

River Cruises

Exploring Europe in Comfort

A river cruise is the best way to see the real Europe up close and in depth. Your floating hotel will take you from one sightseeing highlight to the next, into the heart of the cities and through unspoiled landscapes.

Amadeus Waterways

Amadeus Waterways' itineraries journey along the rivers of Europe and Russia allowing you to explore fascinating destinations up close and in comfort. All-inclusive English speaking packages include deluxe river view cabins and gourmet meals (including wine with Dinner) and daily sightseeing excursions as specified in the itineraries.

There is no other vacation that can compare to this experience. Enjoy the most scenic views from your dining table; sun tanning in a lounge chair while cruising from town to town; if you don't feel like getting up then simply stay in bed and watch the castles passing by your panorama window.

Visiting at least one port a day on virtually every itinerary, you can explore small villages off the beaten track that are inaccessible via an ocean cruise. Often you will dock in the heart of town, giving more time to see the cities, not just travel to the cities. You'll experience ever-changing riverside scenery as well as local nightlife when your ship overnights in port.

All ships feature amenities reflecting a high standard of hospitality, spacious lounge and bar, elegant restaurant & generous sun deck.

With a maximum guest capacity of 140 to 160 passengers, your cruising experience will be intimate and friendly.



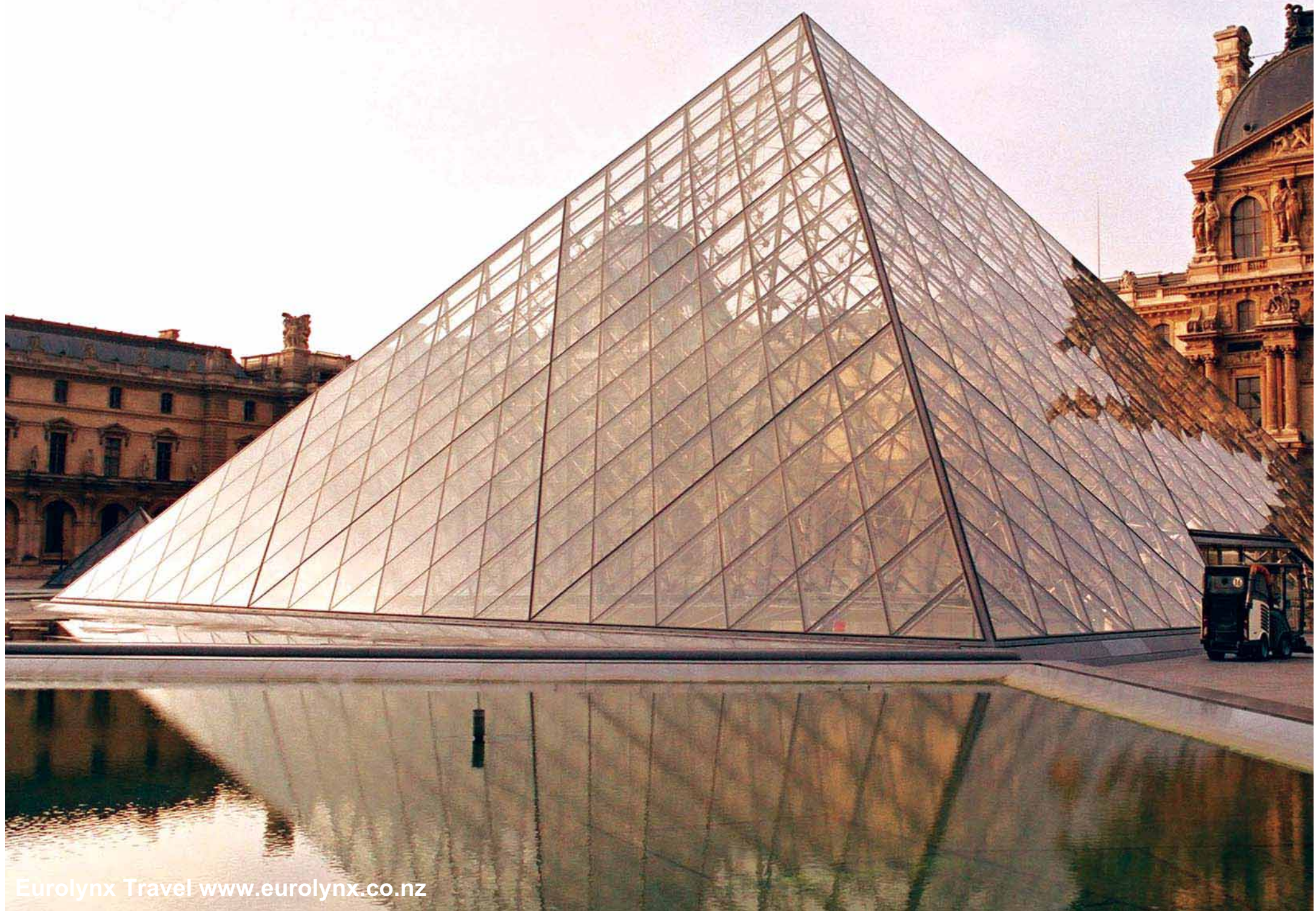
PLEASE NOTE: Listed departure dates are based on departures from the US. For NZ Passengers booking Cruise only (Embarkation) and Land options (Day 2), please adjust dates accordingly. Prices are in US Dollars.

