

Austria – Germany - Hungary – Slovakia Danube Four Countries the Highlights Bike and Boat Tour (2025)

Passau – Vienna – Budapest - Bratislava- Passau

Individual Self-guided

8 days / 7 nights



Accompanied by a cruise ship you cycle along Europe's second largest river Danube from the charming Bavarian "three river city" of Passau straight into the heart of the once glorious Imperial and Royal Monarchy. Enjoy three of the most enchanting European capitals: the lively Vienna, the Slovak coronation city of Bratislava at the foot of the Carpathian Mountains and Budapest, the "Hungarian Danube Queen"! By bicycle you discover the stunning natural spectacle of the Schlögener Donauschlinge ("Great Loop"), the legendary Wachau with romantic towns and mighty castles amidst lovely vineyards, the untouched alluvial forests of the Danube National Park, as well as the baroque town of Vác with its colourful 18th century houses. The highlights of the tour: Passau, the City of 3 rivers, the Schloegen Danube Loop, the Hungarian Danube Bend, the World Heritage Site Wachau, the metropoles of Bratislava, Budapest and Vienna.



#### **Itinerary Day to Day**

#### Day 1: Passau - Engelhartszell

Arrival in the "Three River City". Passau attracts many with the world's greatest church organ at the Stephansdom and its charming Old Town. Embarkation will be around 4:00 p.m., departure around 7 p.m. Enjoy your first dinner on board and an evening sail to Engelhartszell.



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# Day 2: Engelhartszell - Great Loop – Aschach – Vienna-Nussdorf 43 km

The day starts in Engelhartszell (the only Trappist monastery in Austria), where we head towards the "Great Loop" - one of the most beautiful and original sectors of the Danube. Your cycling will encounter small villages and cosy must-see taverns. You'll board again in

Aschach. Then, you "sail into the night" towards Vienna-Nussdorf.

#### Day 3: Vienna-Nussdorf (day of rest)

You should be sure to see the most famous places of interest like the St. Stephens Cathedral, the Hofburg, the gorgeous boulevard "Ringstraße" with the Burgtheater, the State Opera House or the town hall that takes you back to the past. In the night shipping to Budapest.

## Day 4: Budapest (day of rest) or roundtrip to Szentendre 48 km

In the early morning, you enjoy the panoramic view of the Danube's gorgeous landscape on the sundeck. The gateway to Budapest is overwhelming, as many of the famous tourist features are situated directly next to the river bank. In the afternoon you can explore the numerous attractions of the city. Nearby, you find the Margaretheninsel which is outstandingly qualified for a small bike tour or the charming town of Szentendre with Mediterranean atmosphere and lively art life. In the evening you can enjoy Budapest by Night with folklore program (opt.). At night sailing to Visegrad.



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## Day 5: Danube Bend | Visegrad - Vác - Visegrad, ca. 36 km

The Danube bend is definitely a delightful part and is called the Hungarian Wachau. Today's bike leg starts at Visegrad with its famous fortress and the ruins of the former palace. You cycle through the picturesque countryside via the Szentendre Peninsula to the baroque village of Vác, which has been influenced by the architects of the Austrian empress Maria Theresia. Via small Hungarian villages you return to Visegrad. In the afternoon shipping to Bratislava

## Day 6: Bratislava (day of rest)

Arrival at Bratislava in the morning. Today discover the small lively capital of Slovakia. Tip: Enjoy a magnificent panoramic view from the castle and take a ride on a mini train through the enchanting old town. Alternatively, explore the city s surroundings along the Danube during a guided bike tour. In the night shipping to Rossatz or Dürnstein (Wachau



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#### Day 7: Wachau - Melk - Pöchlarn 40 - 50 km

Your last biking day is a special highlight! Amidst small dreamy villages, apricot trees, vineyards, castles, monasteries and ruins, this gentle hilly landscape enchants everybody. A powerful ruin looms above the small Baroque town of Dürnstein, while the blue tower of the monastery church is a landmark of Wachau. In the small village of Pöchlarn you will board again. After the farewell gala dinner, you start "sailing" back to Passau.

#### Day 8: Passau

Every journey draws to an end. Once again you enjoy on deck the first sunbeams and the peaceful silence of the Danube Valley. Take a last sight at the Schlögener Schlinge ("Great Loop") before you arrive relaxed at Passau. Arrival: approximately at 10:00 a.m., disembarkation half an hour later. We recommend to arrange connecting trips from 1:30 pm onwards.



#### **Route**



## **Technical Characteristics:**

**Tour Profile:** Easy. The bike tours are individual, at your own pace, without a tour guide, but with daily briefings on board and detailed bicycle maps and directions. When a guest does not want to cycle one day, she/he can skip the bike tour and relax on board while cruising to the next harbour. **Distance:** 116-152 km

Travel Dates 2025 / From Saturday to Saturday

Season A: 12APR - 19APR | 04OCT - 11OCT

**Season B:** 26APR - 03MAY I 27SEP - 04OCT

**Season C**:10MAY – 17MAY | 24MAY – 31MAY | 31MAY – 07JUN | 19JUL – 26JUL | 26JUL – 02AUG | 23AUG – 30AUG | 30AUG – 06SEPT and 06SEPT-13SEPT



<u>Price per Person: in Euros</u> all prices subject to confirmation on booking

	Main Deck			Upper Deck		
Cabin	2 Bed	2 Bed	1 Bed	3 bed	2 Bed	1 Bed
	Eco*					
Season A	849	999	1299	949	1199	1499
Season B	949	1099	1399	1049	1299	1599
Season C	1049	1199	1499	1149	1399	1699
2 bed cabin for single use (limited quantity main deck only)				+40%		
Bike Rental (7 gear, hand and/or pedal brakes, pannier bag)				€ 89		
Electro Bike	€ 199					
Bring own bike( limited)	€ 39					

<sup>\*</sup>Cabins in front or at rear of ship perceptive engine and generator noise (when ship is in motion and in locks)

#### Included:

- 7 nights in outside cabins with private facilities in the booked cabin category
- Programme according itinerary from/to Passau
- All passenger fees and port fees
- Captains greeting and Welcome-Drink
- Daily cabin cleaning. Changing of towels and bed cloths as necessary.
- Full meals: 7x breakfast, 6x packed lunch for cyclists or lunch snack on board (non cyclists), 6x afternoon coffee break, 6x 3-course-dinner and 1x farewell-dinner with farewell-drink
- Daily informational meeting
- Digital travel documents via GUIBO-app
- GPS tracks
- · Tour guide on board

#### **Not Included:**

- Journey to and from Passau
- Shuttles
- Entrance fees and excursions
- Bike rental
- Travel Insurance
- Parking fee
- Drinks on board
- Tips



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<u>Upper deck</u>: 29 two-bed cabins, 1 triple cabin und 2 single cabins; all cabins have approx. 11 m2 with French balcony (= floor-to-ceiling windows which can be opened). 2-bed cabins with a sofa bed and a pullman bed (stowed during the day for more comfort). In the triple cabin a 3rd bed is folded down from the wall (max. 80 kg). Main deck: 38 two-bed cabins, 1 single cabin (all cabins have approx.

11 m2) with two sofa beds standing in a right angle and a picture window (not to open).

To bring your own bike On request only – due to lack of space on sun deck. E-bikes exclusively with removable battery pack We exclude any liability for loss, theft and damage - this also applies to damage caused by transportation from shore to ship or vice versa.



#### **Bikes**





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- •Pannier bag and rental bike insurance included.
- •E-Bikes on a limited number only
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