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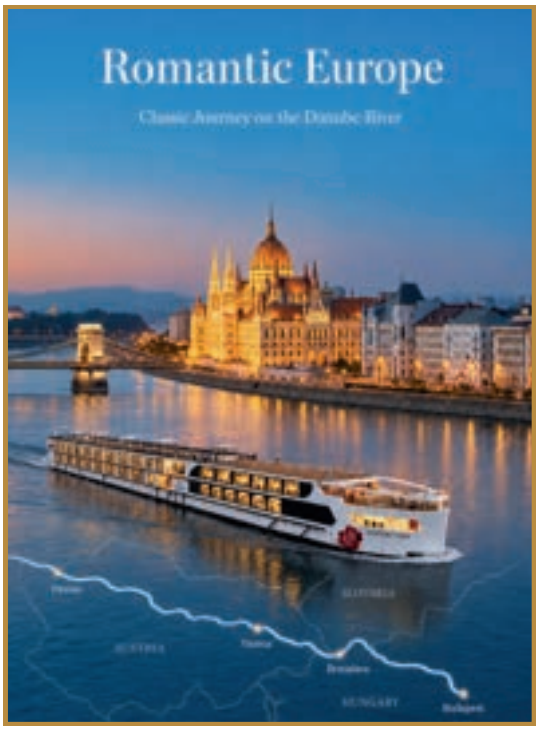



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## DAY 1 - BUDAPEST

**Embarkation**

Budapest, Hungary

Arrive in Budapest and board the ship. Settle into your stateroom and prepare for your Danube River journey.

**Excursions:** None



## DAY 2 - BUDAPEST

**City Tour Budapest**
Included Experience | 09:00–12:30

Discover Budapest on a scenic coach and walking tour. Begin across Petőfi Bridge, passing Gellért Hill and taking in panoramic views of the city [approx. 30 mins.]
Enjoy a photo stop opposite the Parliament, one of Budapest's most recognizable landmarks [approx. 10 mins.]
Continue across Margaret Bridge toward St. Stephen's Basilica [approx. 15 mins.], before walking through the pedestrian zone along Zrínyi Street to Gresham Palace for [approx. 45 mins.], including free time [approx. 15 mins.]
Continue along the Danube to Parliament [approx. 5 mins.], followed by exploring Kossuth Square, the historic heart of Hungary's capital [approx. 30 mins.]
Continue toward Heroes' Square [approx. 15 mins.] for a guided exploration of its monumental statues and landmarks [approx. 30 mins.]
Return to the ship via Andrássy Avenue, passing the Opera House [approx. 20 mins.]



**Carriage Ride Through the Puszta**
Heritage Excursion | 14:00–18:30

Travel by coach from Budapest to the Puszta at Lajosmizse [approx. 75 mins.]
After a short break, board traditional horse-drawn carriages [approx 20 mins.], followed by a carriage ride across the Hungarian countryside [approx. 20 mins.]
Enjoy a traditional Hungarian horse show, showcasing the skill and agility of the region's famous horsemen [approx. 30 mins.], followed by a visit to the stables [approx. 15 mins.]
The experience concludes with approximately 30 minutes enjoying pogácsa, traditional Hungarian bread, paired with wine.
Return to the ship by coach [approx. 75 mins.]

## DAY 3 - ESZTERGOM

**Basilica Esztergom**
Heritage Excursion | 09:00–10:30

Ride the mini train from the pier to Esztergom Basilica in [approx. 10 mins.]
Enjoy a guided visit of the Basilica and Treasury, discovering its impressive architecture, historic artworks and sacred artifacts [approx. 65 mins.]
Return to the ship by mini train in [approx 10 mins.]

## DAY 4 - BRATISLAVA

**City Express Bratislava**
Included Experience | 09:30–11:30

Depart the ship by tourist train and travel to Bratislava Castle in [approx. 25 mins.]
Explore the castle grounds, learning about the history of the castle and enjoying panoramic views over the city and Danube [approx. 30 mins.]
Continue by train to the Old Town [approx. 10 mins.], followed by a guided walking tour through historic streets, charming squares and notable landmarks [approx. 60 mins.]
The tour concludes near the Opera House or Danube bank, where guests receive directions to return to the ship independently.

