



# **BUDAPEST TO MUNICH** **DANUBE DELIGHTS**

**July 18 – 27, 2026**



**This insightful itinerary crosses into four countries, offering a unique perspective into their past and present simultaneously. Guided walks along the cobblestone streets of Germany tell their own story, and city tours of Vienna and Budapest exemplify how the past can shape the future. Celebrate the ancient as it co-exists with the modern in the Austrian and Hungarian capitals and gain a personal understanding of why the iconic Danube has acted as inspiration to so many.**



## **Exceptional Value**

- **7 Night River Cruise**
- **1 night post cruise in Munich**
- **Roundtrip Air from Ohio**
- **Airport Transfers**
- **The services of a Professional Tour Director**
- **Port taxes and charges**
- **All tipping and gratuities**
- **21 meals including 8 breakfasts, 6 lunches & 7 dinners**
- **Welcome and Farewell Reception & Dinner**
- **Complimentary wine, beer & soft drinks served with lunch and dinner on board**
- **Walking tours of Bratislava, Regensburg with Bavarian Sausage tasting, Gottweig Abbey and Durnstein Castle**
- **Traditional Hungarian Folklore show on board**
- **Traditional Bavarian band on board**
- **Guided coach tour of Budapest**
- **Home-hosted coffee and cake with a Slovakian family**
- **Vienna art tour with a visit to the Kunsthistorisches Museum**

### **Day 1 – July 18, 2026 – Depart for Budapest**

**Meals: Dinner on Plane**

### **Day 2 – July 19, 2026 – Budapest**

**Meals: Breakfast on Plane, Dinner**

Welcome to Budapest, where you'll be met at the airport and transferred to your contemporary Cruise Star-Ship, before enjoying plenty of free time to explore the Hungarian capital at your leisure. This evening, enjoy an authentic Hungarian folklore show on board, followed by a traditional dinner.

### **Day 3 – July 20, 2026 – Budapest**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**

Architecture from across the centuries shines a light on the history of the Hungarian capital. Originally two separate cities, Buda to the west and Pest to the east, offer incredibly different views on the culture of one of the liveliest cities in Eastern Europe. Today, you will have the opportunity to explore the city during a guided tour, including Heroes' Square and the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Andrassy Avenue and Buda Castle District. Alternatively, enjoy a hike to Gellert Hill for a postcard-worthy panorama view of the Danube banks.

*Excursions:*

- *Guided coach tour of Budapest*

### **Day 4 – July 21, 2026 – Bratislava**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**

This morning, relax on board as we sail to Bratislava. An ancient landscape awaits, where remarkable towers add to a skyline that perfectly encapsulates the history of the city, and preserved medieval fortifications tell tales of a turbulent past. Your local guide will take you through the heart of the city, as you soak in the sights of the lavish Episcopal Summer Palace and the neo-Renaissance façade of the Slovak National Theatre.

If you're feeling more active, you could instead choose to hike around the serene gardens of Bratislava Castle, which provides the perfect setting for the Shakespeare festival that occurs during the summer months.

This afternoon, you will be invited into the home of a local family to learn more about their traditions and culture over coffee and cake.

*Excursions:*

- *Walking tour of Bratislava*
- *Guided hike to Bratislava Castle*
- *Skoda tour of post-Communist Bratislava (extra expense)*
- *Carpathian wine route (extra expense)*

### **Day 5 – July 22, 2026 – Vienna**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**

Sweeping boulevards and world-famous art exhibitions welcome you to Vienna, a city which perfectly encapsulates the opulence of the Habsburg Monarchy and their ornate Baroque palaces. The Austrian capital is an art-lover's dream, and your guided tour will include a visit to the Kunsthistorisches Museum, the largest art museum in the country and one of the most important museums worldwide.

If you're feeling more active, then you may opt to explore on two wheels instead, cycling along the riverbanks before touching Danube Island and Prater, the famous Viennese amusement park, home to the traditional 19th-century Ferris wheel.

