

TOUR ITINERARY

DAY 1: Arrive in Budapest, Orientation, evening Danube Cruise

Arrive in Budapest and transfer to your hotel. The balance of the day is at leisure. This evening, enjoy a Welcome Drink and orientation at your hotel. Evening drive with your English speaking driver. Driver will show you the city, help you exchange money (the best rates for USD to Hungarian Forint), suggest you the restaurants and take you to Danube Cruise.

Optional (included): Danube Cruise with drink (PM)

Overnight: Budapest

DAY 2: Budapest, City Tour and at leisure, Dinner at Hungarian Folk Night

After breakfast meet your local guide in the hotel and starts city tour.

Places to be seen during city tour:

- In Buda side, visit Gellert Hill a magnificent panoramic view of Budapest,
- In Buda side, visit Castle Hill to see the 13th century Matthias Coronation Church, Fisherman's Bastion that has a panoramic view of the city (especially the Parliament) and the Royal Palace next to Hungarian symbol the bird Turul,
- In Pest side, stop at the largest in Europe, the Great Synagogue,
- In Pest side, visit Heroes' Square, featuring the Millennium Memorial,
- In Pest side, stop at Parliament
- In Pest side, visit the walking street Vaci utca and see also St.Istvan Cathedral,
- Other sights such as Danube River, Chain Bridge, Elizabeth Bridge, Freedom Bridge, Margaret Bridge and Margaret Island (on Danube) will be seen.

Enjoy the afternoon at leisure. Enjoy the evening show with dinner at Hungarian Folk Night.

Optional: Budapest Jewish Interest Tour (AM)

Optional (included): Hungarian Folk Night (Show with Dinner) (PM)

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Overnight: Budapest

DAY 3: Budapest, Danube Bend Tour (with lunch)

Included optional trip, Danube Bend (Esztergom, Visegrad and Szentendre) with lunch.

View the Cathedral and Castle Hill in Esztergom, across river Danube to see border village Sturova in Slovakia.

Later drive to Visegrad to lunch in Renaissance restaurant. After lunch drive to Szentendre to buy some souvenirs before you follow the river to Budapest.

Spend the rest of the day at leisure in Budapest.

Optional (included): Danube Bend with lunch (AM)

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Budapest

DAY 4: Travel to Vienna, on the way visiting Bratislava, evening Classic Music Concert

Depart Hungary and travel through Bratislava to Vienna, the former center of the Hapsburg Empire.

This morning enjoy an excursion across the border to Bratislava, the capital of Slovakia. For centuries, this city has been famous for its charm and beauty. It has undergone a major revitalization and now flourishes as one of Europe's newest capitals. The beautifully restored old town with its winding lanes and medieval courtyards is nestled between the steep Castle Hill and the Danube River. First, explore the historic center on a guided walking tour. After, take time to stroll the lively pedestrian streets of this charming city where local street vendors offer regional gifts before arriving to Vienna.

Enjoy the balance of the day at leisure in Vienna

Optional (included): Classic Music Concert (PM)

Meals: Breakfast

Overnight: Vienna

DAY 5: Vienna, City Tour and at leisure

After breakfast meet your local guide in the hotel and starts city tour.

Places to be seen during city tour:

- Visit to the impressive Schonbrunn Palace, the former summer residence of the Hapsburg emperors,
- View the Belvedere Palace and its gardens,
- Continue with a drive along the famous Ringstrasse (5,5 km circle) and view the Empress Maria Theresia Monument, Museum Quarters, Parliament, City Hall, University, Votive Church and former Stock Exchange,
- After circling Ringstrasse, we will stop across City Hall, the famous café Latman, you can taste the best Vienna cakes,
- Next, walk through the Hofburg courtyards to Graben, to St. Stefan Cathedral and to Kärntnerstrasse, Vienna's most famous shopping streets to the State Opera House.

