

LOWER DANUBE WANDERLUST WITH IRON GATES

BELGRADE TO BUCHAREST – 4 DAYS / 3 NIGHTS



IRON GATES

The Danube River is legendary, passing some of the world's most famous cities and capitals. But beyond the fame and acclaim of the Upper Danube is a section of the river far fewer travelers have experienced. This 4-day luxury cruise is an introduction to the Lower Danube, broadening your horizons in unimaginable ways. Embark in Belgrade, one of the oldest continuously inhabited cities in Europe. Explore the “White Fortress” and learn about its turbulent past as part of the former Yugoslavia. Then, on to pretty Donji Milanovac. Enveloped by a lake, mountain, and national park, its setting is nothing short of stunning. But the scenery here is just the warm-up act for what's next: a highlight passage through the rugged Iron Gates, a series of gorges forming the border between Serbia and Romania. Afterward, visit Vidin in one of the river's southernmost sections. Without a doubt, a cruise with bragging rights!

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Day 1 – Belgrade	Day 3 – Vidin
Day 2 – Golubac/ Donji Milanovac/ Iron Gates	Day 4 – Giurgiu/ Bucharest



DATES IN 2027

9 May



UNIQUELY RIVERSIDE

Enjoy an authentic destination experience that leaves an unforgettable impression. In Vidin, receive a warm welcome as you visit a family in their home—and participate in a hands-on baking activity, followed by the chance to taste Bulgarian baked goods and other local favorites.

DAY 1 – BELGRADE

Welcome to the White Fortress of Belgrade, capital of Serbia! Embark the Riverside Debussy and settle into your luxurious Suite with the help of your personal Butler. Tonight, meet fellow ship-mates during your first gourmet dinner on board.

DAY 2 – GOLUBAC / DONJI MILANOVAC / IRON GATES SCENIC CRUISING

A highlight-packed day awaits, beginning at ancient Golubac for a tour of Golubac Fortress, the formidable Gateway to the Iron Gates. Alternatively, head to the Lepenski Vir archaeology site to visit the 8,000-year-old Mesolithic settlement. Guests who choose this option will rejoin the ship at the next stop in Donji Milanovac, where highlights include the stately Orthodox Church of St. Nicholas. Then, reboard and head to the Vista Deck for a beautiful al fresco dinner as the ship passes through the stunning Iron Gates gorges, the boundary between Serbia and Romania.

DAY 3 – VIDIN

This morning you'll find yourself in one of the Lower Danube's southernmost sections. Step off the ship in the Bulgarian port city of Vidin, a fertile hinterland known for its wine production, which dates back to the time of the Thracians in 3500 BC. Learn about the many cultures that contributed to the creation of Vidin over the centuries, including the Romans, Serbians, Hungarians, Ottomans, and Austrians. Highlights here include two well-preserved medieval fortresses; Orthodox churches, a synagogue, and a mosque; and a collection of Renaissance-era buildings. Don't miss our excursion to the famous Belograd-



BELOGRADCHIK ROCKS, VIDIN

chik Rocks, or a UNIQUELY RIVERSIDE visit to a traditional Bulgarian home for a baking demonstration. Spend the late afternoon and evening back on the ship, where a pampering massage or a swim in the counter-current pool may be the perfect way to wrap up an exciting day.

DAY 4 – GIURGIU / BUCHAREST

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

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



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