# DANUBE RIVER CRUISE PILGRIMAGE

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# HUNGARY, SLOVAKIA, AUSTRIA, GERMANY



# SEPTEMBER 25 - OCTOBER 4, 2021

\$4,994 FROM CHARLESTON (CABIN A)

\$5,894 FROM CHARLESTON (CABIN B)

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ALL PRICES ARE PER PERSON & BASED ON DOUBLE OCCYPANCY (AS PER AVAILABILITY)

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Post Tour to Medjugorje: October 4 - 11 | \$1,099 per person









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# SAMPLE DAILY ITINERARY

#### Day 1, Saturday, September 25: Departure

Prepare for your departure to your local airport and your overnight flights to the ship for dinner and overnight. Budapest.

#### Day 2, Sunday, September 26: Arrive Budapest

Arrive at Budapest International Airport. Meet your local professional tour manager and transfer to your hotel. Dinner and overnight in Budapest.

# Day 3, Monday, September 27: Budapest

After breakfast, depart for a tour of Buda, the upper part of

Budapest. Visit the Castle District and see the main attractions of the area: Fisherman's Bastion which takes its name from the guild of fishermen that were responsible for defending this stretch of city walls in the Middle Ages, followed by Matyás Church, a gorgeous Romanesque style church whose Ecclesiastical Art museum houses numerous sacred relics and medieval stone carvings, including replicas of the Hungarian royal crown and coronation jewels. Celebrate Holy Mass at Matyas Church. Lunch on your own to experience the Grand Bazaar and the coffee shops and restaurants offering local delicacies! You'll be transferred to the ship and check-in to your cabin which will be your residence for the next 7 nights. Enjoy a folklore show on board prior to dinner. Overnight.

# Day 4, Tuesday, September 28: Budapest – Szentendre – Esztergom – Budapest Some activities that will accompany you in your spiritual journey:

Breakfast on-board followed by your departure to Esztergom, a medieval city lying picturesquely on the Danube Bend. En route stop in Szentendre, the charming, ethnic artist colony with its winding lanes, seven aspiring church towers, colorful houses, narrow side streets, genuine Mediterranean ambience and scores of museums, galleries, guest houses and warm restaurants. It is the most frequented tourist destination of the Danube Bend. Return to the ship for lunch. We'll sail to Esztergom and enjoy a visit to this medieval city. Mass at Esztergom Basilica followed by time on your own. We'll return to the ship for dinner and overnight before departing for Bratislava. Dinner and overnight.

# Day 5, Wednesday, September 29: Bratislava

After breakfast, depart for a tour of Bratislava. Walking down to the Old Town pass by St. Martin's Cathedral, Michael's Gate, Academia Istropolitana historical building, Main Square, Primatial (Archbishop in the past) Palace, churches, palaces of famous families, Slovak National Theatre and Bratislava Castle on the hill with a panoramic view on Bratislava (exterior views). Celebrate Mass at St. Martins Church. Return to the ship for lunch. Afterward, depart for the Cerveny Kamen Castle and enjoy a guided tour followed by a wine tasting for you to enjoy before returning to the ship. Dinner and overnight.

# Day 6, Thursday, September 30: Vienna

After breakfast depart for Mass at Votivkirche. Afterward, visit Schonbrunn Palace, the fabulous Baroque summer residence of the Hapsburg Emperors. Here, Marie Antoinette lived as a young girl and the six year old Mozart played for the future Queen inside the Palace. Later, enjoy a panoramic tour of Vienna's Old Town between the University and Opera House passing major monuments to include Donners' Fountain, Belvedere Palace Gardens, Hofburg Palace, Spanish Horses training place (external visits only), and St. Stephen's Cathedral (exterior view). Return to the ship for lunch or stay in the city on your own. Dinner and overnight.

