic and manned or automatic self service.

Overnight mooring on canals is not permitted in Germany. You may drop anchor in a lake or moor in a marina at your own expense.

All our German bases are within licencefree cruising areas. To continue your cruise to Brandenburg, you need to have a minimum of an ICC licence. For help obtaining a licence before departure, please speak to our Sales Team. All areas around our base at Marina Wolfsbruch are licence-free until you reach Liebenwalde. Please see map for details.

Although our boats can lead you to the very heart of Berlin, it's a little too far to get to within a week or less. To enjoy a day out here, we recommend you take a train - its only one hour from Fürstenberg. You are only allowed to take your boat into parts of Berlin's 'Government District' before 10:30 or after 19:00.

CRUISING SUGGESTIONS

You can take a one-way cruise between Jabel and Marina Wolfsbruch or Jabel and Fürstenberg, in either direction. Or you can book a return-tobase cruise (3 nights minimum) from any base.

DURATION	ROUTE	CRUISING HOURS	NO. LOCKS
1 WEEK RETURN CRUISING	Marina Wolfsbruch > Rheinsberg > Mirow > Neustrelitz > Lychen > Templin > Marina Wolfsbruch	37	32
	Marina Wolfsbruch > Rheinsberg > Plau am See > Marina Wolfsbruch	31	8
1 WEEK ONE-WAY CRUISING (Choose to cruise in either direction)	Marina Wolfsbruch > Rheinsberg > Jabel	20	4
3, 4 OR 5 NIGHT SHORT BREAK	Marina Wolfsburch > Neustrelitz > Marina Wolfsbruch	10	8

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Holland & Friesland

Where boating is a way of life

In 't Groene Hart (The Green Heart) the waterways give unbridled access to lush green countryside and plenty to see and do in a fascinating collection of historic and lively towns. In the north, among the glistening lakes of the Friesland region, a network of 11 beautiful cities is yours to explore from our base in Hindeloopen, a lively fishing village with quirky cobbled streets full of history and Dutch character. There are sandy beaches and excellent facilities near by.



Watersports on the beautiful lakes of Friesland.



Take a day trip to visit the museums, markets and lively streets of Amsterdam.

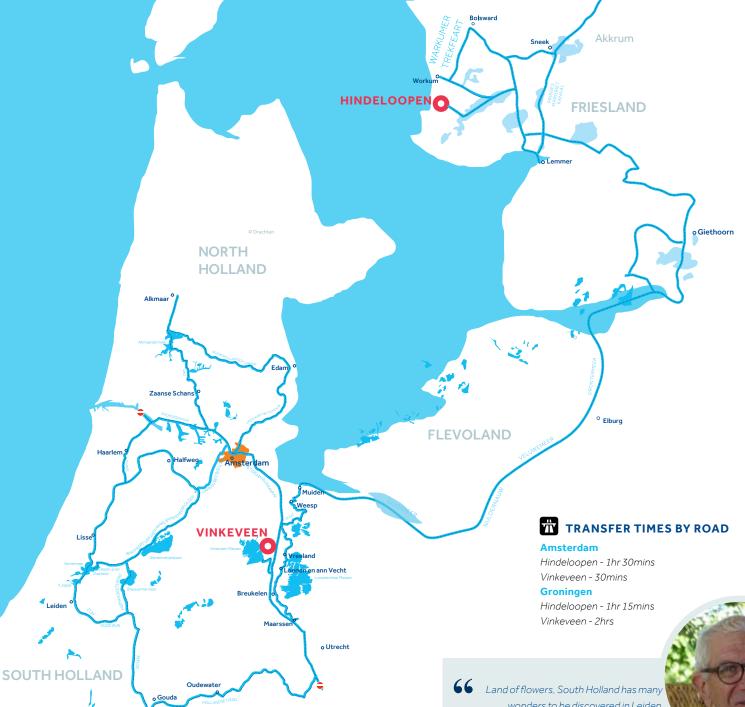


- Famous for its cheese, beautiful Gouda has a weekly cheese market and a cheese making demonstration at De Waag.
- Museums, churches, restaurants and shops in lively Utrecht. Climb the 465 steps of the Dom Tower for views as far as Amsterdam.
- Explore the alleyways, art galleries and eateries of Harlingen, a fishing village on the Wadden Sea.
- The beautifully restored 13th century Muiderslot Castle and now a fascinating national museum.

➡ Head north of Amsterdam to Edam, Alkmaar cheese market and the iconic Dutch windmills at Zaanse Schans.







CRUISING SUGGESTIONS

One-ways are not possible in this region. You can book a return to base cruise (3 nights minimum) from either base.

DURATION	ROUTE	CRUISING HOURS	NO. LOCKS/ LIFTING BRIDGES
	Vinkeveen > Weesp/Muiden > Amsterdam > Weesp/Muiden > Utrecht > Vinkeveen	20	6/27
1 WEEK RETURN CRUISING	Vinkeveen>Utrecht>Gouda>Amsterdam> Weesp/Muiden>Vinkeveen	30	14/57
	Hindeloopen > Lemmer > Sneek > Bolsward > Workum > Hindeloopen	21	0/27
3, 4 OR 5 NIGHT	Vinkeveen > Weesp/Muiden > Amsterdam > Weesp/Muiden > Vinkeveen	13	6/10
SHORT BREAK	Hindeloopen > Sneek > Bolsward > Workum > Hindeloopen	16	0/24

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 Keukenhof, the World's largest flower park, in Lisse. Open from mid-March to mid-May. Land of flowers, South Holland has many wonders to be discovered in Leiden, Utrecht or Gouda. A pontoon in the centre of Amsterdam, opposite the central station, in the heart of one of the most beautiful capitals of Europe. Simply magical!



