THE GRAND DANUBE & ITS CAPTIVATING CANAL

NUREMBERG TO BUDAPEST - 8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS



NUREMBERG

Your journey begins in medieval Nuremberg, one of Germany's most evocative cities with its many sights tied to WWII. Embark your luxury ship and cruise to one of the largest of the canal's 16 locks. Descend 80 feet (almost 25 meters) before passing the watershed monument at Pierheim. Here, you will find yourself at 1,332 feet (406 meters) above sea level, cruising downhill toward Budapest. Along the way, stop in Regensburg, Passau, Linz, and Melk. Highlights include the chance to enjoy a stein at a traditional Bavarian beer garden, ride a bike to the Walhalla memorial, or visit Mozart's Salzburg or fairytale Český Krumlov in the Czech Republic. In Vienna, discover a city overflowing with opulent palaces, museums, and world-class coffee houses. Your final stop is Budapest, the regal capital of Hungary.

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Day 1 - Nuremberg Day 5 - Melk/Vienna

Day 2 - Nuremberg Day 6 - Vienna

Day 3 - Regensburg Day 7 - Budapest

Day 4 - Passau/Linz Day 8 - Budapest



DATES IN 2025

24 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.

DAY 1 - NUREMBERG

Welcome to Nuremberg, one of Germany's most beautiful cities. Embark the luxurious Riverside Debussy, get settled, and meet your crew and fellow traveling companions at an onboard welcome dinner tonight.

DAY 2 - NUREMBERG

Bewitchingly beautiful yet historically damaged. Few cities have suffered the split personality that Nuremberg has, and today you'll get the back story. With a RIVERSIDE CHOICE selection of activities, join a guided tour of the Old Town—or places tied to WWII, like the Nazi Party Rally Grounds; Palace of Justice, where the Nuremberg trials took place; or the underground rock vaults below the castle, where the city protected its precious art treasures.

DAY 3 - REGENSBURG

Regensburg has existed in some form since the Stone Age and it's easy to see signs of the many cultures that contributed to its evolution. Today, Regensburg boasts the largest medieval city site north of the Alps, and you can experience the highlights with RIVERSIDE CHOICE! How about an Old Town guided walk with a stop at one of the world's oldest restaurants to sample its popular sausages? You can also tour Weltenburg Abbey, where monks began brewing beer in 1050 AD; join a guided bike ride to the Walhalla memorial; or visit the 13th-century Herzogspark with its square medieval tower.

DAY 4 - PASSAU / LINZ

So much to see and do today in Passau, where the Inn, Ilz, and Danube come together. You could join a hands-on art workshop, or a day trip to Mozart's Salzburg or the medieval walled city of Český Krumlov in the Czech Republic. Evening docking is in Linz, where the ship overnights.

DAY 5 - MELK / VIENNA

Welcome to Melk, whose grand Benedictine abbey is a true highlight! Another option is Artstetten Castle to see where descendants of Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria still reside. Back on board for lunch and scenic cruising on the way to Vienna. Tonight, channel your inner aristocrat during a RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE concert at Belvedere Palace, followed by a crowd-free viewing of Klimt's masterful The Kiss.

DAY 6 - VIENNA

With RIVERSIDE CHOICE, explore Vienna the way you like best. Options include a panoramic

city tour and walk through the historic district; a visit to the Habsburgs' opulent Schönbrunn Palace; or a guided bike ride around Danube Island with an ascent up the Danube Tower.

DAY 7 – BUDAPEST

After a leisurely morning of cruising, your ship makes a grand entrance into Budapest! From atop the Vista Deck, admire one of the world's most beautiful cities. Once you disembark, see the highlights by comfortable coach, visit Europe's largest synagogue and old Jewish quarter, or maybe explore the Royal Palace of Gödöllő, one of the world's largest Baroque palaces.

DAY 8 - BUDAPEST

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

EXTEND YOUR TRIP

With Riverside, the fun doesn't have to stop here! You can continue your journey like this:

NUREMBERG TO BELGRADE - 11 DAYS / 10 NIGHTS

Continue your cruise into the Lower Danube, with stops in Mohács, Hungary, and Novi Sad and Belgrade in Serbia. See GRAND DANUBE FROM THE CANAL TO THE BALKANS on our website for details.

NUREMBERG TO BUCHAREST 14 DAYS / 13 NIGHTS

Cruise into the Lower Danube's fabulous Balkan region, with time to explore Serbia, Bulgaria, and Romania. See DAZZLING UPPER & LOWER DANUBE: NUREMBERG TO THE IRON GATES on the website for details.