



# A Luxurious Danube River Cruise with 2 Nights in Prague!

FROM PRAGUE TO VIENNA . . . FROM BUDA TO PEST!  
AN 11 DAY/9 NIGHT CRUISE TOUR

Framed by rolling hillsides, lush vineyards, and medieval castles, the Danube River has captivated musicians, artists and poets throughout the centuries. Travel to legendary destinations, beginning with a 2-night stay in majestic Prague followed by 7 nights cruising from Vilshofen to Budapest. Explore a 2,000 year-old city, visit Europe's largest pipe organ, savor Wachau Valley wines, and experience the timeless beauty and fascinating history of Vienna and Budapest. With just 84 cabins, space is extremely limited, so make your reservations now and join TRIPS as we experience the splendor and romance of Prague and the Danube River on the AmaPrima!

## **Day 1**

You board your flight bound for Europe today!

## **Day 2**

You'll arrive in Prague today and be assisted with your transfer to your hotel. The balance of the day will be at your leisure to explore this beautiful city! Dinner is on your own in one of the area's wonderful local restaurants.

Overnight: Prague

## **Day 3**

Today is yours to explore the Prague you want to see! From the thousand-year-old Hradcany Castle to beautiful St. Vitus Cathedral, you'll find getting around easy and the sights a delight! Don't miss iconic Charles Bridge where King Charles IV personally laid the first foundation stone in 1357! And be sure to see Old Town Hall with its spectacular astronomical clock installed in 1410 and running ever since. As you stroll along the banks of the Vlatava River, you'll find plenty of quaint shops with local handicrafts and delightful cafes and restaurants! As you explore Prague this evening, you'll notice the unique system used to illuminate monuments. It starts with the oldest monument to the youngest in 3 minute intervals starting at dusk and completing just before midnight!

Overnight: Prague

## **Day 4**

You'll check out of your Prague hotel this morning and travel through the beautiful Bavarian countryside bound for the charming 1,200-year-old town of Vilshofen. Along the way, stop in Regensburg for a guided walking tour of one of Germany's best preserved medieval cities. On arrival in Vilshofen, you'll board your luxurious ship, the AmaPrima to begin your Danube River cruise! Later this afternoon, join your fellow passengers at a private "Oktoberfest" celebration in Vilshofen, with traditional beers and Bavarian folk music and dancing. After a rousing afternoon, return to the ship to unpack and relax before enjoying a festive Welcome Dinner. (D)

## **Day 5**

This morning you'll have time to explore Vilshofen's beautiful old town on your own before cruising to Passau. On arrival this afternoon you'll enjoy a walking tour of this 2,000-year-old city, noted for its Gothic and Italian Baroque architecture, cobblestoned streets, and St. Stephan's Cathedral, home to one of the world's largest pipe organs. (B/L/D)

## **Day 6**

The AmaPrima arrives in Linz this morning for a guided walking tour of Austria's second largest city known for its vibrant art and music scene. Then, choose from three other excursions. The first is visit to the Austrian Lake District, the scenic Salzkammergut region. The second option is an excursion to the Czech town of Cesky Krumlov, a wonderfully preserved medieval town nestled in the hills just over the Austrian-Czech border. The third choice is an excursion to Salzburg, Mozart's birthplace, where you will take a walking tour of the historic center made famous by the "Sound of Music." Enjoy free time on your own before returning to the ship. (B/L/D)

## **Day 7**

You'll enjoy a scenic cruise through the narrow Strudengau this morning en route to Melk. On arrival, a guided tour will take you to Melk's magnificent Benedictine Abbey, one of Europe's largest Baroque monasteries and the inspiration for the novel The Name of the Rose. You'll re-board the AmaPrima and continue cruising through the beautiful Wachau Valley to Krems where you will take a motor coach ride to Dürnstein. On your walking tour of this picturesque old town, you'll see the magnificent blue façade of the local abbey

church and the ruins of a castle where Richard the Lionheart was once imprisoned. Tonight, after dinner on board, enjoy a wine tasting at a winery in Krems. (B/L/D)

### **Day 8**

This morning you wake up in Vienna, the city of music! After breakfast, enjoy a city tour of Vienna, where you will see the famous Opera House, the Ringstrasse, and St. Stephen's Cathedral. The afternoon is free to stroll through the historic city center and enjoy this city of Mozart, Beethoven, Strauss and Brahms! The Viennese love Gemütlichkeit (relaxation) so you might just choose to indulge in a Sacher Torte and a Brauner (espresso with milk) as you explore! \*\*\*An optional Mozart and Strauss concert will offered by AmaWaterways this evening. The AmaPrima remains moored in Vienna overnight for those who might want to enjoy an evening stroll along the Danube!

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### **Day 9**

Enjoy a scenic morning cruise to Bratislava where you will set out on a walking tour that includes the Old Town Hall, Mirbach Palace and St. Martin's Cathedral. With one of the smallest historical centers, the charm of Bratislava is undeniable with cobblestoned streets, pedestrian plazas and pastel 18th-century rococo buildings. As an alternative, you might want to take a "Communist" tour that includes such architectural landmarks as the Radio Building, Liberty Square and Soviet War Memorial. Prior to the fall of communism in 1989, Slovakia and the Czech Republic formed the former Czechoslovakia and you'll hear about its history. After your tours, you'll have the remainder of your day free to enjoy Bratislava on your own.

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### **Day 10**

This morning, your sightseeing tour takes you to the historic Buda Castle, which offers a splendid view of the river and the twin cities of Buda and Pest. Your tour also features the Fisherman's Bastion, Royal Palace, St. Stephen's Basilica, and Heroes' Square. After dinner, the ship will sail a special "Illuminations Cruise" past the beautifully illuminated river front of Budapest.

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### **Day 11**

Your cruise comes to an end today. After disembarkation, you'll proceed to the airport for your flight home. Memories of Prague and your Danube Cruise will last a lifetime!

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### **Inclusions**

- Round-trip International Airfare to Prague and returning from Budapest (checked baggage fees are not included)
- 2 nights pre-cruise in Prague
- 7 nights onboard the AmaPrima in your selected stateroom category
- Included shore excursions throughout your river cruise
- All meals while onboard the AmaPrima
- Complimentary beer and wine with lunch and dinner onboard the AmaPrima
- All sightseeing and admissions as listed in the detailed itinerary including tours of Vienna, Bratislava, Budapest, Benedictine Abbey, Krems and more
- Porterage of 1 full size suitcase, per person
- Transfer from Prague to Vilshofen for embarkation and to airport in Budapest
- All taxes, government fees and fuel surcharges

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