









## **Berlin to the Baltic Coast: MS Princess**

## Sailing and cycling from Berlin to **Stralsund**

Embark on an unforgettable bike and boat adventure between the Baltic Sea islands, the Oder River, and the vibrant capital city of Berlin. Experience a remarkable holiday filled with fantastic highlights as you indulge in extensive landscapes, historical culture, and delightful boat trips on this scenic journey from Berlin to Stralsund.

Follow the easternmost long-distance cycle path in Germany, the Oder Cycle Path, which runs along the border with Poland. This well-developed and well-signposted flat path is recognized as a model route for the German long-distance cycle path network. Enjoy smooth cycling on paved roads along the serene river, passing through historic towns, enchanting landscapes, and vast natural areas.

Begin your adventure from the metropolis of Berlin, with its expansive forests in the north, as you sail along the Oder-Havel Canal, making stops at Schwedt, Oranienburg, and Eberswalde. Immerse yourself in the tranquil and unique beauty of the Oder landscape, with a visit to the magnificent castle in the Polish city of Szczecin. Continue your journey along the breathtaking Bodden coast, passing through Usedom, and arrive at Germany's largest island, Rügen, famous for its stunning chalk cliffs. Finally, reach your destination in the old Hanseatic city of Stralsund.

Relish in the joy of sitting on the sun deck, soaking up the splendid views as the landscape leisurely passes by. Enrich your journey with fascinating insights into the country, its people, culture, and nature during delightful bike tours. Discover the diverse flora and fauna of these unique river landscapes, explore baroque castles, marvel at the brick Gothic architecture, and admire the distinctive northern German seaside resort style.

Experience the beauty and charm of this remarkable bike and boat trip, where breathtaking scenery and cultural treasures await at every turn.

### Details about the boat and bike tour from Berlin to Stralsund

From the metropolis of Berlin with its extensive forests in the north, you sail to Schwedt on the Oder-Havel Canal, via Oranienburg and Eberswalde. The peaceful, unique beauty of the Oder landscape will accompany you to the Polish city of Szczecin with its beautiful castle.

The river then takes you along the unique Bodden coast through Usedom to Germany's largest island, Rügen, with its famous chalk cliffs. The old Hanseatic city of Stralsund is the final destination of this sailing and cycling holiday.

# The highlights of the Berlin to Stralsund cycling holiday at a glance

- Usedom: With two bridges connected to the mainland, this island is the sunniest spot in all of Germany!
- **Berlin:** Visit the Reischsburg and surprising museums such as the currywurst or spy museum. A city with a rich history, an artistic edge and impressive sights.
- Stettin/Szczecin: A town with a fascinating history close to three border crossings between Poland and Germany and known for its shipping tradition and famous gingerbread.

# Worth knowing about the Bike and Boat tour from Berlin to Stralsund

Car-free roads, forest and field paths and medium difficulty. Despite a few steep climbs, there is no shortage of relaxation when cycling, because the route is mostly flat and relaxed.

### Approximate timings (subject to sailing conditions)

Day 1: Berlin (Embarkation at 1600)

Day 2: Berlin | Depart: 1130

Day 2: Oranienburg | Arrival:1500 | Depart: 1600

Day 2: **Eberswalde** | Arrival: 2230 Day 3: **Eberswalde** | Depart: 0930

Day 3: **Niederfinow** | Arrival: 1030 | Depart: 1100 Day 3: **Hohensaaten** | Arrival: 1330 | Depart: 1430

Day 3: **Schwedt** | Arrival: 1900 Day 4: **Schwedt** | Depart: 0930

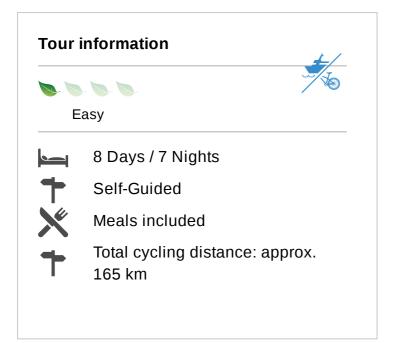
Day 4: Mescherin | Arrival: 1230 | Depart: 1300