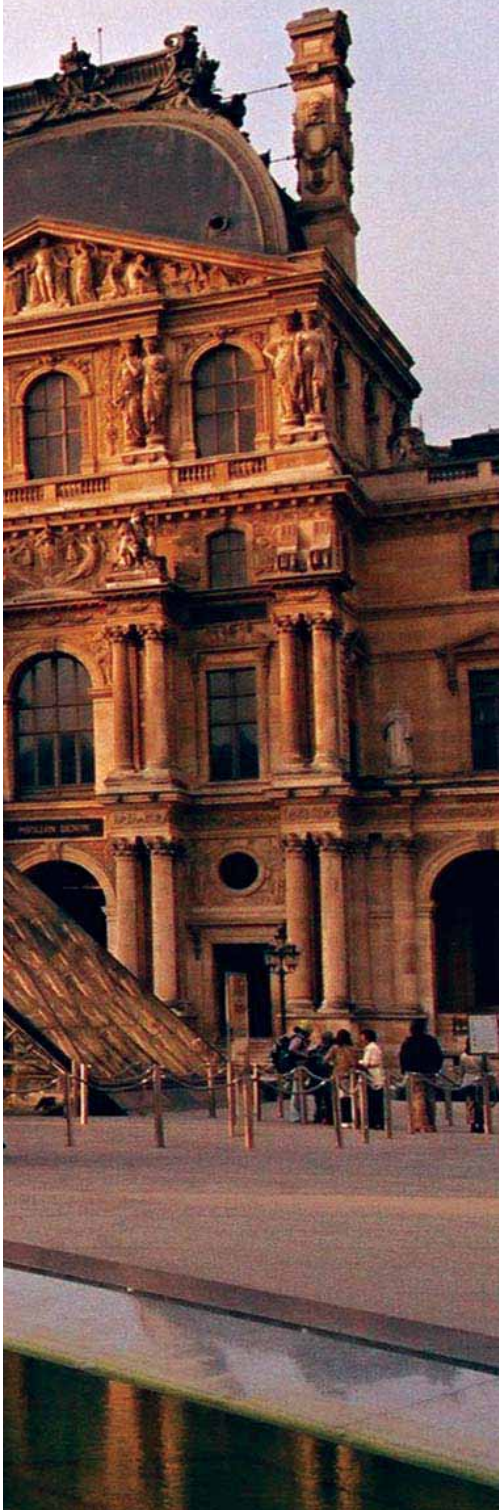


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PARIS TO ISTANBUL

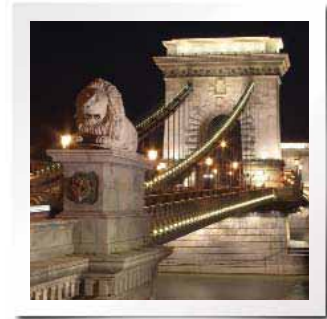
A grand European journey visiting 11 countries and including a fascinating 21-night cruise from Trier, Germany to Romania and Bulgaria, and ending with a 3-night stay at the luxurious Ritz Carlton Hotel in magical Istanbul
30 days ♦ Fly to Paris & return from Istanbul