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Most locks and lifting bridges are manned by lock-keepers, with breaks for lunch and tea. You need to pay a small charge to pass through locks, so keep small change handy.

To visit Amsterdam, we recommend you moor at Weesp and take one of the frequent trains to the city centre. This takes around 10 minutes. Alternatively moor at Six Haven Marina opposite Amsterdam Central Station where you can catch a free 24hr ferry to the city centre.

Please note: It is not possible to cruise from Hindeloopen to Amsterdam and then return to Hindeloopen in 7 nights. If you wish to visit Amsterdam from our Hindeloopen base, you should allow 14 nights for this or consider take a train to Amsterdam instead.

Flanders

Friendly cruising on tranquil waterways

Famous for its delicious chocolates, delicate lace-works and many hundreds of varieties of beers, Belgium's network of tranquil waterways wind through gentle countryside and historic towns rich with charm and character. The Westhoek region is said to have the most peaceful and beautiful waterways in Europe.



 Belgian chocolate, lace, beer and the nation's signature dish moules frites.



All locks and lifting bridges are manned by lock-keepers or are

remote controlled. It is not possible to visit Bruges on a 3 night short break from Nieuwpoort. Please allow 4 nights or longer.

If you are cruising to Bruges, you follow the main 'ring canal' (an old moat) around the outskirts of the town. You can moor securely in 'La Coupure' a canal inlet protected by a barrier that will be lifted by the harbour master. Mooring fees are approx €12/night.

Public moorings are available at the very centre of Bruges, Ghent and Veurne.



 Pretty Bruges with cobbled streets, pretty churches and humpback bridges – take a horse-drawn carriage tour of the city.



 Historic Ghent brimming with art and culture.



Magnificent Ooidonk Castle in Deinze

- ▶ The long sandy beaches at Nieuwpoort and Oostende.
- ▶ The UNESCO protected belfry at Diksmuide and famous 'Man in the Moon' symbol of peace.
- Small quaint villages and pretty towns like Oudenaarde.



CRUISING SUGGESTIONS

All cruises must start and finish in Nieuwpoort.

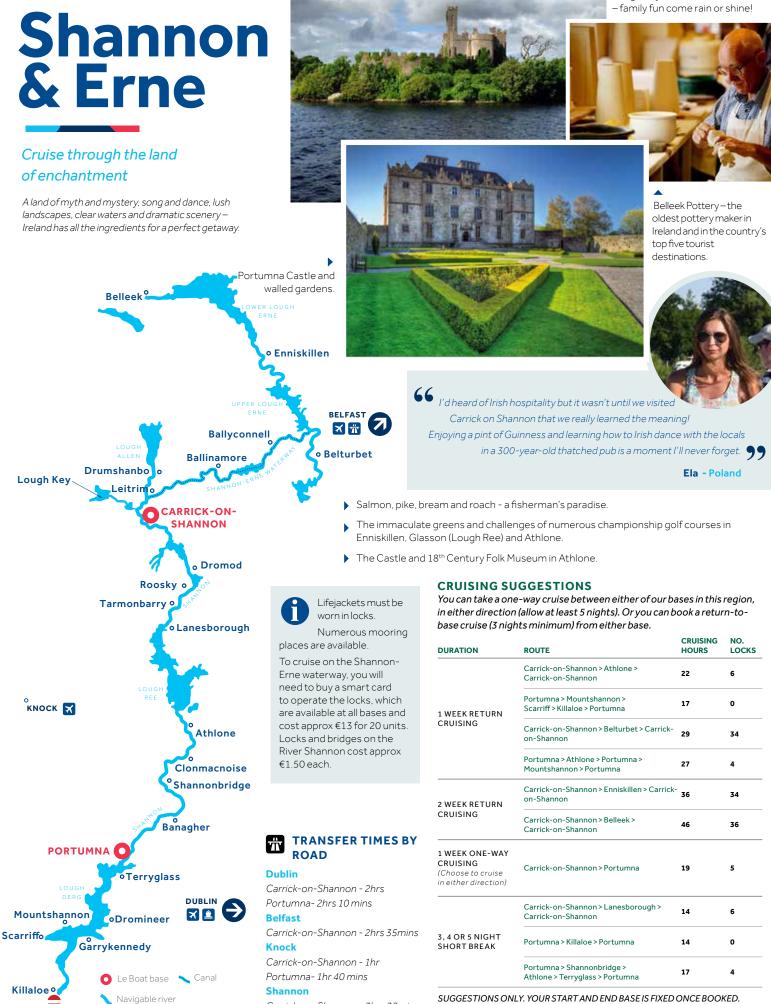
DURATION	ROUTE	CRUISING HOURS	NO. LOCKS/ LIFTING BRIDGES
1 WEEK RETURN CRUISING	Nieuwpoort > Bruges > Ghent > Nieuwpoort	25	4/36
2 WEEK RETURN CRUISING (Choose to cruise in either direction)	Nieuwpoort > Bruges > Ghent > Oudenaarde > Kortrijk > Nieuwpoort	43	16/38
	Nieuwpoort > leper > Veurne > Nieuwpoort	14	8/11
3, 4 OR 5 NIGHT SHORT BREAK	Nieuwpoort > Bruges > Nieuwpoort (min. 4 nights)	14	4/28
	Nieuwpoort > leper > Nieuwpoort	12	6/4

Cruise through the land ofenchantment

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HANNON

A land of myth and mystery, song and dance, lush landscapes, clear waters and dramatic scenery-Ireland has all the ingredients for a perfect getaway.



