



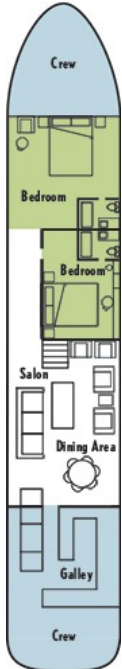
EUROPEAN CANAL BARGE CRUISES

'Belmond Alouette'- Canal du Midi 2019

7 days from \$29,855

Limited to 4 guests

Designed for just four guests, 'Belmond Alouette' drifts gently between Béziers and Carcassonne on the historic Canal du Midi, a brilliant feat of 17th-century engineering and UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1996. Its 328 locks, bridges, aqueducts and tunnels have scarcely changed since their creation. Soak up the views from the sun deck, enjoy the passing scenery through large picture windows in the salon, or walk or cycle along the towpath. Watch your gourmet chef prepare meals using the fresh ingredients you helped purchase at the morning market.



Vessel Information

- 100 feet long and 15.7 feet wide with air conditioning throughout
- Capacity for 4 guests in 2 double/twin cabins, each outward facing with en suite bathroom
- Salon with stereo system, television and assortment of CDs/DVDs
- Sun deck, partially shaded for *al fresco* dining
- Bicycles provided
- Internet access (limited in some areas)
- All meals and beverages (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) included

Itinerary

SUNDAY SUNDAY

Meet at the Paris hotel chosen by the group and transfer to the rail station for the TGV high-speed train to Béziers. Join 'Belmond Alouette' for a welcome reception and a cruise to the pretty village of Colombières, followed by a first gourmet dinner on board.

'Belmond Alouette' | Meals: Dinner



MONDAY MONDAY

Visit l'Abbaye de Fontfroide, an 11th-century Cistercian monastery, lovingly restored with a well-kept garden and peaceful cloister. After lunch, cruise to Capestang.

'Belmond Alouette' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

TUESDAY TUESDAY

Journey to l'Oppidum d'Enserune, an ancient hill town that is one of the region's most important archaeological sites. Occupied from the sixth century and expanded because of its strategic location, it served as a melting pot for the many civilizations that made southern France their home. Return to 'Belmond Alouette' for a relaxing afternoon on the beautiful Canal du Midi, the 17th-century creation of Pierre-Paul Riquet.

'Belmond Alouette' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

WEDNESDAY WEDNESDAY

Experience the wonderful covered market in Narbonne, a lively Mediterranean city and important center of wine production. Enjoy lunch at a local seafood bistro near the market before returning to your barge for a leisurely afternoon cruise .

'Belmond Alouette' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

THURSDAY THURSDAY

After breakfast, visit Minerve, an old village on a limestone cliff that dominates the vineyards below. The ruined castle, once a Cathar stronghold, was besieged and captured by Simon de Montfort in 1210. Stop at Peyriac-Minervois for a wine tasting before returning to 'Belmond Alouette' for lunch and a cruise to the pretty town of Trèbes.

'Belmond Alouette' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

FRIDAY FRIDAY

Explore Carcassonne, Europe's largest medieval fortress town, admiring the intricate fortifications. The cathedral here is remarkable for its stained-glass windows, fine statues and elegant transepts. Back on board the barge this evening, enjoy a memorable farewell dinner.

'Belmond Alouette' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

SATURDAY SATURDAY

After breakfast, transfer to Carcassonne for the TGV high-speed train to Paris, where your journey ends on arrival.

Route runs in reverse on alternate weeks and may differ on selected cruise dates.

Dates & Prices

Prices are in USD, per person and based on double occupancy unless noted as charter. Contact A&K for availability.

Dates	Prices	Single Supplement	Availability
Departing Every Sunday Between May 5 - Jul 6, 2019			
6-night charter	\$36,015	N/A	
Departing Every Sunday Between July 7 - Aug 24, 2019			
6-night charter	\$29,855	N/A	
Departing Every Sunday Between August 25 - August 31, 2019			
6-night charter	\$33,175	N/A	
Departing Every Sunday Between September 1 - October 26, 2019			
6-night charter	\$36,015	N/A	

Journey Details

Price includes TGV high-speed train from Paris and return.

Reduced pricing available for Private Charters of 2 or 3 guests.

'Belmond Alouette' cruises alternate routes on Mar 24 & Mar 31 . Contact A&K for details.

Prices are per person based on double occupancy. Internal and international air not included. See complete terms and conditions [here](#).