Begin your European vacation with Paris, the "City of Lights." See charming towns and historical castles as you cruise along the Rhine and Main river. Sail along the Romanian/Bulgarian border before continuing to Serbia and through the Iron Gates, a very narrow passage dividing the Alps from the Carpathian mountains. Continue to Nessebar, one of the oldest towns in Europe, before joining your cruise in Romania. See the very best of Europe's highlight and enjoy the history and beauty along the Danube River before ending your vacation in what was known for centuries as the greatest city in the world, Istanbul.



Turkish Mosque



Chain Bridge, Budapest

DAILY PROGRAM FEATURES

DAY	DESTINATION	ACTIVITIES
1		Flight to Paris
2	Paris	Transfer to hotel
3	Paris	City tour
4	Paris	Optional tours available
5	Paris	Coach to Luxembourg
	Luxembourg	City tour
	Trier	EMBARKATION Welcome Cocktails & Dinner
6	Bernkastel	Walking tour
	Zell	Evening wine fest
7	Cochem	Tour Reichsburg Castle
	Koblenz	OR: Koblenz city walk
	Rhine Valley	Rhine Castle Cruise
	Rüdesheim	Siegfried's Music Museum
8	Mainz	Full day Heidelberg tour OR Mainz & Frankfurt tours
9	Miltenberg	Walking tour
	Wertheim	Glass-blowing demonstration
10	Würzburg	City tour & Residenz
11	Bamberg	Walking tour
12	Nuremberg	Excursion to Munich
13	Nuremberg	City tour
	Hilpoltstein	Main-Danube Canal lecture
14	Regensburg	Crossing Continental Divide Walking tour Evening folklore music
15	Passau	City walk
	Salzburg	Optional Salzburg excursion
	Linz	Evening walk
16	Melk	Benedictine Abbey Tour
	Vienna	Optional evening concert
17	Vienna	City tour
18	Budapest	City tour
19	Budapest	Optional tour
20	Mohacs	Pecs excursion
21	Vukovar	City tour
	Novi Sad	Tour of Fortress
22	Belgrade	City tour
23	Iron Gates	Full day cruising
24	Vidin	Tour Bada Vida Fortress
25	Bucharest	City tour
26	Rousse	DISEMBARK
	Veliko Turnavo	City tour
27	Nessebar	City tour
28	Istanbul	City tour & optional tour
29	Istanbul	Tour Topkapi Palace
30	Istanbul	Airport transfer

INCLUDED FEATURES

- ❖ 3 Nights Hotel Accommodation in Paris with daily Buffet Breakfast
- ❖ Transfer from the Hotel in Paris via Luxembourg to the Ship in Trier
- ❖ 21-night Deluxe Cruise Accommodation in an Outside Stateroom - 82% of the Staterooms with large French Balconies
- ❖ Infotainment System in all Staterooms with Internet, Movie and Music Library & English Language TV Stations
- ❖ Terry Bathrobes and White-on-white plush Bedding in all Staterooms
- ❖ Superb Dining with all Meals included during your Cruise
- ❖ Unlimited Quality Red & White Wines from Europe's great Wine Regions with every Dinner on board the Ship
- ❖ Cocktail Reception, Welcome Dinner & Captain's Gala Dinner
- ❖ Fully escorted Motorcoach Tour from the Ship in Rousse, Bulgaria to Istanbul
- ❖ 1 Nights Hotel Accommodation in Nessebar at the Black including daily Buffet Breakfast
- ❖ 3 Nights Hotel Accommodation in Istanbul including daily Buffet Breakfast
- ❖ Daily Sightseeing Program as outlined in the Itinerary
- ❖ Special Highlights including Folklore Dances, Lectures, Theme Dinners, on board Music Performances and afternoon & evening Piano Music
- ❖ Use of Amalegro Bicycles to explore
- ❖ Services of Professional Cruise Director
- ❖ All English Language on board in a non-smoking Environment (smoking permitted only on the Sun Deck)
- ❖ All Transfers with the Purchase of Cruise & Air package
- ❖ All local Taxes