Carrick-on-Shannon - 3hrs 30mins

Portumna- 1hr 10 mins

SUGGESTIONS ONLY. YOUR START AND END BASE IS FIXED ONCE BOOKED. WHAT YOU DO IN BETWEEN IS UP TO YOU.

Lough Key Forest and Leisure Park



Thames

Regal cruising along the famous River Thames

Our two bases at Benson and Chertsey are ideally placed to explore what is arguably the most beautiful stretch of the River Thames. Cruising in either direction will take you to some of the oldest and prettiest towns and villages in the heart of England.

All the locks on the River Thames are electrically operated and there is no

Cruising beyond Teddington Lock towards central London is not permitted. While you

cannot navigate your boat into central London, it is easily accessible by train

charge to use them. They are generally manned by lock keepers during the day, but can be self-operated when they are not, except after dark when navigation



Thrills and theme park fun for the kids at Legoland, Thorpe Park and many other attractions.

Royal Hampton Court Palace and gardens, a former residence of King Henry VIII.

The royal residence of

mighty Windsor Castle

and Windsor's sprawling

Royal Park.







- Many riverside pubs and restaurants to enjoy.
- The dreaming cathedral spires of Oxford and its world famous university.
- The very grand Cliveden Country Estate with its impressive gardens and a maze! Quick access by train to central London for a day trip to England's vibrant capital city.



CRUISING SUGGESTIONS

is not permitted

o Oxford

You can take a one-way cruise between either of our bases in this region, in either direction (allow at least 4 nights). Or you can book a return-to-base cruise (5 nights minimum) from either base.

DURATION	ROUTE	CRUISING	NO. LOCKS
	Chertsey > Windsor > Kingston-upon-Thames > Chertsey	14	18
1 WEEK RETURN CRUISING	Benson > Oxford > Henley-on-Thames > Benson	24	30
	Benson > Windsor > Benson	24	34
1 WEEK ONE-WAY CRUISING (Choose to cruise in either direction)	Benson > Kingston-upon-Thames > Chertsey	23	30
	Chertsey > Marlow > Chertsey	14	20
3, 4 OR 5 NIGHT SHORT BREAK	Benson > Chertsey 15 (5 nights one way)		22
	Benson > Henley-on-Thames > Benson	12	18

SUGGESTIONS ONLY. YOUR START AND END BASE IS FIXED ONCE BOOKED. WHAT YOU DO IN BETWEEN IS UP TO YOU.

SCOTLAND

Caledonian Canal

A serene escape from modern life

Be prepared for a magical journey along the wonderful Caledonian Canal, Scotland's most noble waterway, with the dramatic and wild Scottish Highlands as your backdrop.



Ride the West Highland Railway ofHarry Potter fame (Banavie).

Historic Inverness and beautiful views from its castle.



Navigation is easy and full of variety on the Caledonian Canal. On the short canal sections there are only twelve locks, all operated by keepers.

There is a charge for the use of all waterside facilities and moorings along the Caledonian Canal, which we are required to collect in advance of your cruise. This will be added, as a cost, onto your booking.

Due to the nature of the cruising area, we don't hire bikes from our base at Laggan, but there are mountain bike hire facilities in Fort William, Fort Augustus and Inverness.

Lifejackets must be worn in locks.

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Tour the Ben Nevis Whisky Distillery (Fort William).

- Spot the fabled Loch Ness Monster and visit the exhibitions at Drumnadrochit.
- Afternoon tea at Glengarry Castle (Invergarry).
- A host of excellent canal-side golf courses notably Fort Augustus, Torvean in Inverness and Fort William Golf Clubs.

📅 TRANSFER TIMES BY ROAD

Inverness Laggan - 1hr 20mins Glasgow Laggan - 3hr 20mins **Fort William** Laggan - 1hr

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Banavie CRUISING SUGGESTIONS All cruises must start and finish in Laggan.						
o o o	DURATION	ROUTE	HOURS	LOCKS		
• Fort William 🗎	1 OR 2 WEEK RETURN CRUISING	Laggan > Inverness > Banavie > Laggan	25	24		
o Onich L. LEVEN o Glencoe	3, 4 OR 5 NIGHT SHORT BREAK	Laggan > Banavie > Fort Augustus > Laggan	13	12		
GLASGOW						

SUGGESTIONS ONLY. YOUR START AND END BASE IS FIXED ONCE BOOKED. WHAT YOU DO IN BETWEEN IS UP TO YOU.

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OUR BOATS

With over 40 models to choose from, you are sure to find a boat to suit your party-size, budget and expectations.