# Day 7, Friday, October 1: Vienna – Duernstein - Melk

After breakfast visit Durnstien on your own. Return to the ship for lunch and sailing to Melk. Enjoy a guided tour of Melk Abbey. This Baroque style structure is surrounded by a gorgeous town with Renaissance homes and winding streets reminiscent of the Middle Ages. The Abbey is the setting for Umberto Eco's 'The Name of the Rose'. Among the treasures housed here are paintings, sculptures, and decorative art from the 9th to 15th centuries. Celebrate Mass at Melk Abbey and return to the ship. Dinner and overnight.

After breakfast, depart for Salzburg and enjoy a guided tour of the Old Town. View the Hohensalzburg Fortress, Mirabell Gardens and Salzburger Dom. Lunch on your own before departing to the Maria Plain Shrine. Celebrate Mass at Maria Plain Basilica which hosts the miraculous painting of the "Virgin with Child" by an unknown painter. This painting miraculously survived a fire in the Bavarian town of Regen undamaged. Continue on through the lake region of Salzkammergut into Passau and rejoin the ship which will depart to Regensburg. Dinner and overnight. (note: today our full day of touring will not include Lunch. If you should decide to stay on-board, lunch will be available)

## Day 9, Sunday, October 3: Regensburg – Walhalla - Passau

After breakfast, depart for a visit to the Regensburg Cathedral. We'll see St. Peters Cathedral, one of the most prominent examples of Gothic architecture in Germany. Mass at Alte Kapelle. Return to the ship for lunch. After lunch, depart for Walhalla Memorial. This pantheon-like monument on top of a hill

commemorates important German sovereigns, scientists and artists. Return to

#### Day 10, Monday, October 4: Departure

Prepare for your disembarkation from the ship and transfer to Munch airport for your return flights home.

OR

## Optional Post Tour to Medjugorje

#### Day 10, Mon, Oct 4: Munich - Medjugorje

Today depart from Munich for your flight (s) to Medjugorje. Upon arrival, you'll be greeted by your tour guide and/or driver, who will take you on the 2.5 hour drive to the village of Medjugorje. Dinner and an overnight in Medjugorje.

## Day 11 - Day 16, Tue - Sun, Oct 05 - Oct 10: In Medjugorje

The most beautiful features of Medjugorje are its simplicity and peace. While in Medjugorje, you may experience your faith grow, and share in the faith journey of pilgrims from all over the world. A local guide will accompany your group throughout your stay in the village.

Attend Daily Mass: Each morning at 10:00 AM, your group will assemble at St. James Church for Mass (English-Speaking). At the end of each Mass, regardless of language, there is a blessing of the religious articles that you have with

On Feast Days, and Sundays: English Mass is at 12 PM.

Climb Apparition Hill: This mountainous hill is where the visionaries first encountered Our Lady. At the base of this hill is a Blue Cross, where it is said Our Lady appeared to the children while they hid from the communist police in the early days of the alleged apparitions. While climbing, your group is invited to recite the Rosary, pausing five times for each decade of the Rosary. At the top of the hill, you will witness the exact location of the first alleged apparition of Our Lady to the visionaries, and enjoy private time for prayer.

Climb Mt. Krizevac (Cross Mountain): In 1933, the villagers built a 30' high cross atop a mountain to commemorate Jesus' passion and death on the cross. Your group will have the opportunity to climb this mountain, and venerate that very cross. While climbing, your group is invited to pray the Stations of the Cross (to meditate on Jesus' suffering Road to Calvary), pausing fifteen times for each Station.

Apparitions: Each evening at 6 PM (depending on daylight savings time), your group will join the villagers and fellow pilgrims of Medjugorje in saying the Rosary, as all anxiously await the alleged arrival of Our Lady to the visionaries. Following the apparition, at (6:40 PM during Daylight Savings Time), feel free to stay at St. James Church and attend the Croatian Mass. Following the Croatian Mass, there is a Blessing of the Sick.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Our Lady has always called us to be close to her Son. For this, you will have the opportunity to adore the Blessed Sacrament at the altar outside of St. James Church. Adoration is held on Tuesdays and Saturdays; Veneration of the Cross is held on Fridays inside the church. Additionally, there is an Adoration Chapel on the grounds of St. James Church, where Adoration is held in the afternoon hours.

