



BELMOND
AFLOAT IN FRANCE

ADDITIONAL
TRAVEL INFORMATION
ALOUETTE

YOUR CABIN

CABINS

Alouette is our most intimate barge, accommodating just four guests and four crew. The two guest cabins are relaxing sanctuaries offering home-from-home comforts, including:

- King-size bed (configured as twins if desired)
- En-suite bathroom with walk-in shower
- Bedside tables
- Safe
- Hairdryer
- Dressing/desk table and chair
- Armchairs
- Spacious wardrobe/storage space (including drawers)
- Sockets suitable for two-pin 220-volt plugs
- Bose iPod docking station

In each cabin, there's an individually controlled air-conditioning/heating unit so you can adjust the temperature to your liking, as well as a wall-mounted screen for watching DVDs. Ask a crew member for assistance if you need help operating either of the above.

On board, you can also enjoy the following:

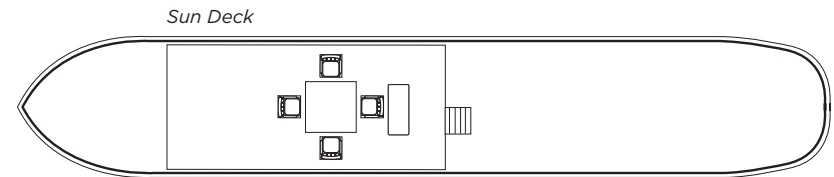
- HiFi system; selection of CDs
- Large wall-mounted screen for watching DVDs
- Selection of books and board games
- Computer with internet access
- WiFi
- Sun deck with 360-degree views, sun loungers, chairs, table and hydraulic canopy

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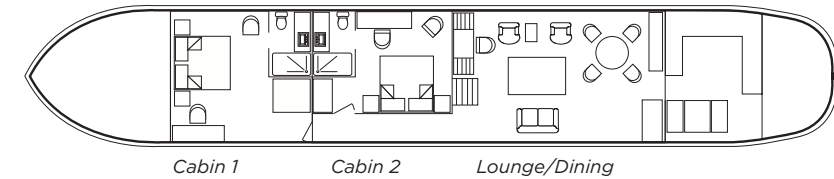
Capacity: 4 guests, 4 crew
Hire: Private hire
Decks: 2
Cabins: 2

DECK PLANS

Deck 1



Deck 2



Illustrations not to scale

Deck 1

Sun deck with 360-degree panoramic views

Deck 2

Cabin (1) 10' 11" x 14' 4"
Bathroom 4' 2" x 6' 2"

Cabin (2) 9' 11" x 11'
Bathroom 5' 11" x 4' 3"

LIFE ON BOARD

CREW

Our expertly trained, often multilingual crew will pamper you from the moment you arrive. Your team for this sailing is:

- Captain: navigates the barge and looks after your safety
- Chef: prepares your delicious onboard cuisine and picnics
- Host: responsible for your comfort throughout the journey
- Guide: your wealth of knowledge regarding the region's best vineyards, landmarks, activities and customs

DRESS

Enjoy a relaxed atmosphere on board. We advise wearing flat or low-heeled shoes on deck. For dinner, smart/casual attire is suitable, such as an open-necked shirt for men. No formal wear is needed. Spring and fall (autumn) may be cool at times, so a sweater and light raincoat may be needed.

EXCURSIONS/SHORE ACTIVITIES

During your cruise, you'll alight with your Guide to visit places of interest, some of which are exclusively open to Belmond guests. You'll travel in an air-conditioned vehicle.

Customise your cruise and enhance your adventure. Below is just a small selection of the tailor-made activities we can arrange for you. Additional charges may apply – please ask your Guide for details.

ADVENTURE ACTIVITIES For thrill seekers, the region's mountains and sea, strong winds and balmy heat offer great opportunities for air and water sports. We can arrange paragliding, kite surfing, white water rafting, paddle boarding, scuba diving, canyoning and more at locations close to your route.

BICYCLES Borrow our barge bikes and pedal off into the verdant countryside. We'll provide maps to help you find your way. Ask one of the crew for assistance.

BOULES Fancy a go at the popular French pastime? We carry a set on board – why not challenge the crew to a match beside the towpath.

