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# From the Danube Delta to Prague - Westbound

20 Day River Cruise from Bucharest to Prague

## Vacation Overview

Start this incredible journey in Bucharest, Romania, sail to the mouth of the Danube where it flows into the Black Sea, explore the Danube Delta, visit many exciting cities along the Danube River, and end with three overnights in the fascinating city of Prague, Czech Republic.

Romania's lively capital, Bucharest, is known for its wide, tree-lined boulevards and historical treasures. With guided sightseeing, you'll see the Arc de Triomphe—built in honor of WWI soldiers—and the historical Royal Palace Square. Travel to Fetesti and set sail for the mouth of the Danube River. Enjoy guided sightseeing in Constanta and Bulgaria's ancient capital of Veliko Tarnovo. Visit the Ethnographical Museum and Church of the Nativity in Arbanassi; take pictures of Belogradchik's eclectic rock formations and the spectacular scenery of the Iron Gates. A local expert introduces you to Serbia's capital, Belgrade, home of the world's largest Orthodox Church. In Pecs, Hungary, visit the Underground Tombs, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Budapest, Hungary's lively capital, has eight bridges connecting Buda on the right with Pest on the left, and you'll want to walk across Chain Bridge, a symbol of the city. In Vienna, Austria's magical capital, revel in the sights of Hofburg Palace, the Vienna Opera House, and many more. In Melk, Austria, visit the magnificent 11th-century Benedictine Abbey and enjoy a tasting of the Wachau Valley's famous wines. There's guided sightseeing in Passau, Regensburg, and Nuremberg, and you'll get a taste of German sausages and beer.

Your Danube River cruise vacation concludes in the "Golden City" of Prague, one of Europe's best-preserved medieval cities. See the many historical treasures, such as Old Town's Astronomical Clock, built in 1410, and once the envy of all Europe.

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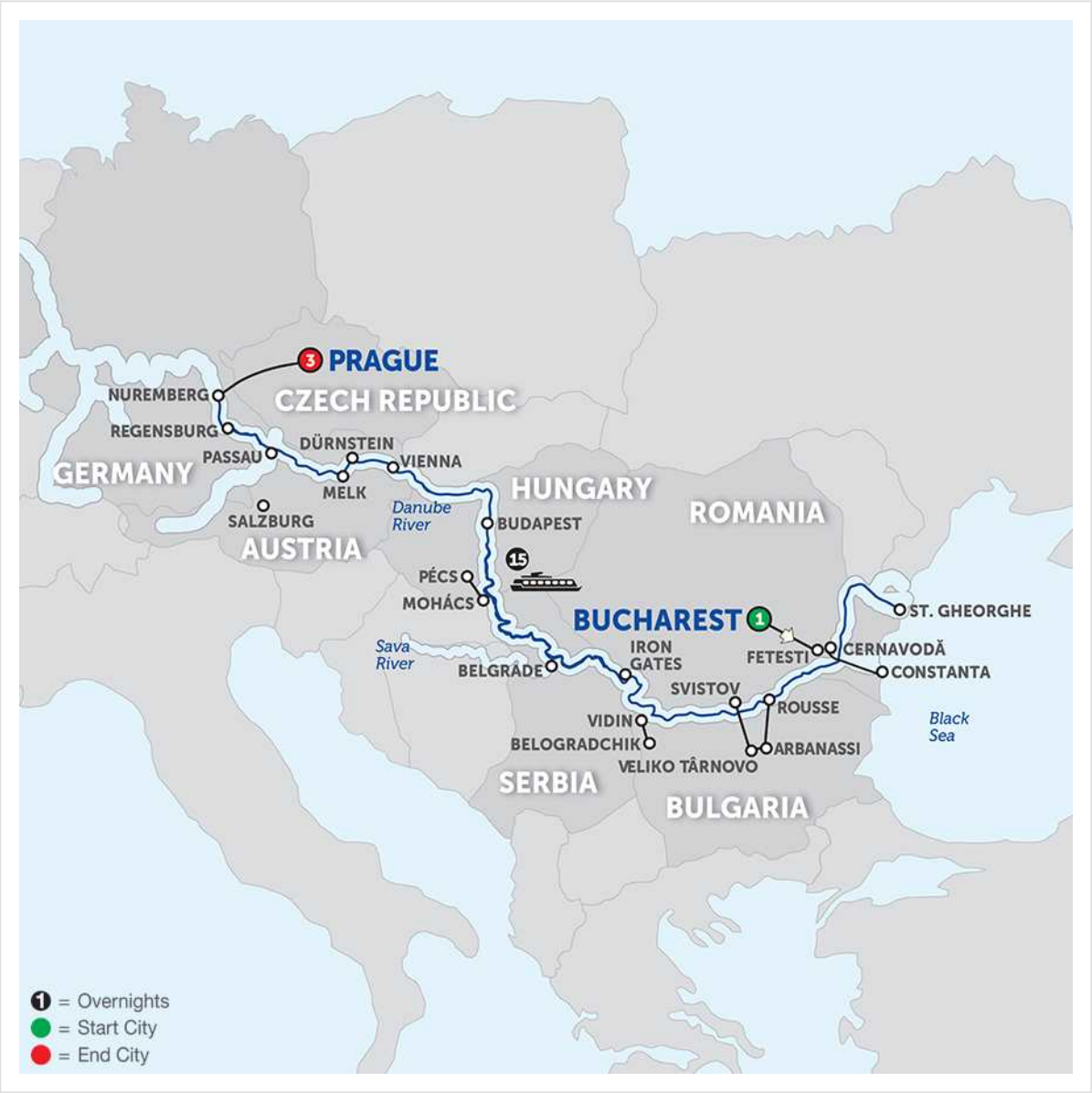


