

PEARLS OF THE DANUBE EPIC JOURNEY

PASSAU TO PASSAU – 15 DAYS / 14 NIGHTS



VIEW OVER VISEGRÁD

Spend two exciting weeks cruising along Europe's second-longest river – the dazzling Danube! Highlights include the photogenic Wachau Valley, where castles and vineyards greet you around virtually every bend of the river; Bratislava and Budapest, and five full days in Vienna, the enchanting City of Music. You'll also investigate the treasures of Hungary's ancient Esztergom and Visegrád; and Austria's quaint villages of Tulln, Dürnstein, Weissenkirchen, and others. Disembark in Passau, Germany's City of Three Rivers, where the Danube, Inn, and Ilz Rivers come together.

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| Day 1 – Passau | Day 10 – Tulln/
Wachau Valley |
| Day 2 – Grein/Melk | Day 11 – Vienna |
| Day 3 – Vienna | Day 12 – Vienna |
| Day 4 – Vienna | Day 13 – Dürnstein/
Wachau Valley/
Weissenkirchen |
| Day 5 – Vienna | Day 14 – Linz |
| Day 6 – Esztergom/
Visegrád/
Budapest | Day 15 – Passau |
| Day 7 – Budapest | |
| Day 8 – Budapest | |
| Day 9 – Bratislava | |



DATES IN 2026

25 Jun, 9 Jul, 23 Jul



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 – PASSAU

Welcome to Passau, Germany's City of Three Rivers. Embark the Riverside Mozart, get settled into your luxurious Suite, and relax as your ship departs in the afternoon. Tonight, meet fellow cruisemates at your first gourmet dinner on board.

DAY 2 – GREIN / MELK / WACHAU VALLEY SCENIC CRUISING

Rise and shine! The quaint village of Grein is ready to make your acquaintance. This is home to Austria's oldest theater, whose unusual features are entertaining all by themselves! With RIVERSIDE CHOICE, take an invigorating hike up to the Gobelwarte Observation Tower, or a more leisurely stroll up to 500-year-old Greinburg Castle. Check out a full list of excursions for your cruise on the website. Return to the ship for lunch and cruise on to Melk for an inside look at its world-famous Baroque abbey. If you prefer, an e-bike tour around town is also on offer, or you can visit Artstetten Castle, where descendants of Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria still reside today.

DAY 3 – VIENNA

Morning arrival in Vienna, Austria's inimitable capital and one-time home to celebrated monarchs and musicians alike. This morning's RIVERSIDE CHOICE offers a panoramic city tour and walk through the historical district, or an electric bike ride around Prater Park, site of the 1873 World Fair. After lunch, more outstanding excursions are available, so take your pick! This evening is a special RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE after-hours entrance into stunning Belvedere Palace for a private musical performance and a crowd-free viewing of Klimt's masterful "The Kiss".



BUDAPEST CITY PARK



MELK ABBEY

DAYS 4 & 5 – VIENNA

Enjoy two more days to immerse yourself in the splendors of Vienna. If you'd like a preview of Bratislava, RIVERSIDE CHOICE offers an outing to get you there and back. You could also head to the Ringstrasse for time at the Kunsthistorisches Museum, one of the most important museums in the world, or visit the Spanish Riding School at Hofburg Palace, where the Lipizzaner Stallions train for their dazzling equine performances.

DAY 6 – ESZTERGOM / VISEGRÁD / BUDAPEST

As you slept, your ship crossed the border into Hungary. Disembark in Esztergom, capital of Hungary from the 10th until the mid-13th century. A RIVERSIDE CHOICE visit to Esztergom Basilica shows off its ornate Treasury. Other options? A guided e-bike tour along the riverbank; a fun foodie walk to sample the local specialties; and more. Back on board for lunch on the way 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 imposing fortress. Tonight, head up to the Vista Deck for champagne and an unforgettable UNIQUELY RIVERSIDE entrance into Budapest, the incomparable Queen of the Danube!

DAY 7 – BUDAPEST

A great day for exploring the enticing Hungarian capital. Join us for a special tour to City Park, one of the world's first public parks. Spanning 302 acres (122 hectares), this Budapest gem is home to a zoo, circus, thermal baths, museums, and more. Visit the Hungarian House of Music for a unique sound dome experience and Vajdahunyad Castle, built to represent different parts of the Kingdom of Hungary. Afterward, participate in a tasting of delicious Hungarian wines.



WACHAU VALLEY



VINEYARDS IN THE WACHAU VALLEY

DAY 8 – BUDAPEST

After breakfast, your day is devoted to the wonders of Budapest. RIVERSIDE CHOICE offers some great ways to explore, like a tour inside the vast Hungarian Parliament Building, time in the fairytale Castle District on the Buda side of the river; and more. From the Vista Deck later, bid the city búcsú (farewell) as your ship moves slowly past the grand monuments lining both banks of the river.

DAY 9 – BRATISLAVA

A relaxed morning of scenic cruising is followed by after-lunch arrival in Bratislava, the enchanting capital of Slovakia. How about spending time at the world-class Danubiana Art Museum, a visit to a traditional Slovakian family home, or a tasting of the area's excellent wines? If you prefer, explore the hilltop castle, shop in the pedestrian-only Old Town, or enjoy a refreshing Slovakian beer in a local pub.

DAY 10 – TULLN / WACHAU VALLEY

Arrive today in 2,000-year-old Tulln. Settled in pre-Roman times, Tulln was marked over the centuries by Turkish invasions, floods, and the Thirty Years War. Today, it's an impressive City of Gardens! See the Nibelungen Fountain that commemorates Attila the Hun's proposal to Kriemhild (which legend says took place in Tulln); ride an e-bike through the Austrian countryside; discover one of Europe's most unique organic gardening showcases; or join our UNIQUELY RIVERSIDE wine tasting at Gobelsburg Castle, where wine production began in 1171.

DAYS 11 & 12 – VIENNA

A return to Vienna provides two final days in the City of Music. Let us help you make the most of your time with our fantastic RIVERSIDE CHOICE excursions.

DAY 13 – DÜRNSTEIN / WEISSENKIRCHEN

When you see a distinctive blue and white tower perched on the riverbank and an imposing castle ruin looming high on the cliffside, you'll know you've arrived in the popular port town of Dürnstein. If you're feeling active, join our RIVERSIDE CHOICE hike up to the castle. You'll be rewarded with incredible views over the Danube. For something more sensory, we suggest a Wachau Valley wine tasting to see what makes the area's wines so special. Reboard your ship for lunch, then dock in Weissenkirchen for a tasting of Wachau Valley apricot schnapps. Tonight, it's an al fresco dinner to remember as your meal is prepared and served up on the Vista Deck, surrounded by a magical environment of medieval castles, terraced vineyards, and apricot orchards.

DAY 14 – LINZ

More unforgettable highlights are on the agenda today. An invigorating hike might be fun, or you could visit the Baroque jewel of St. Florian Monastery, Mozart's Salzburg, or the medieval walled village of Český Krumlov in the Czech Republic. Tonight, a final gourmet dinner on board celebrates your spectacular Riverside cruise.

DAY 15 – PASSAU

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



SALZBURG