YOUR ITINERARY

Day 1, Wed. DEPART USA. Board your overnight flight to Paris.

Day 2, Thu. ARRIVE PARIS, FRANCE. Time to rest or start exploring the city during the balance of the day.

Day 3, Fri. PARIS. Enjoy Paris' famous sights during this morning's guided tour. The remainder of the day is yours to explore. (B)

Day 4, Sat. PARIS. Enjoy a full free day in the amazing City of Light. Stroll along Champs Elysées, the boutique-lined boulevards, or visit the top of the Eiffel Tower, built for the World's Fair of 1889. Paris at night offers unlimited possibilities for everybody's taste. (B)

Day 5, Sun. PARIS - LUXEMBOURG - TRIER, GERMANY. This morning, drive through the French countryside of Champagne to Luxembourg, one of the last of hundreds of independent duchies which once made up western and central Europe. Today, the Grand Duchy owes its importance to its role in international politics and banking. There is free time for lunch and a guide city tour before continuing to Trier and embarkation on the ship. Tonight gather on board for a Welcome Dinner. (B,D)

Day 6, Mon. BERNKASTEL - ZELL. This morning, arrive in the charming village of Bernkastel. Strategically located in the middle of the Mosel wine-producing region, Bernkastel boasts over 500 years of documented wine history. Take a guided walking tour through the old town center with its many medieval and Renaissance buildings, before continuing on to Zell, a delightful town famous for its wine "Zeller Schwarze Katz." (B,L,D)

Day 7, Tue COCHEM - KOBLENZ - RHINE CASTLES - RÜDESHEIM. This morning, tour Cochem and the hilltop Reichsburg Castle. Then continue to Koblenz, situated at the confluence of the Mosel and Rhine Rivers. This afternoon cruise along the most beautiful and famous part of the Rhine. See castle after castle and the legendary Lorelei Rock. In Rüdesheim, visit Siegfried's Musical Instrument Museum and explore the Drosselgasse. (B,L,D)

Day 8, Wed. MAINZ - HEIDELBERG - FRANKFURT. Today, you can choose to disembark in Mainz and participate in a full day excursion to Heidelberg. Or you can enjoy a leisurely walking tour of charming Mainz, followed by a lunchtime cruise on the Main river to Frankfurt where you will have a guided walking tour of the historic city center. (B,L,D)

Day 9, Thu. MILTENBERG - WERTHEIM. Arrive in Miltenberg and disembark for a guided morning walking tour of this old

Franconian town, which reveals narrow cobblestone streets and gabled, half-timbered houses. Shop for souvenirs before you are continuing to charming Wertheim for an interesting glass-blowing performance. Then there is free time to browse the market square before re-boarding the ship. (B,L,D)

Day 10, Fri. WÜRZBURG. Würzburg is the capital of Lower Franconia and a center of wine and trade. Visit the major sights including the magnificent Residence Palace. This afternoon, why not join an optional excursion to medieval Rothenburg. Free time to explore before returning to Würzburg. (B,L,D)

Day 11, Sat. BAMBERG. Enjoy a leisurely morning cruising before you enter the Main-Danube Canal at enchanting Bamberg. Disembark for a guided tour of this medieval gem, with its uniquely intact townscape. Marvel at the breathtaking cathedral, the Old Town Hall that straddles the river, and the city's serpentine streets. Tonight, arrive in Nuremberg. (B,L,D)

Day 12, Sun. NUREMBERG - PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC. After breakfast, transfer to Prague, where you will arrive in time for lunch, the afternoon is free to explore on your own. (B)

Day 13, Mon. NUREMBERG - CONTINENTAL DIVIDE - RIEDENBURG. Enjoy a guided morning tour of this historic city with its fabulous Gothic churches and elegant patrician houses. At lunchtime, rejoin the ship further along the Main-Danube Canal and continue to the highest point of your cruise - 1,332 feet above sea level - before descending through stair-step locks to stop in the Bavarian town of Riedenburg (B,L,D).

