

Christmas on the Danube

with 2 nights in Prague, featuring a 6-night Danube River Cruise December 2-11, 2024



This Christmastime river cruise begins in Austria's magical capital of Vienna. See the famous sights with a Local Guide, or opt to go on a culinary tour through the Christmas markets to get a taste of all the best flavors Austria offers during this time of year. Cruise through the wintery landscape of the picturesque views of the Wachau Valley to Melk. Here, you'll tour the magnificent 11th century Benedictine Abbey where monks still stroll amidst the sacred walls. Arrive in Passau, Germany, and visit the city's charming Christmas market set against the breathtaking backdrop of St. Stephen's Cathedral, a masterpiece of baroque architecture. In Regensburg, after a guided tour of the city, savor traditional sausages and enjoy a tasting of German beers.

Learn about Christmas traditions as you cruise to Nuremberg, the thousand-year-old city with its medieval fortifications and gothic churches. The Old Town is illuminated with festive lights and decorations, and the Christmas market has dozens of stalls offering traditional wares. Then, make your way to Prague, one of Europe's most beautiful cities. In Prague's Old Town, see the magical Astronomical Clock, built in 1410, and once the envy of all Europe. Explore the Christmas markets offering an array of Christmas tree ornaments, wooden toys, and Czech handicrafts. Be sure to see the beautifully decorated tree in Old Town to end this perfect, seasonal river cruise.



10 Days – 20 Meals 8 Breakfasts, 5 Lunches, 6 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS.... Prague, Vienna, Wachau Valley, Nuremberg, Benedictine Abby, Grein, Christkindlmarkts, Melk, Hradcany Castle

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Day 1 Overnight Flight

Day 2 – 3 Vienna

Day 3 – 8 Danube Cruise

Day 8 - 10 Prague

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Day 1: Dec. 2 - Depart Grand Rapids Air cost will be added to trip March 2024.

Day 2: Dec. 3 – Vienna, Austria (Embarkation) – Welcome to Austria! Indulge in traditional holiday fare and hot libations to warm your heart and soul before boarding. Then explore the ship on your first evening on board. (D)

Day 3: Dec. 4 - Vienna

Explore the Habsburg empire this morning on a GUIDED TOUR of Vienna's gilded landmarks. See the Imperial Palace complex—the winter residence of the Imperial Family, the iconic Vienna

Opera House and stunning St. Stephen's Cathedral. Spend free time on your own to enjoy the Christkindlesmarkt, or relax in a Viennese café this evening. You may join a Guided Optional Tour of the Schönbrunn Palace-summer home of the Habsburg dynasty for 300 years. This evening you may choose to attend an Optional Excursion to a Royal Waltz Concert for an unforgettable evening of music in an elegant hall. Overnight cruise to Melk. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Dec. 5 - Melk-Grein - You may take a GUIDED TOUR of Melk's magnificent Benedictine Abbey to marvel at its frescoed ceilings, statues, incredible library, and ornate pipe organ. Later, stretch out on the Sky Deck as you sail through the Wachau Valley past vineyards, castles, and charming villages on your way to Grein. Enjoy an Austrian Cookie Tasting onboard while sailing to Grein. Striking frescoes and breathtaking views will enchant you! Upon arrival, take a GUIDED TOUR of Grein, including its historic theater, the oldest in Austria still holding regular performances. Overnight cruise to Passau (B, L, D)

Day 5: Dec. 6 – Passau – You may take a GUIDED TOUR to learn more about this beautiful "City of Three Rivers." Later spend some free time in Passau's charming Christkindlmarkt near the magnificent St. Stephen's Cathedral. You may like to join a guided optional excursion to Salzburg, Austria. See the setting of The Sound of Music and learn the story behind the beloved Christmas hymn, Silent Night. Evening/Overnight cruise to Regensburg (B, L, D)

DAY 6: Dec. 7 -Regensburg Christmas Magic in Bavaria! Join a
GUIDED CITY WALK and see Altes
Rathaus (Old Town Hall) and Porta
Pretoria- entrance to the Castra Regina
fortress built in 179 AD. Take time to
browse Regensburg's sparkling
Christmas markets. Enjoy hot-mulled







Category D & E 172 sq.ft

Category A, B, P 200 sq.ft.

<u>Included in below price: Land Package, Pre-paid gratuities, Hotel</u>
<u>transfers, Roundtrip Airfare from Grand Rapids & weTravel Escort</u>

\$6561 Double- per person – Upgraded Category cabin
<u>Not included in price: Travel Insurance – Cat. A, B, P \$439 See back</u>
page for details.

\$350 per person due upon reservation- non-refundable \$439 travel insurance due upon reservation Final payment due on August 15, 2024

wine, candied almonds, gingerbread, or bratwurst. Later, enjoy local live entertainment on board. (B, L, D) Evening/Overnight cruise to Nuremberg.

Day 7: Dec. 8 - Nuremberg - Enjoy a Christmas Traditions lecture on board while sailing this morning. Choose a GUIDED TOUR of Nuremberg's medieval architecture, gilded fountain, Gothic cathedral, and Kaiserburg Castle or join a GUIDED TOUR of the historic Nuremberg Rally Grounds- used by the Third Reich. Spend free time on your own to browse the spruce stalls of the Christmas Markets of Nuremberg. Sample favorite Bavarian fare - from dozens of bratwurst varieties, gingerbread, mulled blueberry wine, and countless other culinary delights of the Christkindlmarkt. Overnight docking in Nuremberg. (B,L,D)

Day 8: Dec. 9 – Nuremberg - Prague – Bid your crew farewell and head for the Golden City of Prague. Stroll through the exquisite streets of the city and spend a free evening in one of Prague's cafes for dinner and Czech Beer. (B)

Day 9: Dec. 10 - Prague - Gothic Cathedrals, Grand Castles, and Czech Christmas Spirits await. Take a GUIDED CITY walk to visit Hradcany Castle Grounds: see St. Vitus Cathedral, and Old Town's Astronomical clock. Spend the afternoon on your own to browse the traditional Christmas Markets of Prague. Stroll through the brightly colored wooden stalls for ornaments and handmade toys and handicrafts. (B)

Day 10: Dec. 11 – Prague Departure flight to USA (B)

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