*Excursions:*

- *Vienna art tour with a visit to the Kunsthistorisches Museum*
- *Viennese evening concert (extra expense)*

### **Day 6 – July 23, 2026 – Krems - Durnstein**

### **Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner**

This morning, enjoy a guided tour of Göttweig Abbey, a true treasure overlooking the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Wachau Valley. Visible from great distance, it's one of Austria's most important Benedictine abbeys and attracts visitors from all over the world and provides epic panorama views.

Afterwards, your Star-Ship will sail through the fascinating Wachau Valley, part of the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Wachau Cultural Landscape, and on to Dürnstein.

Alternatively, embark on a guided bike tour in the Wachau region, passing terraced vineyards, castles and ruins along the way, before arriving where your Star-Ship is docked in Dürnstein.

In the afternoon we arrive in Dürnstein; a small town nestled in the heart of the Wachau wine region. You'll have the chance to hike to the medieval ruins of Dürnstein Castle, the site where King Richard I was held prisoner following his return from the Third Crusade, and part of the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Wachau Cultural Landscape, a place peppered with natural lookout points that highlight the beauty of the region.

#### *Excursions:*

- *Guided tour of Göttweig Abbey*
- *Guided hike to Dürnstein Castle*
- *Guided bike tour along the Danube*

### **Day 7 – July 24, 2026 – Engelhartszell - Passau**

### **Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner**

After a morning of sailing along the Danube, we will take you into the heart of Passau. Nicknamed the Dreiflüssestadt, meaning the 'the city of three rivers', it's situated at the confluence of the Danube, Inn, and Ilz rivers. Your included guided tour of Passau will unveil its noteworthy Gothic and Baroque architecture. If you are feeling active, you could join a bike tour along the River Inn, one of the three rivers converging in Passau.

After your tour, enjoy free time to explore Passau at your leisure, before spending an evening sailing blissfully towards Regensburg.

#### *Excursions:*

- *Guided tour of Passau*
- *Guided bike tour along the River Inn*
- *Visit to Schuetz Museum Engelhartszell (extra expense)*
- *Excursion to the Bavarian Forest (extra expense)*

### **Day 8 – July 25, 2026 – Regensburg**

### **Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner**

This morning, we arrive in Regensburg, a city built on the site of an ancient Roman fort. Your guided walking tour of Regensburg will showcase its UNESCO World Heritage-listed medieval centre, where narrow cobbled lanes and tall façades help to define the character of this enchanting Bavarian city. We will stop for a local Bavarian sausage tasting so you get a real feel of the daily life in Regensburg.

Alternatively, you could join a bike tour to the Walhalla monument, which towers high above the slopes of the Danube. From here, you can enjoy a fascinating view of the surrounding landscape and the river.

This evening, enjoy a traditional Bavarian band performance on board.

#### *Excursions:*

- *Walking tour of Regensburg with Bavarian sausage tasting*
- *Guided bike tour to the Walhalla monument*
- *Traditional Bavarian band performance on board*

