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**Austria –World Heritage Trail Wachau Walking Tour 2018  
Individual Self-Guided  
8 days/7 nights**



Here in the Wachau area the Danube is even more beautiful than anywhere else. The mild climate and steep hills make it ideal territory for orchards and vineyards. Our hiking week leads through the long distance trail "World Heritage Trail Wachau" along the ridges of the Danube valley. On the varied walking routes you can enjoy magnificent views of one of Austria's oldest cultural landscapes with characteristic vineyards, apricot gardens and the impressive Danube stream in the valley. A varied walking tour leads past steep rocks, across soft hills and through aromatic vineyards. Little hamlets dot the landscape and apart from the famous wine, delicious apricot delicacies belong to the outstanding regional specialities.



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### Itinerary

#### **Day 1: Individual journey to Krems**



**Day 2: From Krems to Dürnstein, 'Vineyards' 12 km + 510 m – 500 m**  
Walk up into the vineyards to the tower with a view over the 'blue' river Danube, the city Krems and the magnificent monastery Göttweig. Cross the hills to ruin Dürnstein or take the picturesque Talgrabensteig via Talweg to Dürnstein.

**Day 3: From Dürnstein to Weißenkirchen, 'Heart of Wachau' 12 km + 490 m – 500 m**

Take the ferry from Dürnstein to Rossatz. Continue past the largest apricot growing area of Austria, on old tracks up to Seekopf with stunning views to the Alps. Optional walk along Danube through orchards to the ferry. In Weißenkirchen a theme trail leads through the vineyards.

#### **Day 4: Day off in Weißenkirchen, 'Wachauer Dolce Vita'**

Surrounded by sunny vineyards and green forests the mighty gothic parish church of Weißenkirchen is a remarkable sight. Wine growing villages such as Joching, Wösendorf and St. Michael form together with Weißenkirchen the biggest wine grower community of the Wachau region. Visit museums, seize beautiful walking trails or take a boat tour on the Danube. Enjoy a glass of Wachauer wine in one of the wine taverns.



**Day 5: From Weißenkirchen to Spitz, 'Observation platform Buschadlwand' 12 km + 520 m – 510 m**

Leave Weißenkirchen via the wine trail, past picturesque wine cellars and ascend to Seiber. Walk through the forest, initially quite steep to Buschadlwand where an observation platform allows stunning panoramic views. An alternative route passes through vineyards to the famous wine grower community Spitz an der Donau.

**Day 6: From Spitz to Melk, 'Ruin Aggsbach' 14 km + 580 m – 560 m**

Cross the Danube by ferry to Maria Langegg. Here you follow the St. Jacob's trail to ruin Aggsbach. Visit the fortress with scenic views across the Danube valley and stop for a snack. Downward to Aggsbach where you catch the bus to Melk.

#### **Day 7: From Melk to Krems, 'Danube Cruise'**

Visit the impressive monastery with its beautiful grounds before you board the Danube boat. During the cruise to Krems you pass the highlights of the week, see all the vineyards as well as Spitz and Durnstein.

#### **Day 8: Individual departure or extra days**



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### Route



### Technical Characteristics:

**Route Profile: Walking ▲▲.** You walk mainly on well-maintained trails and some paved vineyard paths. Depending on the route, you can make the stages more comfortable or more challenging. The peaks in the Wachau region are not high, but steep in places. Surefootedness therefore is required in some places. This week offers a perfect blend of nature, culture and culinary delights.

**Total Distance:** 50 km

**Dates of departure:** Departures daily from March 24 to October 14, 2018  
Season 1: March 24 – April 29 and August 20 - September 9  
Season 2: June 4 - July 1 and September 10 - September 23  
Season 3: April 30 – June 3 and July 2 – August 19 and September 24 - October 14



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**Prices per person:**

Season 1 Double Occupancy B&B	€525.00
Season 2 Double Occupancy B&B	€575.00
Season 3 Double Occupancy B&B	€595.00
Single Room Surcharge	€165.00
Half Board Surcharge	€169.00

**Extra Nights (per person)**

**Krems 3\***

Season 1 and 2 Double Occupancy B&B	€56.00
Season 3 Double Occupancy B&B	€60.00
Single Supplement	€26.00

**Accommodation:**

Category: partly 4\*\*\*\* hotels, mainly 3\*\*\* hotels, country hotels

**Included:**

- 7 overnight stays, breakfast included
- Half board: minimum 3 course dinner
- Luggage transfer
- Wine tasting
- Boat cruise from Melk to Krems\*
- Carefully elaborated route description
- Detailed travel and tour documents
- GPS data available
- Service hotline

\* Boat cruise is only possible starting from mid-April, bus ride as an alternative

**Not Included:**

- 2 ferry crossings Danube, bus fare from Aggsdorf to Melk, approx. EUR 6 per person
- Any visitor's taxes

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