## Itinerary

### Day 1 Arrive in Bucharest, Romania

Welcome to Bucharest! The remainder of the day is free to start exploring this fascinating city.

### Day 2 Bucharest–Fetesti (Embarkation)

Much recent history has taken place in Romania's capital city, and its wide, tree-lined boulevards and Arc de Triomphe—built in 1922 to honor the bravery of Romanian soldiers who fought in WWI—have gained it the name "Paris of the East." During your INCLUDED TOUR this morning, see the main sights including Royal Palace Square, the scene of riots in 1989, which led to the collapse of the communist dictatorship. Later a motorcoach ride takes you to Fetesti, where your river cruise vessel is docked. Before dinner, meet your crew at a welcome reception.

Breakfast Dinner

### Day 3 St. Gheorghe. Danube Delta Excursion

This morning during breakfast, dock in St. Gheorghe, from where the excursion into the DELTA will start. A UNESCO World Heritage Site and the best preserved of Europe's deltas, this area hosts over 300 species of birds as well as 45 species of freshwater fish. From its source in the Black Forest to its delta at the Black Sea, the Danube measures 2,845 kilometers in length. The Km markings can be clearly seen on the river banks the length of the river. Depart St. Gheorghe during lunch and enjoy a small CELEBRATION to mark Km "0"—the end of the Danube's journey. This afternoon, enjoy a chance to relax and to learn more about the fascinating Delta at an ONBOARD LECTURE.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

### Day 4 Cernavoda. Excursion to Constanta

From Cernavodă, an excursion takes you to Constanta on the Black Sea, the most important commercial center in Romania. A CERTIFIED LOCAL GUIDE shows you the highlights of this city and a visit of the NATIONAL HISTORY & ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUM is included. This afternoon, relax on board as you cruise to Rousse.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

