

European Waterways Offers 10% Off Select Hotel Barge Cruises in 2015

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NEW YORK, NY, November 19, 2014 **/24-7PressRelease/** -- European Waterways, Europe's largest luxury hotel barge cruising company, has announced new special offers for the Spring 2015 season, with savings of 10% off per cabin and 10% off full-boat charters. The hotel barges cruise through Europe and the British Isles, offering travelers a wide range of sightseeing opportunities - from the picturesque vistas of Southern France and the charming small towns of Holland, to the panoramic landscape of Scotland, among others.

"Springtime in Europe is like no place else on earth. The flowers bloom across the vast expanses of the countryside and warming temperatures bring villages and cities back to life," said Derek Banks, managing director of European Waterways. "Our first departures of the year are always special occasions, and for the 2015 season, we are offering discounts on a wide range of cruise destinations, giving travelers plenty of options to choose from. Planning a springtime escape now is sure to make the coming winter weather more bearable!"

Smell the Flowers and Savor the History of HollandThe intimate and luxurious 12-passenger hotel barge Panache gently cruises along Holland's varied waterways, giving passengers the chance to savor the country's hidden gems in a unique, up-close-and-personal way. Guests visit small towns that seem forever frozen in time, such as Leiden, home to the country's oldest university and the birthplace of one of history's greatest artists, Rembrandt. The cruise also includes a visit to Delft, a long-time, world-famous center for fine ceramics, where passengers will visit the Royal Delft factory, established in the 17th century.

"It is impossible to visit Holland in the Spring and not notice its abundance of gorgeous flowers - chief among them the world-renowned tulips," said Banks. "Panache will take guests to the town of Haarlem, the center of Holland's flower growing district, and include an excursion to the nearby Keukenhof Gardens, where seven million flowering bulbs paint a living canvas of colors in gardens that sprawl over 100 acres."

Another unforgettable tour will take passengers to the Aalsmeer Flower auction, where each day millions of flowers are sold within fractions of seconds in an impressive and fascinating process, thanks to modern trading technology.

This Spring, European Waterways is offering 10% off Panache's full-boat charters and 10% off per cabin on select cruises in March and April. Single supplements are also being waived for passengers traveling alone on Panache's April 5th departure.

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Indulge the Senses with History and Wine in Southern France European Waterways has various hotel barges that cruise the Canal du Midi, including the Anjodi, Enchante, and Rosa. Springtime in this region offers sublime weather, with meadows of colorful flowers and trees along the banks approaching full bloom, delighting the senses. All three cruises give passengers the opportunity to visit places such as historic Narbonne, Pezenas and the Cathar village of Minerve, and also to taste some wonderful wines at renowned wineries.

A voyage on the Rosa takes passengers through the picturesque region of Gascony with its orchards and vineyards and includes a crossing of a 1,000 foot long aqueduct. Guests visit Nerac, once home to Henry IV, whose chateau is now a museum, and also enjoy a tour and private tasting at a local Armagnac producer. During the cruise, passengers will also get a chance to try their hand at the game "boules", which is popular in this area.

For Spring 2015, European Waterways is offering 10% off per cabin and 10% full-boat charters on Anjodi, Enchante, and Rosa, representing savings up to \$1,178 for cabins and \$4,450 for charters, based on specific vessel and departure dates.

Cabin specials are based on double occupancy. Other restrictions may apply. For more information and to see the full range of specials this season, visit: <http://www.gobarging.com/> or contact sales@gobarging.com. Excellent videos of European Waterways cruises are available on Youtube.

About European Waterways The hotel barging experience is different from large vessel river cruising. It offers a slower paced, "gentle voyage of discovery" along the more intimate canals and waterways of Europe, allowing a small number of guests to become more fully immersed in the culture, history and gastronomy of the region. European Waterways is Europe's largest all-inclusive luxury hotel barging company, offering vacations in nine countries and carrying over 2,000 passengers a year. Founded nearly 40 years ago, they own, operate and market a private fleet of luxury hotel barges with cruises in France, Italy, Scotland, Ireland, England, Germany, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg. Pioneers in hotel barging, they were the first company to operate a hotel barge on the Upper Nivernais in Burgundy, and the "real" Loire Valley. They are also the only cruise company offering barge cruises in Scotland and in the Venetian lagoon and River Po valley. Please visit <http://www.gobarging.com> for more information. See our Special Offers at <http://www.gobarging.com/special-offers.php#offers>.