Delightful Danube & Prague
Our world begins with you

Thank you for selecting Uniworld Boutique River Cruise Collection. We want to do everything we can to ensure you have the most enjoyable and worry-free vacation.

With that in mind, we have prepared this booklet for you, so you can plan your trip with the greatest of ease. Consider it a guideline to help you get ready for your upcoming trip. It contains valuable tips and advice on what to pack, your flight and transfer experience, onboard information, day-to-day details and much more.

We highly look forward to hosting you onboard our beautifully appointed ships and making your vacation the most memorable and enjoyable experience possible.

Sincerely,
The Uniworld Team
## CRUISE/TOUR COMPANION

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### 2017 River Cruise/Tour Program

#### Delightful Danube & Prague
- **25** Budapest to Prague / 10 Days
- **38** Prague to Budapest / 10 Days
Whenever using a visa service, it is highly recommended that you provide the service with a copy of your entire travel itinerary. There are times when multiple-entry visas may be required, or when there may be restrictions to entering one country from another depending on your nationality. If the service does not have your full itinerary, this may result in improperly issued documentation.

Passenger Information Form: By now, you should have completed the Uniworld Passenger Information Form. The information on this form is used to comply with certain foreign government and airline security restrictions in advance of your arrival onboard our ships. If you have completed this form, we thank you for your prompt attention. If you have not completed this form, please visit our website at uniworld.com and complete the online Passenger Information Form in the “Already Booked” section. Each guest must complete the form.

Travel Protection Plan: Uniworld strongly recommends that each guest purchase a Travel Protection Plan. Please carry all policy information with you during the course of your trip.

During the cruise/tour, it is advisable to have copies of important documents (i.e., first page of your passport, photo, credit card numbers and bank/credit card company phone numbers) in a separate packet, in case the originals are lost or stolen.

Cruise/Tour Documentation
Uniworld sends all final cruise and air documents between 21 and 30 days prior to your trip departure, provided that Uniworld has received a completed and signed Passenger Information Form and your booking is paid in full. All documents are sent via a priority mail delivery service, such as UPS or FedEx.

Final Documentation Includes:
- Cruise-Only Ticket or Cruise/Tour Ticket
- Passenger Ticket Contract (which is legally binding between Uniworld and each guest)
- Airline Tickets or E-Ticket Confirmation (if international air ticket was purchased from Uniworld)
- Cruise/Tour Companion
- Baggage Tags
- Leave-Behind Communication Card
- Travel Protection Plan Pamphlet (if Uniworld travel protection was purchased)
- Optional Pre- or Post-Cruise Extension Information (if trip extension was purchased)

Helpful Hints Before You Go

Travel Documents
Passports: All Uniworld river cruise/tours require a passport. Passports must be valid for six (6) months after the scheduled return date from the trip. Each guest is fully responsible for obtaining and carrying the travel documents necessary for his or her travel itinerary. Uniworld will not be responsible for any delays, damages and/or losses, including missed portions of your trip, related to improper travel documents.

Visa Requirements: No visas are required for US or Canadian citizens on the itineraries shown in this booklet. Non-US or non-Canadian citizens must contact each consulate of the country or countries to be visited for specific requirements. Information for US citizens and Canadian citizens can also be found at uniworld.com in the “Already Booked” section. All guests are strongly advised to obtain necessary visas well in advance of departure to avoid unnecessary expedited processing charges.
**Baggage Limitations**

Airline baggage restrictions change frequently, and each guest needs to check with their specific air carrier for limitations concerning baggage weight, baggage size, carry-on regulations, and excess or overweight baggage charges. This information can be found on the carrier’s website or on Uniworld’s website at uniworld.com/baggage. Remember to check for both international (over the water) and domestic (intracontinental) regulations, as limitations differ depending on flight routings. Overweight or excess baggage charges vary, and guests who exceed an airline’s recommended limit may be asked by the airline to pay fees ranging from $25 to $80 US dollars (USD), or possibly more, per infraction.

Onboard the ship and motorcoaches, storage space is very limited. Therefore, for your comfort and convenience on the cruise/tour, we ask that you bring one (1) suitcase per person and one (1) carry-on bag per person (excluding purses). Please note there may be a fee assessed on-site for excess baggage.

Keep an eye on your baggage and all personal belongings—they are solely your responsibility throughout the trip. Uniworld is not responsible for loss, theft or damage to baggage and personal belongings. A Travel Protection Plan covering lost, stolen or damaged baggage is highly recommended.

**Travel Essentials**

The following items are essential for any destination: comfortable walking shoes, sunglasses, sunscreen, a hat, an umbrella, and a lightweight raincoat or outerwear garment appropriate for the seasonal weather conditions. It is recommended that you bring duplicates of prescription eyewear, copies of prescriptions for any medication, copies of credit card information and copies of your passport information pages. Make sure that your baggage has identification tags both inside and outside with your contact information and address clearly marked. Do not pack valuables or important medication in your checked baggage unless required to do so by your airline; these should be carried with you in your carry-on baggage. Please contact your air carrier for any additional regulations.

**Health and Mobility**

**Physical Limitations:** Uniworld trips are exciting, relatively active vacations. While there will be plenty of time to relax, there will also be much to see and do. Your included excursions generally require an extensive amount of walking, as well as the navigation of numerous steps and cobblestone streets. On shore excursions, guests with physical limitations will find access to sites generally restricted. For your safety and enjoyment, we recommend that all guests be in good physical condition.

In addition, river ships, while spacious and elegant, are not in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and some do not have elevators. Uniworld, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to refuse passage or to require a current passenger to end his or her trip if the passenger’s state of health or physical condition may affect his or her own health, safety and enjoyment, or that of other passengers.

The use of mobility devices such as wheelchairs, walkers, scooters, etc. is not recommended for travel in Europe and such devices cannot be readily obtained in the region.

**Medical:** Uniworld does not employ staff nurses or doctors onboard its ships. Nor can the onboard gift shop carry medications that are sold over the counter in the US and other countries (most European nations allow the sale of medications by licensed pharmacies only). Should you require medical attention, you will need to obtain it at local facilities at your own expense. Uniworld is not responsible for any costs incurred as a result of medical service or for the quality of medical care received. A Travel Protection Plan covering medical expenses is highly recommended.

**Special Diets:** Please advise us in advance of your departure of any special dietary restrictions. This information will be provided to the proper personnel. To the extent possible, and in consideration of local conditions, every effort will be made to accommodate your needs. It is the guest’s responsibility to provide us with as much detail as necessary concerning any medically related diet concerns. Not all dietary requests can be accommodated, and we appreciate your understanding in this matter. Dietary restrictions should be reiterated to the service staff at the time of placing orders in restaurants.
General Money Matters

The currency in Austria and Germany is the euro. The euro comes in banknote denominations of 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200 and 500. One euro is divided into 100 cents, and coin denominations are 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 and 50 cents, or 1 euro and 2 euros.

Currency in the Czech Republic is the koruna. Notes come in denominations of 20, 50, 100, 200, 500, 1,000, 2,000 and 5,000 korunas. Bureaux de change are available nationwide, and money can be exchanged in banks, at road border crossing points and by authorized dealers. ATMs are widespread throughout the Czech Republic, and most major international credit and debit cards are accepted.

Currency in Hungary is the forint, which comes in banknote denominations of 200, 500, 1,000, 2,000, 5,000, 10,000 and 20,000 forints. Hotels, banks and bureaux de change can all be used for currency exchanges, along with some restaurants, airports, railway stations and travel agencies. All currency exchange receipts should be retained in case they need to be presented to officials. ATMs are available in most towns, and the vast majority of international credit cards are accepted in larger establishments.

Uniworld features a “cashless” environment onboard, and all charges are billed directly to each guest’s onboard account. Currency accepted onboard for settlement of final bills is either the euro or US dollar (the total amount will be converted into US dollars based on the onboard exchange rate). The major credit cards accepted are Visa, MasterCard and American Express, and these will incur extra bank charges for transactions, which will be your responsibility. Please contact your bank and/or credit card companies to let them know that you will be leaving the country to avoid any problems using your debit and/or credit card(s) overseas.

ATMs: The ship does not have ATMs onboard, but ATMs linked to major bank networks can be found throughout Europe. Most debit and major credit cards can be used for cash withdrawals ashore. Your bank can tell you which network your ATM card can access and whether a debit or credit card must be used. Make sure you have the correct PIN for the card you plan to use before leaving home, as the PIN is required for all money withdrawals. It is also recommended that you bring an overseas contact number for your bank or credit card company in case you require assistance while traveling.

Currency Exchange: Limited currency exchange is available onboard for the exchange of cash only. Credit cards cannot be accepted for money exchange. All hotels and major tourist sites have exchange facilities. We recommend that you do not carry euro bills in denominations greater than €100, as many merchants are hesitant to accept them due to counterfeiting. Local banks can break larger bills into smaller denominations for you.