### Day 5 Rousse, Bulgaria. Excursion to Veliko Târnovo & Arbanassi–Svistov

Dock this morning in Rousse, Bulgaria's largest inland port. A comfortable motorcoach ride away is the ancient Bulgarian capital of Veliko Târnovo. Situated on three hills surrounding the Yantra River, the city was a natural fortress with ancient stone houses clinging to the steep slopes. The oldest part is Tsarevets Hill, home of the ROYAL FORTRESS, and the Patriarch's Church. With your Local Guide, discover this town that played an important role in Bulgaria's history. Then, journey to Arbanassi. Founded in the 15th century, the historic village of Arbanassi is best known for its examples of Bulgarian Revival architecture and its ETHNOGRAPHICAL MUSEUM, a 400-year-old house preserved as a museum. Visit the CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY, one of the oldest churches in Arbanassi, and see its outstanding collection of frescoes. If you do not wish to participate in the full-day excursion, you may choose to remain on board and join an INCLUDED SIGHTSEEING TOUR of Rousse after breakfast. At lunchtime, sail for Svistov, where excursion participants will rejoin the ship.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

### Day 6 Vidin. Excursion to Belogradchik

Today, enjoy a leisurely morning of sailing before arriving in Vidin, an important Danube port in northwestern Bulgaria. Its medieval FORTRESS, known as "Baba Vidin," is the town's primary landmark. It served as Vidin's main defensive installation during the course of the Middle Ages and is the only entirely preserved medieval fortress in the country. It is now a fortress museum and has been restored to its former appearance. In nearby Belogradchik, view the eclectic group of ROCK FORMATIONS on the western slopes of the Balkan Mountains. Sculpted by natural elements for more than 200 million years and with a variety of sizes and shapes, the Belogradchik Rocks are spectacular!

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

### Day 7 Iron Gates. Excursion to Lepenski Vir, Serbia

The most spectacular scenery must surely be the dramatic gorge of the IRON GATES, a narrow and formerly very dangerous passage dividing Europe's Alps in the northwest from the Carpathians in the southeast and forming a natural border between Serbia and Romania. After lunch dock at Donji Milanovac from where a short drive takes you to the impressive LEPENSKI VIR EXHIBITION CENTER housing archaeological artifacts found in this area and from where you have unique views of the Danube Gorge.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

### Day 8 Belgrade

Early today, arrive in Belgrade. One of the oldest cities in Europe, the capital of Serbia is situated at the confluence of the Danube and Sava Rivers. A Local Guide will be proud to show you its main sights, including St. Sava, the world's largest orthodox church. In your free time, be sure to check out the city's lively pedestrian area and charming outdoor cafés. Perhaps visit one of the many art galleries or museums, or browse the local shops. Stroll through Belgrade's largest and most beautiful park which surrounds the city's principal landmark, Kalemegdan Fortress, and gaze down at the confluence of the Danube and Sava Rivers.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

### Day 9 Mohács, Hungary. Excursion to Pécs

Relax on board this morning before arriving in Mohács, the first stop in Hungary. After lunch, an included excursion takes you to Pécs. Established by the Romans in the 2nd century, this was a flourishing and important town for Christianity by the 4th century. These early Christians left behind many underground burial chambers with memorial chapels above ground. With a Local Guide, visit the UNDERGROUND TOMBS—now part of a UNESCO World Heritage Site—many of which have splendidly decorated murals with Christian themes. Later, enjoy an ORGAN CONCERT. Pécs is also a rich showcase of Turkish architecture and home to Turkish mosques, striking churches, and an enjoyable atmosphere around its restaurants and cafés.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

### Day 10 Budapest

This morning you arrive in Budapest. Spanning the banks of the Danube, Hungary's capital is one of Eastern Europe's liveliest cities. Whether you're seeing the sights, shopping for handcrafted embroidery or Herend porcelain, or basking in the coffee house culture over a rich cream cake in the renowned Gerbeaud Café, Budapest's unique energy is positively palatable. On an INCLUDED TOUR with your Local Guide, see Heroes Square as well as the massive hilltop castle complex with its remarkable Fishermen's Bastion—with spectacular views of the city—and 11th-century Matthias Church, the coronation spot of several Hungarian monarchs. Be sure to take note of the city's eight bridges—many famous sights in and of themselves—which connect ancient Buda on the right bank with Pest on the left. You may even want to walk across Chain Bridge, built in 1849 and a symbol of Budapest.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