Pre-departure

There are a few simple pre-departure actions to complete, including a short safety video which all members of your crew must watch. To ensure a quick and hassle-free check-in, please ensure these actions are completed before you arrive at base.

Our base team will also try to call you, sometime during the week prior to your departure, to chat about your arrival and answer any questions you have about your holiday.

Checking-in

When you arrive, you can expect a warm welcome from our friendly base team, many of whom speak several languages. Our reception team will offer advice, recommendations and answer any questions you have about your cruising region. Any pre-booked extras will be on board ready for you (see page 54- 55 for more information about holiday extras).

Boat handling demonstration

You'll be taken out onto the water for a hands-on cruising demonstration by one of our base team. Your nominated Captain and 2nd-in-charge will be shown how to manoeuvre your boat for mooring; how to drive your boat safely and responsibly and, where possible, how to go through a lock. It is important that you feel confident before setting off, so rest assured you will be given all the help and advice you need beforehand.



	LUXURY	Unlike any other, our Luxury fleet features state-of-the-art technology, effortless navigation through the waterways, hotel-level comfort and deluxe onboard amenities. $p.4$	2-43
	P R E M I E R	Designed exclusively for Le Boat, our Premier boats have a modern design that affords spacious communial areas, comfortable cabins and effortless manoeuvring on the water. $\mathcal{P}.4$	4-45
	Comfort plus	Like our 'comfort' category, these boats are good-quality and well-equipped. However, these boats are slightly newer and generally more spacious with a few $p.4$ extra features - such as air-conditioning and BBQ hotplates.	6-47
	Comfort	Good-quality, well-equipped boats of varying ages, designs and styles. Everything you need to enjoy a comfortable boating getaway. $\mathcal{p}.4$	8-50
	Value	These older boats are our 'much-loved classics'. With basic features and fittings and a more tradition décor, they're a great option for the budget conscious adventurer. $ ho.5$	1-53
Sing	gle bed single beds convert to double beds	Double beds Seating converts to double or single bed WHAT'S ON BOARD? Stylish décor and comfortable furnishings, as well as light and airy interiors are hallmarks of our fleet. What's more, our boats are so stable on the water you don't have to worry about feeling	
		seasick! AT A GLANCE 01 Comfortable beds, pillows, duvets and bed linen. 02 Fully-equipped kitchen with fridge(s), gas oven, stove top, dishes & utensils, towels &	



Boat layouts

Every boat has a layout which shows the internal arrangement of the cabins, bathrooms, saloon, and kitchen galley. Use the layout to see if there will be double, single or bunk beds; whether there are internal steps and how many bathrooms are on board. Many people also like the option of having a spare cabin to store belongings.

Comfortably sleeps

All our boats are classified according to how many people they comfortably sleep. If a boat is listed as 6+2 it means that it sleeps six people comfortably in cabins, with the option to sleep two further people on a convertible bed/settee in the saloon area or a smaller cabin. gas oven, stove top, dishes & utensils, towels & tea-towels (but not beach towels).

03 Cruising maps, Boat & Navigational Manual, and tourist information.

04 Safety equipment - life-ring, life-jackets,

boat hook and fenders.

05 Basic first aid kit.

06 Outside table, chairs and parasols - depending on the model.

07 Deck equipment - mooring pegs,

mallet, mop, bucket, and ropes.

08 Bathroom facilities with hot showers.

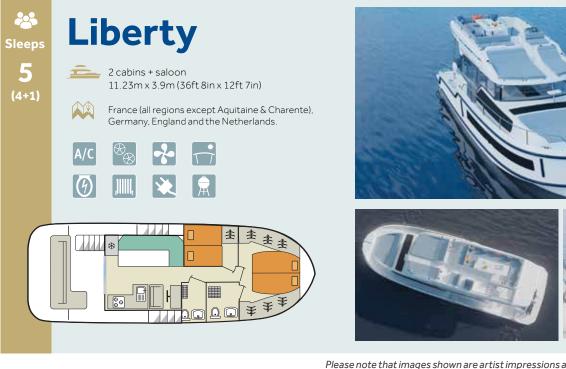
09 Warm air heating, fans or air-cooling, or air-conditioning varies according to each model. Air cooling uses canal/river water to produce cool air which is blown out through vents whereas air conditioning is thermostatically controlled and can keep the internal temperature up to 10°C below the external temperature. Please note: the performance of both systems significantly reduces if canal/ river temperature is too high.



NEW LIBERTY

A boat in a class of its own.

We've been working with Beneteau/Delphia for many years, designing and building our innovative Horizon fleet since 2016 (see next page). Now we've created a brand new boat which arrives on the waterways in 2025. It's design takes all the amazing characteristics from our Horizon boats and 'supercharged' them with even more comfort, luxurious features and thoughtful attention to detail.





Please note that images shown are artist impressions and may vary from the final product.

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Bimini Sun Shade

Air Cooling





Thermostatically controlled air-conditioning.



State-of-the-art kitchen with dishwasher, Nespresso® coffee machine and filtered drinkable water throughout.



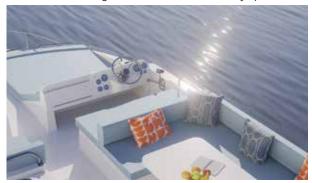
Light and bright spacious cabins with panoramic hull windows (+skylight in master cabin) and triple layer memory foam mattresses.







