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# PASSAGE ALONG THE DANUBE RIVER VIENNA TO THE BLACK SEA





Parliament Building, Budapest

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Iron Gates, Serbia



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#### Day

- 1 Depart the U.S.
- 2 Vienna, Austria/Embark Amadeus Silver II
- 3 Bratislava, Slovakia
- 4 Budapest, Hungary
- 5 Kalocsa
- 6 Vukovar, Croatia/Novi Sad, Serbia
- 7 Belgrade
- 8 Donji Milanovac for Lepinski Vir/ Cruising through the Iron Gates
- 9 Nikopol, Bulgaria, for Arbanasi and Veliko Târnovo/Ruse
- 10 Fetești, Romania, for Constanța and Adamclisi
- 11 Feteşti/Disembark ship/Bucharest
- 12 Bucharest
- 13 Bucharest/Return to the U.S.

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- ♦ Deluxe, river-view Suite or Stateroom.
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- Complimentary wine and beer served with lunch and dinner.
- Captain's Welcome and Farewell Receptions and Farewell Dinner.
- Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the ship.
- Guided tour of Bratislava's well-preserved medieval Staré Mesto (Old Town).
- ◆ Tour of Budapest, a UNESCO World Heritage site, to see the 19th-century, Renaissance Revival-style Hungarian State Opera House and visit the historic landmarks of the Fisherman's Bastion and the ornate St. Matthias Church.
- Excursion to the **Hungarian** *Puszta* (plains) for a demonstration of horsemanship and lunch in a traditional restaurant.
- ♦ Visit to Kalocsa, famous for its fine Hungarian embroidery, to tour its Folk Art House and Paprika Museum.
- ♦ City tour of Vukovar, featuring the 18th-century Eltz Manor, two Baroque churches and the water tower.
- Excursion to Novi Sad for a walking tour of its Stari Grad and to Sremski Karlovci to see the Patriarchate Court and the Orthodox Church of St. Nicholas.
- ♦ Wine and honey tasting in the Zivanovic Wine Cellar and Museum of Beekeeping in Sremski Karlovci.
- ◆ Tour of Serbia's historic capital of Belgrade, featuring the medieval city center, Kalemegdan Fortress and the Josip Broz Tito memorial.
- ♦ Passage through the dramatic, naturally carved Iron Gates dividing the Carpathian and Balkan Mountains.
- ♦ Excursion to the fascinating archaeological excavation at Lepinski Vir for insight into one of the oldest Danube cultures.
- Excursion to the village of Arbanasi, Bulgaria, known for its unique stone architecture, with visits to the Konstantsaliev House and the 15<sup>th</sup>-century Birth of Christ Church.
- Visit to the historic Bulgarian Empire capital of Veliko Târnovo, with lunch.
- Walking tour of the Old Town in Constanta.
- Stop in **Adamclisi** to see the Roman Tropaeum Traiani monument.

Scenic transfer from Fetesti to Bucharest.



Fisherman's Bastion, Budapest

#### IN BUCHAREST, ROMANIA

- ♦ Two nights in the Five-Star Athénée Palace HILTON, with breakfast each morning.
- Farewell Reception in the hotel.
- City tour to see the Palace of Parliament, Europe's largest administrative building, with lunch.
- ♦ Tour the open-air National Village Museum, a fascinating and comprehensive outdoor collection of Romania's rural architecture.
- ♦ Visit to the National Art Museum, housed in the 19th-century Royal Palace.

#### ALWAYS INCLUDED

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#### VIENNA

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