### Day 11 Budapest–Vienna, Austria

Enjoy a day of relaxation on board and marvel at the beautiful scenery on both banks of the Danube. Hungary is on your left as you cruise upriver and Slovakia is on your right. The two countries share the Danube for a 58-mile stretch, with the border in the middle of the river. This evening, arrive in Vienna, Austria's capital. Known as the "City of Music," it inspired the creative genius of Mozart, Beethoven, and Strauss. An optional concert is available during your stay.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

### Day 12 Vienna

Once the center of the mighty Habsburg Empire, Austria's magical capital on the blue Danube is a showcase of gilded architecture. This is home to the lavish Hofburg Imperial Palace complex with its Vienna Boys' Choir and dazzling Lipizzaner stallions; the neo-renaissance Vienna Opera House; and awe-inspiring St. Stephen's Cathedral—plus, countless other sights your LOCAL GUIDE will show you during an included CITY SIGHTSEEING TOUR. Stroll through the delightful pedestrian Kärntnerstrasse, and be sure to take a break and enjoy a piece of decadent Sachertorte or Apfelstrudel in one of the classic Viennese coffee houses, historic institutions that helped shape Viennese culture!

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

### Day 13 Dürnstein–Melk

Dürnstein, known for the magnificent baroque, blue Stiftskirche built in the 1700s, is right in the heart of the Wachau wine region. The main street of this small town—with a population of less than 1,000 people—is lined with 16th-century homes and charming cobblestone streets. This morning your Local Guide will take you on an included WALKING TOUR and tell you the tale of England's King Richard the Lionheart, who was imprisoned in the castle whose ruins still stand above the town. During lunchtime, sail the picturesque Wachau Valley and arrive in Melk in the early afternoon. Here, enjoy a GUIDED VISIT of the magnificent 11th-century BENEDICTINE ABBEY, one of Europe's largest monasteries. The abbey houses an ornate library with over 80,000 printed books and 2,000 manuscripts. You'll be captivated by the splendor of the church with its frescoed ceilings, stunning high altar, marble statues, and 210-foot-high cupola. The view from the terrace over the Danube and surrounding countryside is breathtaking! This evening, sample some of the Wachau Valley's FAMOUS WINES.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

### Day 14 Passau, Germany

Today, you might wish to choose from a couple of full-day optional excursions: to Salzburg, taking in some of The Sound of Music sights or to medieval Český Krumlov in the Czech Republic, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Alternatively, you may choose to stay on the ship and relax as you cruise to Passau, uniquely located where the Inn, Ilz, and Danube Rivers converge. Passau is a maze of narrow cobblestone streets lined with beautiful patrician houses and dominated by St. Stephen's Cathedral, a masterpiece of Italian baroque architecture. Take in the highlights on the included GUIDED WALK.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

### Day 15 Regensburg

Dating back to the time of the Celts around 500 BC, Regensburg is one of Germany's best preserved medieval cities. Established during the Holy Roman Empire and the only German city not bombed during WWII, Regensburg has at least 1,300 listed buildings of historic interest. Architectural highlights of your GUIDED WALK include the Altes Rathaus (Old Town Hall), built in the 13th century, and Porta Pretoria, gates to an ancient Roman fort built in 179 AD. Wander through the city's lanes and alleys to discover the many mansions with high towers. Wealthy families built these towers to emphasize their status and wealth during the Middle Ages, and many still remain today. Walk across the 12th-century Steinerne Brücke (Stone Bridge), the oldest of its kind in Germany. Grab a beer and enjoy an included SNACK at the 17th-century Historische Wurstküche (Old Sausage Kitchen), one of Germany's oldest restaurants. Here—where the locals congregate—feel the vibrant atmosphere and take in the remarkable views along the river. Before dinner, we'll introduce you to some of Germany's FAMOUS BEERS.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