Credit Cards and Travelers Checks: Most major credit cards (Visa, MasterCard, American Express) are accepted worldwide. There may be some stores or locations where cash is preferred or where a particular credit card cannot be used for purchases. We recommend bringing at least one major credit card, as well as an ATM card that is both a debit and credit card. It is not advisable to bring Travelers Checks, as it is becoming increasingly difficult to cash them at local banks.

Transaction Fees: Please note currency exchange transactions and ATM cash withdrawals always involve transaction fees. It is always best to inquire as to the fee before exchanging any money. ATMs will typically ask you if you accept the fee before enabling the transaction.

Please note: € = Euro.

Getting There

Airport Security and Check-In

It is advisable to contact the airline in advance of your departure to verify that there have been no changes to the flight number or schedule found on your travel documents. After your travel documents are issued and sent to you, Uniworld is not responsible for notifying guests of any changes in flight schedules.

Please make sure you arrive at the airport at least two and a half (2.5) hours prior to your scheduled departure to complete check-in and security procedures. For peak travel times, you may even want to arrive three (3) hours prior to your scheduled departure time.
**Transfers**

**Airport Arrival Transfers:** If your cruise-only or cruise/tour package includes a group arrival transfer (and your flights coincide with our transfer guidelines and have been communicated to Uniworld), or if you have purchased a private arrival transfer from Uniworld, you will be greeted by a Uniworld representative and transferred to the hotel or ship. Transfers are only provided on the actual start day of the cruise or cruise/tour. Guests who have purchased a pre-cruise optional extension will also be met by a Uniworld representative at the airport of the city in which the extension is to take place. You will be met as you exit the secure customs area. Please claim all of your baggage before exiting the baggage claim area. Porterage services are not included at the airport. From the airport, you’ll be transferred to the hotel or ship.

Please note that transfers are nonrefundable. There may be a waiting period of up to two (2) hours for scheduled airport transfers, depending on groupings of flight arrivals. Uniworld will not be responsible for late arrivals or missed transfers due to delayed, changed, canceled or missed flights; for missed cruise-only or cruise/tour days; or for extra costs resulting from delayed, changed, canceled or missed flights.

Flight information and pre-trip arrangements for all guests making their own flight arrangements must be given to Uniworld no later than 45 days prior to departure in order for transfers to be properly arranged. Your flight arrangements must also be made in accordance with Uniworld’s recommended transfer guidelines. For complete details, please see the “Terms and Conditions” section of our current brochure or our website, uniworld.com.

Guests who have purchased extra nights with the Uniworld land stay or pre-cruise/tour optional extension will be provided private transfers to the hotel as part of the extra nights purchase, as long as Uniworld has received their flight information no later than 45 days prior to departure.

If your cruise-only or cruise/tour package does not include transfers (i.e., for flights outside Uniworld’s recommended transfer time guidelines or if flight details have not been communicated to Uniworld in time), then please make your way to the hotel or ship as per your itinerary at your own expense.

**Airport Departure Transfers:** If your cruise-only or cruise/tour package includes a group departure transfer (and your flights coincide with our transfer guidelines and have been communicated to Uniworld), or if you have purchased a private departure transfer from Uniworld, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight home. Transfers are only provided on the actual end day of the cruise or cruise/tour. Guests who have purchased a post-cruise optional extension will be transferred from the ship to the hotel and from the hotel to the airport accordingly. Porterage services are not included at the airport.

In accordance with Uniworld’s transfer guidelines, all guests making their own flight arrangements are required to provide Uniworld with their flight information and post-trip arrangements no later than 45 days prior to departure in order to receive transfers. For complete details, please see the “Terms and Conditions” section of our current brochure or our website, uniworld.com.

Guests who have purchased extra nights with the Uniworld land stay or post-cruise/tour optional extension will be provided private transfers to the hotel as part of the extra nights purchase, as long as Uniworld has received their flight information no later than 45 days prior to departure.

If your cruise-only or cruise/tour package does not include transfers (i.e., for flights outside Uniworld’s recommended transfer time guidelines or if flight details have not been communicated to Uniworld in time), then please make your way from the ship or hotel as per your trip itinerary at your own expense.

**Private Car Transfers:** Guests who make independent flight arrangements and arrive outside Uniworld’s transfer guidelines can purchase private car transfers from Uniworld at an additional cost. Private car transfers are only available on the cruise-only or cruise/tour start and end dates.

Please ask your preferred Travel Professional or Uniworld for details. In some locations, private transfers are not available due to the distance between the airport arrival city and the port of embarkation and disembarkation.
**Guests with Independent Arrangements:** For guests who are making their own way to the ship and who are not using Uniworld’s transfer options, we strongly suggest that you call the ship to determine its exact location before proceeding to the dock. The ship’s telephone number will be shown on your Cruise-Only Ticket or Cruise/Tour Ticket. Docking assignments for river cruise vessels can change at the last minute, and the information provided on your Cruise-Only Ticket or Cruise/Tour Ticket about the expected docking location could be incorrect on your day of arrival. It is not possible for Uniworld to notify guests making their own way to the ship of any last-minute changes.

**Cruise-Only Guests:** Cruise-only guests may join Uniworld’s group transfers or may purchase private transfers for the cruise-only start and end dates. However, independent flight arrangements must be made in accordance with Uniworld’s transfer guidelines, which are coordinated with the ship’s required time of embarkation and disembarkation for all guests and must be provided to Uniworld no later than 45 days prior to departure.

**Late Flight Arrivals and Missed Flights:** If your package includes a Uniworld arrival transfer and you experience a travel delay of any kind, please adhere to the following instructions:

Advise an airline representative at the airport that you are a cruise passenger bound for a specific location at a specific date and time to meet your group.

Upon arrival in the cruise-only or cruise/tour start city, after you have cleared customs look for the Uniworld representative outside the customs area. Depending on the nature of the delay, Uniworld’s ground staff may be able to track flight changes. If your flight arrangements were drastically altered, it is unlikely that the ground staff will be notified of your specific flight changes in time. And due to security protocols enacted after September 11, 2001, airlines very rarely provide updated flight information to third parties.

If you cannot find the Uniworld representative, please contact the Transfer Provider in your arrival city. Their contact information is shown in the transfer section of your Cruise-Only or Cruise/Tour Ticket. If unable to match you up with a scheduled group transfer, the Transfer Provider will ask you to make your way to the ship at your own expense. Costs incurred due to missed transfers are the responsibility of the guest, and in most cases, compensation can be obtained from your Travel Protection Plan provider or airline carrier.

If your delay is serious enough that you miss the starting point of your cruise, you will need to get to the next stop on the ship’s itinerary at your own expense. Using the ship’s phone number shown on your Cruise-Only Ticket or Cruise/Tour Ticket, please contact the ship for its exact location on your revised date of arrival. The ship’s personnel will advise you on the best course of action. Uniworld is not responsible for missed transfers or additional costs incurred in getting to the next destination due to missed or delayed flights.

**Baggage Delays:** Baggage delays do unfortunately occur from time to time, especially during peak travel periods. First and foremost, do not leave the baggage area without completing a Lost Baggage Report with your air carrier. This report is essential to the tracking of your claim. If traveling with a companion, we recommend that one (1) person exit the baggage claim area and locate the transfer representative to inform him or her of the situation. This will allow the representative to ensure that transfers are properly provided. Give the air carrier a copy of your travel itinerary and the ship’s contact information. Report your lost baggage to the Uniworld representative and provide your Uniworld Cruise/Tour Manager with a copy of your Lost Baggage Report. This will assist our staff in helping to locate your baggage as quickly as possible. Uniworld is not responsible for loss, theft or damage to baggage and/or personal belongings. A protection plan covering lost, stolen or damaged baggage is available through the Uniworld Travel Protection Plan.

**Pre- or Post-Cruise Included Land Stay and/or Optional Extension**

All Uniworld land programs are fully hosted by a Uniworld local host who will be on hand during your stay to provide you with information and assistance. Daily breakfast, transfers and porterage are also included. Most feature at least one (1) special sightseeing program. Guests on a pre-cruise included land stay or optional extension will receive a welcome briefing from the on-site Uniworld representative the evening of the first day of the extension. Guests on a post-cruise included land stay or optional extension will receive their briefing onboard the ship prior to disembarkation. This briefing will familiarize you with the scheduled program and provide additional information about excursions, dining recommendations, shopping tips and more. Details of your pre- or post-cruise included land stay or optional extension are included with your final documents.
Hotel Check-In and Hotel Check-Out
Please note that every effort is made to ensure that your hotel room is available and ready for occupancy upon your arrival at the hotel. This is not always possible due to differences in hotel check-in times and scheduled airport-to-hotel or airport-to-ship transfers. Most hotels do not allow check-in earlier than 2:00 pm. If you arrive at the hotel before 2:00 pm, you may need to wait until the room becomes available. Hotel check-out must be no later than 12:00 pm.

Embarkation and Disembarkation

Embarkation: Guests are to embark no later than two (2) hours prior to the scheduled sailing time.