Meetings with the Visionaries: Pending their availability, your guide will arrange meetings with the visionaries at their homes.

Day 8, Saturday, October 2: Linz - full day excursion to Salzburg and Maria Visit to the Community of Cenacolo: You will have the opportunity to visit the community of Cenacolo, founded by the Sisters of Charity, for young men and women who have taken a wrong path and are on the road to recovery. You will be able to listen to their inspirational words about their journeys back to Jesus Christ.

> Prayer at the Statue of the Risen Christ: The bronze statue of the Risen Christ is located on the grounds of St. James Church. Many pilgrims sit and pray on the benches surrounding this peaceful statue. This statue miraculously seeps droplets of water at all times of the day, out of Christ's right knee.

#### Day 17, Mon. Oct 11: Return home

After an early breakfast and heartfelt farewells, we transfer for Dubrovnik Airport (Split or Sarajevo) for return flights home.

# YOUR TRIP INCLUDES

- Pound-trip airfare from CHarleston, plus add on as per: <a href="www.206tours.com/airports">www.206tours.com/airports</a>
- † All airport taxes & fuel surcharges
- † ~ September 26 27 | 1 night: Budapest; Eurostar Danube Hotel
- † ~ September 27 October 4 | 7 nights: River Cruise on Amadeus Silver II
- † Accommodations on your selected cabin category
  - ~ C Cabin (172 sq.ft.) this is the standard / default price
  - ~ B Cabin (188 sq.ft.) with drop-down panoramic window
  - ~ A Cabin (188 sq.ft.) with drop-down panoramic window
  - ~ Amadeus Suite (284 sq.ft.) with walk-out exterior balcony
- † Optional Post Tour to Medjugorje:
  - ~ 7 nights: Oct 04 Oct 11: Hotel or Villa Grace, Medjugorje
- † Breakfast and dinner in Budapest with wine and water
- † Full Board during cruise: Early Riser breakfast buffet, Buffet Breakfast, Lunches Buffet or Table, Afternoon Coffee or Tea, (due to sightseeing schedule Lunch on October 2 will be on your own On-Board lunch will be available on ship)
- † Local Wines and Beer with dinners during cruise
- † Welcome cocktails, Welcome dinner, Captains Gala Dinner on cruise, Folklore show on ship
- † Sightseeing and Entrance fees as per itinerary
- † Port Taxes
- † Mass Daily
- † Fr. Dan available for Spiritual Direction
- † Luggage handling (1 piece per person)
- f Flight bag & portfolio of all travel documents

#### **CRUISE INCLUSIONS:**

- † Fascinating river cruise in on outside river-view stateroom of your choice, most with French balcony or drop-down panoramic windows; Walkout balconies in Suites
- † Complimentary state-of-the-art audio headsets for all excursions
- † Services of an experienced, multilingual Cruise Director
- † Gourmet dining with all meals included (buffet breakfast, lunch, dinner and midnight snack) in the elegant Panorama-Restaurant, which accommodates all guests in one seating
- † Free-flowing quality red & white wines from Europe's famous wine regions with every dinner on board
- † Coffee and tea after lunch and dinner
- † 24-hour complimentary coffee, tea, hot chocolate and water
- † Cocktail Reception, Welcome Dinner and Captain's Gala Dinner
- † Special onboard entertainment including lectures, cooking demonstration, onboard music performances and nightly music by the Amadeus Duo in the Panorama Bar
- † Complimentary use of onboard bicycles
- † Non-smoking environment (smoking permitted on the Sun Deck)
- † All port taxes and local taxes

### **NOT INCLUDED:**

- † Any meals not mentioned
- † Beverages unless mentioned
- † Tips to your guide & driver
- † Items of a personal nature.