**Small Carpathian Tour, Ceramics Factory & Wine Tasting**
Heritage Excursion | 13:30–18:30

Travel by coach to Červený Kameň Castle [approx 60 mins.]
Enjoy a guided visit of this beautifully preserved fortress, exploring its historic rooms, courtyards, art and furnishings [approx. 60 mins.]
Continue to Pezinok [approx. 30 mins.], for a tasting of regional wines at Vinum Galeria Bozen [approx. 45 mins.]
On the return journey, spend [approx 45 mins.] visiting a traditional Majolica ceramic factory and a small family-run artisan business, discovering local craftsmanship.
Return to the ship in [approx 30 mins.]

## DAY 5 - VIENNA

**City Tour Vienna**
**Included Experience** | 09:00–12:30

Begin with a panoramic coach tour through Vienna, passing major streets and landmarks [approx. 35 mins.]
Continue with a walk through the gardens of Belvedere Palace, admiring its Baroque architecture and landscaped grounds [approx. 35 mins.], followed by continuing toward the Opera House [approx. 20 mins.]
Walk to Stephansplatz via Hofburg Palace, Michaelerplatz and the Imperial Stables, exploring Vienna's imperial heritage along the way [approx. 50 mins.]
Pause at St. Stephen's Cathedral; the program does not include an interior visit [approx. 15-25 mins.]
Board the coach near the Opera House and return to the ship [approx 30 mins.]

**Schönbrunn Palace**
**Heritage Excursion** | 14:30–18:00

Travel by coach via Vienna's Ringstrasse and past Naschmarkt to Schönbrunn Palace [approx. 45 mins.]
Walk to the palace entrance [approx. 10 mins.], followed by a stroll through the gardens [approx. 30 mins.]
Enjoy a guided tour of the palace, including the Sisi and Maria Theresa rooms as part of the Grand Tour [approx. 50 mins.]
Learn about the Habsburg dynasty and life within Vienna's former imperial summer residence.
Enjoy free time [approx. 15 mins.], then walk to the car park [approx. 10 mins.] before returning to the ship [approx. 45 mins.]

## DAY 6 - DÜRNSTEIN & MELK

**Walking Tour Dürnstein with Abbey**
**Included Experience** | 08:30–10:30

Walk along the scenic Treppelweg toward the town, enjoying views along the Danube [approx. 15 mins.]
Explore Dürnstein's historic City Hall and surrounding landmarks during a guided walk through the charming streets [approx. 35 mins.]
Continue to Dürnstein Abbey for a guided visit, including the monastery and chapel, where guests can appreciate the historic architecture and richly decorated interiors [approx. 60 mins.]
Walk back to the ship [approx. 10 mins.]



**Melk Abbey**
**Heritage Excursion** | 15:30–17:30

Travel from the ship to Melk Abbey by coach in [approx. 10 mins.]
Walk from the parking area to the Abbey entrance, taking in the imposing architecture and surrounding views [approx. 10 mins.]
Enjoy a guided Abbey tour with the Abbey curator, exploring ornate interiors, the magnificent library, ceremonial halls and frescoed ceilings while learning about centuries of Benedictine history [approx. 60 mins.]
After the tour, enjoy free time in the landscaped gardens, with views over the Danube and Wachau Valley [approx. 30 mins.]
Walk back to the parking area [approx. 10 mins], before returning to the ship by coach [approx. 10 mins.]



## DAY 7 - LINZ

**Pleasure & History: A Day Full of Flavour & Culture**
**Heritage Excursion** | 09:00–18:00

Travel by coach from Linz to Tragwein [approx. 45 mins.] for a guided visit and tasting at Bauernkrapfen Schleiferei, discovering the traditional production of sweet Austrian Krapfen [approx. 90 mins.]
Continue by coach to the Mitterkirchen Open-Air Museum [approx. 45 mins.]
Enjoy a guided visit that transports guests approximately 2,700 years into the past, exploring recreated prehistoric dwellings and discovering how people lived in the Machland region [approx. 60 mins.]
Continue to a local restaurant and enjoy a traditional Austrian snack [approx. 90 mins.]
Travel to the Farthofer Distillery or similar producer [approx. 30 mins.] for a Mostelleria experience, learning about cider-pear production and enjoying a regional tasting [approx. 90 mins.]
Conclude with free time for purchases or a visit to the largest cider pear orchard in Europe [approx. 30 mins.] before returning to the ship [approx. 60 mins.]



## DAY 8 - PASSAU

**Disembarkation**

After breakfast, disembark the ship in Passau and continue with your onward travel arrangements.