Delightful Danube & Prague (Budapest to Prague)—the ship will overnight in the embarkation city the first night of the cruise.

Delightful Danube & Prague (Prague to Budapest)—the ship will depart from Nuremberg at 7:00 pm on Day 3 of the program.

All times shown are subject to change without notice. Uniworld is not responsible for any loss, damages, personal costs or inconvenience incurred due to such changes.

On embarkation day, the ship is being cleaned and prepared for your arrival. Most of the ship's facilities, including your stateroom or suite, will not be available before 3:00 pm. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation. Should you arrive at the ship earlier than 3:00 pm, you may leave your baggage at the Front Desk and take a walk in the area or relax in the lounge. Please keep your hand baggage with you at all times. Complimentary coffee, water and light snacks will be available for your enjoyment.

Disembarkation: About two (2) evenings before your departure from the ship, your Cruise/Tour Manager will brief all guests about what to expect on the morning of disembarkation and what time to have baggage available for pickup and will distribute any documentation necessary to make your departure as smooth as possible.

All guests must vacate their staterooms and suites no later than 8:00 am the day of disembarkation so the staff and crew can prepare for the next group of guests. Breakfast hours are coordinated around airport transfer times, which, in some cases, can be very early in the morning. It is not unusual in some destinations to have airport transfers as early as 4:00 am. In such cases, we will provide guests with coffee, tea, juices and pastries from our 24-hour coffee station.

About Your Uniworld Cruise-Only or Cruise/Tour Package and Onboard and Onshore Services

Dining
Your ship’s onboard restaurant provides a relaxed environment and accommodates all guests with open seating. It offers both local and international cuisine. Breakfast and lunch are sumptuous buffets, while evenings feature specialties of the chef and regional dishes.

All beverages are included (excluding premium wine and premium spirits) for the cruise portion of your trip.

In addition, al fresco dining may be available on the Sun Deck on scheduled nights, weather permitting. Reservations are necessary as space is limited. Reservations can only be made onboard the ship.

All meal times are scheduled around tour departures, and breakfast can take place very early in the morning.

Please notify Uniworld immediately if you have any special dietary concerns or considerations that need to be taken into account while traveling with us. We will do our best to ensure that your request is accommodated, but we cannot guarantee that every request can be met in all cases.

Elevators
The River Beatrice is equipped with an elevator that services all decks except the Sun Deck.

Fitness Center
The Fitness Center is open 24 hours a day. Use of the fitness equipment is at your own risk.

Front Desk
The Front Desk operates 24 hours a day. The Night Receptionist will make hourly safety checks of the ship.

Gift Shop
There is a gift shop onboard with a limited selection of toiletries, souvenirs and other sundries. All purchases are charged to your shipboard account. The hours of operation are adjusted to each day’s program.

Please note: No over-the-counter medications are available, in accordance with European laws.
Go Active
Complimentary bicycles and Nordic walking sticks are available for your onshore enjoyment during the cruise portion of your stay. Bicycle and walking paths are easily accessible from some of the ports of call. Your Cruise/Tour Manager can offer recommendations. The number of bicycles and Nordic walking sticks available is limited, and they can only be reserved through the Front Desk 24 hours in advance of the time you wish to use them (or on the day of, if available). Their use is solely at your own risk; all guests must sign a release form prior to using bicycles or Nordic walking sticks.

Gratuities
All tips and gratuities are included during the cruise portion of your trip as well as on the pre-cruise and post-cruise land stays and optional extensions purchased in conjunction with your cruise.

Health and Hygiene
As part of our commitment to a clean, safe and healthy onboard environment, Uniworld practices a strict sanitization protocol on our ships. To assist us in this important matter, we kindly ask all guests to frequently wash their hands and to consistently use the hand-sanitizer machines when entering the ship and when entering the restaurant. The machines are located just inside the main entrance to the ship and at the entrance to the restaurant. We thank you in advance for your cooperation in this very important matter.

Ice Machine
For your convenience, a self-service ice machine is located on the ship, and an ice bucket is provided in your stateroom or suite.

Internet Access
Laptop computers allowing you to send and receive emails and to access the Internet can be borrowed from the Front Desk. In addition, you may use your own laptop computer to access our Wireless Internet Service (Wi-Fi). Wi-Fi access varies throughout the ship and is generally best in the Main Lounge. Use of laptops and Wi-Fi service is complimentary.  

Please note: The Internet connection might not be available in remote areas or when transiting locks. Expect the connectivity speed to be slower than your home connection and not suitable for services requiring a high bandwidth such as Skype or YouTube.

Laundry
A launderette containing a self-service washing machine, dryer and iron is available for your use (detergent is available at the Front Desk). There are no dry cleaning facilities. The ship also provides washing, drying and ironing services for a fee.

Lounge and Coffee Station
The lounge provides spectacular, expansive views at every turn. Relax in the comfort of soft chairs and sofas upholstered in fine fabrics and leathers. Enjoy our full-service bar and dance the night away to the music of our onboard pianist.

The coffee station offers a casual atmosphere with comfortable chairs and tables. Complimentary coffee and tea are available here 24 hours a day. The lounge also serves specialty coffees and finely brewed teas on order.

Mail
Stamps are available for purchase at the Front Desk. Mail is posted daily unless local mail facilities are not available. Uniworld is not responsible for mail that is not properly delivered to the addressee by the postal service.

Mooring and Docking Facilities
Local river authorities allocate docking space around ship arrivals and departures in port. Typically, river ships dock facing upstream. Occasionally port conditions require ships to tie up alongside each other, in which case guests may be required to walk through another ship to access their own ship. This is part of the river cruise experience and is perfectly normal and beyond the control of Uniworld. Guests may experience obstructed views from staterooms and suites when the ship is docked.
Quietvox

Uniworld is proud to use Quietvox portable audio headset systems on shore excursions, so that you will always be able to hear your local expert’s commentary with ease and comfort. Please keep in mind that connection to the local expert’s transmitter takes about 40 seconds, so if you do not hear the guide straight away, please be patient. The Quietvox system can be used with hearing aids that are compatible with a telecoil induction loop. All you need to do is to replace the regular Quietvox earpiece with the telecoil, which we provide onboard the ship. We have a limited number of telecoil induction loops available onboard, so please inquire with the Cruise/Tour Manager once you are on the ship.

Responsibility and Waiver

The guest accepts the terms and conditions of the Passenger Ticket Contract when participating in any organized shore excursion that is provided by Uniworld. Participation in some shore excursions or tours may also be subject to an independent operator’s own terms and conditions.

Safety Deposit Box

Each stateroom and suite onboard and hotel room onshore comes equipped with a safe. We urge you to leave valuables at home. We are not responsible for any valuables left in your stateroom or suite. Any charge to return “lost and found” property onboard will be at the owner’s expense. Please beware of pickpockets when ashore.

Shopping

Time for shopping is usually allowed for within the framework of most of the sightseeing programs. Actual time available for shopping may be limited due to tour constraints.

Keep in mind that many shops in Europe may be closed on Sundays and holidays. Shopping recommendations can be made by your Cruise/Tour Manager and shipboard staff. Larger stores accept most major credit cards. Market vendors and small stores usually only accept local currency. It is a good idea to take a small amount of cash for on-the-spot gratuities or to purchase souvenirs or sundries.

Shore Excursions

Each cruise-only or cruise/tour program includes comprehensive shore excursions led by a local English-speaking expert; these excursions have been designed to provide you with the best possible experience ashore.

A complete day-by-day shore excursion itinerary is provided in this booklet. Details of your particular itinerary can also be found at uniworld.com.

Smoking

The ship enjoys a non-smoking environment in all public areas and in the staterooms and suites. Smoking is only allowed on designated parts of the Sun Deck, which are marked on the deck plan in your room directory. For the comfort of all passengers, smoking is not permitted on sightseeing or transfer vehicles.

Spa Treatments and Massage

Spa treatments and massage services are available onboard the ship. These services are available for a fee and can be paid for in cash or with a credit card at the time of purchase or at the time you settle any of your onboard charges prior to disembarkation from the ship.

Stateroom and Suite Amenities

Every riverview stateroom and suite includes an individual thermostat for air-conditioning and/or heat, a flatscreen TV, an internal telephone, a safety deposit box, a bathroom stocked with L’Occitane and Hermès bath and body products, a luxurious bathrobe for each guest, complimentary bottled water, a hair dryer and an umbrella. Electrical current is 220V, the European standard; however, each stateroom and suite has one 110V outlet. The majority of staterooms and suites have hotel beds that can be positioned separately or together. Your stateroom or suite will be serviced by your Stateroom/Suite Attendant on a daily basis. Security and maintenance checks may also be performed. Butler service is available in the suites.
Sun Deck Access
For safety reasons, access to the Sun Deck may be limited while passing through areas with low bridges and during inclement weather.

Visitors
Visitors are generally not permitted onboard the ship and are not allowed to join any shore excursions. Please make arrangements to meet your friends and relatives onshore.