Spacious sundeck with BBQ hotplate and fridge drawer + forward seating and back-of-boat activity space.



Plus we've bundled in loads of FREE holiday extras into the boat price:

- Holiday flex plan (see page 58) •
- Car parking at base
- Bike hire
- Wi-fi

- Premium deck cushions
- End-of-cruise boat cleaning

- Eco-cleaning pack
- Grocery Starter Pack

The Horizon

The first Horizon has been turning heads on the waterways since 2016 and we've been expanding our Premier Horizon fleet every year since. Designed and built exclusively for Le Boat, these boats tick all of the boxes in terms of social/communal space, ease of handling, accessibility and on-board features.



Horizon 5 12 5 ensuite cabins + saloon 14.99m x 4.35m (48ft 8in x 14ft 1in) (10+2) France - all regions (except Brittany, Charente, cannot cruise on Baïse River in Aquitaine); Germany; Netherlands, Canada, Ireland (cannot cruise on Lough Allen Canal) Please note: there is only space to comfortably seat 10 adults around the saloon table. The sundeck can easily seat 12 people however.







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PREMIER



Bow AND stern thrusters to propel the front and back of the boat sideways; and wide walkways for easy access.



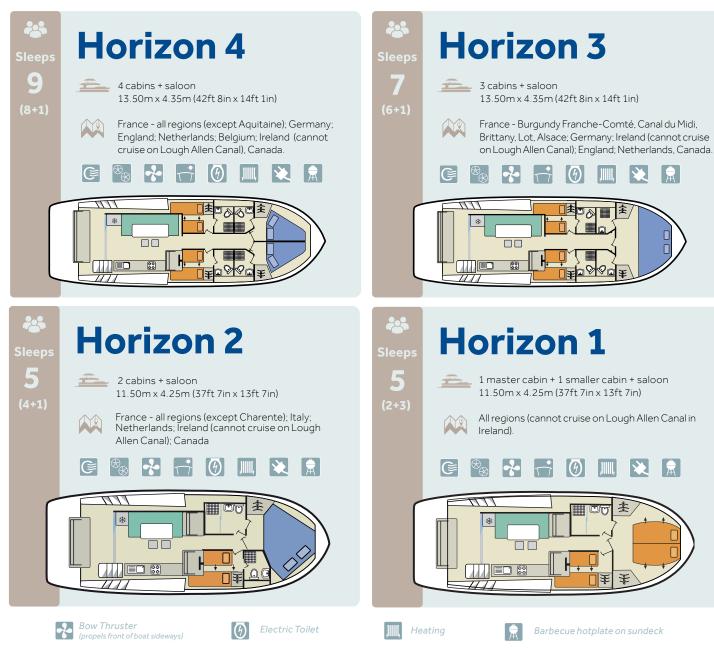
Roomy and comfortable saloon and kitchen with generous headroom, over-sized windows for uninterrupted views.



Spacious 'fundeck' with table, bbq hotplate and sunbathing area.



Large sliding glass doors at the rear.



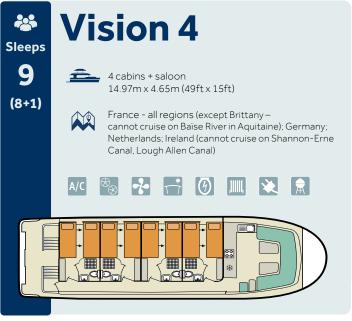


Our Vision boats are impressively large, boasting spacious cabins, bathrooms, saloon and a huge sundeck. Bow and stern thrusters make them easy to handle. An ideal boat for larger groups.





















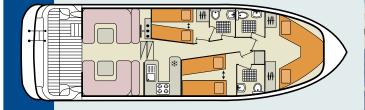












Please note that this boat does not have cabin air-cooling in England.