### Day 16 Nuremberg

Although 90% of Nuremberg's Old Town suffered extensive damage during WWII, much of it has been restored to the glory it once knew as the unofficial capital of the Holy Roman Empire. This afternoon, choose a GUIDED SIGHTSEEING TOUR and marvel at this thousand-year-old city's medieval fortifications, extraordinary gothic churches, and the Kaiserburg (Imperial Castle), or join a more specialized "NUREMBERG RALLY GROUNDS" tour.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

### Day 17 Nuremberg (Disembarkation)–Prague, Czech Republic

After breakfast, say goodbye to your crew and travel by motorcoach to Prague, the "Golden City."

Breakfast

### Day 18 Prague

Prague is a 1,200-year-old city preserved in time, and, unlike other Central European capitals, it was not bombed during the 20th-century wars. A LOCAL GUIDE shows you its best-known treasures, such as the Old Town's Astronomical Clock, built in 1410 and once the envy of all of Europe; HRADČANY CASTLE GROUNDS; St. Vitus Cathedral; and the Charles Bridge, the oldest bridge in Prague. Browse the shops for hand-cut crystal or art books. Mix with the locals in Wenceslas Square, an important meeting point where people demonstrated against the communist regime; or watch performers on Charles Bridge.

Breakfast

### Day 19 Prague

Enjoy a free day to explore the city at your own pace. Perhaps visit the Communist Museum or take an optional excursion around the Jewish Quarter. Sample the local plum dumplings and Pilsner, or stroll along the Vltava River. Your Cruise Director will have other suggestions for things to do.

Breakfast

### Day 20 Prague

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning.

Breakfast

## Vacation Highlights

**Day 1 Bucharest:** welcome to Burcharest

**Day 2 Bucharest–Fetesti (Embarkation):** guided sightseeing in Bucharest; onboard welcome reception

**Day 3 St. Gheorghe:** excursion to Danube Delta; Km 0 celebration; onboard lecture

**Day 4 Cernavodă:** excursion to Constanta; guided sightseeing, visit the National History & Archaeological Museum

**Day 5 Rousse. Excursion to Veliko Târnovo & Arbanassi:** guided sightseeing, visit Tsarevets Fortress in Veliko Târnovo, and the Ethnographical Museum and Church of the Nativity in Arbanassi; or guided sightseeing of Rousse

**Day 6 Vidin–Belogradchik:** guided sightseeing to Vidin's fortress; excursion to Belogradchik to see the rock formations

**Day 7 Iron Gates:** cruise through the Iron Gates gorge; visit Lepenski Vir archaeological exhibition

**Day 8 Belgrade:** guided sightseeing

**Day 9 Mohács:** excursion to Pécs, organ concert

**Day 10 Budapest:** guided sightseeing, see Fishermen's Bastion

**Day 11 Budapest–Vienna:** cruising

**Day 12 Vienna:** guided sightseeing

**Day 13 Dürnstein–Melk:** guided walk in Dürnstein, see the Stiftskirche; guided visit of the Benedictine Abbey; wine tasting