Water
The ship has been outfitted with a sophisticated filtration system, and the tap water in each stateroom and suite is safe for drinking. In addition, bottled water is provided in your stateroom or suite for your comfort. For your convenience, we’ve provided two reusable, eco-friendly water bottles in each stateroom and suite that may be refilled and carried along on your daily shore excursions. The bottles are yours to take home as a souvenir of your voyage.

Weather
Today, weather forecasts are widely available at the click of a button on the Internet. Uniworld’s favorite resource for up-to-the-minute international weather information is weather.com. Weather.com features a very informative vacation-planner tool that you may find useful.

What to Wear
Prepare for a variety of weather conditions, depending on your travel season and the regions you will be cruising through. Layering clothing items is always your best bet, as this allows you to adjust to any temperature, including artificially maintained temperatures, by removing or adding items throughout the day.

Comfortable, sporty, smart-casual daywear is appropriate both onshore and onboard. Everyday slacks, khakis, walking shorts and everyday skirts/dresses are recommended. For warmer temperatures, we suggest lightweight clothing that can be layered, such as a mix of sweaters, lightweight knit shirts, slacks and walking shorts. For early spring and late fall departures, you’ll find sweatshirts, heavier cotton or wool tops and long-sleeved shirts, and corduroy or heavy khaki pants perfectly suitable. Mix-and-match color schemes work best to help keep baggage light.

You will participate in a significant amount of walking over uneven terrain during your time ashore. We recommend comfortable walking shoes with good ankle support. Sturdy sandals are another good option.

For evenings, any resort-type wear is perfectly suitable; however, we do ask that you not wear shorts to dinner. Men may want to bring one sport jacket for dressier restaurant venues and for special events onboard such as the Captain’s Welcome and Farewell festivities. Women find that a cocktail dress or two always comes in handy no matter the destination.

Don’t forget to pack a lightweight, waterproof jacket (preferably hooded) or even a heavier-weight windbreaker for colder temperatures.

Omissions
Uniworld is not responsible for omissions or printing and/or presentation errors in brochures, on Internet sites or in any other media where such information may be presented; we reserve the right to make corrections as required.
Frequently Asked Questions

I have concerns about my physical ability. What do I do?

Guests with mobility concerns need to discuss their concerns with Uniworld staff in advance of their departure. Guests requiring the use of a mobility device, such as a wheelchair, motorized scooter or walker, may not be able to participate in many shore excursions or use such devices onboard the ships. Also, guests who are limited in their ability to walk long distances may have difficulties, as there is often uneven terrain on many shore excursions.

How accurate are the shore excursion/tour descriptions?

Uniworld does everything possible to ensure that shore excursions are performed as promoted and as outlined in the subsequent pages. In certain circumstances, or for reasons beyond the control of Uniworld, it may not be possible or practical for the excursion to be performed exactly as written. The decision not to operate, to alter the operation, to change content, and/or to otherwise adjust or modify any element of the excursion as advertised is at the sole discretion of Uniworld, always taking into account the safety and best interests of the guests and the overall product delivery. Any such modifications to excursions will not result in eligibility for a refund.

Can the itinerary change? What happens if it does change?

You can count on the value of Uniworld's experience and regional knowledge to make sure you enjoy your cruise/tour even when conditions beyond our control occur. The very nature of a river, with its sources and networks of bridges and locks, means that there will be times when weather or other conditions in a region require Uniworld to make adjustments and modifications to the operation of an itinerary. Itineraries may need to be altered specifically because of water levels. Although every effort is made to keep itineraries as advertised, Uniworld reserves the right to make changes and substitutions as necessary to ensure the safety of our guests and the vessels. Time permitting, every possible effort will be made to alert guests in advance of boarding of any known changes. Otherwise, all guests will be informed onboard of amendments. Any changes to itineraries, including the addition of extensive motorcoach touring to affect delivery of the intended itinerary operation, will not result in eligibility for a refund.

What time will excursions depart?

All shore excursions are carefully coordinated to the ship's daily schedule. During the daily port talk, your Cruise/Tour Manager will brief all guests about what activities will take place the next day. This briefing includes information about departure times, specifics about the shore excursions/tours not covered in this booklet, suggested shopping and restaurant recommendations, and other important information about the port of call. In addition to the briefing, a daily program will be distributed to each guest’s stateroom or suite every evening. This program provides a written overview of all events taking place the next day—whether onboard or ashore.

Does each motorcoach or walking group have its own tour guide?

Yes. Each motorcoach or walking group has its own English-speaking local tour guide. Uniworld tries very hard to ensure that our guides are of the highest quality and are well-versed in their subjects, making sure that you have the best possible time ashore.

What is the transportation like on excursions?

Uniworld works with some of the world’s best tour companies, all of which are chosen with our exacting standards in mind. To ensure your maximum enjoyment of each excursion, all motorcoaches seat 40 to 45 people and are air-conditioned whenever possible. There are a few destinations where the equipment may not be of a similar standard and, in such cases, the best possible transportation will be arranged. Rest stops will be provided throughout the course of the excursions, as not all of the motorcoaches used for excursions have onboard toilets.

Is smoking allowed on shore excursions/tours?

Smoking is not allowed while on the motorcoach, and many historical venues now request that visitors not smoke anywhere on-site. We ask all our guests who smoke not to do so while on excursions/tours.
Delightful Danube & Prague

BUDAPEST TO PRAGUE / 10 DAYS

All the delights of the glorious Danube and historic Prague are yours to savor on this exciting cruise

This enchanting voyage provides a variety of ways to enjoy captivating destinations as well as plenty of time to relax onboard as you sail from Budapest to Nuremberg. Then two nights in exquisitely preserved Prague serve as a fitting end to this remarkable journey. You’ll have a plethora of options on this itinerary, so you can tailor your journey to match your interests. Explore Budapest with a panoramic tour that shows you the architectural highlights of the “Queen of the Danube,” or get an up-close view of the city’s shopping district and lively green market. Perhaps you’d like to take in the magnificent palaces of Vienna with a city tour or get a glimpse of the remarkable collection in the Kunstkammer. Ramble along the thousand-year-old cobblestone lanes of Passau or wheel your bicycle along the Danube River. Take a look backstage at a historic theater in Prague or visit the castle district. The choices are yours, and all of them are sure to delight.
DAY 1  Budapest

Arrive at Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport. If your cruise/tour package includes a group arrival transfer or if you have purchased a private arrival transfer, you will be greeted by a Uniworld representative and transferred to the ship.

DAY 2  Budapest, cruising the Danube River

Vibrant Budapest, Hungary’s capital, offers an enchanting combination of East and West, old and new. Even its geography is made up of two parts—Buda (the hills) and Pest (the flatlands)—divided by the Danube. Appropriately enough, you have your choice of two different ways to explore it today.

**Choice Is Yours Excursion Options:**
A. Budapest city tour
B. Exclusive “Do as the Locals Do” Budapest walking tour

**A. Budapest city tour**

This panoramic tour is a wonderful way to get an overview of the city if you have never been here before. It will carry you from Heroes’ Square, created in 1896 to honor the thousand-year anniversary of Hungary’s founding and its greatest historical figures, past some of the city’s most striking architectural sights—Dohány Street Synagogue, the Hungarian National Museum, the state opera house, St. Stephen’s Basilica and the truly stunning Parliament Building—to Castle Hill, which has been called the heart of the nation. The city of Buda began here, when King Béla built a strong keep in 1243 as a defense against Mongol invaders; a castle replaced the simple fortress, and over the centuries other castles replaced that one. The current castle is primarily 18th century; a museum dedicated to Budapest’s archaeological finds is housed there, and the Castle Hill district has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site. You’ll go inside the magnificent 700-year-old Matthias Church, named for one of Hungary’s greatest kings, and then wend your way on foot to the picturesque Fisherman’s Bastion, whose seven fairytale-like towers represent the seven tribes that originally settled the region. It offers a glorious view of the city and the Danube below.

**Note:** Visits to the interior of Matthias Church may not be possible on some weekends and Catholic holidays.

**B. Exclusive “Do as the Locals Do” Budapest walking tour**

Get ready for a fun immersion in daily life in Budapest—your local guide will show you how to use the metro (one of the oldest in Europe) to easily reach all the city has to offer. Start with a visit to one of the city’s irresistible market halls. Stalls spill over with produce, sausages and meats, festoons of dried paprika, cheeses, and jars of honey, all of it authentically Hungarian. After you leave the market, stop for coffee and a sweet treat at Szamos Gourmet Palace, a combination pastry shop, café and chocolate maker in Vörösmarty Square. Marzipan is a favorite confection in Budapest, and Szamos has specialized in making it since the 1930s, so you might want to try some—but the shop’s truffle selection is equally irresistible. Refreshed, you’ll be ready to hop back on the tram for a visit to the gracious green spaces of Károlyi Garden, sometimes described as Budapest’s most charming small park. You’ll ramble along the boulevards and pass the Hungarian National Museum, truly getting the feel for this dynamic city, as you head back toward the ship.