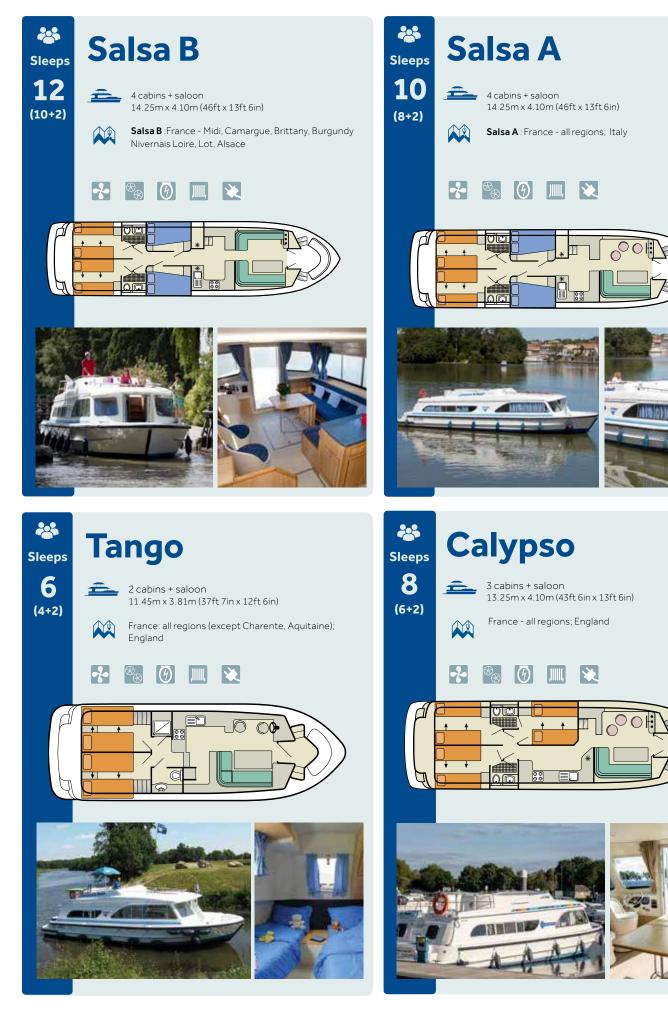


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Cirrus A & B

8.80m x 3.60m (29ft x 11ft 2in)

Germany; Netherlands; Belgium

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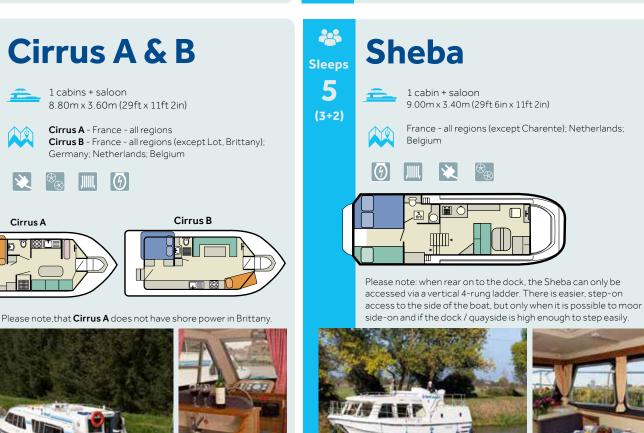
Cirrus A - France - all regions

1 cabins + saloon

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Cirrus A









Sleeps

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Cirrus B

ADD SOMETHING EXTERNA

To ensure your holiday is especially worry and hassle-free, why not consider adding the following extras to your booking?



NEW Pre-paid Unlimited Fuel

You can now pre-pay for your fuel in advance, instead of paying for it at the end of your holiday. It makes it easier to manage your budget and it's unlimited, so you can cruise as long as you want without having to worry.

Damage Liability Reduction

We collect a refundable Damage Deposit from you at the start of your holiday. For extra peace of mind, the amount you pay, and thus your liability, may be significantly reduced by purchasing a nonrefundable Damage Liability Reduction (DLR).

Early check-in / late check-out

Spend more time on the water! With Early Check- in, you can arrive at our base from 11am, rather than 3pm. With a Late Check-out, you can vacate your boat by 12pm on your last day, rather



than 9am. (Note: Early check-in and late checkout is not available on Horizon 5 and all Vision boat types.)

Wi-fi

Stay connected while onboard. Connect up to five devices to the internet wherever there is mobile coverage. Available in selected regions.





AND SOME EXTRA

Our boats are packed full of features for a comfortable stay on the water. And you can dial up the fun by adding some of these optional extras to your booking...



Bikes

You can add bikes to take on board your boat with you. Tow paths are flat and perfect for cycling and you can explore places further away from the canal, discover hidden gems and keep active too.



Barbecues

In some destinations we can provide a gas barbecue which attaches to the railings of your sundeck. Shop from the local butchers/ grocers and enjoy wonderful meal-times cooking and dining al-fresco. (Note: There's already a built-in barbecue hotplate on our Luxury, Premier and Comfort Plus boat categories.)

Stand up paddleboards

You can swim straight from your boat in many of our cruising regions, so why not add a stand up paddle board (available in some regions) to make the most of your time on the water – or in it!

Gift baskets

If you are celebrating a special birthday or occasion, you can pre-order one of our beautifully presented gift baskets, full of local delicacies and regional specialities to get you in the holiday spirit.

Not all extras are available at all bases, please check website or ask our Sales Team for details. To ensure availability, we advise you to pre-book extras prior to departure. Extras requested and paid for at base are subject to higher rates. Pre-booked extras are subject to our standard cancellation terms and conditions.



Your holiday price

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OUR BOAT HIRE PRICES INCLUDE:

- 🗸 🖌 A fully equipped boat
- Towels and linen for all passengers (not beach towels)
- ✓ Safety equipment (inc. lifejackets)
- Boat handling demonstration
- Onboard cruising and boat information, plus map
- Technical support seven days a week

ADDITIONAL COSTS

TRAVEL INSURANCE

To protect yourself in unforeseen circumstances or in case your travel arrangements change, we strongly recommend taking out personal travel insurance, even if you are travelling in your own country.

DAMAGE DEPOSIT

All customers are required to pay a Damage Deposit on arrival at the base. If your boat and/or equipment is returned damaged, you will be charged up to the value of this deposit at the end of your holiday.

The amount of deposit required, and thus your liability, may be significantly reduced by purchasing a non-refundable Damage Liability Reduction (DLR) which can be added in advance, or paid locally at the base, as a cost to your booking.





