



Join us on a this Spectacular Scenic Journey

15 Days **Grand European River Cruise Tour ~ Aug. 6 - 21, 2018**
Budapest to Amsterdam ~ Cruising the Rhine, Main & Danube Rivers
Visiting the Best of Hungary, Germany, Austria & the Netherlands



DAY	PORT	ARRIVE	DEPART	Tour
0 Mon Aug 6	Depart USA		Time TBD	
1 Tue Aug 7	Budapest	Embark	Overnight	
2 Wed Aug 8	Budapest		Evening	City Tour
3 Thur Aug 9	Vienna	Evening	Overnight	
4 Fri Aug 10	Vienna		Evening	City Tour
5 Sat Aug 11	Wachau Valley Melk	Afternoon	Afternoon	Scenic Cruising Melk Abby Visit
6 Sun Aug 12	Passau	Morning	Afternoon	Walking Tour Organ Concert
7 Mon Aug 13	Regensburg	Morning	Afternoon	Walking Tour
8 Tues Aug 14	Main-Danube Canal Nuremberg	Afternoon	Evening	Scenic Cruising City Tour
9 Wed Aug 15	Bamberg	Afternoon	Afternoon	Walking Tour
10 Thur Aug 16	Würzburg	Morning	Evening	Würzburg Residenz & Walking Tour
11 Fri Aug 17	Wertheim Main River, Spessart	Morning	Afternoon	Walking Tour Scenic Cruising
12 Sat Aug 18	Middle Rhine Koblenz	Afternoon	Overnight	Scenic Cruising- Marksburg Castle
13 Sun Aug 19	Cologne	Morning	Evening	Walking Tour
14 Mon Aug 20	Waal & Merwede Kinderdijk	Afternoon	Evening	Scenic Cruising Kinderdijk Windmills
15 Tues Aug 21	Amsterdam	Morning	Disembark	Return USA

See the Old World in a New Way...

Join us as we visit some of the most beautiful cities in Europe. Imagine 15 magical days along the Rhine, Main and Danube Rivers. From Holland's windmill-studded tulip fields to Germany's fairy-tale castles, from the engineering marvel of the Main-Danube Canal to the picturesque vineyards of Austria's Wachau Valley, this epic voyage presents the highlights of Holland, Germany, Austria and Hungary. Savor a decadent *Sachertorte* in a Viennese café and panoramic views of imperial Budapest—and along the way discover the legend of the Lorelei, the ancient art of glassblowing, the music of Mozart and more. Guests who choose this voyage soon see why it is our most popular itinerary.

KEY FEATURES

- 15-day cruise with river-view stateroom
- Scenic cruising along the Wachau Valley, Main-Danube Canal, Middle Rhine, Main River and Waal & Merwede
- 12 guided tours with audio headset
- Visit 9 UNESCO World Heritage Sites
- Culture Curriculum: Enjoy concerts aboard and ashore, ranging from Austrian classics to baroque organ music; attend lectures on current affairs in Germany, Holland & the European Union; learn how to make your own Rudesheimer coffee; experience the wonderful scents of a Viennese market
- Wine/beer/soft drinks w/ lunch & dinner on board

Special Group Rates: Limited Time Offer

- Cat. B Verandah Stateroom from \$7,174 ppdo
- Cat. D FRENCH Balcony Stateroom from \$6,274 ppdo
- Cat. E Ocean View Stateroom from \$5,624 ppdo
(based on availability, subj to chg)

Includes all taxes, and a Shore Excursion in each port.

AIR Promo \$395 - from LAX (& other major cities)
 Air Promo (subj to chg, based on availability)



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Grand European Tour 2018 Budapest to Amsterdam 4 Countries 12 Guided Tours

Absorb the atmosphere of Budapest's Café Gerbeaud and learn the Viennese waltz. Sample the food and wine of Austria's Wachau Valley. Admire Rhine Valley vistas from a 900-year-old castle. Indulge all your senses on this 15-day journey spanning the best of Europe. On our most iconic itinerary, you'll trace the legendary Danube, Main and Rhine Rivers between the stunning landscapes of Hungary and the windmill-dotted waterways of Holland, with engaging encounters at every bend.

Day 1 — Budapest, Hungary Welcome to Budapest, capital of Hungary. Transfer to your ship from the airport.* After boarding, the afternoon is yours to relax or do a bit of exploring; if your arrival schedule permits, join an organized walk to Budapest's famous covered market in the three-story Great Market Hall established in 1897. Return to your ship for a traditional Hungarian dinner. (D)

Day 2 — Budapest, Hungary Today we visit highlights of the hilly Buda and cosmopolitan Pest sides of the city, starting with Pest's National Opera House and historic Heroes' Square. In Buda, walk along Castle Hill to Fishermen's Bastion and Matthias Church. Enjoy lunch aboard your ship; the rest of the day is yours to explore the city. You may wish to visit the Art Nouveau Gellért Spa, or one of the many other lavish facilities in this "City of Healing Waters." Return to your ship for dinner and evening departure. (B, L, D)

Day 3 — Vienna, Austria Enjoy a day of scenic cruising as you sail along the beautiful Danube toward Vienna, arriving early this evening. After dinner, relax or enjoy an optional classical concert. (B, L, D)

