

XOON TOURS is Proud to Present

ROMANTIC DANUBE RIVER CRUISE

Sailing October 25-November 1, 2019

Pre-Cruise Excursion to Prague, October 22-24, 2019



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**2019 ROMANTIC DANUBE
AG Cruise**

TRAVEL TO PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC AND BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

3 NIGHTS IN PRAGUE (Pre-Cruise Option) AND 7-NIGHT CRUISE on the AMA Sonata FROM VILSHOFEN TO BUDAPEST

*October 22-24, 2019 Prague (Optional Pre-Cruise Excursion)
October 25-November 1, 2019 River Cruise (Austria, Germany, Hungary, Slovakia)*

Join your friends for an incredible journey along the Danube. Those longing for the romance of Old World Europe will travel into the very heart of the continent, where empires were built, kings and queens were crowned and some of the world's greatest music was composed and performed by the likes of Mozart and Beethoven. Grand European cities like Prague, Vienna, Bratislava and Budapest forever remain timeless. Admire the beauty of Austria's Lake District and the Czech Republic's charming mountain town, Český Krumlov. From grand abbeys and fortresses perched high above the Danube to plentiful iconic UNESCO World Heritage Sites, be romanced by the Danube with all her regal and romantic splendor.



3-Nights in Prague (Optional Pre-Cruise Excursion)

Day 1 Tuesday, October 22nd | Prague, Czech Republic
Arrive in Prague. Hotel Check-in and Local Sightseeing

Day 2 Wednesday, October 23rd | Prague, Czech Republic
Experience the wonders of Prague and its historic city center that is a recognized UNESCO World Heritage Site on your city tour or you can hike to the grand castle. See Rudolfinum, the National Museum, Wenceslas Square and the Hundertwasser Dancing House. Visit the 1,000-year-old Prague Castle and St. Vitus before walking over the romantic Charles Bridge to the Old Market Square, where you will find the capital's famous Astronomical Clock.



Day 3 Thursday, October 24th | Prague, Czech Republic

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

7-Night River Cruise: Vilshofen to Budapest

Day 1 Friday, October 25th | PRAGUE – REGENSBURG, GERMANY – EMBARKATION – VILSHOFEN.

Depart from Prague via motor coach and enjoy a stop in Regensburg, one of Germany's best preserved medieval cities and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, which you'll discover on a guided walking tour showcasing the city's architectural highlights, including the Old Town Hall and the Porta Praetoria. After touring Regensburg, continue your journey on to Vilshofen, where you will board your luxury cruise ship. Cap the day off with an exclusive festive Oktoberfest celebration.

Day 2 Saturday, October 26th | VILSHOFEN – PASSAU

Explore Vilshofen's beautiful old town before cruising to Passau, known as the "City of Three Rivers." Join a walking tour or if you prefer to be more active, hike high into the hills for a visit to the "Veste Oberhaus," Passau's Castle Hill.

Day 3 Sunday, October 27th | LINZ, AUSTRIA



The ship arrives in Linz where you'll have

several choices of excursions. Opt for a full-day excursion to Salzburg where you'll tour the historic center, Mirabell Gardens, Residenz Square and the Old Market. En route to Salzburg, stop at Mondsee, home of the famed Basilica St. Michael and site of the wedding scene in "The Sound of Music." Alternatively, you can join a morning walking tour through the old city center and by the Mozart House; or go on a guided bike tour along the city's famed "Culture Mile" and the Danube. During the afternoon, you have three more options of excursions. Choose a half-day in Salzburg

or take a scenic drive through the beautiful Austrian Lake District with a stop in St. Wolfgang. You can also choose to visit the charming mountain town, Český Krumlov, located just over the Czech-Austrian border.

Day 4 Monday, October 28th | WEISSENKIRCHEN

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





Day 5 Tuesday, October 29th | VIENNA

The “City of Waltzes” offers a treasure trove of gems and you have two ways to discover them. Join a city tour showcasing its regal splendors, including the majestic Opera House and the former Imperial Palace of the Habsburgs before concluding in Vienna’s historic city center and then visiting St. Stephen’s Cathedral. For a more active exploration, take a guided bike ride along the Danube. During the afternoon, you can enjoy leisure time or pedal your way to Klosterneuburg Monastery on a guided cycling tour.