**Day 14 Passau:** guided walk

**Day 15 Regensburg:** guided walk; enjoy a snack at the Historische Wurstküche; beer tasting

**Day 16 Nuremberg:** choice of guided sightseeing or Nuremberg Rally Grounds tour

**Day 17 Nuremberg (Disembarkation)–Prague:** travel to Prague

**Days 18-19 Prague:** guided sightseeing, see the Astronomical Clock and visit Hradčany Castle grounds; free time

**Day 20 Prague:** your vacation ends this morning

- Departure October 24 (Budapest-Prague portion only) is offered as an exclusive Wine Appreciation Cruise, including special features and tastings at no additional cost. Your palate will applaud as you learn what to look for in a good wine. A distinguished wine authority will teach you the ropes as you visit a wine village and attend tastings to test your newfound talent.
- In the event of water level problems or any problems of a technical nature, it may be necessary to operate the itinerary by motorcoach or to alter the program.
- Included visits and special features are subject to change. If a change is necessary, a substitute will be offered.
- Please check visa requirements with your local consulate(s); responsibility for obtaining visas rests with the traveler.

## Hotels

### Bucharest

## Athenee Palace Hilton

Hotel as shown or similar

**Superior First-Class**

Explore Bucharest from the glorious Athenee Palace Hilton Bucharest hotel, one of the city's most sophisticated and prestigious landmarks. The hotel is conveniently located in the heart of the city and enjoys views of Revolution Square and is close to Bucharest's many local attractions.

### Prague

## Hilton Prague

Hotel as shown or similar

### Superior First-Class

Striking Atrium-style 11-story Hotel located in city center, on the right bank of Vltava River, near Nove Mesto & Josefov.

## Art Deco Imperial Hotel

### Deluxe

An historic 126-room ornate property oozing old world glamour with architecture dating back to 1913. Free Wi-Fi access is available throughout the property. This hotel is home to the famous Cafe Imperial which specializes in traditional Czech cuisine with a modern twist and there is also a fashionable bar for drinks and snacks. The Spa offers a sauna, steam room as well as a fitness center.

## InterContinental Praha

Hotel as shown or similar

### Superior First-Class

Contemporary 9-story Hotel situated in old Jewish Quarter, across the road from the Vltava River.

### Excursions

Bucharest
Packages
Belgrade
Budapest
Vienna
Passau
Regensburg
Prague

# Bucharest

**Bucharest**

### Romanian Parliament

Visit Bucharest¿s colossal Palace of the Parliament, the second-largest and most expensive administrative building and heaviest building in the world, on this mesmerizing guided excursion.

Price Range: $$

# Packages

### Packages

### Celebration Packages

Celebrating a birthday or anniversary while you're cruising? Add an Avalon Celebration Package to your vacation. You can make your special day even more memorable with special touches ranging from flowers to a private cocktail reception.

Price Range: $$$$

# Belgrade

### Belgrade

**Discover Serbia¿s Countryside**
Discover Eastern Europe¿s Old World traditions and culture as you visit northern Serbia¿s Vojvodina area in the scenic Carpathian Basin.

Price Range: $$

# Budapest

**Budapest**

**Discover the Hungarian Puszta**
Travel into the heart of the Puszta to an authentic horse ranch, where a breathtaking equestrian show, carriage ride, and hearty Hungarian lunch with Gypsy music await!

Price Range: $$

# Vienna

**Vienna**

**Classical Concert**
Enjoy an unforgettable evening of world-famous classical arias, waltzes, polkas, marches, and operetta, performed by a brilliant costumed cast of top European singers and the Original Vienna Salon Orchestra.

Price Range: $$

**Schönbrunn Palace, Crown Jewel of Vienna**
Visit magnificent Schönbrunn Palace, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and former summer residence of the Habsburg imperial family.

Price Range: $$

# Passau

**Passau**

**Southern Bohemia**
Travel to Southern Bohemia, which calls itself the "pearl of the Czech Republic" and enjoy this unique region visiting their impressive age-old towns full of life and culture and its beautiful countryside.

Price Range: $$$

**Sound of Music Tour**
Follow in the footsteps of Maria von Trapp and ¿The Sound of Music¿ film locations on this unforgettable half-day excursion through Salzburg and its majestic alpine surroundings.

