

The Romantic Danube

April 2-10, 2022

Regensburg-Budapest



Experience the Viking Touch aboard the Viking Longship Atla:

- Shore excursions included • Wine & Beer with Lunch and Dinner
- English speaking crew members offer a high level of hospitality
- Comfortable and modern staterooms • Casual dining in elegant style
- Transportation to airport—based on a minimum # of passengers



Visit Budapest's Castle District and cross the famous Chain Bridge. Explore Göttweig Abbey, one of Austria's most revered monastic centers, and make dumplings with Wachau Valley apricots. Visit historic Salzburg. Spend two days in Vienna, and celebrate the city's musical heritage at a concert featuring works by Mozart and Strauss. With medieval towns, grand cities and stunning scenery, this 8-day journey on the "Blue Danube" is one you are sure to love.

Day 1/2: Overnight flight to Munich, Germany. Transfer to your Longship the Viking Atla in Regensburg. Settle in to your stateroom and explore the area before you sail.

Day 3: Regensburg—Having escaped major damage during World War II, this picturesque town is considered one of Europe's best-preserved medieval cities and the oldest city along the Danube. Enjoy a walking tour of the area—see one of the largest groupings of 13th-14th century church spires, towers and patrician houses north of the Alps. You'll also encounter the 12th Century Old Stone Bridge, St Peter's Cathedral and a number of idyllic courtyards.

Day 4: Passau, Germany—Arrive this morning in Passau, at the confluence of the Inn, Ilz and Danube Rivers. Your guided walk along the town's narrow streets takes you through Old Town and past traditional patrician houses. See the New Bishop's Residence and view the impressive baroque St. Stephen's Cathedral. Optional tour to Salzburg available as an option.

Day 5: Krems, Austria—This morning, cruise leisurely through the captivating Wachau Valley, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, spotting attractive riverside towns and castle ruins along the way. After lunch, disembark in Krems and visit Göttweig, a working Benedictine abbey that owns many of the vineyards along the Danube. The splendid ceiling fresco in the imperial stairwell is one of the largest in the world. Visit the church, a masterpiece of baroque architecture.



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Day 6: Vienna, Austria—Awake in Vienna. Today we tour this Austrian capital. Ride along the Ringstrasse, which replaced the city walls in the mid-19th century. See some of the city’s baroque architecture, including the world-famous Opera House, St. Stephen’s Cathedral and Hofburg Palace.

Day 7: Vienna, Austria—Spend another enriching day in Vienna. You may choose to join one of our many optional excursions, including a panoramic tour of Vienna by bike, a visit to the local Farmers’ Market with a local chef, or an all-day excursion to the Slovakian capital of Bratislava, filled with lovingly restored baroque city palaces and leafy squares. Early this evening, enjoy scenic cruising as we start sailing toward Budapest.

Day 8: Budapest, Hungary—Arrive in Budapest, Hungary’s vibrant capital divided by the Danube River. Take a panoramic city tour through the more modern Pest side of the city. Journey along Andrassy Avenue and see the 19th- and 20th-century mansions, National Opera House, Parliament Building and Chain Bridge. Drive through Heroes’ Square and learn more about Hungarian history, then cross the Danube to Buda’s Castle District. Visit Matthias Church and enjoy brilliant views of the Danube and the beautiful Hungarian Parliament building from Fishermen’s Bastion.

Day 9: Budapest, Hungary—Disembark and transfer to airport for flights home.

Costs:

Cat F	Standard Outside	\$2299.pp twin	Cat E	Standard Outside	\$2399.pp twin
Cat D	French Balcony	\$2899.pp twin	Cat C	French Balcony	\$2999.pp twin
Cat B	Veranda	\$3299.pp twin	Cat A	Veranda	\$3399.pp twin

Taxes are included in the above fare. Air is NOT included in above fare.

Air Cost: SPECIAL! If booked and deposited in the month of October 2021, the roundtrip airfare from Boston is **FREE!**

Deposit: \$750.pp due with reservation RECOMMENDED ASAP. RESERVATIONS ARE ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS. If ship fills or Viking River Cruises releases our space, The Ship Shop has no control over that. Space is subject to availability at time of deposit. Check with the Ship Shop at any time for current availability on this sailing. Deposit is payable by credit card.

Final Payment: **November 20, 2021.** Pay your final payment by check and receive 3.3% discount. Ask Ship Shop for details.

Cancellation Penalty: If cancelled after deposit and before Nov 18, 2023 fee of \$300.pp; Nov 19-Dec 19, 2021 fee of 35% of total fare; Dec 20-Jan 20, 2022 fee of 50% of total fare; Jan 20-Feb 4, 2022 fee of 75% of total fare; No refunds after Feb 4, 2022. Air cancellation fees are not included and are additional to these penalties.

Trip Protection Coverage is strongly recommended. Aon Affinity administers the NTA Travel Protection plan designed specifically for members of the National Tour Association.

The Pre-existing medical condition exclusion can be waived by purchasing the Enhanced Plan within 14 days of your deposit or initial payment. Purchase of the plan within this time period also provides eligibility for the Financial Insolvency benefit.

Traveling companions / roommates are required to take the same plan (Basic or Enhanced) in order to be properly covered. Premium is non-refundable once paid. Three ways to enroll:

Website: <https://nta.aontravelprotect.com> Tour Operator Location #076068. You can view plan details on this site.

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