Day 14, Mon. REGENSBURG. Arrive in magnificent Regensburg, one of Germany's best preserved medieval cities. A guided tour will show you the city's highlights, including the Old Town Hall and the Porta Pretoria - gates to an ancient Roman fort built in 179 AD. In the evening enjoy folklore music on board. (B,L,D)

Day 15, Tue. PASSAU - LINZ, AUSTRIA. After breakfast, arrive in picturesque Passau, where the rivers Inn and Ilz join the Danube. During your walking tour, gaze at this fairy-tale city founded more than 2,000 years ago. Or, take an optional full day tour to Salzburg. For those staying on board, enjoy a scenic cruise from Passau into Austria and on to Linz. After dinner, take a walk through this delightful town. (B,L,D)

Day 16, Thu. MELK - VIENNA. Cruise through the narrow Strudengau and reach the Wachau Valley early this morning. A tour takes you to Melk's magnificent Benedictine Abbey. At lunchtime, continue through the romantic Wachau Valley. Late this afternoon arrive in Vienna, the "City of Music."

DATES & PRICES CODE AL

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USA DEP. DATE	START CITY	CRUISE ONLY	CRUISE & LAND	AIR CRUISE & LAND*
23-May	Paris	\$5699	\$6899	\$7899
12-June	Istanbul	\$5699	\$6899	\$7899
16-Oct	Istanbul	\$5499	\$6699	\$7599

*Included airfare from New York is a current estimate. Actual airfares from all gateways will be advised at the time of booking.

PORT CHARGES: \$252 per person

SINGLE PRICE: 150% of twin price; Jr. Suites 200% of twin price

Prices are per person in Category E in a deluxe outside stateroom with window. To upgrade to a higher Category, add per person:

CAT.	DECK	STATEROOM	PRICE
D	Piano Deck	Window	\$297
C	Cello Deck	French Balcony	\$1197
B	Cello Deck	French Balcony	\$1497
A	Violin Deck	French Balcony	\$1797
S	Violin Deck	French Balcony	\$3597

NOTE: Please select bedding configuration at the time of booking. The choices are:

Choice A: Two twin beds

Choice B: One large bed (larger than queen size)

GUARANTEED DEPARTURES

Tonight explore the vibrant Austrian capital on your own, or come along for an optional Mozart and Strauss concert. (B,L,D)

Day 17, Fri. VIENNA. A tour of Vienna includes Hofburg Palace, the Vienna Opera House, Ringstrasse, and awe-inspiring St. Stephen's Cathedral. Then enjoy a free afternoon to shop or to explore on your own. This afternoon continue cruising overnight to Hungary and Budapest. (B,L,D)

Day 18, Sat. BUDAPEST, HUNGARY. Free morning for shopping, or sightseeing. Your afternoon tour includes Buda and Pest and features Buda Castle, the distinctive Fisherman's Bastion, the marvelous Royal Palace and more. Tonight enjoy a Gala Farewell Dinner. (B,L,D)

DAY 19, Sun. BUDAPEST - PUSZTA EXCURSION. Upon arrival, you will be met by horse-herds and greeted with warm hospitality, brandy and scones. You can take a ride in an Ox-cart, see a typical Gypsy village and will marvel at the equestrian skills of the riders and drivers during the horse show. Try a light lunch of Goulash, the national dish, before returning to Budapest. (B,L,D)

