



European Inland Waterways

We Offer:

- Active inland waterways community
- Wealth of shared knowledge and experience
- Award-winning CAPtain's Mate app
- Cruising reports on inland locations throughout Europe
- Exclusive supplier discounts
- 25 full colour cruising guides (free to members)
- Range of useful info sheets
- EIW members forum
- Regular newsletters
- Annual Seminar and Lunch
- Honorary Local Representatives (HLRs)

For further information, please visit the EIWS page on the CA website or scan the QR code below.



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Welcome to the European Inland Waterways Section

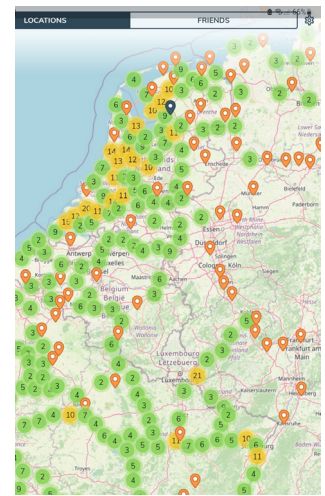
There are almost 30,000km of rivers and canals in mainland Europe. Cruising Association (CA) members have been enjoying them safely for decades, using the shared knowledge and experience available through the CA's **European Inland Waterways Section (EIWS)**. As a member, you too could tap into the hundreds of years of collective experience of the EIWS community. You'll save money, too, since in addition to free downloads of the Section's 30 cruising guides and information sheets, members also benefit from the substantial and exclusive discounts negotiated with over 150 suppliers of everything from boat insurance to anodes, potentially saving hundreds of pounds each year.

You can share this experience and advice in a number of ways. The Section has its own **European Inland Waterways Forum** where members regularly exchange information or seek advice on every conceivable topic related to inland waterways cruising. **Cruising logs** produced by Section members are available online, supplemented by several informative **videos** covering a range of subjects from accessing the Med via the French inland waterways to making the change from salt to fresh water cruising. You can also source advice online on a wide range of cruising issues, such as post-Brexit travel; visas; VAT and layup locations on the European waterways.

Members are kept in touch with Section affairs via occasional newsletters as well as announcements on the forum and you are invited to an **Annual Seminar and Lunch** at CA House in London, where both new and old members can meet to exchange information and advice, pass on experience of cruising the inland waterways and socialise with like-minded cruisers.

Underlying all these benefits is the CA's award-winning, proprietary app for Apple and Android, **CAPtain's Mate**, which is free for members to download. The app not only contains detailed and regularly updated information on several hundred mooring locations and waterways in inland Europe, but also offers a unique **Find My Friend** feature which enables you to stay in touch with other cruising members.

Last but not least, as an EIWS member you can download free PDF copies of the Section's 37 full colour



Hundreds of inland waterway locations feature on CAPtain's Mate

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cruising guides and information sheets. Most of these include hyperlinks to a wealth of additional information on the internet plus additional hyperlinks to the **CAptain's Mate** app for direct access to members' latest reports on mooring locations and navigation restrictions. All guides are updated annually with the help of these reports, several hundred of which are submitted each year.

Major cruising guides (also available in printed versions) include: **An Introduction to the European Inland Waterways** (100pp), the perfect starter guide for anyone embarking on the European inland waterways; **Cruising the Inland Waterways of France and Belgium** (220pp), arguably the most up to date English-language guide available to the inland waterways of those two countries; **Through France via the Inland Waterways** (138pp), aimed at owners of moderate draught yachts (drawing up to 1.8m) and containing all the information needed to embark on any of the four principal routes to the Med and the preparations needed to undertake them; **50 Great Inland Cruising Routes in The Netherlands** (282pp), providing detailed information on over 50 cruising routes in the 12 different provinces of the Netherlands; **Through the Netherlands via the Standing Mast Routes** (76pp), aimed at sailing as well as motor yachts and providing detailed navigational information on 14 different routes by which yachts can transit the Netherlands; **Cruising the River Moselle/Mosel** (54pp), covering the 394km of the river from Neuves-Maisons in France through Luxembourg and Germany (where it is known as the Mosel) to finally join the Rhine at Koblenz, and a **German Rhine Guide** (20pp) covering about 700km of the river, starting from the border close to the Swiss city of Basel and continuing downstream to Nijmegen just inside the Dutch border. As a 'taster', non-members purchasing any of these six cruising guides during 2024 can take advantage of a special offer of 15% off first year's CA membership when paying by Direct Debit.

The Section also produces a series of full colour **guides to moorings** on 17 French inland waterways. Details are provided on all the marinas, haltes and other mooring points (even picnic stops) along the waterways, together with information on facilities, shopping and nearby attractions.

For further details of all the EIWS guides, visit:

https://www.lulu.com/spotlight/ca_european_inland_waterways for printed versions

<https://cruising-association-eiws.myshopify.com> for PDF versions.

All these benefits for EIWS members are in addition to the other exclusive benefits available to all CA members. For details see: <https://www.theca.org.uk/public/benefits>.