Enjoy the balance of the day at leisure in Vienna

Meals: Breakfast

Overnight: Vienna

DAY 6: Vienna, Trip to Vienna Woods and at leisure, Dinner at Grinzing Wine Tavern

Included optional, a half day trip, Vienna Woods (Seegrotte, Heiligenkreuz, Mayerling and Baden)

Enjoy the balance of the day at leisure in Vienna. Dinner at Grinzing Wine Tavern

Optional (included): Austrian Woods (AM)

Optional (included): Dinner at Grinzing Wine Tavern (PM)

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Overnight: Vienna

DAY 7: Travel to Prague, on the way visiting Cesky Krumlov (Unesco), Dinner at River Cruise

This morning, depart Austria for the Czech Republic. Begin with a stop in Cesky Krumlov, a fairy-tale town with a maze of narrow cobbled streets. Declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1992, Cesky Krumlov has earned an international reputation as a time capsule of the past. Enjoy a short walk through the town and view its Gothic, Baroque and Renaissance houses. Later, continue through Southern Bohemia to the Czech capital, Prague - "The City of a Thousand Spires"

Optional (included): Vltava Cruise with Dinner (PM)

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Overnight: Prague

DAY 8: Prague, City Tour (included optional Prague Castle & St. Vitus Cathedral), Dinner at Czech Folk Night

After breakfast meet your local guide in the hotel and starts city tour.

Places to be seen during city tour (walking tour):

- Seeing monumental St. Vitus Cathedral in the precincts of Prague Castle, complex of cobbled courtyards, churches and administrative buildings, once the court of the Bohemian Kings. Still the political center of the Czech Republic, this is where the Presidential Palace is located. Visit the medieval Old Palace and the Cathedral of St. Vitus, a masterpiece of Gothic architecture, as well as the St. George Basilica and the famous Golden Lane.
- Continue walk down to Lesser Town, St. Nikolas Church, viewing the Infant Jesus of Prague Church and include the 14th century Charles Bridge, with its 30 baroque statues of various saints. From here, admire the view of Prague Castle.
- Continue through the Old Town Square to view the famous Old Town Hall Tower, Astronomical Clock and the Jewish Quarter, viewing the Municipal House, Powder Tower.

Afternoon, at leisure. This evening, enjoy dinner with show at Czech Folk Night.

Optional (included): Prague Castle & St. Vitus Cathedral (PM)

Optional (included): Czech Folk Night (Show with Dinner) (PM)

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Overnight: Prague

DAY 9: Prague, Trip to Carlsbad (with lunch)

Included optional trip, Carlsbad (SPA city) with lunch. Return to hotel around 17:30 and at leisure.

Optional (included): Trip to SPA city Carlsbad (Karlovy Vary) with lunch (AM)

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Prague

DAY 10: Prague, Trip to Chateau Konopiste and at leisure, Dinner at Medieval Night

Included optional trip, Chateau Konopiste. Afternoon at leisure. Evening Medieval Show with dinner.

Optional (included): Trip to Chateau Konopiste (AM)

Optional (included): Medieval Night (Show with Dinner) (PM)

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Overnight: Prague

DAY 11: Travel to Berlin, on the way visiting Dresden

Today cross Saxony to the Baroque art city of Dresden, also known as "the Florence on the Elbe River." Enjoy a walking city tour to view sights including Zwinger Palace, the Semper Opera and the newly rebuilt Frauenkirche. Continue to Berlin, proud capital of reunited Germany. Enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure

Meals: Breakfast

Overnight: Berlin

DAY 12: Berlin, City Tour, afternoon visit Potsdam (Former Residence of Prussian Kings)

This morning, enjoy a panoramic city tour of Berlin (without local guide). View the major sights of the city, including the Reichstag building, Brandenburg Gate and Checkpoint Charlie, the remaining symbol of the former Berlin Wall. View the Unter den Linden Street and Kurfurstendam, as well as the State Opera House and the cathedral.

Optional (included): Potsdam Tour (PM)

Meals: Breakfast

Overnight: Berlin

DAY 13: Depart Germany

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight

Meals: Breakfast

*** Itineraries may contain suggestions for activities for your leisure time; these suggestions do not constitute a recommendation nor an endorsement of any specific service provider and the decision to participate in any such activities should be made independently.