

DANUBE LEGENDS: VIENNA & BRATISLAVA WITH BUDAPEST FOCUS

BUDAPEST TO BUDAPEST – 8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS



PANORAMA OF VIENNA

In a single week this remarkable Riverside luxury cruise will have you well acquainted with the treasures of the Danube. Begin and end in Budapest, capital of Hungary, with ample time to investigate the history, culture, and spirit lining both banks of the river. Bratislava, Slovakia, and Vienna, Austria, provide two more examples of very different yet equally impressive Danube capitals you'll visit. Along the way, cruise into the amazing Wachau Valley, a UNESCO World Heritage Site where tantalizing wines, scenic riverscapes, and quaint port villages welcome your arrival!

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Day 1 - Budapest	Day 6 - Vienna
Day 2 - Budapest	Day 7 - Esztergom/ Visegrád/ Budapest
Day 3 - Bratislava	Day 8 - Budapest
Day 4 - Tulln/Wachau Valley	
Day 5 - Vienna	



UNIQUELY RIVERSIDE

Uniquely Riverside features an authentic destination experience that leaves an unforgettable impression. In 2,000-year-old Tulln, visit Gobelsburg Castle, one of the world's great wine estates. Marvel at its magnificent staterooms, ancient vaults, and lush vineyards; hear about the monks whose viniculture tradition began here nearly a thousand years ago; and taste the exquisite wines produced using the highest standards and organically integrated principles.

DATES IN 2026
12 Aug

DAY 1 – BUDAPEST

Welcome to Budapest, one of the Danube's four exciting capitals and home to 20 percent of Hungary's population. Inhabited since prehistoric times, the city straddles the river, with Buda on one side and Pest on the other. Embark the luxurious Riverside Mozart and relax as you settle in. Tonight, toast your journey during your first gourmet dinner on board.

DAY 2 – BUDAPEST

After breakfast, get acquainted with the Queen of the Danube. RIVERSIDE CHOICE offers great ways to explore, like a tour inside the 691-room Hungarian Parliament Building to see its Golden Staircase, Crown of St. Stephen, and other treasures. If you prefer an active approach to your sightseeing, join us for a guided e-bike tour, or a walk around Buda's magnificent Castle District. You'll find a full list of the excursions available 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 coffee refills. After lunch, arrive in Bratislava, capital of Slovakia, for a full menu of RIVERSIDE CHOICE excursions. Oenophiles can get an introduction to the area's excellent wines, or you can't go wrong with a guided walk through the Old Town, where Napoleon's cannonballs remain lodged in the ancient walls and an irreverent statue peeks up from the city sewer. If you prefer, walk up to the hilltop castle, or do some people-watching as you sip a refreshing Slovakian beer at a sidewalk pub.



VIEW OF THE DANUBE FROM ESZTERGOM BASILICA

DAY 4 – TULLN / WACHAU VALLEY SCENIC CRUISING

Arrive today in the 2,000-year-old "Garden City" of Tulln. RIVERSIDE CHOICE offers a fun bike tour through the Austrian countryside, an outing to one of Europe's most unique organic gardening showcases, or a UNIQUELY RIVERSIDE wine tasting event at Gobelsburg Castle, where wine production began in 1171! Later, rejoin your ship and cruise into the UNESCO World Heritage Wachau Valley.

DAY 5 – VIENNA

Austria's opulent Baroque capital welcomes you today with open arms. Join us for an exciting half-day tour through the Hofburg, the imperial palace that was the Habsburg rulers' primary residence and center of the Holy Roman Empire. See the former royals' lavish living quarters, Treasury, and more.

DAY 6 – VIENNA

A day of wonder awaits in the City of Music – you'll quickly see what attracted world-class composers like Mozart, Strauss, Beethoven, and Schubert. RIVERSIDE CHOICE shows off the Habsburgs' Schönbrunn summer palace, or Prater Park by electric bicycle. If you like, take a whirl on the park's giant Ferris wheel for a bird's-eye view over the city.

DAY 7 – ESZTERGOM / VISEGRÁD / BUDAPEST

Arrive this morning in Esztergom, capital of Hungary from the 10th until the mid-13th century. Exciting RIVERSIDE CHOICE activities include a visit to Esztergom Basilica to see its opulent Treasury; a guided electric bicycle 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 return into the twinkling cityscape of Budapest – like the scene from a movie. Cheers!

DAY 8 – BUDAPEST

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