Day 4: **Stettin** | Arrival: 1600 Day 5: **Stettin** | Depart: 0600 Day 5: **Wolgast** | Depart: 1600 Day 6: **Wolgast** | Depart: 0930

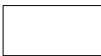
Day 6: Peenemunde | Arrival: 1030 | Depart: 1800

Day 6: Lauterbach (Rugen) | Arrival: 2100 Day 7: Lauterbach (Rugen) | Depart: 0915

Day 7: **Stralsund** | Arrival: 1330 Day 8: **Stralsund (Disembarkation)** 



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## **Itinerary**

D A Y **1** 

### **Arrival** in Berlin

Individual arrival in Berlin. Boarding is at 4 PM, if you arrive early in Berlin you will still have time for a walk on Kurfürstendamm, through the Nicolai quarter on the island of Spree or visit the Brandenburg Gate. The possibilities in Berlin are almost endless, you can also book an extra night prior to this sailing and cycling holiday to explore this special city in detail. On board, you will be welcomed by the captain and his crew while enjoying a welcome drink.

D A Y **2** 

### Berlin – Oranienburg – Eberswalde

approx. 38 km

The well-marked cycle route winds north through the Ruppiner Lake District, along the Havel Canals to Oranienburg. Visit Oranienburg Palace, Brandenburg's oldest baroque castle. This is your boarding point where you will board again. Enjoy the beautiful view from the sundeck as the ship sails to Eberswalde. In the heart of the city, in the Finow Canal, is Germany's oldest working lock, which has been a technical monument since 1978.

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DAY 3

Eberswalde – Schwedt

approx. 32 - 64 km

The Treidel cycle path along the Finow Canal takes you through beautiful countryside, forests, open plains and gentle hills towards Niederfinow. Here you will find Germany's oldest ship lift that is still in use and overcomes a height difference of 36 meters, an inspection of this historic monument is always possible. You continue the cycle route to Hohensaaten where you get back on board and continue to Schwedt, the gateway to the Unteres Odertal National Park. If you still have energy left, you can also cycle from Hohensaaten to Schwedt, approx. 32km.

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DAY4

#### Schwedt – Stettin approx. 30 km

Today a sailing day is on the program and you will spend the whole day on board. Crossing the vast Szczecin Lagoon (Oderhaff), you reach Stettin (Polish: Szczecin), the green city at the mouth of the Oder, known for its shipping tradition and one of the largest ports on the Baltic Sea. Visit the medieval castle of the Pomeranian Dukes, the impressive building of the Philharmonic that resembles a crystal and the "Waly Chrobrego" boulevards, with a terrace of no less than 500 meters. Discover the fascinating history of Szczecin on a city tour (optional, approx. €9 per person).



DAY5

### Stettin - Wolgast Rest day

Today you will once again enjoy the beautiful view from the ship. After a final narrow passage, the ship reaches the vast water surface of the Szczecin Lagoon (German: Oderhaff, Stettiner Haff). The second largest lagoon in the Baltic Sea is located on the border of Poland and Germany. After the crossing, you will reach Wolgast, the "gate to the island of Usedom". This medieval town with the town hall and Petrikirche is definitely worth a visit.



DAY6

**Wolgast – Lauterbach** approx. 15 km

In the morning you cycle via Zecherin, the port of Karlshagen to Peenemünde (tip: Historical-Technical Museum in the former power station). In good weather, the somewhat longer "beach route" via Zinnowitz and Trassenheide is also worthwhile. In Peenemünde, you go back on board. Boat trip to Lauterbach in the southeast of the island of Rügen around 6:00 PM (arrival around 9:00 PM).

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DAY7

#### **Lauterbach – Stralsund** approx. 48 km

A visit to the nearby town of Putbus, approx. 2 km, with its famous "Circus" is not to be missed. Classicist buildings line this circular square where all the streets converge. Today's cycling tour takes you via Putbus, Garz, Groß Schoritz, the birthplace of Ernst Moritz Arndt, Poseritz and Gustow with the famous village church over the Rügen dam to Stralsund, where you will meet your ship again. During a walk through the historic old town of the Hanseatic city, located on an island, you will come across special sights time and again.

