

# DANUBE DREAMS RIVER CRUISE

BUDAPEST TO MUNICH WITH



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DAILY ITINERARY (B) BREAKFAST (L) LUNCH (D) DINNER



INDICATES ADDED UNIQUE TOUR

## Tour Choices:

*There will be days when you will have the option to choose your tour! There are three different tour types.*



Active



Classic



Discovery

## September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Today your journey begins. Fly to Europe overnight.

### DAY 1: September 18<sup>th</sup>

#### Welcome to Budapest, Hungary

Upon arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel. The rest of your day in Budapest is free to explore at your leisure.

### DAY 2: September 19<sup>th</sup>

#### Budapest

#### Bites & Highlights of Budapest



Today, immerse yourself in the sights and flavours of Budapest on this unique foodie sightseeing tour. Begin with a walk at a local market, where you will get the opportunity to mingle with locals and sample some local delicacies. Following this local adventure your expert local guide brings you to a famous coffeehouse located in the heart of downtown.

Sit down, sip up a little palinka (schnaps) and enjoy a few of the most well-known Hungarian dishes like goulash soup and langosh, before we hop on a local tram to find the best strudel in the city. What a better way to end this experience than a nice stroll around the impressive building of the Hungarian Parliament. (B)

## DAY 3: September 20<sup>th</sup>

### Budapest

Today is a free day to explore Budapest on your own. (B)

## DAY 4: September 21<sup>st</sup>

### Budapest

#### EMBARKATION

Your Suite Ship is Ready for Boarding

Transfer to the port on for embarkation. Get acquainted with the ship and relax as we overnight in Budapest. (B) (D)

## DAY 5: September 22<sup>nd</sup>

### Budapest

#### The Pearl of the Danube in the Heart of Europe

Visit the Adventure Center for today's activities with your Adventure Host.



#### ACTIVE

Hike up to a magnificent viewpoint in Budapest with your Adventure Host, **OR**:



#### CLASSIC

Enjoy a Guided City Sightseeing, including the iconic Heroes' Square.

This afternoon choose among a wide selection of Optional Guided Excursions or take in the beauty of Budapest while enjoying some free time exploring such famous sights as the Chain Bridge. Get to know the city's cafés and pubs or take a hike through the hills above the Danube. (B) (L) (D)

#### EVENING/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO BRATISLAVA

## DAY 6: September 23<sup>rd</sup>

### Bratislava, Slovakia

#### Cathedral Coronations and a Crowning Castle



#### ACTIVE

Follow your Avalon Adventure Host on a hike to lofty Bratislava Castle, **OR**:



#### CLASSIC

Take a Guided City Walk, including the quaint streets of Old Town, Town Hall, and the sight of royal coronations at St. Martin's Cathedral.

This afternoon, enjoy free time to discover on your own Bratislava, the beautiful capital of Slovakia, rich in history and culture, but also a green city with its forests and parks just a hop away from the city center. (B) (L) (D)

#### OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO VIENNA

## DAY 7: September 24<sup>th</sup>

### Vienna



#### ACTIVE

Explore Vienna's Danube Island by bike with your Adventure Host, OR:



#### CLASSIC

Explore the Habsburg empire with a morning Guided City Tour of Vienna's gilded landmarks. See the Imperial Palace complex—Winter residence of the Imperial Family, the iconic Vienna Opera House and stunning St. Stephen's Cathedral, OR:



#### CLASSIC

After a short walk of Vienna, join a Guided Visit of Austria's largest museum, the legendary Kunsthistorisches Museum (Museum of Fine Arts).

You may decide to take a Guided Optional Excursion to Schönbrunn Palace—the former imperial summer home of the Habsburg monarchy.

Spend free time strolling in the pedestrian Kärntnerstrasse—the most famous shopping avenue in central Vienna, or take a bike ride through the city and stop in a local café to enjoy of Sachertorte or Apfelstrudel.



This evening, enjoy an unforgettable musical performance to attend a Royal Waltz Concert in an elegant hall. (B) (L) (D)

### OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO DÜRNSTEIN

## DAY 8: September 25<sup>th</sup>

### Dürnstein – Wachau Valley – YBBS. Excursion to Melk

#### A King's Ransom and Castle Ruins

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.



#### ACTIVE

Join a Guided Hike up to the castle ruins to take in the spectacular view of the village, Danube, and the Wachau Valley below, OR:



#### CLASSIC

Join a Guided Walk and hear the legendary tale of King Richard the Lionheart—who was imprisoned in the castle during the Crusades.

**Later, stretch out on the Sky Deck as you sail through the Wachau Valley past vineyards, castles, and charming villages on your way to Ybbs.**



#### ACTIVE

Alternatively join your Adventure Host for a bike along the river.

### YBBS. EXCURSION TO MELK

#### Frescoes Above and Vineyards Below



#### CLASSIC

Visit the Lower Austrian little town of Ybbs. Walk through the doors of Austrian history with a guided sightseeing tour of Artstetten Castle, OR:

Take a Guided Tour of Melk's magnificent Benedictine Abbey to marvel at its frescoed ceilings, statues, incredible library, and ornate pipe organ. (B) (L) (D)

## EVENING/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO LINZ

### DAY 9: September 26<sup>th</sup>

#### Linz

##### Legendary, Lovely Linz

Ask about today's energizing or relaxing Adventure Host activities.



##### CLASSIC

Take a Guided Walk through the city's historic and beautiful sites along the shore of the Danube and see Hauptplatz—Austria's largest medieval square—and the towering white-marble Trinity Column.



##### ACTIVE

Experience Danube's cycle path, follow your Adventure Host for a bike ride around the area of Linz.

Alternatively, consider a full-day Guided Optional Excursion to Salzburg—the city of Mozart—or to the picturesque Bohemian town of Cesky Krumlov. (B) (L) (D)

##### OVERNIGHT DOCKING IN LINZ

### DAY 10: September 27<sup>th</sup>

#### Schlögen Oxbow – Passau, Germany

##### Where the Danube, Inn, and Ilz Rivers Meet

This morning, cruise through the Schlögen Oxbow, a particularly beautiful horseshoe-shaped bend of the river.



##### ACTIVE

Join your Avalon Adventure Host for Hiking from Oberhaus along a trail down to the valley and along Ilz River, OR:



##### CLASSIC

Take a Guided City Walk into Passau, the beautiful “City of Three Rivers.”

Before sailing to Vilshofen, take a little free time to explore Passau's cobblestone streets and galleries of Artists' Alley. Maybe stop at St. Stephen's Cathedral to catch a concert rehearsal. (B) (L) (D)

##### EVENING/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO VILSHOFEN

### DAY 11: September 28<sup>th</sup>

#### Vilshofen – Munich

##### DISEMBARKATION

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning. After disembarkation, the group will take a 2-hour private motor coach to Munich, Germany. Upon arrival we will check-in to the hotel. The remainder of the day is at leisure. (B)

## **DAY 12: September 29<sup>th</sup>**

Munich



Prost! Today we will visit the famous Oktoberfest fairgrounds. The group will have a reserved table with lunch included in one of the beer tents. Enjoy live music, singing, German cuisine and more! (B) (L)

## **DAY 13: September 30<sup>th</sup>**

Munich



This morning and afternoon are at leisure.

Tonight, enjoy a farewell dinner with your fellow travellers at the Hofbräuhaus. (B) (D)

## **DAY 14: October 1<sup>st</sup>**

Munich – Canada

Your vacation ends this morning with breakfast. After breakfast, the group will be transferred to the airport for your return flight to Canada. (B)

*\*Daily itinerary is subject to change*

