



NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT for Solo Travelers

Cruise the Heart of Europe

Amsterdam to Budapest

Inspiring Moments

- ▶ Experience centuries of culture and history with visits to **Vienna, Bratislava and Budapest.**
- ▶ Feast your eyes on the twinkling landmarks of **Budapest** during an evening river cruise.
- ▶ Cruise through **Amsterdam's lovely canals**, passing elegant gabled houses.
- ▶ Glide along the legendary Main, Rhine and Danube rivers, passing the memorable **Loreley Rock and Wachau Valley.**
- ▶ Delight in the welcoming atmosphere of **Bratislava's legendary old town.**
- ▶ Linger inside **Melk Abbey**, perched on a rocky bluff above the Danube River.
- ▶ Sail through the **Main-Danube Canal**, a civil-engineering wonder.
- ▶ Applaud the grace and elegance of talented dancers during an **exclusive waltz performance.**
- ▶ Experience nine **UNESCO World Heritage sites.**



Amsterdam

Navigate the legendary Danube, Main and Rhine rivers as you experience the distinct heritage and histories of five countries. From mighty castles to medieval towns, celebrated landmarks to natural wonders, every moment of this journey is filled with awe. Get to know Amsterdam, Bratislava, Vienna and Budapest, illustrious cities steeped in legacies. Sail through the scenic Middle Rhine and Wachau valleys, where castles and villages peek from rolling vineyards. Plus, customize your cruise in select ports with a choice of included excursions, such as culinary tours, cycling trips, museum visits, musical performances and more!

Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day 1 | In Transit

Depart for Amsterdam, Netherlands. 🌐

Day 2 | Amsterdam, Netherlands

Arrive and transfer ➡ to your first-class river ship.

Discovery: Canals of Amsterdam. Admire the city's bridges and charming homes during a guided cruise.

Day 3 | Amsterdam

Enrichment: Contemporary Holland.

🌐PYJ | Choose one of the following excursions:

- **Rijksmuseum.** Tour this museum, home to masterpieces by lauded artists; then explore at your leisure.
- **Waterland Bike Ride.** Bike along this scenic wetland north of the city. Plus, stop for cake and coffee. (Active)
- **Canal District.** Get a closer look at the canals during a walking tour of the popular and colorful Herengracht. Gather again with your fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception and Dinner on your ship.

Day 4 | Cologne, Germany

Discovery: Cologne Walking Tour. Tour the medieval quarter and visit Kölner Dom. The church was badly damaged by bomb blasts during World War II, but it was one of the few structures in Cologne that survived.

Day 5 | Koblenz

🌐PYJ | Choose one of the following excursions:

- **Koblenz.** Walk by Town Hall, the Liebfrauenkirche, the Alte Burg and more iconic sites of pretty Koblenz.
- **Ehrenbreitstein Fortress.** A cable car whisks you to this famous battlement perched above the Rhine River.

Day 6 | Miltenberg

Discovery: Frühschoppen. Head to the sun deck to sip a beer and enjoy a spread of pretzels and mustards.

Discovery: Miltenberg. Tour romantic Miltenberg, followed by a tasting of Franconian wines and brandies.

EXTEND YOUR STAY

Amsterdam | 2 Nights | PRE-Trip

Budapest | 2 Nights | POST-Trip

(See website for details.)

Day 7 | Würzburg

PYJ | Choose one of the following excursions:

- **City Walk.** Visit the renowned Würzburg Residenz, followed by a gentle walk through the city center.
- **Romantic Road.** Journey through the Franconian heartland and visit lovely Rothenburg ob der Tauber.

Day 8 | Bamberg

PYJ | Choose one of the following excursions:

- **Bamberg.** Tour this Bavarian town, a showcase of fairy-tale architecture and historic fishermen's houses.
- **Culinary Delights.** Visit a bakery, a butcher shop, a deli and more to taste typical Franconian favorites!

Day 9 | Nuremberg

PYJ | Choose one of the following excursions:

- **Nuremberg.** See the courthouse that held the World War II trials and visit a hilltop castle with a circular tower.
- **Documentation Center Museum.** View an exhibit that examines the years leading up to World War II.
- **Rural Life.** Visit a Franconian farm. Meet the family, discuss local lifestyles and enjoy lunch on the farm.

Day 10 | Regensburg

Discovery: Regensburg. Regensburg is one of the most charming towns in Germany. Pass by St. Peter's Cathedral and the Stone Bridge, then visit the former royal residence of the Thurn and Taxis dynasty.

Enrichment: The Main-Danube Canal.

Day 11 | Passau

Discovery: Passau. See the many highlights of this delightful village. Admire Passau's Town Hall, St. Stephen's Cathedral and the New Bishop's Residence.

Day 12 | Melk | Dürnstein, Austria

Discovery: Melk Abbey. Tour this sensation, from its opulent Abbey Church to the gorgeous library. The baroque building dates from 1736 and an amazing view of the mighty Danube awaits at the abbey's terrace.