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DAY8

### **Return trip or extension**

Disembarkation until 09:00 and return journey.

## **Route information**

Enjoy cycling, this trip can be made by anyone with average fitness. You drive on mainly carfree paths, agricultural roads with little traffic and paved bicycle paths, but also on sandy fields and forest paths. The route is mostly flat, but some steeper ascents and descents must be overcome. Incidentally, they are certainly no challenge with an e-bike.



## **Prices and dates**

Price calculation and check availability: Berlin to the Baltic Coast: MS Princess

Price promise: If you receive a quote for the same tour elsewhere, please let us know and we will match it!

Place of arrival: Berlin

Season

18.05.2024 | 01.06.2024 | 15.06.2024 | 29.06.2024 | 13.07.2024 | 27.07.2024

| 10.08.2024 | 24.08.2024 | 07.09.2024 |

Saturday

Berlin - Stralsund: MS Princess, Main Deck, DE-ODSBS-08I-H

1,139.00 Base price

2-person cabin (front

or rear with possible 1,009.00

engine noise)

Fixed price for

double cabin in

1,399.00

single use

Berlin - Stralsund: MS Princess, Upper Deck, DE-ODSBS-08I-O

1,359.00 Base price

## **Our rental bikes**

	Price
7-Speed Unisex Bike	89.00
Unisex E-Bike (Backpedal brake)	199.00
Own Bike	29.00

Prices per person in GBP

## Included services and travel information

#### Services

#### **Including**

- 7 nights in outside cabins on board the MS Princess in the booked cabin category
- Full board: 7x breakfast buffet, 6x packed lunch for cycling or lunch snack, 6x coffee and tea in the afternoon, 7x 3-course evening menu
- Welcome cocktail
- Daily bike tour meeting
- Travel folder 1x per room (German, with route and overview maps, detailed route description, places of interest, important telephone numbers, luggage labels)
- GPS data available on request
- SE-Tours tour guide

#### Not included

- Bike rental
- Excursions
- Gratuities
- Drinks
- Personal expenses

### Arrival information

- Airport: Berlin airport
- Train: Berlin-Spandau, then the underground and S-Bahn to Berlin-Tegel, approx. 1 km from the pier
- Parking: Parking garages Hallen am Borsigturm, approx. €10 per day, no reservation possible. Various other parking options approximately 800m from the pier
- Return: Train journey Stralsund-Berlin approx. €25 per person, journey time approx. 3 hours without having to change trains. See www.omio.com

#### General information

- A minimum number of 70 people applies for this trip (at least 21 days before departure)
- Embarkation takes place from 4 p.m, and disembarkation after breakfast no later than 9 a.m.
- Bicycles on board are equipped with a hand brake, freewheel or coaster brake (limited availability, please specify when booking as a nonbinding preference) and bicycle bag
- It is possible to bring your bicycles, but due to the limited space on the sundeck, you can only bring your bicycle on request and only to a limited extent. Any damage to your bike is at your own risk
- Daily cycling tours are individual and unaccompanied, the tour guide remains on board. It is not mandatory to cycle the route, you can also stay on board and sail to the next port
- This trip is not suitable for people with reduced mobility

- If the cycling stages and rest times allow, an excursion program is offered, this can only be booked on board and paid in cash. Depending on the composition of the participants, the excursions can be offered bilingually German-English
- Sailing times, schedule and program changes are in principle reserved. For example, if a route cannot be completed due to low tide, high tide or bad weather, the captain reserves the right to change the route for your safety (this is not a valid reason to cancel your trip free of charge)
- Engine and generator noises can be heard in the cabins at the front and rear of the ship
- We recommend wearing a bike helmet. Please bring your own bike helmet (no onboard selling).

## **Accommodation**



### **MS PRINCESS**

On Board of the MS Princess from metropolis city Berlin via Oranienburg and Eberswalde to Schwedt. Your aim is the old city of Stralsund

**Beds**: 102

Cabinsize: 10,5 m<sup>2</sup>

**Crew**: 10

Length: 80 m Width: 9,50 m

Draught: 1,30 m