FUEL

You have the option to purchase Pre-paid Unlimited Fuel when you book your holiday which makes it easy for you to budget. If you choose not to, then onboard equipment will record how many hours you run your engine for during your cruise and you will be charged an hourly rate when you return your boat - payable at your end base in local currency. This cost covers the fuel you use to power the boats engine and onboard systems (such as heating), as well as gas and general engine wear & tear. The 'hourly rate' differs by region and boat-type, depends on market rates of fuel and is subject to change. Our Sales Team can give an idea of our current rate prior to your holiday and the actual rate can be confirmed at check-in

FUEL DEPOSIT

Before you depart, you must leave a Fuel Deposit in local currency. At the end of your cruise, your Fuel charge will be calculated and you will either be refunded the difference or asked to pay any excess hours used. If you have purchased Pre-paid Unlimited Fuel (see page 54) then a fuel deposit will not be required.

CLEANING

A cleaning supplement is added to all bookings and is included in the prices quoted on our website. While our teams thoroughly clean each boat before every departure, you are still required to strip your beds, dispose of rubbish and wash and put away crockery, kitchen utensils, etc to ensure a timely turnaround between departures.

ONE-WAY SUPPLEMENT

(on one-way routes only)

There is an additional supplement for all oneway cruises, payable at the time of booking. It is automatically added, as a cost, to your booking and is included in the prices quoted on our website when applicable.

MOORINGS

(Scotland, Italy and Canada only) In some destinations, a compulsory fee for moorings is automatically added, as a cost, to your booking and is included in the prices quoted on our website when applicable. (See pages 58-59 for more details)

TRAVEL TO AND FROM OUR BASES

You are responsible for arranging travel to and from our bases, although our Sales Teams will happily give you help and advise if needed.

Good to know

ARRIVAL TIME

Standard check-ins will be arranged between 3pm-5pm. For early check-ins (if prebooked) you should arrive from 11am.

To minimize waiting times as much as possible, we arrange staggered arrivals so we are able to check you in as quickly as possible after you arrive. Our base team will try to call you sometime in the 7 days prior to your arrival and, during this call, we'll confirm when you should aim to get to your departure base. To help us do this, please complete the online Guest Information Form, at least 7 days before your arrival so that we know the best number to call you on.

After you arrive and we've checked you in, your boat might not be ready immediately, but we will get you settled on board as soon as possible. We'll also let you know on the day what time you can then expect your pre-departure boat briefing so that you're set up for a safe enjoyable cruise. You won't be able to leave the dockside until you've received this briefing. In fact, most customers will be unable to leave until early evening or, in some cases, the following morning.

RETURN TIME

Your boat should be returned and unoccupied by 9am on your last cruising day (or by midday if you have booked a late check-out).

Please be mindful that the locks in some regions don't open until 9am, so you will need to be through the last lock before they close the previous day.

You may spend your last night at our base if you wish. If you would like to check out early – just let our base team know in advance so they can prepare for your return.

RETURN CRUISING

On a return cruise you can re-visit villages and towns on your way back and spend longer in the places you love most. As captain you decide how far you travel in a day – just plan to be back at the base to hand over your boat at the correct time.

ONE-WAY CRUISING

Our network of bases means we can offer more one-way cruises than any other operator, giving you the best opportunity to see more without retracing your steps. All you have to ensure is that you arrive at your end destination on the correct date and time. Please also note that for operational reasons, the direction of your one-way cruise may need to be changed at short notice, or switched to a return-to-base cruise. One-way supplement applies - varies depending on route.

CAR TRANSFERS

If you book a one-way cruise and are travelling to your start base by car, we can arrange for it to be transferred to your end base while you cruise. This must be prebooked and a fee applies, which varies depending on the distance between bases. See our booking terms and conditions for more details and exclusions. Not available in Germany or Canada.

SHORT BREAKS (AND LONGER BREAKS)

All our return cruises are suitable for 3, 4 or 5 night short breaks, or you can choose one of the specific itineraries outlined in the brochure. Longer cruises of 10 days or more can also be booked subject to availability.

CRUISING DISTANCE & TIMES

We base our cruising distance estimates on the experience of our teams, working on an average speed of 7.5km/hr for most regions. The time taken to go through a lock will vary according to the time of year, how busy the waterway is and whether each locks is manned or self service when you pass through them. We allow an average of 12mins, but this does not take into account waiting times which may also be necessary.

HOLIDAY FLEX PLAN

Our Holiday Flex Plan gives you the flexibility to make as many changes as you want (subject to availability) to your confirmed booking arrangements, for any reason and with no additional amendment fee. You can make changes from the moment you book, right up to 42 days before you depart. Terms and conditions apply.

MOORINGS

Generally, there are plenty of places to moor along the public canals or riverways. There are some restricted and private areas, but in most cruising regions, finding moorings is not a problem – sometimes a charge will apply. You may however, prefer to moor in a public or private marina which, for a fee, offer facilities such as electric hook-ups, water refill, showers, etc.

Germany: Overnight mooring on canals is not permitted in Germany. Here, you may drop anchor in a lake or moor in a marina at your own expense.

Italy: For customers visiting Venice, the surrounding lagoon and waterways can get very busy and there are always difficulties in finding somewhere to moor. As such, exclusive private moorings are available for all Le Boat customers cruising to or from Casale for which a compulsory supplement will be charged. This is payable at time of booking. Please speak to our Sales Team for more details.