COOKERY SCHOOL This exceptional foodie experience begins with a visit to Carcassonne's covered market to select from the delicacies on offer. Return to Millepetit, by the Canal du Midi, for an expert cookery class. Relax over an aperitif of Millepetit rosé and stylish homemade canapés before enjoying an alfresco three-course lunch featuring the dishes you've just prepared. We'll collect you from the jetty afterwards.

GOLF If we're passing close to a great golf course, your Guide can usually organise a round for you. Hire clubs at the clubhouse or bring your own.

HOT-AIR BALLOONING Enjoy breathtaking bird's-eye views over the glorious French landscapes. Soar over vineyards, magnificent castles and ancient hilltop towns, admire the stunning Canal du Midi from on high. Minimum of four people.

PICNIC IN THE OLIVE GROVES In a shady olive grove, located at Château Canet, enjoy a tasting of succulent olives and the delectable oil they produce. Then relax over a tranquil picnic lunch, prepared by your chef to include all your favourites.

HAIRDRESSER

Fancy a spruce-up? Your Guide can arrange an appointment for you in a nearby town.

GRATUITIES

These are totally at your discretion and not included in your fare.

LAUNDRY

We don't offer a laundry service, but can wash a few garments if needed.

MAIL SERVICE

Buy stamps for letters and postcards on board. Leave any outgoing post on the desk in the main Lounge and a crew member will ensure it's mailed at the next opportunity.

MEDICAL FACILITIES

Please contact your Guide if you need any medical attention, day or night.

MOBILE PHONES

We ask that you use your mobile (cell) phone with consideration for your fellow guests. In the event of an emergency, an onboard phone is available.

DIALLING CODES

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| USA | 00 1 |
| UK | 00 44 |
| Germany | 00 49 |
| Italy | 00 39 |
| Japan | 00 81 |
| Russia | 00 7 |
| Switzerland | 00 41 |

NEWSPAPERS & MAGAZINES

You'll find a complimentary copy of our Company Directory in your cabin. When available locally, English-language publications such as the *International Herald Tribune* will be placed on board.

UMBRELLAS

Just ask your Guide if you wish to borrow one of our umbrellas.

WAKE-UP CALL

If you've got an early start or would simply like to see the dawn rise over the water, ask your Guide for a wake-up call the night before.

ONBOARD DINING

Your journey begins with a welcoming champagne reception on deck. All lunches and dinners are accompanied by regional French wines while complimentary tea, coffee, soft drinks and alcoholic drinks are available throughout the day. When you fancy a drink, either ask your Host or help yourself from the bar.

Table d'hôte meals on board are included in your fare. Enjoy Continental breakfast, lunch and dinner in the dining room or on the sun deck, weather permitting. Feel free to request a cooked breakfast if preferred. Your daily menus will include both original recipes devised by your chef and specialities of the region. Your chef will be delighted to discuss your dining preferences with you when you first arrive.

Dining times may vary to fit in with excursions, but are generally:

Breakfast: 08.00-10.00

Lunch: 12.00-14.00

Dinner: 19.30 onwards

If you have any special dietary requirements, please advise us in advance so we can make sure we have the right ingredients on board. We regret we are unable to provide meals requiring strict religious observance in their preparation.

ONSHORE DINING

Naturally, this being France, there are many outstanding restaurants close to your cruise route. If you'd like to dine ashore, please ask your Guide to make a reservation, giving as much notice as possible. For Michelin-starred restaurants, which tend to book up well in advance, you'll need to make a request at your earliest opportunity. Restaurant dining is at your own expense.

SAFETY & SECURITY

On arrival, your Captain will review the safety and emergency procedures with you, including the location of life jackets and muster points. If you have any questions please feel free to ask.

ELECTRICITY

Our barge operates on a 220-voltage system. Two-pin plugs are standard and plug adapters/converters are available on request.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

In the event of an emergency, please follow the instructions and guidance of your Captain and crew.

SMOKING

We request that you only smoke outside on the barge deck with consideration for your fellow guests. Smoking is not permitted indoors for safety reasons; this includes electronic cigarettes.

VALUABLES

All cabins are fitted with a safe so you can keep small items secure during your journey.

