

# ETERNAL DANUBE: SERBIA TO GERMANY WITH MAIN-DANUBE CANAL

BELGRADE TO NUREMBERG – 12 DAYS / 11 NIGHTS



DÜRNSTEIN

From the exotic to the legendary, experience the best of the Danube as it flows through Serbia, Croatia, Hungary, Slovakia, Austria, and Germany! Embark in Belgrade, capital of the former Yugoslavia and capital of Serbia today! On to Vukovar to learn about the devastation during the Croatian War of Independence in the 1990s – and the people’s strength of spirit. Entering Hungary, stop in Kalocsa, Paprika Capital of the World, and the capital, Budapest, whose Parliament, Castle District, and other highlights will enchant you. Next up: Bratislava, Slovakia’s capital and a surprising gem to many travelers. Waltz your way around the Habsburg’s opulent Vienna, then marvel at Passau, the City of Three Rivers; pretty Regensburg; and Nuremberg’s WWII sights, as well as the UNESCO World Heritage Wachau Valley and the intricate Main-Danube Canal.

## ITINERARY

Day 1 – Belgrade	Day 8 – Dürnstein/ Melk
Day 2 – Vukovar	Day 9 – Passau
Day 3 – Kalocsa	Day 10 – Regensburg
Day 4 – Budapest	Day 11 – Nuremberg
Day 5 – Budapest	Day 12 – Nuremberg
Day 6 – Bratislava	
Day 7 – Vienna	



## DATES IN 2026

30 May, 26 Sep



## RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE EVENT

Further enhance your cruise with unforgettable experiences – like a VIP, after-hours entrance to enchanting Belvedere Palace. You’ll feel like an aristocrat as you bask in the ornate Baroque ambiance; are treated to a private orchestral performance; and enjoy a rare opportunity for a crowd-free viewing of Klimt’s masterful “The Kiss”.



BELGRADE

### DAY 1 – BELGRADE

Welcome to the “White Fortress” of Belgrade, capital of Serbia! Embark the luxurious Riverside Debussy and settle in – if you arrive early, join our Yugoslavian heritage tour or head back into town for some independent exploring. Tonight, meet your crew and fellow traveling companions during your first onboard dinner. Ship cruises overnight.

### DAY 2 – VUKOVAR

Today, discover the tenacity and fortitude of Vukovar, which was almost completely destroyed during the Croatian War of Independence in the 1990s. With a RIVERSIDE CHOICE selection of excursions, you can view the city’s murals during a refreshing e-bike tour; embark on a fun beer-brewing experience; or visit the 5,000-year-old Vučedol archaeological site, followed by a unique wine tasting that quickly reveals why this region has been known since Roman times for its wine culture! For a complete list of excursions available on your cruise, see our website.

### DAY 3 – KALOCSA

A leisurely morning gives you plenty of time for breakfast and to enjoy your ship’s many outstanding amenities. Around mid-day, disembark in Kalocsa, one of Hungary’s oldest towns and the Paprika Capital of the World! Here, a RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE excursion whisks you out onto the rugged Hungarian Puszta (Great Plain) for a remarkable display of expert horsemanship, lively folk dancing, and delicious local food.

### DAY 4 – BUDAPEST

Right after breakfast, your ship makes its grand arrival into Budapest, Hungary’s amazing capital spanning both banks of the Danube. Disembark and see the highlights by comfortable coach; visit Austrian Empress Sisi’s beloved Gödöllő Palace, or join our outing to Szentendre, a historic town that was reduced to a single family and their service staff during the Ottomans’ rule of the 17th century. Today, its lovely cobblestone streets radiate a Mediterranean atmosphere.



HUNGARIAN PARLIAMENT, BUDAPEST

### DAY 5 – BUDAPEST

With your second day in Budapest, a visit to the expansive Hungarian Parliament Building would be worth your while. Completed in 1902, this is the city's most famous landmark and the largest building in Hungary. See the ornate halls, hand-painted frescoes, grand staircase, the Holy Crown of Hungary, and more.

### DAY 6 – BRATISLAVA

Enjoy a leisurely morning to relax on board. Then, after lunch, arrive in Bratislava, capital of Slovakia. With RIVERSIDE CHOICE, spend time at the impressive Danubiana Art Museum, e-biking through the beautiful Bratislavan wetlands, or the chance to discover the country's delicious wines or beers. For a complete list of excursions available on your cruise, visit our website. If you prefer exploring independently, stroll up to Bratislava Castle overlooking the Old Town and river, or do some shopping in the pedestrian-only Old Town.

### DAY 7 – VIENNA

Welcome to Vienna, Austria's inimitable capital that was influenced heavily over the centuries by monarchs and musicians alike! RIVERSIDE CHOICE offers a panoramic city tour and walk through the historical district; a visit to the Habsburgs' primary residence at Hofburg Palace, including its lavish Treasury; time at the Spanish Riding School, where the world-famous Lipizzaner stallions train; and more. Tonight, join our RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE after-hours entrance into stunning Belvedere Palace for a private orchestral performance and a crowd-free viewing of Klimt's masterful "The Kiss".

### DAY 8 – DÜRNSTEIN / MELK

A Danube favorite awaits in Dürnstein, known for its medieval castle ruins and Richard the Lionheart lore. If you're feeling active, lace up your hiking shoes for a brisk trek up to the castle or enjoy the scenery from the seat of an electric bicycle. A tasting of the Wachau's popular wines is also available. Rejoin your ship for lunch and scenic cruising to Melk for an encounter with its splendid Baroque abbey or a visit to Artstetten Castle to see where descendants of Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria still reside today!

### DAY 9 – PASSAU

A lot of exciting possibilities today! Early risers might enjoy a day trip to Mozart's exquisite Salzburg or to medieval Český Krumlov in the Czech Republic. If you prefer a more leisurely start to the day, enjoy scenic cruising and afternoon arrival in Passau, where the Inn, Ilz, and Danube meet. Awaiting your discovery are a RIVERSIDE CHOICE orientation of the medieval city center, or an interesting visit to an artists' workshop.

### DAY 10 – REGENSBURG

Mid-morning call in Regensburg, where evidence abounds of the many cultures that built the city over 2,000 years. RIVERSIDE CHOICE excursions are a walk through the Old Town and sample of sausage at the world's oldest continuously operating restaurant, or time at the interesting Bavarian History Museum. You can also enjoy a boat ride through the gorgeous Danube Gorge, followed by a visit to Weltenburg Abbey, where monks began brewing beer in 1050 AD.

### DAY 11 – NUREMBERG

Bewitchingly beautiful yet historically damaged, few cities have suffered the split personality that Nuremberg has. Today, you'll get the backstory during a selection of excursions. Join an expert guide to see the Old Town with its King's Gate, former customs house, Executioner's Bridge, and more. Or, a WWII-focused tour might be of interest, featuring the Nazi Party Rally Grounds and other infamous sites. Alternatively, learn how Nuremberg protected its most important art treasures during WWII in underground rock vaults below the castle.

### DAY 12 – NUREMBERG

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



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