

DANUBE SERENADE: ICONIC CAPITALS & WACHAU VALLEY

VIENNA TO VIENNA – 8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS



BRATISLAVA AND ITS CASTLE

In a single week you can see and experience a lot in Riverside luxury! The Danube is your destination and includes time in three magnificent capitals. Begin and end in Vienna, Austria's unforgettable City of Music, and also visit Bratislava and Budapest, the brilliant and beautiful Queen of the Danube. You'll also explore Esztergom, Hungary's capital during the Middle Ages, where Castle Hill has played an important role since the 10th century; and Tulln, an urban settlement as early as 791 AD. Finally, enjoy an introduction to the Wachau Valley, home to incredible wines and scenery.

ITINERARY

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



DATES IN 2026

19 Apr, 3 May, 17 May, 14 Jun, 28 Jun,
12 Jul, 26 Jul, 9 Aug, 30 Aug, 13 Sep,
27 Sep, 11 Oct, 25 Oct, 8 Nov



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.

DAY 1 – VIENNA

Welcome to Vienna, Austria's capital and wonderland of all things Habsburgs, music, and Baroque! Embark the Riverside Mozart and relax as you settle in. Tonight, meet your fellow traveling companions during your first onboard dinner.

DAY 2 – VIENNA

Your entire day is dedicated to the magic of Vienna. A RIVERSIDE CHOICE selection of excursions shows off the Habsburgs' mighty Schönbrunn Palace, Prater Park by electric bicycle, or even the Spanish Riding School, where the world-famous Lipizzaner Stallions train. You can see a full listing of available activities for your cruise on the Riverside website. Ship departs before dinner and cruises through the night.

DAY 3 – ESZTERGOM / VISEGRÁD / BUDAPEST

The gems of Hungary are on full display today. Begin in Esztergom, the country's capital from the 10th until the mid-13th centuries. Exciting RIVERSIDE CHOICE activities include a visit to Esztergom Basilica to see its ornate Treasury; a guided electric 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 captivating fortress. Tonight, head up to the Vista Deck for a UNIQUELY RIVERSIDE champagne entrance into Budapest, the incomparable Queen of the Danube!

DAY 4 – 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. If you prefer, head out on your own to maybe shop or sample a hearty bowl of authentic Hungarian gulyás (goulash)!

DAY 5 – BUDAPEST

Fuel up with breakfast, then seize the day! RIVERSIDE CHOICE offers more great ways to explore, like a tour inside the vast Hungarian Parliament Building, sightseeing by electric



ESZTERGOM BASILICA

bicycle, and time in the Castle District on the Buda side of the river. Back on the ship later, head up to the Vista Deck to bid the city búcsú (farewell) as your ship moves slowly past the grand monuments lining the river.

DAY 6 – BRATISLAVA

A leisurely morning—perfect for a relaxed breakfast, time to admire the passing scenery, or maybe an onboard massage or spa treatment. After lunch, arrive in Bratislava, the enchanting capital of Slovakia, for a full menu of RIVERSIDE CHOICE options. You might enjoy a visit to a traditional Slovakian family home, the chance to learn about (and taste) the area's excellent wines, or time at the impressive Danubiana Art Museum. If you prefer to shop, the Old Town is a great pedestrian-only option. When you're finished, maybe pop into a local pub for a refreshing Slovakian beer!

DAY 7 – TULLN / WACHAU VALLEY SCENIC CRUISING

Arrive today in the 2,000-year-old "Garden City" of Tulln. Settled in pre-Roman times, hear about centuries marked by Turkish invasions, floods, and the Thirty Years War, and see the Nibelungen Fountain commemorating Attila the Hun's proposal to Kriemhild (which legend says took place in Tulln). Through RIVERSIDE CHOICE, enjoy a fun e-bike tour through the Austrian countryside or discover one of Europe's most unique organic gardening showcases at Tulln Gardens. We also have a UNIQUELY RIVERSIDE wine tasting event at Gobelsburg Castle, where wine production began in 1171.

DAY 8 – VIENNA

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