PYJ | Choose one of the following excursions:

- **Dürnstein.** Be charmed by Dürnstein's baroque façades, medieval ambience and blue Stiftskirche.
- **Danube Cycling.** Ride gently through the pretty countryside, then break for coffee and cake. (Active)
- **Wachau Winery.** Delve into storied Wachau Valley viniculture during a wine tasting at a historic cellar.

Day 13 | Vienna

Enrichment: Timeless Vienna.

PYJ | Choose one of the following excursions:

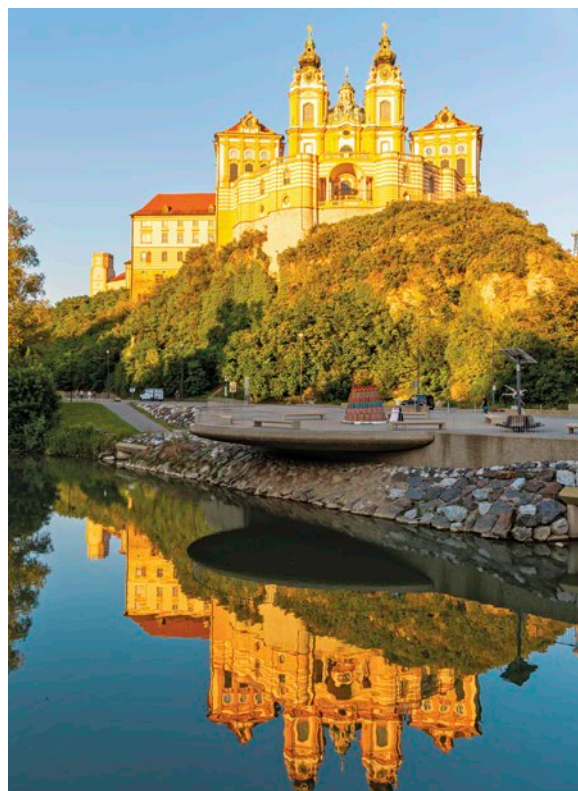
- **Imperial Vienna.** Admire the Imperial Apartments at Hofburg Palace, then drive along the Ringstrasse.
- **Vienna Woods.** Venture out of town to explore the area's gentle hills and forests. Plus, stop for a snack.
- **Schönbrunn Palace.** Baroque wonders await at the State Apartments, Hall of Mirrors and gardens.
- **AHI Connects: Viennese Waltz.** Delight in a waltz performance accompanied by a musical trio.

Day 14 | Bratislava, Slovakia

Enrichment: The Velvet Revolution.

PYJ | Choose one of the following excursions:

- **Old Town & Café.** See St. Martin's Cathedral, Michael's Gate and more. Enjoy sampling local pastry.
- **Old Town & Music.** View sites steeped in musical history, followed by a recital by a young violinist.
- **Hidden Vines.** Witness the landscapes and villages



beyond the city. Plus, visit a winery and enjoy a tasting. Raise a toast to your fellow adventurers at your Farewell Reception and Dinner.

Day 15 | Budapest, Hungary

PYJ | Choose one of the following excursions:

- **Budapest.** See Heroes' Square, the Parliament Building, Castle Hill, Fisherman's Bastion and more.
- **Living Local.** Visit the buzzing Great Market Hall and taste strudel and *palinka*, a local schnapps.
- **Budapest's Jewish Quarter.** Visit the Dohány Street Synagogue and Holocaust Memorial Center. Witness the poignant Shoes on the Danube Bank Memorial.
- **Discovery: Budapest at Night.** As your ship sails through Budapest, soak up the amazing sights of the city at night. See the Parliament building and the Buda Castle, which are even more spectacular when they are illuminated. Cruise under the Chain Bridge and watch the reflections of the lights, sparkling like jewels. What a special way to end your voyage!

Day 16 | In Transit

Transfer to the airport for the return flight to your gateway city.

Included Features

Accommodations (with baggage handling)

- **Unpack once** and cruise for **14 nights** aboard the **exclusively chartered**, first-class MS Amadeus Star.

Extensive Meal Program

- 14 breakfasts, 13 lunches and 14 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine, beer or soft drinks with lunch and dinner.
- Opportunities to sample authentic, local cuisine.

Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- **Visit 5 countries** during this program.
- **AHI Travel Assurance** plan covers Accident and Sickness Medical Expense, Trip Delay and Emergency Evacuation for U.S. residents.
- **Discovery excursions** highlight the local culture, heritage and history.
- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- **PYJ | Personalize Your Journey**
A choice of excursions in each locale.
- **AHI Sustainability Promise:** We strive to make a positive impact wherever we travel.
- **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
- **Electives** to pursue your individual interests.
- Free time to pursue your individual interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.



2023 Departures & Pricing

May 5-20, 2023

Full Price from	\$5,945
Special Savings	\$250
Special Price from	\$5,695*

***See website for complete category pricing.**

*Special price available for a limited time. Call for details.

VAT & port tax supplement are an additional \$495 per person.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

Single supplement waived for solo travelers! This offer is limited, capacity-controlled and tends to sell out quickly.

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Note: Itinerary sequence and/or scheduled events may change. Walking is required on many excursions.

Flights and transfers provided for AHI FlexAir participants.

Electives available at an additional cost.