## Day 9 – July 26, 2026 – Munich

## Meals: Breakfast

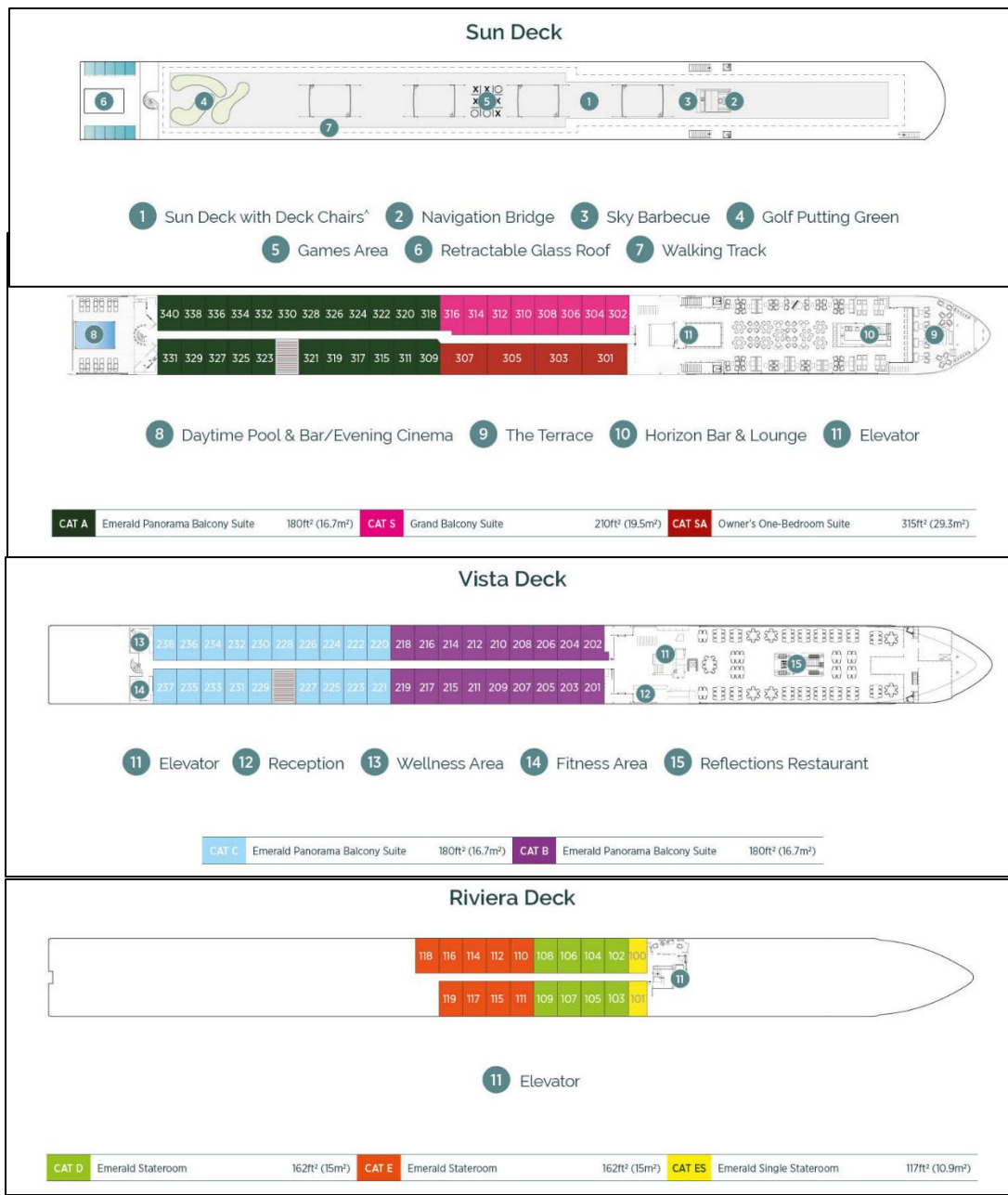
After breakfast, it's time to disembark your Star-Ship for your transfer to Munich where we will enjoy an afternoon and evening enjoying Munich's lively Bavarian Spirit.

## Day 10 – July 27, 2026 – Home

## Meals: Breakfast, Lunch on Plane

After Breakfast depart for home with the rich culture and charm of the Danube River with you.

*This itinerary is a guide only and may be amended for operational reasons such as high and low water. As such, the cruise may operate altered from that stated above.*



**NOTE:** A \$1,000 non-refundable deposit is required per cabin (\$500 per person double) for reservation.

CAT	STATEROOM/ SUITE	DECK	PER PERSON Double (includes air & post tour)	TRAVEL PROTECTION PER PERSON TWIN
E	Emerald Stateroom	Riviera	\$5395	\$245
D	Emerald Stateroom	Riviera	\$5695	\$259
C	Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite	Vista	\$6395	\$291
B	Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite	Vista	\$6595	\$300
A	Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite	Horizon	\$6695	\$305
S	Grand Balcony Suite	Horizon	\$7745	\$352
SA	Owner's One-Bedroom Suite	Horizon	\$8845	\$402

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