

INTO THE LOWER DANUBE FROM BUDAPEST TO BELGRADE

BUDAPEST TO BELGRADE – 7 DAYS / 6 NIGHTS



BUDAPEST

If the road less traveled calls your name, then this luxury cruise is for you! Begin in Budapest, whose regal Parliament, Castle District, Heroes' Square, and other highlights reveal the spirit of the Hungarian people. On to Mohács, where you'll be captivated by the colorful Busó culture. Also stop in Novi Sad, Serbia's second-largest city, colossal Petrovaradin Fortress or enjoy wine pairing in scenic Fruška Gora National Park. A true highlight is scenic cruising through the rugged Iron Gates, steep, rock-faced gorges forming the border between Serbia and Romania. Then, explore awe-inspiring Golubac Fortress and marvel at the remains of Trajan's Bridge—one of the Romans' greatest architectural achievements. Disembark in Belgrade, vibrant capital of Serbia.

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Day 1 – Budapest	Day 5 – Golubac / Donji Milanovac
Day 2 – Kalocsa / Mohács	Day 6 – Kladovo
Day 3 – Novi Sad	Day 7 – Belgrade
Day 4 – Belgrade	



DATES IN 2027

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While traveling between Serbia and Romania, marvel at the other-worldly Iron Gates gorges, carved by the relentless waters of the Danube over millennia. From atop the Vista Deck, enjoy unhindered views as you savor an al fresco barbecue aboard one of the only river vessels that prepares and serves right on the top deck while cruising.

DAY 1 – BUDAPEST

Welcome to Budapest, Hungary's gorgeous capital spanning both sides of the Danube. Embark the Riverside Mozart and relax as your personal Butler helps you get settled into your luxurious Suite, then head up to the Vista Deck for a grand departure. As the ship moves slowly past the city's stunning landmarks, raise a glass of champagne to toast your exciting adventure! Afterward, get acquainted with fellow shipmates during your first gourmet dinner on board.

DAY 2 – KALOCSA / MOHÁCS

Remain in Hungary, after a brief stop in Kalocsa, cruise farther south for a stop in Mohács, where the Roman and Ottoman Empires both played important roles. With a great RIVERSIDE CHOICE selection of excursions, learn all about the colorful Busójárás Carnival traditions at the Busó Udvar Museum; take an invigorating spin on an e-bike to visit the St. Nicholas Watermill, one of the few remaining mills still using traditional stones; or treat your tastebuds during a wine tasting and gingerbread-decorating workshop! See our website for a complete list of the excursions available on your cruise. A delightful on-board dinner awaits this evening as your ship cruises on to Serbia.

DAY 3 – NOVI SAD

Get an early start in Novi Sad, Serbia's second-largest city. How about touring Petrovaradin Fortress, the colossal Gibraltar of the Danube? Another option is a wine pairing in scenic Fruška Gora National Park. Surrounded by nature's beauty, you'll explore an ancient monastery, sample brandy made by the resident monks, get an introduction to Serbia's wine-growing heritage, and more.

DAY 4 – BELGRADE

Today is dedicated to the White Fortress of Belgrade, capital of Serbia. RIVERSIDE CHOICE offers a panoramic city tour and visits to St. Sava and Belgrade Fortress; time at the House of Flowers, the tomb of former Yugoslav president Josip Tito; or an e-bike tour through the city's charming squares, streets, and bridges.

DAY 5 – GOLUBAC / DONJI MILANOVAC / IRON GATES SCENIC CRUISING

Rise and shine for a day packed with incredible things to see and do. Don't miss the outing to mighty Golubac Fortress, Gateway to the Iron Gates. Dating back to the 14th century, this expansive fort repelled more than 120 attacks.



BELGRADE FORTRESS

Another option is a tour through the remains of an 8,000-year-old Mesolithic settlement at the Lepenski Vir archaeological site and open-air museum. You'll learn about the highly developed culture that lived here, spanning the transition from hunter-gatherers to early European farmers. Later, reboard your ship and head to the Vista Deck for a UNIQUELY RIVERSIDE al fresco barbecue during our passage through the Iron Gates, boundary between Serbia and Romania.

DAY 6 – KLADOVO

Dobro jutro (good morning)! Sitting on the right bank of the Danube, the site of Kladovo has been inhabited since the Early Bronze Age. Today, the eastern Serbian town is popular for its beaches, wine trails, cuisine, and adventure. Even so, the allure of the ancient past endures. This is where Roman Emperor Trajan built his legendary bridge across the Danube, and where the Romans also constructed Diana Fortress, part of a vast defensive system along the empire's border. See the highlights during a guided walk, then rejoin your ship for a delicious lunch and scenic cruising.

DAY 7 – BELGRADE

After breakfast, disembark your ship. For Riverside transfer details, see our website.

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