# ON CRUISE: TAXES AND GRATUITIES

Recommendation: \$15 pp per night for the entire crew and \$4 pp per night for the Cruise Director on board. Tour escorts during your sightseeing is suggested at \$7 per person per day and \$5 per person per day for drivers.

## OPTIONAL:

Travel Insurance: www.206tours.com/insurance



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#### DEPOSIT. REGISTRATION. FINAL PAYMENT

A \$800 per person deposit is required no later than 5 business days after we confirm your cruise, or cruise accommodation will cancel. Fax. internet. email, or phone requests are welcome. Full payment is due 121 days prior to the departure date. If a booking is made any time prior to departure, once confirmed, full payment is required. Packages shipped outside of the USA will incur additional shipping charges. NOT INCLUDED

Items of a personal nature, such as telephone calls, mini bar, laundry, food, beverages or alcohol not included and not on regular hotel menu (these extra items will be billed to you before leaving the hotel or restaurant): room service, optional activities, and laundry. Insurance, Cancel for Any Reason Policy, portage at airports, excess baggage fees and passport or visa

#### PASSPORTS, VISAS & DOCUMENTS

A valid US passport is required for US citizens. If you do not have a valid passport please contact your closest passport office or see Passport Information. Passports must be valid at least 6 months after return date. US or Canadian citizens do not need to obtain visas for most countries 206 Tours services. For all other nationalities please consult the country of 's consulate. When and if visa is required it is passenger's responsibility to obtain one. Cancellations due to lack of appropriate documents will incur usual penalties. A Passport Card is not useful for International Air Travel. Attempting to use this instead of a Passport Book will result in a denial of boarding by the airlines and entry by the legal authorities

### CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS

Once a deposit or partial/full payment has been made, cancellations will only be accepted in writing. Cancellation terms will be applied based on the date that the written cancellation is received. In addition to a \$500 per person administration fee, the following charges apply:

earlier than 121 days prior to departure 10%

120-91 days prior to departure 25%

90 - 61 days prior to departure 35%

60- 21 days prior to departure 50%

20 - 07 days prior to departure 80%

07 days prior to departure or less no refund

Additionally, once tickets are issued the ticket value is non-refundable. Requests for a refund must be in writing, mail, fax or email. Phone calls cannot be used as a form of cancellation. Refunds will be issued within 30 to 60 days of receipt of written notice. No change of names or substitutions are permitted. No refund or cancellation fees will be waived due to death or sickness.

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Travel Insurance is not available for purchase if you are within 72 hours of departure.

CHANGES IN RESERVATION

After a reservation is confirmed cancellation penalties will apply PRIVATE ROOMS And SINGLE SUPPLEMENT

A limited number of single rooms is available (on request basis only) at the supplement price. Single rooms provide privacy, but they are in some hotels smaller than twin or double rooms and sometimes may be poorly located, especially in the older hotels.

HOTEL/CRUISE ACCOMMODATIONS

Hotel/Cruise accommodations are based on twin-bedded or double rooms/ cabins. 206 Tours reserves the right to substitute similar category hotels without prior notice

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# HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Hotel accommodations are based on twin-bedded or double rooms. 206 Tours reserves the right to substitute similar category hotels without prior notice

#### TRIPLE ROOMS

In most hotels triple accommodation is possible, however, no reduction in cost is available. Due to pace of our pilgrimage schedule it's a challenge to open up all 3 suitcases and everyone's hand luggage; take showers and be on the move within appropriate time. First Class and Superior Tourist Class Hotels in general are not set up for triple rooms. Hotels usually either add a third bed which is like a fold up bed or a sofa bed. At times such as in Paris a triple room is considered two twin beds and a rollaway, or worse it's the "Murphy bed" . For that reason we discourage booking triple rooms. Triple rooms during cruise are subject to a surcharge.

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