

DANUBE CAPITALS WITH HUNGARY NATIONAL DAY FIREWORKS

VIENNA TO BUDAPEST – 7 DAYS / 6 NIGHTS

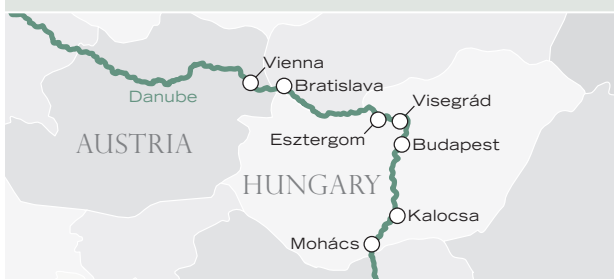


BRATISLAVA

This week-long journey whisks you through three Danube capitals – one during a very special time of year! Begin in Vienna, Austria, where some of the world's greatest minds and talents lived and worked over the centuries. Next is Slovakia's enchanting Bratislava, where an impressive hilltop castle stands watch over the lovely pedestrian Old Town. Finally, enter Hungary in time for its national independence celebration. Between the hoisted flags, parades, religious and folk traditions, first bread from the new wheat, and fireworks galore, you'll find yourself immersed in the fun and festivities. Ports include Esztergom, ancient Visegrád, Mohács with its colorful Busó culture, Kalocsa (Paprika Capital of the World), and an epic entrance into Budapest, where you can raise a glass of Tokaji aszú and toast the city's beauty.

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Day 1 – Vienna	Day 4 – Budapest
Day 2 – Bratislava	Day 5 – Mohács
Day 3 – Esztergom/ Visegrád/ Budapest	Day 6 – Kalocsa
	Day 7 – Budapest



DATES IN 2025

17 Aug



RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE EVENT

Further enhance your cruise with unforgettable experiences! Budapest's nighttime beauty is further elevated during Hungary National Day. Join the celebration from atop the Vista Deck, with refreshments and unhindered views of the brilliant musical fireworks display illuminating the Danube.

DAY 1 – VIENNA

Welcome to Vienna, Austria's capital and wonderland of all things Habsburgs, music, and Baroque! Embark the luxurious Riverside Mozart and relax as you settle in – or, if you arrive early, join us for a Highlights of Vienna tour. Tonight, meet your crew and fellow traveling companions during your first onboard dinner. Ship cruises overnight.

DAY 2 – BRATISLAVA

After breakfast, arrive in Bratislava, the enchanting capital of Slovakia and where RIVERSIDE CHOICE offers a full menu of excursion options. How about an Old Town walking tour, an active bike ride to Devín Castle, a Jewish heritage tour, or a visit to 16th-century Pálffy Castle for a tour and tasting of the delicious wine and beer crafted on the property? Or, you could head out on your own to shop or maybe try Slovakian beer at a local pub!

DAY 3 – ESZTERGOM / VISEGRÁD / BUDAPEST

Today, enter Hungary, where the entire country is awash with National Day celebrations and activities! Up first: Esztergom, capital of Hungary from the 10th until the mid-13th century. Exciting RIVERSIDE CHOICE options are a visit to Esztergom Basilica to see its opulent Treasury, including a 12-pound gold and gemstone-encrusted cross; or a guided bike tour through Hungary and Slovakia. Back on board for lunch as your ship continues to the Visegrád, medieval gateway to the Danube. Here, you'll enjoy a wonderful afternoon introduction to the town that was first mentioned in 1009 AD as well as to its captivating fortress. Tonight, night owls will get a special treat as your ship makes a grand entrance into the twinkling cityscape of Budapest.

DAY 4 – BUDAPEST

A fantastic day awaits and with RIVERSIDE CHOICE, you can see the Hungarian capital's highlights by comfortable coach, visit the monumental Parliament Building or fairytale Fishermen's Bastion, or see the sights with the breeze in your hair during an exhilarating bike tour. After lunch, you might enjoy a visit to Gödöllő Castle, the favorite palace of Austrian Empress "Sisi", the much-adored Queen of Hungary. Back on your ship tonight, head up to the Vista Deck for a RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE celebration of Hungary National Day, complete with refreshments and outstanding views of Budapest's brilliant musical fireworks display over the river. Ship cruises overnight.

DAY 5 – MOHÁCS

A wonderful morning to sleep in, enjoy a leisurely breakfast, and socialize on the Vista Deck as your ship cruises south. This afternoon, arrive in Mohács, where the Roman and Ottoman Empires both played significant roles. With so many great RIVERSIDE CHOICE options, you might have a difficult time deciding what to do! You could learn all about the colorful Busójárás Carnival traditions at the Busó Udvar Museum; immerse yourself in the beauty of Gemenc National Park on a canoe tour; or explore the historic city of Pécs in southern Hungary and visit the Zsolnay Porcelain Factory.

DAY 6 – KALOCSA

Another morning of scenic cruising gives you plenty of time for breakfast and to enjoy your ship's amenities. Later, disembark in Kalocsa, one of Hungary's oldest towns and the Paprika Capital of the World! An included guided excursion takes you to the 200-year-old Folk Art House. As you wander among the colorful rooms, see recreations of the homes where Serbian, Slovak, and Magyar peasants once lived, and meet skilled artisans who will teach you the fine art of painting everything from walls and furnishings to clothing in the traditional Hungarian way. Then, visit the Paprika House to learn about the history, traditions, and many cooking secrets for the rich and smoky "red gold". Finally, visit the Archbishop's Palace with its amazing library of 150,000 books and manuscripts, including the Vizsolyi Bible, the oldest surviving Hungarian Bible. After the tour, you're free to see more of this captivating town on your own. Back on the ship for your final onboard dinner.

DAY 7 – BUDAPEST

After breakfast, disembark the Riverside Mozart and enjoy complimentary transfers to the airport, train station, or central hotel.