Day 6 Wednesday, October 30th | BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

Host to the crowning ceremonies of 11 Hungarian kings and queens between 1536 and 1830, Bratislava certainly has earned the title “Coronation City of Kings” as you’ll discover during your walking tour. Or join a culinary host to sample traditional Slovakian specialties, as well as learn how to prepare November 6, 2017 stuffed potato ravioli with an opportunity to taste your own creation. For a more active adventure, hike up to Bratislava Castle, offering magnificent views of the city.



Day 7 Thursday, October 31st | Budapest



You cannot help but fall in love with Budapest, known as the “Queen of the Danube” with her distinct blend of medieval and modern beauty. Get to know the city with a tour that begins at the vibrant Great Market Hall packed from floor to ceiling with vendors selling all types of items from food to souvenirs. You’ll then visit the UNESCO-listed Castle Hill district, where you can admire dramatic vistas from 19th-century Fisherman’s Bastion, St. Stephen’s Basilica, Heroes Square, Houses of Parliament and the famous Chain Bridge. Spend your last evening on board cruising around the famed Parliament Building as the city turns on all her dazzling lights.

Day 8 Friday, November 1st | DISEMBARKATION Budapest

This morning, disembark your ship in Budapest.

TRIP INCLUSIONS

- All gourmet meals onboard (Early Riser Coffee and Croissants, a Rich Buffet Breakfast, a Festive Lunch Buffet, Afternoon Tea & Coffee with Cake, Cookies & Sandwiches and a Multi-Course Dinner)
- Free flowing red and white wine from the local regions, beer or soft drinks for lunch and dinner
- Complimentary Sip & Sail Menu “Happy Hour” five evenings before dinner (Captain’s Receptions on the other two nights)
- Captain’s Welcome Champagne Reception and Gala Dinner and Captain’s Farewell Champagne Reception and Gala Dinner
- Free coffee, tea, ice-water and iced-tea are included all day. Cappuccino, Latte and Espresso can also be requested free of charge during all meals! Complimentary coffee & tea station available 24 hours.
- Bottled water, fluffy bathrobes and slippers are provided free of charge in each cabin
- Use of the bicycles and helmets free of charge

- Unlimited Internet onboard via flat-screen TV & keyboard in each stateroom and wireless in our two lounges
- Our daily shore excursion program during the cruise with English-speaking guides. Use of our Quietvox headsets is also included at no additional cost.
- Unique water sports platform as equipped – at no additional charge
- Use of an intimate piloted excursion vessel for 10 to 14 guests - at no additional charge

Your price does not include:

- Airport transfers and pre- or post-land arrangements
- Beverages other than the ones listed above
- Gratuities (Recommendation: EURO 13 pp/ night for the entire crew and EURO 3 pp/ night for the Cruise Director on board. These can be pre-paid at USD\$157 per person for the 7-night cruise.)
- Items purchased in the Gift Shop
- Optional shore excursions that might be offered in addition to our daily included shore excursion program
- Price does not include port charges

PRICING IN USD PER PERSON – Based on Availability at time of booking

3-NIGHTS IN PRAGUE (Optional Extension Pricing)

Double-Occupancy Guests \$840.00 per person
Solo Traveler, Solo Room \$1,290 per person

7-NIGHT CRUISE FROM VILSHOFEN TO BUDAPEST (Cruise Portion Only)

Piano Deck, Panoramic Window View (160 square feet) Category D stateroom

Total price is: \$3,880 per person double-occupancy

Violin Deck, French Balcony and Outside Balcony (210 square feet) Category BA stateroom

Total price is: \$5,180 per person double-occupancy

Cello Deck, French Balcony and Outside Balcony (235 square feet) Category AB stateroom

Total price is: \$5,380 per person double-occupancy

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