

DANUBE SERENADE FROM THE CITY OF MUSIC TO THE CITY OF THREE RIVERS

VIENNA TO PASSAU – 12 DAYS / 11 NIGHTS



SEE THE CASTLE-FILLED WACHAU VALLEY

Experience the best of the Danube when you cruise in luxury from Austria to Germany! Three awe-inspiring capitals get things started in Vienna, Budapest, and Bratislava. Through RIVERSIDE CHOICE, select what and how you want to explore, then compare the unique character of each city to determine if you have a favorite. Also visit Esztergom, where Castle Hill has reigned majestically over the area since the 10th century; charming Dürnstein (a perennial traveler favorite); the Wachau Valley, where the scenery and wines will leave you speechless; and a whole lot more!

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Day 1 – Vienna	Day 8 – Vienna
Day 2 – Vienna	Day 9 – Vienna
Day 3 – Esztergom/ Visegrád/ Budapest	Day 10 – Dürnstein/ Weissen- kirchen
Day 4 – Budapest	Day 11 – Linz
Day 5 – Budapest	Day 12 – Passau
Day 6 – Bratislava	
Day 7 – Tulln/Wachau Valley	



DATES IN 2026

14 Jun, 28 Jun, 12 Jul, 26 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".



PANORAMIC VIEW OF BUDAPEST

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 our website.

DAY 3 – ESZTERGOM / VISEGRÁD / BUDAPEST

Arriving in Hungary, your day begins in Esztergom, capital of Hungary from the 10th until the mid-13th century. 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 excellent Hungarian wines.

DAY 5 – 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, sightseeing by electric bicycle, and time in the fairytale 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 both sides of 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, capital of Slovakia, for a full menu of RIVERSIDE CHOICE options. Visit a traditional Slovakian family home to see what everyday life is like here, or attend a

tasting of lovely Slovakian wines. If shopping is on your To Do list, the pedestrian-only Old Town is the place to go.

DAY 7 – TULLN / WACHAU VALLEY SCENIC CRUISING

Arrive in 2,000-year-old Tulln. Settled in pre-Roman times, it was marked over the centuries by Turkish invasions, floods, and the Thirty Years War. Somehow, Tulln endured and developed into the “Garden City” you see today. Admire its intricate Nibelungen Fountain commemorating Attila the Hun’s proposal to Kriemhild (which legend says took place in Tulln); enjoy a fun e-bike tour 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 8 & 9 – 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. Don’t miss our RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE after-hours entrance into Belvedere Palace for a private orchestral performance and crowd-free viewing of Klimt’s masterful “The Kiss”.

DAY 10 – DÜRNSTEIN / WEISSENKIRCHEN

If there’s a port that best symbolizes the Wachau Valley, it’s Dürnstein. Its distinctive blue and white tower, imposing castle ruin, and Old World charm look like something right out of a picturebook. A RIVERSIDE CHOICE hike up to the castle is a popular activity, while wine enthusiasts may enjoy a tasting of the outstanding wines produced from the local vineyards. Reboard your ship for lunch, then dock in Weissenkirchen for the chance to attend a tasting of authentic Wachau Valley apricot schnapps. Tonight, as you cruise deeper into the valley, dine in Austria’s “most exquisite restaurant” during a memorable al fresco dinner, prepared and served up on the Vista Deck.

DAY 11 – LINZ

Your day begins early with a big choice of excursions. You could visit the Baroque jewel of St. Florian Monastery, Mozart’s Salzburg, or medieval Český Krumlov in the Czech Republic. Tonight, a final gourmet dinner on board celebrates your spectacular Riverside cruise.

DAY 12 – PASSAU

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



MEDIEVAL ČESKÝ KRUMLOV



WEISSENKIRCHEN