Day 4 — Vienna, Austria Today we tour the Austrian capital of Vienna. Ride along the Ringstrasse, which replaced the city walls in the mid-19th century. See some of the city's baroque architecture, including the world-famous Opera House, St. Stephan's Cathedral and Hofburg Palace. Return to your ship for lunch. The rest of the day is yours to further explore. As always, your Program Director can help you plan your free time. Or you may take an optional tour to Schönbrunn Palace, the "Versailles of Vienna," erected in 1778 and graced by a number of formal gardens, Grecian statuary, the world's oldest zoo and Roman ruins. (B, L, D)

Day 5 — Melk, Austria Today, visit the abbey at Melk, a 900-year-old Benedictine monastery featuring Austria's finest Italian baroque architecture. See its wonderful frescoes and admire the comprehensive collection of medieval manuscripts in its library. Rejoin your ship and cruise through dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 6 — Passau, Germany Arrive this morning in Passau, at the confluence of the Inn, Ilz and Danube Rivers. Your guided walk along the town's narrow streets takes you through Old Town and past traditional patrician houses. You'll see the New Bishop's Residence and visit the impressive baroque St. Stephen's Cathedral with its ornate interior. Inside, you are treated to a special concert played on the 17,000-pipe organ, considered Europe's largest church organ.† Enjoy lunch aboard your ship, and return to the city for further exploration on your own before departing. We cruise through the night. (B, L, D) †Passau organ concert is only available May 1-October 31 and is closed on Sunday.

Day 7 — Regensburg, Germany Arrive in Regensburg after breakfast and tour this wonderfully preserved medieval city, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, including structures dating back to Roman times. Discover many 13th- and 14th-century patrician houses and see the splendid St. Peter's Cathedral. During free time, visit Alte Würstküche (Old Sausage Kitchen), Germany's oldest restaurant. Cruise through dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 8 — Nuremberg, Germany During our morning cruise, you may choose to attend a noteworthy presentation about the European Union. Then in the late morning you'll arrive in Nuremberg; after lunch, disembark for a tour. Visit the ruins of Zeppelin Field, the Nazi parade grounds of the 1930s, and see the Palace of Justice, site of the infamous Nuremberg Trials. See the Old Town area as you walk past the Albrecht Dürer House and Main Market Square. You can spend more time exploring Nuremberg, or join an optional World War II tour including the illuminating Documentation Center. Enjoy free time throughout the evening; dinner aboard your ship. We depart in the wee hours of the morning. (B, L, D)

Day 9 — Bamberg, Germany Enjoy a tour of Bamberg, with its medieval city center, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Your walking tour includes a visit to the magnificent 11th-century cathedral, reworked in late Romanesque style in the 13th century, and the picturesque city hall built on a tiny island in the middle of a river. Take some free time to enjoy Bamberg and sample some of the town's distinctive smoke-flavored beer before returning aboard. (B, L, D)

Day 10 — Würzburg, Germany After breakfast, tour Würzburg's Bishops' Residenz, one of Germany's largest and most ornate baroque palaces and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy an onboard lunch or join an optional journey along Germany's "Romantic Road" to Rothenburg, which features a turreted city wall and impressive Gothic and baroque architecture. Rejoin your ship for dinner and an evening glassblowing demonstration. (B, L, D)

Day 11 — Wertheim, Germany Wertheim is located at the confluence of the Main and Tauber Rivers. During your morning walking tour, experience life in a typical small German town. Stop in a bakery and a butcher shop, and learn about Wertheim's glassblowing tradition. Enjoy free time to explore before returning to your ship for lunch. (B, L, D)

Day 12 — Koblenz, Germany Cruise past hilltop castles along the Rhine; this stunning stretch of the river is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. We pass the Lorelei Rock, which marks the river's narrowest point; the rock is named after a legendary Rhine Maiden who lured sailors to their demise. This afternoon, visit Marksburg Castle, the only Rhine fortress never destroyed. Rejoin your ship in Koblenz and dine aboard. (B, L, D)

Day 13 — Cologne, Germany Arrive in Cologne during breakfast, then disembark for a tour of Germany's fourth largest city. Stroll through Old Town past St. Martin's Church and visit the Dom, Germany's largest cathedral and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Spend your free time enjoying Cologne's atmospheric waterfront before returning aboard for dinner and evening departure. (B, L, D)

Day 14 — Kinderdijk, The Netherlands We sail along the Rhine during the morning hours, enjoying scenic views. Spend your morning enjoying some popular Dutch diversions: sample Dutch cheeses and jenever, a distilled juniper liquor, and try your hand at sjoelen (Dutch table shuffleboard). After lunch, your ship arrives in Kinderdijk, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, for an afternoon tour of this ingenious network of windmills and other flood management devices. You learn why the windmills were built and see how they work, plus you enter a working windmill for a tour of its mechanisms and living quarters. Board your ship for departure and dinner. Arrive Amsterdam after midnight. (B, L, D)

Day 15 — Amsterdam, The Netherlands After breakfast, disembark and proceed to the airport for your return flight.* Or, extend your journey with 2 additional nights in Amsterdam; take time to explore the city's neighborhoods, museums and exciting nightlife. (B)