**Did You Know?** At the foot of Chain Bridge, the first bridge to link Buda and Pest, is a stone marker in the shape of a zero; it is Hungary’s zero milestone—all distances in Hungary are calculated from this spot.

Your ship sets sail from Budapest after your tour, cruising along the Danube Bend, which is lined with scenic towns—among them are the oldest settlements in the country—nestled at the foot of lovely wooded hills.

In the evening, a special Captain’s Welcome Reception and Gala Dinner will be prepared for you.

DAY 3  Cruising the Danube River, Vienna

The grand dame of the Danube, Vienna was the heart of the Austro-Hungarian Empire and remains, to this day, the political and cultural center of Austria. Klimt painted here; Beethoven and Mozart composed here; Freud developed his theories here. It’s a treasure trove of splendid architecture, astonishing art collections and inviting cafés—and today it is yours to explore.
A panoramic tour will show you the architectural highlights of the Habsburg capital—the City Hall, the Hofburg, St. Charles’s Church and other landmarks—but it will also take you to the legendary opera house in the heart of the city. The neo-Renaissance theater opened in 1869 with a performance of Mozart’s Don Giovanni (Mozart’s operas continue to be a mainstay of its annual season, during which some 50 operas are staged). Though the building was damaged during WWII, the main entrance, foyer and grand staircase were unharmed and retain their original grandeur and artwork. Spend some time admiring this handsome structure, then stroll through the neighborhood—which just happens to include the Hotel Sacher, the imperial palace complex, Vienna’s poshest shopping streets and St. Stephen’s Cathedral. You’ll be able to explore the cathedral on your own: It is truly magnificent. Erected in the 14th century, partly from Roman ruins, St. Stephen’s is as closely linked to the musical history of the empire as it is to imperial politics and religion. Mozart was married and buried here; Vivaldi’s funeral took place here; and Beethoven realized he was completely deaf when he could not hear the great bell, cast from cannons captured from the Ottoman Turks, ringing.

Note: The Vienna State Opera House is occasionally closed to visitors for rehearsals or special events without advance notice. If we cannot visit the opera house, we will visit an alternative venue instead.

B. Exclusive “Vienna, City of Arts” tour

The sheer number of artistic gems on view in Vienna is overwhelming. Let an art historian provide you with knowledgeable guidance as you visit two extraordinary—and quite different—collections. The objects assembled at the Kunstkammer Vienna almost defy description. For centuries the Habsburgs collected curiosities that caught their fancies: an automaton of the goddess Diana riding a centaur, a priceless salt cellar made by Benvenuto Cellini, Renaissance tapestries, exquisite gold communion cups, sculptures and ivories—the range is staggering. The Kunstkammer Vienna was closed for more than a decade and only reopened in 2013; now these precious, idiosyncratic and magical pieces are once again on public view. The collections at the Belvedere, by contrast, concentrate on paintings and sculpture. The Belvedere palace complex, a triumph of baroque architecture, was built for Prince Eugene of Savoy, the Habsburg Empire’s leading general in the early 18th century. The Upper Belvedere houses the world’s largest group of works by Gustav Klimt, including his exquisite The Kiss, as well as paintings by Monet, Van Gogh and Renoir, among many others.

Note: The Kunstkammer Vienna is closed on Mondays between September and May. If the tour lands on a Monday, Albertina Museum will be visited instead.

**Choice Is Yours Excursion Options:**

A. Vienna city tour with Vienna State Opera visit

B. Exclusive “Vienna, City of Arts” tour

**Cruising the Wachau Valley, Spitz (Spitz or Melk)**

You’ll want to find a comfortable seat in the lounge or on the Sun Deck today as your ship cruises through the Wachau Valley toward Spitz. Over the eons, the Danube cut a gorge through the foothills of the Bohemian mountains, resulting in a 19-mile (30-kilometer) stretch of riverine scenery so beautiful, UNESCO declared it a World Heritage Landscape. Castle ruins dominate hilltops; baroque church towers appear on the riverbanks, marking historic villages and splendid abbeys; and apricot orchards and vineyards cling to the rocky slopes. Some of Austria’s finest white wines are produced from grapes ripening on the dry-stone terraces above the river, where grapes have been grown for 2,000 years. Your ship will dock in Spitz, midway through this glorious landscape, where you are faced with a difficult choice: Do you explore a charming riverbank village or visit one of the most beautiful libraries in the world?

**Choice Is Yours Excursion Options:**

A. Spitz village stroll with exclusive wine tasting

B. Melk Abbey with library visit

A. Spitz village stroll with exclusive wine tasting

Wine grapes grow in the heart of the village, which was built around “Thousand Bucket Mountain,” so called because the vineyards planted on it have produced a thousand buckets of wine a year. What kind of wine? Riesling and Grüner Veltliner, Austria’s very own varietal. Ramble with your local guide along the cobblestone lanes of Spitz, passing baroque and Renaissance-era houses and perhaps pausing to admire the 15th-century parish church, on your way to one of the wine estates that dominate the slopes above the town. There you’ll sample some of the wonderful local wines and have a chance to check out another specialty of the Wachau, apricots, Notes:
which are turned into all sorts of delicacies, from jam and schnapps to strudel. You may opt to walk back to the ship on your own, browsing through the tiny shops along the way, or continue with your guide to hike uphill to the Red Gate, the only remaining gate in the medieval wall that once guarded Spitz. (Legend says that the gate got its name during the Thirty Years’ War, when the defenders’ blood stained the gate red.) Leave the town behind and hike through the steep vineyards with your guide, learning about the unique qualities of the soil, climate and terrain that make the region’s wine so special.

**B. Melk Abbey with library visit**

The Babenbergs, a great medieval ducal family that controlled a wide swath of Austria before yielding to the Habsburgs, were the first to erect a castle on the hill above Melk, which they subsequently gave to Benedictine monks. These monks, some 900 years ago, turned it into a fortified abbey—and the greatest center of learning in Central Europe. Their library was celebrated far and wide (and still is: Umberto Eco paid tribute to it in his best-selling novel *The Name of the Rose*); monks there created more than 1,200 manuscripts, sometimes spending an entire lifetime hand-lettering a single volume. Today the library contains some 100,000 volumes, among them more than 80,000 works printed before 1800. This beautiful complex, completely redone in the early 18th century, is a wonderful example of baroque art and architecture, and the views from its terrace are spectacular. As you walk through the abbey’s Marble Hall with your guide, look up at the ceiling fresco painted by Paul Troger: Those classical gods and goddesses represent Holy Roman Emperor Charles VI, allegorically bringing his people from dark to light and demonstrating the link he claimed to the original Roman Empire.

After your tour of the abbey, you’ll have time to explore Melk on your own, or you can take the motorcoach back to the ship.

**Choice Is Yours Excursion Options:**

A. Passau walking discovery tour
B. Passau city tour with old town walk
C. Exclusive guided “Go Active” Bavarian river bike ride

**A. Passau walking discovery tour**

The skyline of Passau is dominated by two buildings that owe their existence to the prince-bishops who ruled the city until 1803: the great fortress looming on a hill above the three rivers, home to the bishops until the 17th century, and the green onion domes of St. Stephan’s Cathedral. As you walk through the cobblestone streets toward those green onion domes, you’ll realize that Passau retains the layout of the medieval town. However, many of the wooden medieval buildings burned to the ground in the 17th century, and the prince-bishops imported Italian artists to build a new cathedral and a magnificent new residence for the bishops themselves. As a result, these splendid structures flaunt Italian baroque and rococo style and ornamentation, complete with opulent gilding and wonderful frescoes.

Your guide will introduce you to some of the architectural highlights—the rococo stairways of the New Residence; the cathedral; and the Town Hall, which boasts a magnificent atrium adorned by large paintings by Ferdinand Wagner—and make sure you get a close-up view of the point where the three rivers meet.

**B. Passau city tour with old town walk**

Board a motorcoach for a drive along the Danube, crossing over the river and climbing the hill to the Oberhaus fortress. It may look like typical red-roofed Bavarian palace now, but for hundreds of years, the prince-bishops used it to enforce their rule over the region; the citizens of Passau assaulted it twice—without success—in an effort to gain their freedom from the bishops. The bishops threw religious dissidents as well as political enemies into the Oberhaus prison, so it was known as the Bastille of Bavaria for a time. From the walls here you can see how the fortress dominated the city below, and you also get a fabulous view of the three rivers merging. Your panoramic tour continues with a drive through Passau, over the Inn River, and into the heart of the old city. A stroll through historic Passau shows you the highlights: the town hall, the lovely baroque churches, the twisting medieval layout. It’s...
no mistake that St. Stephan’s Cathedral stands on the highest ground in the old town; Passau has flooded often over the centuries. You can see the high-water marks on the buildings as you pass them, and your knowledgeable local guide can tell you about the city’s plans to control flooding in the riverfront areas as you head back to the ship.

