



## ROMANTIC DANUBE

11 - DAY RIVER CRUISE TOUR FROM PRAGUE TO BUDAPEST

AUGUST 21 TO 31, 2024

**ACCOMPANIED BY EVA D OF ZOOMER RADIO AM740**

HOSTED BY CAROLINE GRANT OF CH - CLARKSON TRAVEL

Those longing for the romance of Old World Europe will get to travel into the very heart of the continent, where empires were built, kings and queens were crowned and some of the world's greatest music was composed and performed by the likes of Mozart and Beethoven. Grand European cities like Vienna, Bratislava and Budapest forever remain timeless. Admire the beauty of Salzburg and the Czech Republic's charming capital city Prague.



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## BRIEF ITINERARY



- DAY 1: ARRIVE IN PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC**
- DAY 2: PRAGUE**
- DAY 3: PRAGUE**
- DAY 4: TRANSFER TO REGENSBURG & VILSHOFEN, GERMANY**
- DAY 5: VILSHOFEN TO PASSAU**
- DAY 6: LINZ, AUSTRIA TO SALZBURG, AUSTRIA**
- DAY 7: SCENIC CRUISING & WEISSENKIRCHEN, AUSTRIA**
- DAY 8: VIENNA, AUSTRIA**
- DAY 9: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA**
- DAY 10: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY**
- DAY 11: BUDAPEST - END OF TOUR - DISEMBARKATION**



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## DAY 1, AUG 21 PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

Arrive in Prague and check-in to your hotel.

**Accommodations:** 5\* Prague Marriott Hotel (or similar), 3 nights

## DAY 2, AUG 22 PRAGUE

Experience the wonders of Prague and its historic city center that is a recognized UNESCO World Heritage Site on your city tour or you can hike to the grand castle. See Rudolfinum and the Hundertwasser Dancing House. Visit the 1,000-year-old Prague Castle and St. Vitus before walking over the romantic Charles Bridge to the Old Market Square.

**Meals: B**

## DAY 3, AUG 23 PRAGUE

Beer has a long and illustrious history in the Czech Republic with the first brewery known to have existed in 993. Pilsner Urquell was created in 1842, being the first Pilsner ever made, whilst Budweiser came into being in the city of Budweis. Beer is a core part of the country's national identity, so much so the Czechs are the biggest consumers of beer in the world. The country is home to more than 100 breweries with a combination of big names and micro establishments offering a huge range of styles, so join a Czech beer tasting and discover for yourself what makes the Czech's beer some of the very best in the world. (B)

\*Czech beer tasting may take place on Day 2 or Day 3 of this itinerary.

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#### **DAY 4, AUG 24 PRAGUE - REGENSBURG - VILSHOFEN - EMBARKATION**

Depart from Prague via motorcoach and enjoy a stop in Regensburg, one of Germany's best preserved medieval cities and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, which you'll discover on a guided walking tour showcasing the city's architectural highlights, including the Old Town Hall and the Porta Praetoria. After touring Regensburg, continue your journey on to Vilshofen, where you will board your luxury cruise ship. **(B,D)**

#### **DAY 5, AUG 25 VILSHOFEN - PASSAU**

Explore Vilshofen's beautiful old town before cruising to Passau, known as the "City of Three Rivers." Join a walking tour or if you prefer to be more active, hike high into the hills for a visit to the "Veste Oberhaus," Passau's Castle Hill; or go on a River Inn bike tour. **(B,L,D)**

#### **DAY 6, AUG 26 LINZ**

The ship arrives in Linz where you'll have several choices of excursions. For those who love The Sound of Music, enjoy a full-day excursion to Salzburg and tour the historic center, Mirabell Gardens, Residenz Square and the Old Market. En route to Salzburg, stop at Mondsee, home of the Basilica St. Michael, where the famous wedding scene in the movie was filmed. You may also choose to join a full-day excursion to the charming Czech mountain town of Český Krumlov, where you can stroll its cobblestone streets; marvel at the city's picturesque Baroque and Renaissance-style buildings; and tour Krumlov Castle, one of Europe's largest castle complexes. Alternatively, join a walking tour through the old city center of Linz and by the Mozart House; or bike along the city's famed "Cultural Mile" and the Danube. **(B,L,D)**

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**DAY 7, AUG 27 SCENIC CRUISING - WEISSENKIRCHEN**