Price Range: $$$

# Regensburg

**Regensburg**

### Weltenburg Abbey Visit

Visit Bavarian's oldest monastery, 7th-century Weltenburg Abbey, with its stunning setting in the Danube Gorge, splendid interior, and the oldest monastic brewery in the world!

Price Range: $$

# Prague

### Prague

### Prague Food and Cultural Tour

Join us as we experience the rich cuisine, the fascinating culture, and the ancient history of Prague, one of Europe's more picturesque and storied cities. Walk through Prague's back streets with an expert local food & historical guide to uncover the best local food spots and meet the people behind the food. You will learn about Czech culture and understand what it is like to live in this fascinating and ancient European city. As we walk from one food tasting stop to the next we will be discovering some of Prague's most fascinating off-the-beaten-path sites like Beethoven's former home, local sculptor David Cerny's most fascinating works, and architectural-wonders that you shouldn't miss.

Price Range: $$

**Czech Dinner**
A typical Czech meal in a famous wine restaurant to experience the real Prague atmosphere.

Price Range: $$

**Terezin Concentration Camp Visit**
Prepare for a moving encounter with Terezin, a magnificent 18th-century Austrian fortress with a terrible past. This guided excursion reveals the tragic suffering that took place under the brutal Nazi regime at what became the Terezín Concentration Camp.

Price Range: $$

**Wonders & Wines of Castle Melník**

Travel into the Bohemian wine country for an engaging guided visit of medieval Castle M¿lník and a tasting of the locally produced wines!

Price Range: $$

**Discover Prague's Hidden Treasures**

Walk with an expert guide around Prague¿s Charles Bridge and ancient Malá Strana district on the Left Bank of the Vltava River to discover the city¿s tucked-away treasures.

Price Range: $

## Dates and Prices

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**The price listed does not include your airfare, taxes or fees. Once you click "Reserve Now", you will be able to receive an air quote and a final cruise quote.**

| Vacation Start Date | Vacation End Date | Departure Number | Ship | Deluxe Stateroom Category D, E | Panorama Suite Category A, B, P | Royal Suite | Photos displayed represent the first ship in the list. Visit the Ship Details tab to view other ship photos (when applicable). |
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| 06/13/18 | 07/02/18 | 80613 | Passion | Sold Out | Sold Out | Sold Out | |
| 07/11/18 | 07/30/18 | 80711 | Passion | Sold Out | Sold Out | Sold Out | |
| 08/29/18 | 09/17/18 | 80829 | Illumination | Sold Out | Sold Out | Sold Out | |
| 09/19/18 | 10/08/18 | 80919 | Passion | Sold Out | Sold Out | Sold Out | |
| 10/17/18 | 11/05/18 | 81017 | Passion | Sold Out | ~~$9,438~~ $8,438 | Sold Out | |
| 10/24/18 | 11/12/18 | 81024 | Illumination | Sold Out | ~~$8,931~~ $7,681 | Sold Out | Special Interest |

Prices shown are "starting at" prices and do not include airfare.

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**From the Danube Delta to Prague for Wine Lovers** - 10/24/2018
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$360

Gratuities to Local Guides & Excursion Drivers are included.

**Please call for single accommodation price. Triples not available.**

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in single room from $145 to $225, in twin room from $75 to $125

**Extra nights per person in Prague:**
in single room from $190 to $310, in twin room from $110 to $165

Prices shown include cruise in Category E in a deluxe outside stateroom on Indigo Deck.

To upgrade to a higher category, add per person:

**Luminary**
**Category / Decks / Price**
B / Sapphire Deck / $1,391
A / Sapphire Deck / $1,498
P / Royal Deck / $1,712
Avalon Suite / Royal Deck / $3,212

**Passion / Illumination**
**Category / Decks / Price**
D / Indigo Deck / $426
B / Sapphire Deck / $2,462
A / Sapphire Deck / $2,569
P / Royal Deck / $2,784
Royal Suite / Royal Deck / $4,284

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