C. Exclusive guided “Go Active” Bavarian river bike ride

Bicyclists have a treat in store today. Borrow a bike and, with an expert local guide, take the bike ferry across the Danube to the path that borders the river. You’ll pedal through the breathtaking countryside between Engelhartszell and Passau—orchards and meadows glide past, along with the occasional castle, charming village or picturesque ruin. Naturally, you’ll stop in a traditional beer garden for a little refreshment (perhaps you’ll be able to wave at the ship as it cruises past). Finally, you’ll roll into Passau and wander your way among the lanes of the historic city center to the ship.

DAY 6 Cruising the Danube River, Regensburg BB L D

“Regensburg is so beautifully situated; this region had to attract a town,” wrote Goethe in his Diary of an Italian Voyage. And attract a town it did, but not due to its beautiful location alone. Ambitious and farseeing locals built a bridge (Steinerne Brücke, or Stone Bridge) over the Danube back in the 12th century, making Regensburg an international trading hub. Because so many of the handsome buildings from that period remain, UNESCO declared the old city center a World Heritage Site in 2006.

Choice Is Yours Excursion Options:
A. “2,000 Years in One Hour” Regensburg walking discovery tour
B. Jewish Regensburg walking discovery tour
C. BMW factory visit

A. “2,000 Years in One Hour” Regensburg walking discovery tour

People have been describing Regensburg as “old and new” for a thousand years. A single structure perfectly illustrates this: Porta Praetoria, the gate built by the Romans during Marcus Aurelius’s reign. The gate and adjacent watchtower have been incorporated into a much newer building, but the plaster has been removed to reveal the ancient stones laid so long ago. As you walk through the cobbled lanes of the UNESCO-designated Old Town, the city’s 2,000-year history is similarly revealed: the Stone Bridge built by ambitious residents in the 12th century that made Regensburg a trading powerhouse, the Gothic town hall where the Imperial Diet met for three centuries, the 13th-century fortified patrician houses, and the spectacular Cathedral of St. Peter, whose magnificent 14th-century stained-glass windows alone are worth your walk. You’ll have free time to explore on your own; it’s very hard to get lost in Regensburg because the spires of the cathedral are visible all over town, so don’t hesitate to roam. The historic quarter not only boasts almost a thousand beautiful old buildings but also many cozy pubs and some great shopping—and the ship is docked conveniently close, so it’s easy to drop your treasures off and go back for more.

B. Jewish Regensburg walking discovery tour

A white marble installation called Place of Encounter stands on the spot where a synagogue was destroyed in 1519. The installation, by Dani Karavan, reflects the outlines of the synagogue, taken from a drawing made immediately before the interior was demolished. It’s just one of the mementos you’ll see on your tour of this historic Jewish district, which was home to a thriving Jewish community for 500 years; its celebrated school enjoyed imperial protection, but following the death of Maximilian I, the town council banished all Jews and razed their homes and synagogue. The community grew again over the centuries, though the sad history of death and destruction was repeated in the 1930s. The Jewish quarter was re-established in 1945 by Holocaust survivors. It has taken decades, but the synagogue and much of the surrounding area have now been restored, standing as a symbol of both destruction and hope.

C. BMW factory visit

Here is your opportunity to see German engineering, famous the world over, in operation as you tour the state-of-the-art BMW factory on the outskirts of Regensburg. About a thousand cars a day roll off the assembly line here, many of them in the BMW 3 series. You’ll see the fascinating production process from beginning to end, starting with rolls of sheet metal that are stamped out into body parts and continuing as the body is built and the various other elements are robotically assembled. You’ll follow a car into the finishing department to see it painted, polished and have the final touch applied—the BMW roundel.

Note: This tour is not available on Sundays or holidays.

Note: For safety reasons, BMW does not allow those with pacemakers or insulin pumps to participate in factory tours.
Cruising the Main-Danube Canal

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Come out on deck or find a window seat where you can watch the ship navigate a series of locks as you travel through one of the modern world’s greatest feats. The Main-Danube canal is a masterwork of engineering: It allows ships of all shapes and sizes to cruise from the Black Sea all the way to the North Sea, through no fewer than 15 countries. Sixteen locks punctuate the 106-mile (160-kilometer) stretch between Kelheim and Bamberg, linking the Rhine, Main and Danube rivers. Building the canal was no small task, especially considering changes of altitude (each river is different); the locks gently lift and lower the ships an astonishing 1,332 feet (406 meters) over the continental divide. Efforts to connect the rivers began with Charlemagne in AD 793, but the present-day canal was only completed in 1992.

A special Captain’s Farewell Reception and Gala Dinner will be prepared for you this evening.

Nuremberg, transfer to Prague

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Disembark the ship early in the morning—leaving your luggage in Uniworld’s expert hands—and delve into Nuremberg’s history, which is both glorious and profoundly difficult. One of Germany’s leading cities for many centuries, Nuremberg’s glowing heritage as a center of German arts, culture and economy was, sadly, also responsible for its disastrous experience in the 1930s and 1940s. Following your excursion, you’ll enjoy lunch on your own and then transfer via motorcoach to Prague, where you’ll check into your hotel.

Featured Excursion:

Nuremberg city tour with Rally Grounds ☀️ chu BB

Hitler considered Nuremberg the perfect expression of German culture, partly because of its significance in the Holy Roman Empire (which he called the First Reich), and so beginning in 1927, he chose to hold his massive rallies in the city. By 1933, his favorite architect, Albert Speer, had designed the vast Nazi Party Rally Grounds, where thousands upon thousands of Nazi troops saluted Hitler. (Leni Riefenstahl captured these events in her famous propaganda film Triumph of the Will.) Not all of Speer’s plans were executed, and some of his grandiose structures were bombed out of existence, but the remainder stand as vivid testimony to Hitler’s megalomania. A four-square-mile (10-square-kilometer) complex known as Zeppelin Fields contains parade grounds and a huge grandstand, the excavation site where a stadium for 400,000 people was begun—the hole is now filled with water—and the half-finished Congress Hall. Step into Congress Hall, intended to outdo and outlast the Colosseum in Rome, to study the exhibition in the Documentation Center called “Fascination and Terror,” which covers the causes, the context and the consequences of the National Socialist reign of terror.

Leaving behind the Third Reich’s mementos, you’ll discover the medieval city built by the Holy Roman emperors. Prosperous, secure and vibrant, Nuremberg lured artists and thinkers, merchants and scientists, for centuries. Trace the great ramparts and gate towers around the Old Town. Stroll through the castle gardens and enjoy breathtaking views of the city, then walk through a maze of cobblestone lanes down to the central Market Square, gathering around the well-named Beautiful Fountain, first erected in 1396. The red sandstone Church of Our Lady stands on the east side of the square—the 14th-century façade survived WWII bombing and, like much of Old Town, was meticulously reconstructed after the war, with the original stones plucked from the rubble. Browse the area on your own after your tour; your guide can suggest some delightful spots where you can enjoy lunch on your own.

Did You Know? Wagner’s opera Die Meistersinger was inspired by the Renaissance-era master singers who instructed pupils at St. Martha’s Church, just a few blocks from Market Square. Though they were called master singers, they were actually masters of other crafts; the best known was Hans Sachs, a master cobbler, singer and poet.

Prague

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A thousand years of architecture, from ornate Gothic to fanciful postmodern, have been beautifully preserved in Prague, which has been a magnet for artists, writers, scientists and composers for centuries. It also boasts great beer, a lively art scene and up-and-coming fashion designers, making it a fun as well as a beautiful place to visit.

Choice Is Yours Excursion Options:

A. Prague city tour
B. Exclusive behind-the-scenes tour of Prague’s Estates Theatre and Municipal House
A. Prague city tour 🛏️ 🚐
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Delightful Danube & Prague

PRAGUE TO BUDAPEST / 10 DAYS

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Prague

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Day 2
Prague

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A thousand years of architecture, from ornate Gothic to fanciful postmodern, have been beautifully preserved in Prague, which has been a magnet for artists, writers, scientists and composers for centuries. It also boasts great beer, a lively art scene and up-and-coming fashion designers, making it a fun as well as a beautiful place to visit.

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**DAY 3 Prague, transfer to Nuremberg**

Leave Prague this morning and travel via motorcoach to Nuremberg, where your ship awaits. Before you embark on your river voyage, you’ll have time to enjoy lunch on your own and then explore historic Nuremberg and visit sites associated with the rise and fall of the Third Reich. One of Germany’s leading cities for many centuries, Nuremberg’s glowing heritage as a center of German arts, culture and economy was, sadly, also responsible for its disastrous experience in the 1930s and 1940s.

