

AUSTRIA'S DANUBE TREASURES PLUS GERMANY & HUNGARY

VIENNA TO BUDAPEST – 11 DAYS / 10 NIGHTS



DANUBE RIVER AT WEISSENKIRCHEN

If you're intrigued by the Danube and want to experience as much as possible, this 11-day luxury cruise is a fantastic option! Explore two of the river's beloved capitals during time in spectacular Budapest and Vienna. Riverside will also show you the best of the UNESCO World Heritage Wachau Valley with its castles, delicious wines and apricot liqueur, and inviting port towns. Other stops include popular Dürnstein with its distinctive blue and white abbey; the tiny market town of Weissenkirchen; Linz, birthplace of the world's first cake; Passau in Germany; and Esztergom and Visegrad in Hungary.

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Day 1 – Vienna	Day 6 – Grein/Melk
Day 2 – Vienna	Day 7 – Melk/Krems
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Day 4 – Mauthausen/ Linz	Day 9 – Vienna
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	Day 11 – Budapest



DATES IN 2027

6 Jun, 20 Jun, 4 Jul, 9 Aug



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 – VIENNA

Welcome to Vienna, Austria's exquisite capital on the eastern edge of the Vienna Woods. Docked on the beautiful blue Danube, the Riverside Mozart awaits your arrival, so embark and let your personal Butler help you settle into your luxurious Suite. Tonight, meet fellow cruisemates during your first gourmet dinner on board.

DAY 2 – VIENNA

The magic of Vienna unfolds before your very eyes today. A RIVERSIDE CHOICE selection of excursions offers a tour through Schönbrunn Palace, the Habsburg rulers' opulent summer getaway; or the chance to admire some of the city's most famous monuments and museums lining the historic Ringstrasse. You can find a list of available excursions for your cruise on our website. Tonight, don't miss our RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE after-hours entrance into Belvedere Palace for a private orchestral performance and crowd-free viewing of Klimt's masterful "The Kiss".

DAY 3 – DÜRNSTEIN / WEISSENKIRCHEN / WACHAU VALLEY SCENIC CRUISING

After plenty of hot coffee and a delicious breakfast, step off the ship this morning in Dürnstein, the "Pearl of the Wachau". This is where England's King Richard the Lionheart was impris-

oned on his way home from the Crusades—and you can hike up to his castle prison for incredible views over the river. Other possibilities include a wine experience to learn what creates the valley's popular wines, or an active approach to sightseeing by e-bike. Reboard your ship for lunch, then dock in Weissenkirchen to hike or explore the town that was at one time considered the center of the Wachau Valley.

DAY 4 – MAUTHAUSEN / LINZ

Early arrival in the market town of Mauthausen. With RIVERSIDE CHOICE, visit the Baroque jewel of St. Florian Monastery, or maybe venture farther afield to Mozart's Salzburg or medieval Český Krumlov in the Czech Republic. After lunch on board, disembark in Linz for a guided city walk and visit to the impressive cathedral, or an invigorating hike up the 1,768-foot (539-meter) Pöstlingberg hill overlooking the city.

DAY 5 – PASSAU

Along the Route of Emperors and Kings, dock bright and early in Passau, where the Danube, Inn, and Ilz Rivers meet. Dive right in to see the highlights during a guided walk through the Old Town that shows off the work-of-art Town Hall and St. Stephen's Cathedral, home to one of the world's largest organs.



ST. STEPHEN'S CATHEDRAL, PASSAU

DAY 6 – GREIN / MELK

An up-and-at-'em morning. Grein is home to Austria's oldest theater, where lockable seats and a privy right in the auditorium are among the curiosities. For an active pursuit, hike up to Gobelwarte Observation Tower for outstanding views, or join a tour to Clam Castle, whose intriguing story began in the 12th century! Return to the ship for lunch as you cruise on to Melk for a special tour through its Benedictine abbey, a showcase of opulent Baroque architecture and home to a library overflowing with rare, ancient manuscripts.

DAY 7 – MELK / KREMS

More time and more adventure in Melk! How about sightseeing by e-bike, or a visit to a bee farm and pastry workshop? Return to the ship for lunch, then stop in Krems to learn about one of the valley's special crops—apricots! Visit the Bailoni distillery for a tour and tasting of their apricot liqueurs, or join a Wachau Valley wine tasting. Back on the ship this evening, a UNIQUELY RIVERSIDE treat is in store. As you cruise through the matchless scenery of the UNESCO World Heritage Wachau Valley, savor an al fresco barbecue, cooked and served up on the Vista Deck.

DAYS 8 & 9 – VIENNA

Two more days in the vibrant City of Music let you explore to your heart's content! Visit Hofburg Palace, the one-time center of the Holy Roman Empire, to see the former royal family's lavish, Rococo-style living quarters and dazzling Treas-



VIENNA'S FAMOUS SACHERTORTE



VISEGRÁD

ury filled with riches. Other possibilities? A fantastic equine performance at the Spanish Riding School, time to peruse the world-class museums, or coffee and pastries in an atmospheric Vienna coffeehouse!

DAY 10 – ESZTERGOM / VISEGRÁD / BUDAPEST

While you slept, your ship crossed the border into Hungary. Dock first in Esztergom, capital of Hungary from the 10th until the mid-13th century. Exciting RIVERSIDE CHOICE activities include a visit to Esztergom Basilica; a guided e-bike tour along both sides of the Danube; a fun foodie walk to sample the local specialties; and more. Back on board for lunch as your ship continues to Visegrád, medieval gateway to the Danube. Here, enjoy a wonderful introduction to the town that was first mentioned in 1009 AD, as well as to its captivating fortress. Tonight, head up to the Vista Deck for a UNIQUELY RIVERSIDE champagne entrance into the twinkling cityscape of Budapest.

DAY 11 – BUDAPEST

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

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



AGGSTEN CASTLE RUIN, WACHAU VALLEY