Canada: You are only allowed to moor in private marinas, town/village marinas and Parks Canada moorings (situated at lock stations). Private marinas and town/village marinas all provide overnight moorings for a fee which is payable to the vendor and includes varying facilities and services. Moorings in Parks Canada sites is permitted for all Le Boat customers for which a mandatory fee is added to all Canada bookings. Availability at these sites is on a first-come, first served basis and the supplement excludes the use of services such as shore power, which is available in some Parks Canada locations.

Scotland: There is a charge for the use of all waterside facilities and moorings along the Caledonian Canal, which we are required to collect in advance of your cruise. This will be added, as a cost, to your booking.

PUMPING OUT WASTE WATER

In France (except Lot), Belgium and Italy, pumping out is not required. In Canada, England, Scotland, Ireland, Netherlands, Germany and on the River Lot in France, all waste water is stored in onboard tanks and must be pumped out at waterside services at your own expense. Our base teams will happily provide details of the local pump out process, locations and costs at check-in. Depending on usage and occupancy, pump-out is usually required every 2 -3 days. Waste water will be pumped at the end of your vacation at the Le Boat base without charge.

PLANNING YOUR CRUISING ITINERARY

The cruising suggestions and routes we show in this brochure are just an indication of what can be accomplished and we cannot guarantee they can be always be achieved as shown. Unforseeable circumstances (such as weather, local closures, technical issues, etc) may mean a particular route may become unachievable so you should be flexible with your plans and expectations. Many customers like to plan their holiday in advance, while many simply 'make it up' as they cruise. So long as your route only includes waterways listed in this brochure and that you return your boat to the booked end base by the agreed time and date. To help you plan, there are maps and guides on board, or you can download a region guide from our website. You could also buy a detailed Waterways Guide or cruising map in advance of your holidayvisit our website or speak to our Sales Team for recommendations.

LICENCES

You don't need a special boat licence to hire or drive any of our boats unless you cruise in some areas of Germany. Licences for Germany need to be obtained in your country before arriving on holiday and you should send a copy to our sales team when you book so that they can confirm the licence you have will be accepted by the German authorities. Please speak to our Sales Team for more information about which licences are required and how to obtain one. Please note: In areas of Germany where no licence is required, customers without a licence are required to attend an extended 2hr briefing which begins at 2pm.

TRAVEL & PARKING

If you are driving to the base you'll find maps, GPS co-ordinates and address details on our website – or alternatively ask our Sales Team. Parking facilities vary according to the base you are visiting. Some bases have secure parking and/or garages on site or nearby which can be used for a small charge when booked in advance. Our Sales Team will be happy to advise you on parking options, taxi companies and costs.

WHAT TO PACK

Soft bags are much better than suitcases! Remember to bring rubber-soled shoes and leather or gardening gloves are useful when holding the ropes in the locks. Binoculars and a torch are also a good idea.

TVS, MOBILE PHONES & WI-FI

TV screens are provided on some boats on which to view DVDs only. Because of the high likelihood of poor reception, they are not intended to view scheduled local programming. In some cruising areas you may find it is not possible to get a good mobile phone or internet signal. Coverage is usually better nearer the towns and villages, where there is also often Wi-Fi access too. Wi-Fi packs are available in selected regions.

ELECTRONICS AND POWER

All boats have a 12 volt power sockets (as you would use in a car) which can be used to plug in your adapter lead for a mobile phone or any other low power equipment. Some models also have 110/210V/220V plug sockets (you will need a plug adaptor suitable for the country you are visiting). On most boats, these sockets only provide power when cruising or when 'hooked-up' to a shore power supply. Our Luxury and Premier boat classes also have USB sockets in the saloon and all cabins.

MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM OCCUPANCY

Our boats are not insured to accommodate and transport more than the stated capacity advertised. The minimum number of people required to hire a boat is 2 adults and for our Vision boats a minimum of 3 adults are compulsory to handle the boat comfortably.

AGE LIMIT

You must be 18 years old to captain a Le Boat cruiser; 21 years in Canada.

LOCKS

You will find various different styles of locks on the canals and rivers in our destinations. Some are electric, some are manual. They can be automatic or either operated by a lock keeper or self service (and this may vary throughout your holiday). Opening hours will be advised by your base, as they vary from country to country, and in different cruising regions. Locks are generally open every day but some are closed on Public Holidays. If you're looking for lock-free cruising, then a returnto-base cruise from our base in St.Gilles in the Camargue is a perfect choice.

PASSPORT AND VISA REQUIREMENTS.

It is your responsibility to ensure you travel abroad with a valid passport and the correct visa/entry requirements of the country you are visiting. For example...

- Under Canada's Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) programme, citizens from countries other than the United States, who do not need a visa to enter Canada, will need to obtain an online authorisation before flying to Canada, unless otherwise exempted.

-New entry requirements enforced in mid-2025 require nationals of some countries (including UK, Australia, New Zealand, USA and Canada (to obtain a European Travel Information and Authorisation System (ETIAS) for entry into some EU countries including France, Germany, Belgium, Italy and the Netherlands. Nationals of some other countries (including South Africa) require a visa. Visit https://travel-europe.europa.eu for more information.

Please check with your foreign office and/or the embassies of the country you are visiting to find out the most-up-to-date entry requirements.























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