**Featured Excursion:**

Nuremberg city tour with Rally Grounds

Hitler considered Nuremberg the perfect expression of German culture, partly because of its significance in the Holy Roman Empire (which he called the First Reich), and so beginning in 1927, he chose to hold his massive rallies in the city. By 1933, his favorite architect, Albert Speer, had designed the vast Nazi Party Rally Grounds, where thousands upon thousands of Nazi troops saluted Hitler. (Leni Riefenstahl captured these events in her famous propaganda film Triumph of the Will.) Not all of Speer’s plans were executed, and some of his grandiose structures were bombed out of existence, but the remainder stand as vivid testimony to Hitler’s megalomania. A four-square-mile (10-square-kilometer) complex known as Zeppelin Fields contains parade grounds and a huge grandstand, the excavation site where a stadium for 400,000 people was begun—the hole is now filled with water—and the half-finished Congress Hall. Step into Congress Hall, intended to outdo and outlast the Colosseum in Rome, to study the exhibition in the Documentation Center called “Fascination and Terror,” which covers the causes, the context and the consequences of the National Socialist reign of terror.

Leaving behind the Third Reich’s mementos, you’ll discover the medieval city built by the Holy Roman emperors. Prosperous, secure and vibrant, Nuremberg lured artists and thinkers, merchants and scientists, for centuries. Trace the great ramparts and gate towers around the Old Town. Stroll through the castle gardens and enjoy breathtaking views of the city, then walk through a maze of cobblestone lanes down to the central Market Square, gathering around the well-named Beautiful Fountain, first erected in 1396. The red sandstone Church of Our Lady stands on the east side of the square—the 14th-century façade survived WWII bombing and, like much of Old Town, was meticulously reconstructed after the war, with the original stones plucked from the rubble.

Did You Know? Wagner’s opera Die Meistersinger was inspired by the Renaissance-era master singers who instructed pupils at St. Martha’s Church, just a few blocks from Market Square. Though they were called master singers, they were actually masters of other crafts; the best known was Hans Sachs, a master cobbler, singer and poet.
Today, you’ll have a chance to experience one of most amazing engineering feats on the Danube. The Main-Danube canal is a masterwork of engineering: It allows ships of all shapes and sizes to cruise from the North Sea all the way to the Black Sea, through no fewer than 15 countries. Sixteen locks punctuate the 106-mile (160-kilometer) stretch between Kelheim and Bamberg, linking the Rhine, Main and Danube rivers. Building the canal was no small task, especially considering changes of altitude (each river is different); the locks gently lift and lower the ships an astonishing 1,332 feet (406 meters) over the continental divide. Efforts to connect the rivers began with Charlemagne in AD 793, but the present-day canal was only completed in 1992. Come up on deck and watch as your ship negotiates a set of locks on its way to Regensburg. Once you reach the beautiful UNESCO-designated city, you have a variety of ways to see a town that has been an international trading hub for 2,000 years.

Choice Is Yours Excursion Options:
A. “2,000 Years in One Hour” Regensburg walking discovery tour
B. Jewish Regensburg walking discovery tour
C. BMW factory visit

A. “2,000 Years in One Hour” Regensburg walking discovery tour
People have been describing Regensburg as “old and new” for a thousand years. A single structure perfectly illustrates this: Porta Praetoria, the gate built by the Romans during Marcus Aurelius’s reign. The gate and adjacent watchtower have been incorporated into a much newer building, but the plaster has been removed to reveal the ancient stones laid so long ago. As you walk through the cobbled lanes of the UNESCO-designated Old Town, the city’s 2,000-year history is similarly revealed: the Stone Bridge built by ambitious residents in the 12th century that made Regensburg a trading powerhouse, the Gothic town hall where the Imperial Diet met for three centuries, the 13th-century fortified patrician houses, and the spectacular Cathedral of St. Peter, whose magnificent 14th-century stained-glass windows alone are worth your walk. You’ll have free time to explore on your own; it’s very hard to get lost in Regensburg because the spires of the cathedral are visible all over town, so don’t hesitate to roam. The historic quarter not only boasts almost a thousand beautiful old buildings but also many cozy pubs and some great shopping—and the ship is docked conveniently close, so it’s easy to drop your treasures off and go back for more.

B. Jewish Regensburg walking discovery tour
A white marble installation called Place of Encounter stands on the spot where a synagogue was destroyed in 1519. The installation, by Dani Karavan, reflects the outlines of the synagogue, taken from a drawing made immediately before the interior was demolished. It’s just one of the mementos you’ll see on your tour of this historic Jewish district, which was home to a thriving Jewish community for 500 years; its celebrated school drew Talmudic scholars from all of Central Europe. Jews in Ratisbon, as the town was known in medieval documents, enjoyed imperial protection, but following the death of Maximilian I, the town council banished all Jews and razed their homes and synagogue. The community grew again over the centuries, though the sad history of death and destruction was repeated in the 1930s. The Jewish quarter was re-established in 1945 by Holocaust survivors. It has taken decades, but the synagogue and much of the surrounding area have now been restored, standing as a symbol of both destruction and hope.

C. BMW factory visit
Here is your opportunity to see German engineering, famous the world over, in operation as you tour the state-of-the-art BMW factory on the outskirts of Regensburg. About a thousand cars a day roll off the assembly line here, many of them in the BMW 3 series. You’ll see the fascinating production process from beginning to end, starting with rolls of sheet metal that are stamped out into body parts and continuing as the body is built and the various other elements are robotically assembled. You’ll follow a car into the finishing department to see it painted, polished and have the final touch applied—the BMW roundel.

Note: This tour is not available on Sundays or holidays.
Note: For safety reasons, BMW does not allow those with pacemakers or insulin pumps to participate in factory tours.

A special Captain’s Welcome Reception and Gala Dinner will be prepared for you this evening.
Relax onboard as your ship cruises along the mighty Danube, past lovely Bavarian countryside on its way to Passau, where three rivers meet—the Inn, the Ilz and the Danube—and three nations almost meet: Austria, Germany and the Czech Republic. Explore the historic Old Town on foot or choose a more active adventure.

**Choice Is Yours Excursion Options:**
A. Passau walking discovery tour
B. Passau city tour with old town walk
C. Exclusive guided “Go Active” Bavarian river bike ride

**A. Passau walking discovery tour**
The skyline of Passau is dominated by two buildings that owe their existence to the prince-bishops who ruled the city until 1803: the great fortress looming on a hill above the three rivers, home to the bishops until the 17th century, and the green onion domes of St. Stephan’s Cathedral. As you walk through the cobblestone streets toward those green onion domes, you’ll realize that Passau retains the layout of the medieval town. However, many of the wooden medieval buildings burned to the ground in the 17th century, and the prince-bishops imported Italian artists to build a new cathedral and a magnificent new residence for the bishops themselves. As a result, these splendid structures flaunt Italian baroque and rococo style and ornamentation, complete with opulent gilding and wonderful frescoes.

Your guide will introduce you to some of the architectural highlights—the rococo stairways of the New Residence; the cathedral; and the Town Hall, which boasts a magnificent atrium adorned by large paintings by Ferdinand Wagner—and make sure you get a close-up view of the point where the three rivers meet.

**B. Passau city tour with old town walk**
Board a motorcoach for a drive along the Danube, crossing over the river and climbing the hill to the Oberhaus fortress. It may look like typical red-roofed Bavarian palace now, but for hundreds of years, the prince-bishops used it to enforce their rule over the region; the citizens of Passau assaulted it twice—without success—in an effort to gain their freedom from the bishops. The bishops threw religious dissidents as well as political enemies into the Oberhaus prison, so it was known as the Bastille of Bavaria for a time. From the walls here you can see how the fortress dominated the city below, and you also get a fabulous view of the three rivers merging. Your panoramic tour continues with a drive through Passau, over the Inn River, and into the heart of the old city. A stroll through historic Passau shows you the highlights: the town hall, the lovely baroque churches, the twisting medieval layout. It’s no mistake that St. Stephan’s Cathedral stands on the highest ground in the old town; Passau has flooded often over the centuries. You can see the high-water marks on the buildings as you pass them, and your knowledgeable local guide can tell you about the city’s plans to control flooding in the riverfront areas as you head back to the ship.

**C. Exclusive guided “Go Active” Danube River bike ride**
Bicyclists have a treat in store today. Borrow a bike and, with an expert local guide, take the bike ferry across the Danube to the path that borders the river. You’ll pedal through the breathtaking countryside between Engelhartszell and Passau—orchards and meadows glide past, along with the occasional castle, charming village or picturesque ruin. Naturally, you’ll stop for refreshments in a friendly riverfront tavern; you may even have a chance to wave at the ship as it cruises past. Finally you’ll roll into Passau and wend your way among the lanes of the historic city center to the ship.

**DAY 6** **Engelhartszell, cruising the Danube River**

This may be the most leisurely day of your entire journey, as you spend it onboard, admiring the scenery, chatting with new friends and perhaps enjoying a massage in the spa. Your ship leaves Germany behind today, sailing into Austria and cruising through the Schlögener Schlinge—a hairpin loop in the Danube that was once very hazardous for ships.