Cruise through the Strudengau and Wachau valleys to Weissenkirchen, gateway to Dürnstein. Once here, you can choose to join a walking tour in Dürnstein along its cobblestone streets to the Baroque Stiftskirche, and then visit Melk’s magnificent Benedictine Abbey. For the more active adventurer, you can opt to hike up to the fortress where Richard the Lionheart was once held, or take a bike ride along the Danube through the Wachau Valley. As an alternative excursion, visit a local apricot grower, where you’ll enjoy the region’s finest apricot treats. Later in the evening, enjoy a special wine tasting of locally grown, world-renowned Riesling and Grüner Veltliner in Weissenkirchen. **(B,L,D)**

**DAY 8, AUG 28 VIENNA**

The “City of Waltzes” offers a treasure trove of gems and your city tour showcases them, including the majestic Opera House and the former Imperial Palace. Your tour concludes in the historic city center with a visit to St. Stephen’s Cathedral. Or if you prefer a more active tour, take a guided bike ride through Vienna. During the afternoon, enjoy leisure time to further explore this iconic city. **(B,L,D)**

**DAY 9, AUG 29 BRATISLAVA**

Host to the crowning ceremonies of 11 Hungarian kings and queens between 1536 and 1830, Bratislava certainly has earned the title “Coronation City of Kings,” as you’ll discover during your walking tour. Or join a special “Tastes of Slovakia” tour. For a more active adventure, hike up to Bratislava Castle, offering magnificent views of the city. **(B,L,D)**

**DAY 10, AUG 30 BUDAPEST**

Your city tour begins at Budapest’s Great Market Hall, where you’ll discover plenty of delicious food and shopping. Afterwards, you’ll visit both the Buda (hilly) and Pest (flat) sides of the Danube River. You’ll see the 19th-century Chain Bridge, which connects the Buda district with Pest; and the UNESCO- designated Castle Hill district, which contains some of Budapest’s most important medieval monuments and museums. As an alternative choice, you can hike up to Castle Hill for breathtaking views of the city below. **(B,L,D)**

**DAY 11, AUG 31 BUDAPEST - DISEMBARKATION**

Disembark the ship as you prepare for your flight home. **(B)**



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## OUR HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

### 5\* PRAGUE MARRIOTT HOTEL



Plan an unforgettable visit to one of the world's most fascinating cities! The **Prague Marriott Hotel** welcomes you to the Czech Republic with modern elegance and unparalleled service. Its beautifully designed rooms and suites provide a home away from home, with renovated decor, deluxe pillow top mattresses, high-speed Wi-Fi and flat-screen TVs. Treat yourself to a perfectly cooked meal at **The Artisan** restaurant or enjoy a coffee at **The Artisan Corner**, our hotel's on-site coffee lounge.

Stay energized during your Prague visit with a workout in the gym as well. Explore **Old Town Prague** city centre from this ideally situated hotel near **Old Town Square**, the **Charles Bridge** and other legendary attractions.



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# THE LUXURIOUS AMALEA



Designed with a soft palette of elegant pale pinks and blues and appointed with our signature twin balconies in most staterooms, AmaLea is a sleek river ship created with luxury yachts in mind. A host of comforts and conveniences fill her decks, including a massage and hair salon, gift shop and specialty coffee station. The relaxing Sun Deck features a heated pool as well as a swim-up bar, while the vibrant Main Lounge provides an exhilarating stage for nightly performances. Enjoy an evening dining experience like no other at The Chef's Table, where rustic wooden floors, contemporary lighting and a glass-enclosed kitchen combine to form the stunning backdrop for your gastronomic entertainment. And with a walking track on the Sun Deck, a fitness room and a fleet of onboard bicycles, you'll have everything needed to stay active and healthy while sailing Europe's great rivers.





