

# AUSTRIA'S DANUBE TREASURES PLUS GERMANY, SLOVAKIA & HUNGARY

VIENNA TO VIENNA – 15 DAYS / 14 NIGHTS



WEISSENKIRCHEN ON THE DANUBE

Why settle for a just a taste? When something's this good, you deserve the whole thing! Spend two weeks discovering the wonders of the Danube in Austria, Germany, Hungary, and Slovakia. Riverside treats you to four full days in Vienna, and time to immerse yourself in Bratislava and Budapest, too! Also cruise through the picturesque Wachau Valley, proclaimed a Wachau Cultural Landscape by UNESCO for its architectural and agricultural gems. This area is scattered with ancient monasteries, castles and castle ruins, and high-quality wines and apricot schnapps, a true treat for connoisseurs, epicures, history lovers, and shutterbugs!

## ITINERARY

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



## DATES IN 2026

21 Jun, 5 Jul, 19 Jul, 2 Aug, 23 Aug



## 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 – VIENNA

Welcome to Vienna, Austria's incomparable capital. Embark the luxurious Riverside Mozart and relax as you get settled in. Tonight, meet fellow shipmates during your first gourmet dinner on board.

## DAY 2 – VIENNA

Vienna greets you today with all of its Baroque splendor. You'll quickly see what attracted world-class composers like Mozart, Strauss, Beethoven, and Schubert. A RIVERSIDE CHOICE selection of excursions shows off the Habsburg rulers' mighty Schönbrunn Palace or historic Prater Park by electric bicycle. You can see a full listing of available excursions for your cruise on our website. Tonight is a real treat as you enjoy a RIVERSIDE SIGNATURE after-hours entrance into Belvedere Palace for a private orchestral performance and crowd-free viewing of Klimt's masterful "The Kiss".

## DAY 3 – DÜRNSTEIN / WACHAU VALLEY SCENIC CRUISING / WEISSENKIRCHEN

Arrive in Dürnstein early and hear about King Richard the Lionheart's imprisonment here on his way home from the Crusades. With RIVERSIDE CHOICE, you could hike up to the town's castle ruin for great views over the Danube, or attend a wine tasting to learn what makes Wachau wines so special. Reboard your ship for lunch, then dock in Weissenkirchen for the chance to hike, or attend a tasting of authentic made-in-the-Wachau apricot schnapps. Tonight, you'll dine in Austria's finest restaurant – the Wachau Valley itself! From atop the Vista Deck, cruise by one brilliant scene after another as you socialize and savor a mouth-watering al fresco dinner.



ATTEND A WACHAU WINE TASTING

## DAY 4 – LINZ

A fun day of discovery with so many options! 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.

## DAY 5 – PASSAU

Dock bright and early in Germany's acclaimed City of Three Rivers. Situated along the Route of Emperors and Kings, this is where the Danube, Inn, and Ilz Rivers meet, and a guided walk through the Old Town shows off the highlights. Admire the ancient cobblestones, the work-of-art Town Hall, St. Stephen's Cathedral (home to one of the world's largest organs), and more. At the end, your efforts are rewarded with a frothy mug of refreshing Bavarian beer.

## DAY 6 – GREIN / MELK / WACHAU VALLEY

A sight-filled day is in store in the quaint village of Grein. This is home to Austria's oldest theater, which is packed with humorous and quirky features. Meanwhile, with RIVERSIDE CHOICE, you could hike up to the Gobelwarte Observation Tower for outstanding panoramic views, or join a guided walk up to 500-year-old Greinburg Castle. Return to the ship for lunch as you cruise on to Melk. There, you can get an inside look at its world-famous Baroque abbey, explore town by electric bike, or visit Artstetten Castle, where descendants of Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria still reside today.

## DAY 7 – VIENNA

Morning arrival back in Vienna for more time in the esteemed city of former monarchs and musicians. Why not join another enriching RIVERSIDE CHOICE excursion? There's also time for shopping, a riveting museum visit, or a mélange coffee and scrumptious piece of sachertorte at an atmospheric coffee house.

## DAYS 8 & 9 – 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.



MEDIEVAL MICHAEL'S GATE, BRATISLAVA



HEROES' SQUARE, BUDAPEST

## DAY 10 – ESZTERGOM / VISEGRÁD / BUDAPEST

Another day, another country as you disembark 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 11 – 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.

## DAY 12 – 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 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 13 – 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 14 – TULLN / WACHAU VALLEY

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. 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 15 – VIENNA

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