**DAY 7** **Spitz (Spitz or Melk), cruising the Wachau Valley**

Your ship will dock in Spitz, midway through this glorious landscape, where you are faced with a difficult choice: Do you explore a charming riverbank village or visit one of the most beautiful libraries in the world? Later in the day, you’ll want to find a comfortable seat in the lounge or on the Sun Deck as your ship cruises through the Wachau Valley. Over the eons, the Danube cut a gorge through the foothills of the Bohemian Mountains, resulting in a 19-mile (30-kilometer) stretch of riverine scenery so beautiful, UNESCO declared it a World
Heritage Landscape. Castle ruins dominate hilltops; baroque church towers appear on the riverbanks, marking historic villages and splendid abbeys; and apricot orchards and vineyards cling to the rocky slopes. Some of Austria's finest white wines are produced from grapes ripening on the dry-stone terraces above the river, where grapes have been grown for 2,000 years.

**Choice Is Yours Excursion Options:**
A. Spitz village stroll with exclusive wine tasting
B. Melk Abbey with library visit

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Wine grapes grow in the heart of the village, which was built around “Thousand Bucket Mountain,” so called because the vineyards planted on it have produced a thousand buckets of wine a year. What kind of wine? Riesling and Grüner Veltliner, Austria’s very own varietal. Ramble with your local guide along the cobblestone lanes of Spitz, passing baroque and Renaissance-era houses and perhaps pausing to admire the 15th-century parish church, on your way to one of the wine estates that dominate the slopes above the town. There you’ll sample some of the wonderful local wines and have a chance to check out another specialty of the Wachau, apricots, which are turned into all sorts of delicacies, from jam and schnapps to strudel. You may opt to walk back to the ship on your own, browsing through the tiny shops along the way, or continue with your guide to the Red Gate, the only remaining gate in the medieval wall that once guarded Spitz. (Legend says that the gate got its name during the Thirty Years’ War, when the defenders’ blood stained the gate red.) Leave the town behind and hike through the steep vineyards with your guide, learning about the unique qualities of the soil, climate and terrain that make the region’s wine so special.

**B. Melk Abbey with library visit**

The Babenbergs, a great medieval ducal family that controlled a wide swath of Austria before yielding to the Habsburgs, were the first to erect a castle on the hill above Melk, which they subsequently gave to Benedictine monks. These monks, some 900 years ago, turned it into a fortified abbey—and the greatest center of learning in Central Europe. Their library was celebrated far and wide (and still is; Umberto Eco paid tribute to it in his best-selling novel *The Name of the Rose*); monks there created more than 1,200 manuscripts, sometimes spending an entire lifetime hand-lettering a single volume. Today the library contains some 100,000 volumes, among them more than 80,000 works printed before 1800. This beautiful complex, completely redone in the early 18th century, is a wonderful example of baroque art and architecture, and the views from its terrace are spectacular. As you walk through the abbey’s Marble Hall with your guide, look up at the ceiling fresco painted by Paul Troger: Those classical gods and goddesses represent Holy Roman Emperor Charles VI, allegorically bringing his people from dark to light and demonstrating the link he claimed to the original Roman Empire. After your tour of the abbey, you’ll have time to explore Melk on your own, or you can take the motorcoach back to the ship.

**DAY 8 Vienna**

The grand dame of the Danube, Vienna was the heart of the Austro-Hungarian Empire and remains, to this day, the political and cultural center of Austria. Klimt painted here; Beethoven and Mozart composed here; Freud developed his theories here. It’s a treasure trove of splendid architecture, astonishing art collections and inviting cafés—and today it is yours to explore.

**Choice Is Yours Excursion Options:**
A. Vienna city tour with Vienna State Opera visit
B. Exclusive “Vienna, City of Arts” tour

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A panoramic tour will show you the architectural highlights of the Habsburg capital—the City Hall, the Hofburg, St. Charles’s Church and other landmarks—but it will also take you to the legendary opera house in the heart of the city. The neo-Renaissance theater opened in 1869 with a performance of Mozart’s *Don Giovanni* (Mozart’s operas continue to be a mainstay of its annual season, during which some 50 operas are staged). Though the building was damaged during WWII, the main entrance, foyer and grand staircase were unharmed and retain their original grandeur and artwork. Spend some time admiring this handsome structure, then stroll through the neighborhood—which just happens to include the Hotel Sacher, the imperial palace complex, Vienna’s poshest shopping streets and St. Stephen’s Cathedral.

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**Notes:**
You’ll be able to explore the cathedral on your own: it is truly magnificent. Erected in the 14th century, partly from Roman ruins, St. Stephen’s is as closely linked to the musical history of the empire as it is to imperial politics and religion. Mozart was married and buried here; Vivaldi’s funeral took place here; and Beethoven realized he was completely deaf when he could not hear the great bell, cast from cannons captured from the Ottoman Turks, ringing.

Note: The Vienna State Opera House is occasionally closed to visitors for rehearsals or special events without advance notice. If we cannot visit the opera house, we will visit an alternative venue instead.

B. Exclusive “Vienna, City of Arts” tour

The sheer number of artistic gems on view in Vienna is overwhelming. Let an art historian provide you with knowledgeable guidance as you visit two extraordinary—and quite different—collections. The objects assembled at the Kunstkammer Vienna almost defy description. For centuries the Habsburgs collected curiosities that caught their fancies: an automaton of the goddess Diana riding a centaur, a priceless salt cellar made by Benvenuto Cellini, Renaissance tapestries, exquisite gold communion cups, sculptures and ivories—the range is staggering. The Kunstkammer Vienna was closed for more than a decade and only reopened in 2013; now these precious, idiosyncratic and magical pieces are once again on public view. The collections at the Belvedere, by contrast, concentrate on paintings and sculpture. The Belvedere palace complex, a triumph of baroque architecture, was built for Prince Eugen of Savoy, the Habsburg Empire’s leading general in the early 18th century. The Upper Belvedere houses the world’s largest group of works by Gustav Klimt, including his exquisite The Kiss, as well as paintings by Monet, Van Gogh and Renoir, among many others.

Note: The Kunstkammer Vienna is closed on Mondays. If the tour lands on a Monday, Albertina Museum will be visited instead.

Following your tour, whichever you choose, you can explore Vienna on your own, delving into its many museums, stunning art nouveau architecture, delightful cafés and pleasant parks.

A. Budapest city tour

As your ship cruises through Hungary toward Budapest, you’ll sail through the Danube Bend, which is lined with scenic towns—among them are the oldest settlements in the country—nestled at the foot of lovely wooded hills. Once you dock in vibrant Budapest, Hungary’s capital, you’ll discover an enchanting combination of East and West, old and new. Even the city’s geography is made up of two parts—Buda (the hills) and Pest (the flatlands)—divided by the Danube. Appropriately enough, you have your choice of two different ways to explore it today.

Choice Is Yours Excursion Options:

A. Budapest city tour
B. Exclusive “Do as the Locals Do” Budapest walking tour

This panoramic tour is a wonderful way to get an overview of the city if you have never been here before. It will carry you from Heroes’ Square, created in 1896 to honor the thousand-year anniversary of Hungary’s founding and its greatest historical figures, past some of the city’s most striking architectural sights—Dohány Street Synagogue, the Hungarian National Museum, the state opera house, St. Stephen’s Basilica and the truly stunning Parliament Building—to Castle Hill, which has been called the heart of the nation. The city of Buda began here, when King Béla built a strong keep in 1243 as a defense against Mongol invaders; a castle replaced the simple fortress, and over the centuries other castles replaced that one. The current castle is primarily 18th century; a museum dedicated to Budapest’s archaeological finds is housed there, and the Castle Hill district has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site. You’ll go inside the magnificent 700-year-old Matthias Church, named for one of Hungary’s greatest kings, and then wend your way on foot to the picturesque Fisherman’s Bastion, whose seven fairytale-like towers represent the seven tribes that originally settled the region. It offers a glorious view of the city and the Danube below.

Note: Visits to the interior of Matthias Church may not be possible on some weekends and Catholic holidays.
B. Exclusive “Do as the Locals Do” Budapest walking tour

Get ready for a fun immersion in daily life in Budapest—your local guide will show you how to use the metro (one of the oldest in Europe) to easily reach all the city has to offer. Start with a visit to one of the city’s irresistible market halls. Stalls spill over with produce, sausages and meats, festoons of dried paprika, cheeses, and jars of honey, all of it authentically Hungarian. After you leave the market, stop for coffee and a sweet treat at Szamos Gourmet Palace, a combination pastry shop, café and chocolate maker in Vörösmarty Square. Marzipan is a favorite confection in Budapest, and Szamos has specialized in making it since the 1930s, so you might want to try some—but the shop’s truffle selection is equally irresistible. Refreshed, you’ll be ready to hop back on the tram for a visit to the gracious green spaces of Károlyi Garden, sometimes described as Budapest’s most charming small park. You’ll ramble along the boulevards and pass the Hungarian National Museum, truly getting the feel for this dynamic city, as you head back toward the ship.

In the evening, a special Captain’s Farewell Reception and Gala Dinner will be prepared for you.

Did You Know? The Budapest metro, in use since 1896, is the fourth-oldest underground railway system in the world. The London Underground was first (1863), followed by Athens, Greece (1869), and Liverpool, England (1886).

Day 10

Depart Budapest ♦  CB/BB

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