## STATEROOMS AND FARES

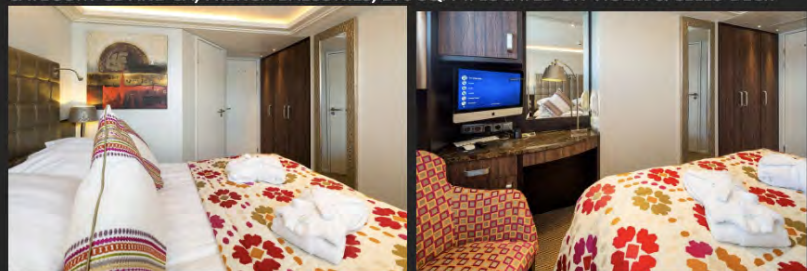
CATEGORIES E & D; FIXED WINDOWS, 160 SQ. FT. LOCATED ON THE PIANO DECK



**Category E:**  
double occupancy: \$7100 pp  
single occupancy: \$9255

**Category D:**  
double occupancy: \$7300 pp  
single occupancy: \$9500

CATEGORY CB AND CA, FRENCH BALCONIES, 170 SQ. FT. LOCATED ON VIOLIN & CELLO DECK



**Category CB:**  
double occupancy: \$7700 pp  
Single occupancy: \$11550

**Category CA:**  
double occupancy: \$7950 pp  
single occupancy: \$11925

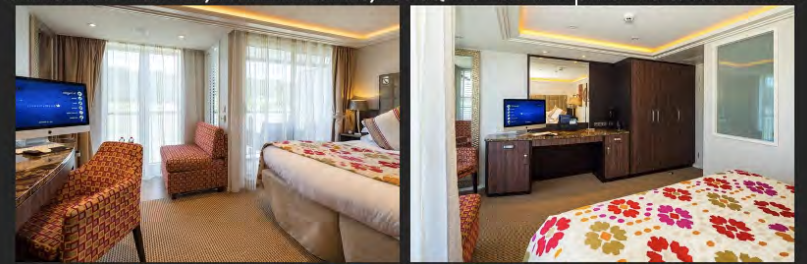
CATEGORY BB AND BA, TWIN BALCONIES, 210 SQ. FT. LOCATED ON CELLO & VIOLIN DECK



**Category BB:**  
double occupancy: \$8310 pp  
single occupancy: \$12465

**Category BA:**  
double occupancy: \$8450 pp  
single occupancy: \$12675

CATEGORY AB AND AA, TWIN BALCONIES, 235 SQ. FT. LOCATED ON CELLO & VIOLIN DECK



**Category AB:**  
double occupancy: \$8570 pp  
single occupancy: \$12855

**Category AA:**  
double occupancy: \$8700 pp  
single occupancy: \$13050

CATEGORY SUITE, TWIN BALCONIES, 350 SQ. FT. LOCATED ON VIOLIN DECK



**Category S-Suite:**  
double occupancy: \$13400 pp  
single occupancy: NA

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## INCLUSIONS

- Transfers from airport to hotel in Prague when travelling on exact tour dates
- 3 nights at 5\* Prague Marriott Hotel (or equivalent); with breakfast
- Prague guided tours conducted by local professional guides
- Coach transfer to Vilshofen and cruise embarkation
- 7 nights aboard AmaLea, full board
- Shore excursions guided by knowledgeable local guides
- Meals as per the itinerary
- Transfer from pier to airport in Budapest
- Gratuities for cruise crew and staff
- Accompanied by Eva D, ZOOMER Radio AM740
- Hosted by Caroline Grant of Cruise Holidays - Clarkson Travel

## PAYMENTS AND TERMS & CONDITIONS

**DEPOSIT:** \$1,500 pp due at time of booking

**FINAL PAYMENT:** April 1, 2024

### CANCELATION FEES SCHEDULE:

- Up to Mar 31: \$500 pp
- Apr 1 to Jun 15: 50% of tour cost
- Jun 16 to departure: 100% of tour cost

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Travellers must report any disability that would require special attention while on tour at the time the reservation is made. CH Clarkson is not responsible for any denial of services by air carriers, hotels, restaurants, or other suppliers as a result to such disability. A qualified and physically able companion must accompany travellers who need such assistance and must assume full responsibility for their well-being. Travellers accept by virtue of this booking, that Cruise Holidays of Clarkson has the right and authority to accept or reject any tour participant and to remove such participant if in the judgement of CH Clarkson the participant's behaviour interferes with the well-being and enjoyment by the other participants. Cruise Holidays of Clarkson will not refund or cover any cost or expenses incurred for such termination of vacation arrangements. The tour participant agrees that Cruise Holidays of Clarkson shall not be liable for any damage, loss

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Cruise Holidays of Clarkson shall not be responsible for any changes to the itinerary as outlined in the brochure by the tour suppliers. All itineraries, including points of embarkation and debarkation, are at the discretion of the cruise line and may be modified up to and during the voyage. The cruise line or tour operator reserves the right to amend, cancel or make substitutions for any travel component without prior notice to the guest, including hotels, ports of call or other modes of transportation if, in its opinion, the situation requires a change or cancellation of arrangements.

We strongly recommend the purchase of travel insurance which we can arrange for you through Manulife Financial.

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