

TRAVEL BUDDIES TRAVEL CLUB PRESENTS

Christmas on the Danube featuring a 6-night Danube River Cruise

Highlights...Vienna • Vienna Opera House • Hofburg Palace • Wachau Valley • Passau
Regensburg • Nuremberg • Christmas Markets • Rothenburg • Würzburg

Lower Outside Cabin Rates: **Double \$1,489 pp**
Middle Outside Cabin Rates: **Double \$1,704 pp**
Upper Outside Cabin Rates: **Double \$1,809 pp**

Not included in price:

Cancellation Insurance, Round Trip Air Fare, Arrival/Departure Transfers

Day 1: Monday, December 07, 2009

Overnight Flight

Welcome the winter season with a timeless trip on the Danube River. Your holiday tour begins with an overnight flight to Europe.

Day 2: Tuesday, December 08, 2009

Vienna, Austria - Tour Begins - Board Cruise Ship

Your tour begins in Vienna, Austria's beautiful capital city. Unpack once for a relaxing 6-night Danube River cruise aboard the MS Amadeus Diamond. This beautiful ship offers the newest technology, panoramic deck, panorama salon and bar, excellent cuisine and outstanding service. After your welcome dinner you are invited to visit Vienna's most famous Christmas Market, located near the town hall. *Today dinner will be included.*

Day 3: Wednesday, December 09, 2009

Vienna

★Join a local expert exploring Vienna's Imperial architecture including the lavish Hofburg Palace, the impressive Vienna Opera House, the majestic Ringstrasse and awe-inspiring St. Stephen's Cathedral.★ The afternoon is at leisure to explore Vienna's baroque elegance, stroll

along the Kartnerstrasse, or sample some of Vienna's famous pastries. If you wish, you may join an optional excursion to the opulent Schoenbrunn Palace, the summer retreat of the Habsburg dynasty. Celebrate with a wonderful dinner followed by an enchanting musical performance. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

Day 4: Thursday, December 10, 2009

Vienna - Krems - Wachau Valley

★This morning cruise through the romantic Wachau Valley, dotted with magnificent castles and small riverside towns.★ View the picturesque landscapes as you cruise to the charming town of Krems. Relax and enjoy the surrounding scenery or if you wish, join an optional excursion to the nearby town of Durnstein and the 900-year-old Benedictine Melk Abbey, one of Europe's largest baroque monasteries. Enjoy a leisurely afternoon cruising through the fascinating landscape of the Wachau Valley. ★LANGUAGE DISCOVERY: Today, your Tour Manager will help you discover the origin and history of the language(s) you will experience on your tour along with key words and phrases that will help you

communicate with the locals.★ *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

Day 5: Friday, December 11, 2009

Passau

Early morning you cruise past scenic valleys and charming riverside towns to Passau, situated at the confluence of the Danube, Inn and Ilz rivers. Enjoy a leisurely paced walking tour of this 2,000-year-old fairytale city, exploring the ornate baroque architecture, the quaint cobblestone streets, cathedral and charming Christmas Market. After dinner, enjoy a delightful music concert in the ship's panorama lounge. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

Day 6: Saturday, December 12, 2009

Regensburg

★A guided walking tour of magnificent Regensburg reveals one of Germany's best preserved medieval cities with nearly 1,400 historic buildings.★ Some of the architectural highlights you may view include the old Town Hall and the Porta Pretoria, gates to an ancient Roman fort built in 179 AD. From the 12th century 1,400-foot long medieval bridge, you will have

spectacular views of the city and surrounding countryside. This afternoon, take a stroll through the old town to Regensburg's charming Christmas Market and marvel at the festive lights and decorations. Browse and shop at the brightly lit wooden huts that sell Christmas tree ornaments, wooden toys and local handicrafts. Late evening your ship departs for Nuremberg. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

**Day 7: Sunday, December 13, 2009
Nuremberg**

Your cruise continues across the continental divide to Roth, where a short transfer will bring you into picturesque Nuremberg. ★ **A local expert provides an interesting city**

tour of historic Nuremberg featuring the old town, the 900-year-old ramparts that surround the city, the Imperial Castle, and the Justice Palace, where the War Crimes Tribunal sat in 1946.★ Celebrate the last evening of your magical cruise with wonderful food, music and entertainment at the Captain's Gala Dinner. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

**Day 8: Monday, December 14, 2009
Nuremberg - Disembark Ship -
Rothenburg - Würzburg**

Disembark the ship in Nuremberg. ★ **Proceed to lovely Rothenburg, one of the most well-preserved medieval walled towns in all of Germany.★** Enjoy free time to explore the town's hidden treasures

and its charming Christmas Market. Late afternoon, you arrive in Würzburg. Join a local guide on a leisurely-paced walking tour of Würzburg. This ancient Franconian wine town is rich in historic sights, including the magnificent 18th century residence of the prince-bishops which boasts the largest ceiling fresco in the world, and the ornate Alte Mainbrücke, the oldest bridge on the River Main. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

**Day 9: Tuesday, December 15, 2009
Würzburg - Tour Ends**

Your tour ends in Würzburg this morning. *Today breakfast will be included.*

YOUR ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day	1	Overnight Flight
Day	2 - 7	M/S Amadeus Diamond
Day	8	Novotel Würzburg, Würzburg or Maritim Würzburg, Würzburg

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Please Note:

To complete your holiday, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing Collette airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

Collette air passengers will arrive into the Frankfurt, Germany airport and depart from the Vienna, Austria airport. All Collette transfers will depart from/return to these airports.

Due to tour scheduling flights must arrive prior to 4:00 PM.

Embarkation on day 2 is after 4:00 PM; on day 8, disembarkation is normally at 9:00 AM. Return flights should not be booked prior to 10:00 AM on the last day of your tour. An early morning departure from the cruise ship may be required due to air schedules to some U.S. cities.

Ports of call are subject to change based on pier availability and weather conditions.

Single accommodations are extremely limited and Triple accommodations are not available.

Cabins are available on lower deck and middle deck. Some departures also include upper deck and suites. Lower deck cabins have smaller windows than higher decks. Please see pricing for cost of lower deck and any upgrade fees for higher decks. There is limited lower deck availability.

Ice water, coffee or tea is included with all meals. Wine is included with the Captain's Gala Dinner.

Smart casual wear is recommended throughout the trip. For the welcome and farewell dinners, a dinner dress for the ladies and jacket & tie for the gentlemen is recommended. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended throughout the trip.

Cruise-Land: These combine the best of land and sea. These tours feature all the qualities of our traditional escorted tours, including a Tour Manager; and include high quality cruise ships that feature various amenities.

Gratuities for cabin stewards, bus boys and waiters on board the ship are not included.

This tour requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven grounds and cobblestone streets.

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Deposit of \$500.00 Canadian is required at time of booking, as well as Cancellation & Interruption Insurance, and if room mate required.

IMPORTANT RESERVATION INFORMATION

IDENTIFICATION

Obtaining the proper proof of citizenship for entry to destination countries is the responsibility of each client. Proof of Citizenship is required for all trips outside Canada.

NOTE: Passports must be valid for up to eight months beyond the travel date to their destination country(ies). Some countries require a visa in addition to a passport. Please check with the appropriate consulate for specific information on passport/visa and entry requirements. Visit www.voyage.gc.ca for the latest details.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that our clients travelling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

When travelling outside of Canada, health insurance is required. Contact your booking agent for more information.

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