



CJN\_SE001\_Danube Dreams\_Vilshofen\_8D4C\_2025-2026

# DANUBE DREAMS

WDB • VILSHOFEN → BUDAPEST

## Meals

Breakfast: 7 Lunch: 6 Dinner: 7

## Transport

State-of-the-art, luxurious river cruise vessels with modern services and amenities

## Accommodation

Deluxe outside accommodations with Avalon's exclusive Comfort Collection Beds

## HighLights

Dürnstein &amp; Melk

Vienna

Bratislava

Budapest



## DAY1: VILSHOFEN, GERMANY (EMBARKATION)

Welcome to Germany. Your Suite Ship is Ready for Boarding. Flights into Munich must arrive by 2 pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm. Explore your ship and enjoy dinner on your first evening on board.

EVENING CRUISE TO PASSAU (D)

## DAY2: PASSAU-SCHLOGEN OXBOW

Where the Danube, Inn, and Ilz Rivers Meet ACTIVE Follow your Avalon Adventure Host for Hiking from Oberhaus along a trail down to the valley and along Ilz River, OR: CLASSIC Join a Guided City Walk to learn more about this beautiful "City of Three Rivers". Before sailing to Linz, take a little free time to explore Passau's cobblestone streets and galleries of Artists' Alley. Maybe stop at St. Stephen's Cathedral to catch a concert rehearsal. This afternoon, cruise to Linz through the Danube's dramatic horseshoe bend called Schlogen Oxbow. Later, enjoy live entertainment on board. OVERNIGHT DOCKING IN LINZ (B,L,D)

## DAY3: LINZ, AUSTRIA

Legendary and Lovely Linz Visit the Adventure Centre for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

CLASSIC Take a Guided Walk through the city's historic and beautiful sites along the shore of the Danube and see Hauptplatz-Dustria's largest medieval square-Dnd the towering white-marble Trinity Column.

Consider a full-day Guided Optional Excursion to Salzburg-the city of Mozart, or to the picturesque Bohemian town of Cesky Krumlov. You may otherwise spend the afternoon on a biking picnic along the banks of the Danube or hike through Linz's beautiful nature trails to Postlingberg for a bird's-eye view of the city and river below. OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO DURNSTEIN (B,L,D)

#### **DAY4: YBBS. EXCURSION TO MELK-WACHAU VALLEY**

Frescoes Above and Vineyards Below CLASSIC Visit the Lower Austrian little town of Ybbs. Walk through the doors of Austrian history with a guided sightseeing tour of Artstetten Castle, OR: CLASSIC 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 Durnstein. ACTIVE Alternatively, experience the Wachau Valley from a unique perspective, join your Adventure Host for a bike ride along some of Wachau's bike trails. DURNSTEIN A King's Ransom and Castle Ruins ACTIVE Join a Guided Hike up to the castle ruins to take in the spectacular view of the village, Danube, and the Wachau Valley below, OR: CLASSIC Join a Guided Walk, and hear the legendary tale of King Richard the Lionheart-who was imprisoned in the castle here during the Crusades. Later, enjoy live entertainment on board your ship. OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO VIENNA (B,L,D)

#### **DAY5: VIENNA**

Viennese Waltzes on the Blue Danube ACTIVE Explore Vienna's Danube Island by bike with your Adventure Host, OR: CLASSIC Explore the Habsburg empire with a morning Guided City Tour of Vienna's gilded landmarks. See the Imperial Palace complex-Winter residence of the Imperial Family, the grand Vienna Opera House, and stunning St. Stephen's Cathedral. You may decide to take a Guided Optional Excursion to Schonbrunn Palace-the former imperial summer home of the Habsburg monarchy. Spend free time strolling in the pedestrian Karntnerstrasse-the most famous shopping avenue in central Vienna. Take a bike ride through the city and stop in a local cafe to enjoy Sachertorte or Apfelstrudel. This evening, enjoy an unforgettable musical performance with an Optional Excursion to attend a Royal Waltz Concert in an elegant hall. OVERNIGHT SAILING TO BRATISLAVA (B,L,D)

#### **DAY6: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA**

Cathedral Coronations and a Crowning Castle ACTIVE Follow your Avalon Adventure Host on a hike to lofty Bratislava Castle, OR: CLASSIC Take a Guided City Walk, including the quaint streets of Old Town, Town Hall, and the sight of royal coronations at St. Martin's Cathedral. Enjoy free time to discover on your own Bratislava, the beautiful capital of Slovakia, rich in history and culture, but also a green city with its forests and parks just a hop away from the city centre. OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO BUDAPEST (B,L,D)

#### **DAY7: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY**

Monuments and Markets ACTIVE Hike up to a magnificent viewpoint in Budapest with your Adventure Host, OR: CLASSIC Enjoy a Guided City Sightseeing, including the iconic Heroes' Square. This afternoon, choose from a wide range of Optional Guided Excursions. Spend free time exploring famous sights like the Chain Bridge or Fisherman's Bastion. Linger in one of the city's beautiful cafes, browse the Central Market Hall, or hike the hills above the Danube. OVERNIGHT DOCKING IN BUDAPEST (B,L,D)

#### **DAY8: BUDAPEST (DISEMBARKATION)**

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning. (B)