



Four Countries Boat & Bike Danube River Cruise 2023 September 14 – 22 9 days/8 nights

BOAT & BIKE ITINERARY

- Day 1: Arrival into Munich Germany – best times to be announced
Transfer from Munich Airport by arranged coach to Passau – check into Passau Hotel
- Day 2: Late Morning bike ride Passau. Board Boat approx. 4pm
- Day 3: Boat & Bike: Schlägen - Linz, 34 mi. (55 km)
- Day 4: Boat & Bike: Tulln - Vienna, 19 mi. or 32 mi. (31 or 52 km)
- Day 5: Boat & Bike: Estergom - Szentendre, 37 mi. (59 km) + Budapest, 14 mi. (22 km) (or 40 min. by train)
- Day 6: Boat & Bike: Sightseeing in Budapest and cycling tour to Margareteninsel, 14 or 34 mi. (22 or 55 km)
- Day 7: Boat & Bike: Sightseeing in Bratislava and cycling Bratislava - Devin - Bratislava, 21 or 30 mi. (33 or 48 km)
- Day 8: Boat & Bike: Cycling tour Krems to Pöchlarn, 40 mi. (48 km)
- Day 9: Departure from Boat / Passau back to Munich approx 9 am
Private Group Motorcoach transfer into Munich – either Airport, or at Munich Hotel for Post-Stay [optional]

Thursday / Sept 14th. Day 1: Arrival into Munich Airport

From Munich airport - we will try to coordinate our arrivals, and take ONE group transfer by Coach to the lovely town of Passau. Early or Late arrivals can take the train.
Check into Hotel – rest. Get a good nights sleep.

Fri / Sept 15th. Day 2: Day in Passau

After a leisurely breakfast, we will take a short (2-hour) bike ride along the river through the lush green countryside, experiencing our first taste of beautiful Germany. Arrive back at hotel for a late check-out. Boarding to the Boat begins at 4 PM! A welcome snack is offered as you arrive. At approximately 6:30 pm the boat will depart Passau and navigate to Schlogen.

Sat / Sept 16th. Day 3: Schlogen - Linz, 34 mi. (55 km)

The distribution of rental bicycles will occur in the morning. Your cycling will begin from the UNESCO heritage site, 'Schlogener Schlinge', through the uninhabited Kaiserau valley, to the Aschach baroque market, and further on to Linz via Ottensheim.

Sun / Sept 17th. Day 4: Tulln - Vienna, 19 mi. or 31 mi. (31 or 49 km)

A visit to the Museum of Egon Schiele and garden exhibition (with 65 gardens) in Tulln is on the agenda followed by a cycle tour from Tulln with a wonderful view of the foothills of the Viennese Wood (Wiener Wald), past Klosterneuburg (monastery – Austrian Escorial) to Vienna. Individual sightseeing in Vienna or if you prefer, a city tour by bike, 95 % of which will take place on

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dedicated bike path! More information will be provided onboard. After dinner, at 8:30, a guided bus tour "Vienna by night" is included.

Mon / Sept 18th. Day 5: Estergom - Szentendre, 37 mi. (59 km) + Budapest, 14 mi. (22 km) (or 40 min. by train)

You cycle on the Eurovelo 6 through the Danube Bend on car-free cycle paths past Visegrád to Vác and then by ferry to the Szentendre island.

From here you can opt to go by train (approx. every hour) to Budapest or continue by bike for another 22 km (14 miles)

Tue / Sept 19th. Day 6: Sightseeing in Budapest/biking to Margarete's island 14 mi. (22 km)

In the morning, you will enjoy a city tour by bus of Budapest, which will leave directly from the boat landing station. The tour will take about 3 hours. From here you will be transferred back to the ship. In the afternoon, there is a possibility for a round trip tour by bike on the 8 km long, car-free, Margareten Island in Budapest.

Wed / Sept 20th. Day 7: Sightseeing in Bratislava and cycling Bratislava - Devin - Bratislava, 21 or 30 mi. (33 or 48 km)

You will enjoy a guided city tour through the historical center of Bratislava. Afterward, on the Danube cycling route, you will pedal to Devin, the national memorial of Slovakia that holds beautiful views. You cross the new cycling bridge through the flood plains to Schloss Hof and back, or take a large round trip of Donau-Radweg/Hainburg.

Thur / Sept 21st. Day 8: Cycling tour Krems to Pöchlarn, 40 mi. (48 km)

Leaving the UNESCO World Heritage City Krems you will soon arrive in one of the most famous places in the Wachau: Dürnstein. Continue cycling to Weißenkirchen and Spitz. From afar you will see the impressive monastery Melk. Continue to Pöchlarn where the MS Primadonna is already waiting for you.

Fri / Sept 22nd. Day 9: Departure from Passau at 9 am

You will arrive in Passau at approximately 8 AM and depart after breakfast, around 9 AM.

Private Group Motorcoach transfer into Munich – either Airport, or at Munich Hotel for Post-Stay [optional]

Anyone staying in Passau or taking the train out for their own adventure - Bus transfer provided by Boat to public parking or the main train station is available.

*All distances are approximate. Timetable and program are subject to changes by the captain due to regional conditions (among other things high or low water, adverse weather, storms, etc.).