DAY 20, Mon. MOHACS - PECS - VUKOVAR, CROATIA. Morning arrival in Mohacs, where you depart for an excursion to Pecs. Charming Old Pecs will be brought alive by your local guides during your walking tour. Once your ship exits Hungary, the Danube will make up the border between Serbia on one side and Croatia on the other. Tonight, arrive in Vukovar, Croatia. (B,L,D)

DAY 21, Tue. VUKOVAR - NOVI SAD, SERBIA. This morning, a guided bus and walking tour of Vukovar will show you the main sights of the city. During lunch, continue your cruise to Novi Sad, Serbia, where you will tour the Petrovaradin Fortress. (B,L,D)

DAY 22, Wed. BELGRADE. This morning, arrive in Belgrade, the capital of Serbia, where you have a chance to explore both - the old and the new town. Your guided tour features Tito's memorial, the Town Hall, the Federal Parliament Building, Terazije Square, Republic Square and Mihajlova street, as well as Belgrade Fort, "Varos" Gate and the mighty Kalemegdan Fortress. (B,L,D)

DAY 23, Thu. CRUISING THROUGH THE IRON GATES. Today, enjoy a full day of cruising through one of Europe's most impressive natural wonders, the Iron Gates. Here the Danube passes through narrow gorges, as the river winds between the Carpathian and the Balkan Mountains. This natural border also makes up the frontier between Serbia and Romania. (B,L,D)

DAY 24, Fri. VIDIN, BULGARIA. Bada Vida Fortress sits guard over the Danube at the Bulgarian frontier town of Vidin.

The 14th century castle has massive walls and dark towers, which strongly contrast the natural park which surrounds the castle. From here, take an excursion to Belogradschik, a beautifully restored 6th century castle, located in a fairytale landscape of unusual rock formations. (B,L,D)

DAY 25, Sat. GUIRGUI - BUCHAREST, ROMANIA. Today, enjoy a full day excursion to Bucharest, capital and largest city in Romania. The city is famed for its Belle Epoque era buildings dating from the 19th century. During the morning city tour, you will see the Arch of Triumph, Soseaua Kiseleff, the Athenaeum, the Library and the Parliament Palace - the world's largest palace. Enjoy lunch in a typical Romanian restaurant, then choose to shop, explore on your own or visit the open air museum, which was dedicated to the traditional architecture and buildings of rural Romania. (B,L,D)

DAY 26, Sun. ROUSSE - VELIKO TURNAVO - NESSEBAR, BULGARIA. This morning, disembark in Rousse and continue your tour by motorcoach. Your first stop this morning is the ancient capital of Bulgaria, Veliko Turnavo. Here you will tour Tsarevets Hill, the citadel of the city, the old fortress walls, the Royal Palaces, the Patriarchal church and Baldwin's Tower. Shoppers can explore the traditional street market, Samovodska Charshia. Enjoy a traditional Bulgarian lunch before continuing onto the Black Sea resort town of Nessebar. (B,L)

DAY 27, Mon. NESSEBAR - ISTANBUL, TURKEY. During this morning's guided walking tour, see the main highlights of the town including Nessebar's oldest church, the 5th century Basilica on the Beach. After lunch, continue on to magical Istanbul for a grand three-night conclusion of your Black Sea Voyage. (B)

DAY 28, Tue. ISTANBUL. This morning's comprehensive city tour will show you the old city with its numerous Roman, Byzantine and Ottoman monuments. Admire the mighty defensive walls, the Roman aqueduct and the hippodrome. See the Suleymaniye Mosque, the Galata Tower, and tour the Blue Mosque. Later, you have the choice to explore more of Byzantine Constantinople and Ottoman Istanbul or to shop at the Grand Bazaar. (B,D)

DAY 29, Wed. ISTANBUL. Today, your guide sightseeing tour will take you to the Ottoman Sultans' Grand Palace of Topkapi, home to every single Sultan from the 15th century until the end of the 19th century. Admire the private chambers of the Sultans, marvel at the world famous Harem and also see the treasury, home to the Topkapi Diamond. The remainder of the day is yours. (B)

DAY 30, Thu. ISTANBUL - USA. Transfer to the airport for your return flight home.