

DANUBE LEGENDS: HUNGARY, SLOVAKIA, AUSTRIA & GERMANY

BUDAPEST TO PASSAU – 9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS

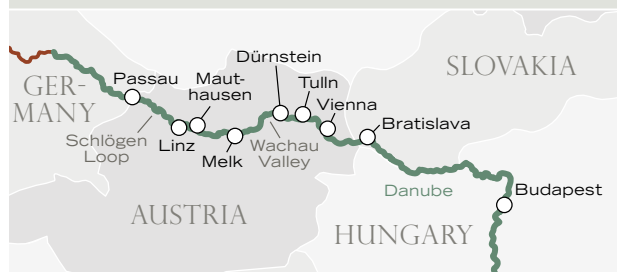


DEVIN CASTLE RUINS NEAR BRATISLAVA

Discover the Danube's quaint villages and bustling capitals on this luxury cruise from Budapest. Come face to face with the city's vast riverside Parliament, Heroes' Square, and Castle District before heading to Bratislava, the warm and welcoming capital of Slovakia. In Vienna, marvel at the monumental architecture lining the Ringstrasse as you follow in the footsteps of Mozart, Strauss, and the powerful Habsburg rulers. Also experience the heart of the UNESCO World Heritage Wachau Valley, with visits to charming Tulln and Dürnstein, Melk and its monumental abbey, the tiny market town of Mauthausen, and Linz. Disembark in Passau, Germany's City of Three Rivers!

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Day 1 – Budapest	Day 7 – Dürnstein/ Wachau Valley / Melk
Day 2 – Budapest	
Day 3 – Bratislava	Day 8 – Mauthausen/ Linz
Day 4 – Tulln/Wachau Valley	Day 9 – Passau
Day 5 – Vienna	
Day 6 – Vienna	



DATES IN 2027

21 Apr, 5 May, 19 May, 11 Sep, 25 Sep,
9 Oct, 23 Oct, 6 Nov



RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE EVENT

Further enhance your cruise with unforgettable experiences—like a VIP, after-hours entrance to breathtaking Belvedere Palace. Bask in the ornate Baroque atmosphere as you are treated to a private musical performance and the opportunity for a crowd-free viewing of Klimt's masterful "The Kiss".

DAY 1 – BUDAPEST

Welcome to Budapest, Hungary's elegant cultural, economic, and political hub. Embark the Riverside Mozart and relax as your personal Butler helps you get settled into your luxurious Suite.

DAY 2 – BUDAPEST

After breakfast, we'll help you get acquainted with the Queen of the Danube, one of the world's most beautiful cities. RIVERSIDE CHOICE offers some great ways to explore, like a tour inside the 691-room Hungarian Parliament Building to see its impressive Golden Staircase, Crown of St. Stephen, and other treasures. If you prefer an active approach to sightseeing, join a guided e-bike tour, or a walk around the Buda side of the Danube to explore the magnificent Castle District. You'll find a full list of available excursions for your cruise on our website. Back on the ship later, head up to the Vista Deck for sheer magic as your ship moves slowly past the grand cityscape on the way out of Budapest.

DAY 3 – BRATISLAVA

A leisurely morning—perfect for a relaxed breakfast and plenty of refills on your coffee or tea. After lunch, arrive in Bratislava, the enchanting capital of Slovakia. Oenophiles can get an introduction to the area's excellent wines, while a guided tour of the pedestrian-only Old Town is also a great option—watch for Napoleon's cannonballs lodged in the ancient walls and the cheeky statue peering up from the city sewer. If you prefer, hike to the hilltop castle or pop into a pub to try authentic Slovakian beer!

DAY 4 – TULLN / WACHAU VALLEY SCENIC CRUISING

Arrive today in the 2,000-year-old Garden City of Tulln, whose colorful history is a checkerboard filled with Turkish invasions, devastating floods, and the Thirty Years War. Things are certainly less dire today, so hop on an e-bike for a pleasant ride through the Austrian countryside, or attend our special wine tasting at Gobelsburg Castle, where wine production began in 1171! Later, rejoin your ship and cruise into the legendary Wachau Valley.

DAY 5 – VIENNA

Austria's capital greets you with all of its Baroque splendor. Join us for an exciting tour through Hofburg Palace, center of the Holy Roman Empire and the former Habsburg rulers' primary residence with its lavish living quarters and dazzling Treasury.

DAY 6 – VIENNA

Another day of wonder in the City of Music. Explore the Habsburgs' Schönbrunn summer palace, cycle through Prater Park, or enjoy a multimedia extravaganza dedicated to Mozart. Tonight, join our RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE event at Belvedere Palace—a private musical performance with champagne and a crowd-free viewing of Klimt's powerful work, "The Kiss".

DAY 7 – DÜRNSTEIN / WACHAU VALLEY SCENIC CRUISING / MELK

Arrive in storybook Dürnstein with its distinctive blue and white Stiftskirche tower and cliff-top castle ruin. With RIVERSIDE CHOICE, enjoy a tasting of Wachau Valley wines, or ride an e-bike along the river and meet up with your ship at its next port. Lunch on board is up on the Vista Deck, where an enjoyable al fresco barbecue is prepared and served—surrounded by the valley's intoxicating scenery. The afternoon is in Melk for a tour of its Baroque Benedictine abbey; Artstetten Castle; or a palate-pleasing baking and honey experience at a local bee farm!

DAY 8 – MAUTHAUSEN / LINZ

Decisions, decisions—what will you choose? We can whisk you off to "Sound of Music" Salzburg, the Czech Republic's medieval village of Český Krumlov, or the Mauthausen Concentration Camp Memorial to learn about the area's tragic WWII past. If you'd rather relax on board, the scenery alone will reward your choice. Arrive after lunch in Linz, a 2009 European Capital of Culture, where a tour through the Old Town shows off the massive, neo-Gothic Mariendom. You could also hike up Pöstlingberg hill for amazing panoramic views over the city and river.

DAY 9 – PASSAU

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

This cruise has extensions available, see our website for details.