



GRAND AMERICAN TOURS PRESENTS
1,200 MILES ON THE BEAUTIFUL BLUE DANUBE
(VIENNA TO BUCHAREST)
WITH AMADEUS RIVER CRUISES ON THE MS AMADEUS SILVER II
9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS ~ AUGUST 9 – 17, 2020
Air departs US on August 8th in order to arrive in Vienna on August 9th.

DAY 1 | VIENNA

Departure at 5:00pm

This exciting journey along the Danube begins in Vienna, where you will embark in the afternoon. After exploring your floating luxury hotel, you have the opportunity of meeting the cruise director at a Welcome Cocktail. Our chef will spoil you with a lovingly prepared Welcome Dinner, after which your ship will weigh anchor and head towards Bratislava.

DAY 2 | BUDAPEST

9:30am to 9:00pm

In order to enjoy the magnificence of the Hungarian capital, you can go on a city sightseeing tour this morning. This afternoon visit the Royal Palace of Godollo. In the evening, you will enjoy an atmospheric cruise through Budapest, also known as the “Paris of the East”, which is festively lit up at night, revealing Budapest’s most beautiful side. A folklore show on board will complete the experience. **Included excursions** – City Tour of Budapest and Royal Palace of Godollo

DAY 3 | MOHACS (7:00am to 9:00am) > VUKOVAR (2:30pm to 10:00pm)

You arrive in Mohacs early in the morning, and depart again directly after breakfast, heading towards Croatia. Your cruise ship reaches the eastern Croatian town of Vukovar after lunch, and you can take a city sightseeing tour, followed by a breathtaking excursion to the Kopacki Rit nature park. This 18-hectare nature reserve, situated at the confluence of the Drava and Danube Rivers, is home to a diverse bird population and provides a protected environment for many species of plants and animals. Explore this wetland by boat and enjoy the unspoiled beauty of nature before returning to your AMADEUS ship for dinner. Your ship departs for Belgrade during the night.

DAY 4 | BELGRADE

8:00am to 11:00pm

Enjoy a new day in a new country! You reach Belgrade, the vibrant and distinctly western-influenced capital of Serbia at breakfast time. This metropolis is home to many attractions from various eras and cultures, and you can view these during the course of a morning sightseeing tour. After lunch, you can join an excursion to Topola and Oplenac, where you can see the famous St. George’s Church, which is the final resting place of most of the Serbian royal family. After dinner, night owls get to enjoy an evening excursion to the lively artists’ quarter Skadarlija. The ship will leave the harbor before midnight. **Included excursions** – City tour of Belgrade in the morning & Evening excursion to the Artists’ Quarter Skadarlija

DAY 5 | IRON GATES

Spend the day on board and enjoy a truly impressive natural spectacle. Your journey takes you through the “Iron Gates”, one of the most imposing gorges in Europe, which also forms the natural border between Serbia and Romania. One of the most beautiful stretches along the route includes the “Cazan” near the town of Orșova, where the riverbed recedes to 200 meters width and 80 meters depth and passengers will be rewarded with a fascinating view of the surrounding Carpathian Mountains and the Balkan mountain range. The small abbey church Mraconia, which is situated on the Romanian side of the Danube at the water’s edge, is equally worth seeing. The monumental rock sculpture of King Decebalus of Dacia reaches skywards at Dubova, and at 40 meters high is the largest in Europe.



DAY 6 | SVISTOV (7:00am to 8:00am) > GIURGIU (12:30pm to 1:15pm)

Early in the morning you reach the Bulgarian town of Svishtov. Those who wish can take part in an on-land excursion to Veliko Tarnovo and Arbanassi, which will include an exciting morning filled with culture and history, as well as lunch in a local Bulgarian restaurant, before returning to the ship, which will in the meantime have travelled to Giurgiu. After lunch, the journey continues downriver and in the evening you can enjoy a festive Gala Dinner with your captain and an evening program which will be an atmospheric close to the day. **Included excursions** – Excursion to Veliko Tarnovo
Captain's Gala Dinner

DAY 7 | ST. GEORGE VILLAGE**10:00am to 3:00pm**

Your journey continues through the breathtakingly beautiful Danube Delta, one of the largest wetlands in the world, with a large variety of plant and animal species, which has been declared a UNESCO World Natural Heritage Site. You travel along St George's Canal, also known figuratively as the "end of the Danube" – the so-called "kilometre zero" – where the mighty river flows into the Black Sea. Your destination is the nearby fishing village of St. George, which is the starting point for an exciting Danube Delta boat safari – a great way to discover and get close to the impressive natural landscape and its fascinating flora and fauna. In the afternoon, your AMADEUS ship leaves St. George.

DAY 8 | FETESTI**Arrive 9:00am**

During breakfast you reach the Romanian town of Fetesti, where you leave your swimming hotel – but your trip is not over yet! You will be transferred to Bucharest, and check in at a centrally-located 4- or 5-star hotel. Thereafter, you can take part in a city sightseeing tour through this vibrant metropolis, which has 2 million inhabitants and a unique charm thanks to its colorful mix of buildings from different eras. At lunch time, you will dine in Bucharest, while in the evening you can enjoy a stylish farewell dinner in your hotel, while reflecting on your exciting Danube journey. **Included excursions** – City tour of Bucharest including lunch

DAY 9 | BUCHAREST**Depart 9:00am**

You can enjoy breakfast in your hotel before checkout and your transfer to the Otopeni airport, where your homeward journey begins. The entire AMADEUS team wishes you a pleasant and safe trip. We hope to welcome you again soon!

	<u>Double Occupancy</u>	<u>Single Occupancy</u>
Small Panoramic Window Haydn C-1	\$2,698	\$3,072
Large Panoramic Window Strauss B-1	\$3,314	\$4,868
Large Panoramic Window Mozart A-1	\$3,606	\$5,645

Rates are per person double occupancy.

**IF YOU BOOK BY
AUGUST 15, 2019
YOU WILL RECEIVE
A \$150 DISCOUNT
PER PERSON!!**

This Trip Includes:

- Large, outside river-view staterooms, most with panoramic windows.
- Free-flowing red & white wines from Europe's famous wine regions, beer & soft drinks with every lunch and dinner onboard
- Gourmet dining onboard
- Early Riser (reduced breakfast buffet in the Panorama-Bar)
- Buffet Breakfast with omelette service, Lunch, Light Lunch in Panorama-Bar, Dinner (5 courses, 3 choices for main course), Coffee & tea, iced water with meals, midnight (late night) snack.
- Cocktail Reception, Welcome Dinner and Captain's Gala Dinner
- Services of an experienced English-speaking onboard Cruise Director
- 24 hour coffee and tea station
- Music program every day in the bar by a pianist or by the Amadeus music group
- All onboard entertainment including talks, cooking demonstrations, musical performances and nightly piano music
- Fitness room (open 24 hours)
- Bottled water in every stateroom
- In-stateroom infotainment center
- Complimentary Wi-Fi onboard
- Complimentary use of onboard bicycles
- Complimentary state-of-the-art audio headsets for optional excursions
- All local taxes & port charges included

PASSPORT REQUIRED

DEPOSIT POLICY: An initial NON-REFUNDABLE deposit of \$350 per person double occupancy or \$550 per person single occupancy is required in order to secure reservations and assign cabins. Final payment is due by March 9, 2020. **Those who book early get the best prices, the best cabin locations and their preferred dining times.**

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