

## Jewels of Europe with Prague



**Tour Name:** Jewels of Europe with Prague

**Days:** 18

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**Day 1 Sun, 18 Sep Welcome to Prague**

Start your journey in Prague with a three night stay at our luxurious city central hotels

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**Day 2 Mon, 19 Sep Prague: (B,D)**

Join your expert local guide to explore Prague in all its Gothic glory including the Old Town, the famous Astronomical Clock and Charles Bridge, commissioned in 1357 by Charles IV.

**Freechoice:** Enjoy a walking tour of Prague, tasting locally produced beer along the way. Alternatively, learn about the 900 year history of Strahov Monastery and delight in its many wonders including the Treasury and art gallery.

Tonight, relish a delicious Czech dinner. Lobkowicz Palace is located in the heart of the castle district and is the location for your highlight dinner, accompanied by live music.

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**Day 3 Tue, 20 Sep Prague (B)**

Stroll this magnificent city at your leisure. Situated on the banks of the River Vltava in central Bohemia, Prague is rich in history and home to some of the world's most striking architectural wonders. Your Tour Director is on hand to help you plan.

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**Day 4 Wed, 21 Sep Prague > Budapest (B,L,D)**

Journey by coach to Budapest where you'll board your luxurious Scenic Space-Ship.

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**Day 5 Thu, 22 Sep Budapest (B,L,D)**

**Freechoice:** Make the most of a guided tour of Budapest including a piano concert, or relax and unwind at the Thermal Baths and Spa. Alternatively, join a local guide for a tour focused on the past and present of Budapest, or experience the labyrinths of the Hospital in the Rock. Or if you're feeling more active, you make choose to join a hike to Buda Hill.

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**Day 6 Fri, 23 Sep Vienna (B,L,D)**

While cruising, relax in one of the on board lounges and viewing areas and enjoy the scenery as your Scenic Space-Ship sails towards Vienna.

**Enrich**

Breathe in the opulence and luxury of Palais Liechtenstein while enjoying a glass of fine Austrian Sekt. Then be enthralled by an enchanting private classical evening concert featuring the timeless music of Strauss and Mozart. Even in elegant Vienna, Palais Liechtenstein is one of the grandest of all venues.

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**Day 7 Sat, 24 Sep Vienna (B,L,D)**

**Freechoice:** Take a tour of the Slovakian capital Bratislava, or visit Schönbrunn Palace and witness the opulence of the Habsburg Empire. Alternatively, learn about Viennese coffee culture with a local expert during a tour, or explore Vienna on a cycling tour to Danube Island.

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**Day 8 Sun, 25 Sep Dürnstein > Melk (B,L,D)**

**Freechoice:** Embark on a guided bike ride along the river from Dürnstein, one of the most enchanting villages in the region, to Melk, or be guided through Melk's magnificent 18th century Benedictine Abbey. Alternatively, visit the fairytale castle, Burg Aggstein. Built in the 12th century, the castle ruins offer spectacular views across the Danube.

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**Day 9 Mon, 26 Sep Salzburg (B,L,D)**

**Freechoice:** Enjoy a guided tour of the Baroque Old Town of Salzburg and learn about one of its most famous residents, Mozart, and be mesmerised by the city's history and architecture. Alternatively, choose to join a walking tour focusing on sights from the classic movie 'The Sound of Music'.

**Enrich**

Based on the timeless movie of the same name, the exclusive 'Best of The Sound of Music and Salzburg Show' will wow you with its stage sets. Enjoy an authentic Austrian lunch before an afternoon humming along to some of the catchy classics.

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**Day 10 Tue, 27 Sep Regensburg (B,L,D)**

There is much to explore in the 2,000 year old town of Regensburg, situated at the confluence of three rivers.

**Freechoice:** Enjoy a walking tour of the city, or board a local ferry and sail the Danube Gorge to Weltenburg Abbey and sample beer from one of the world's oldest monastic breweries. Alternatively, cycle to the Walhalla monument, or take an active walking tour to Thurn und Taxis Palace.

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**Day 11 Wed, 28 Sep Nuremberg (B,L,D)**

Enjoy this fascinating and ancient Bavarian city, dating back to the 11th century.

**Freechoice:** Explore the city on foot on a guided walking tour, or visit moving WWII sites and learn about this dark era in the city's history. Alternatively, choose to stay on board for a beer tasting experience.

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**Day 12 Thu, 29 Sep Bamberg (B,L,D)**

**Freechoice:** Take a guided tour of the Old Town of Bamberg and walk the same cobbled streets as medieval traders once did. Alternatively, taste some of the city's regional specialities on a city walk.

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**Day 13 Fri, 30 Sep Würzburg (B,L,D)**

**Freechoice:** Visit Würzburg's Bishop's Residenz Palace and sample some exquisite local wine in the underground cellars, or visit the impressive estate of Schloss Weikersheim, a true Baroque and Renaissance delight. Alternatively, explore the famous Romantic Road, an important trade route during the Middle Ages, then take in the beautiful walled town of Rothenburg, a medieval gem overlooking the Tauber River.

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**Day 14 Sat, 01 Oct Miltenberg (B,L,D)**

**Freechoice:** Meet a Monk in a local monastery for a tour and insight into regional beer production, or meet a winemaker for a taste of his fine wines. Alternatively, meet a Baron and Baroness and learn about aristocratic life, or opt to visit a local Schnapps producer or a farming family and taste some of their home made products.

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**Day 15 Sun, 02 Oct Rüdesheim > Rhine Gorge (B,L,D)**

Immerse yourself in charming Rüdesheim and board the Winzerexpress mini-train for a guided visit of Siegfried's Mechanical Musical Instrument Museum. Then enjoy a cable car ride to the Niederwald Monument for spectacular views of the river. The afternoon set sail and enjoy fabulous views of the spectacular World Heritage-listed Rhine Gorge.

**Enrich**

Discover Germany's motoring heritage with a special event held at Motorworld. Set amongst a large range of classic, vintage and Formula 1 vehicles, you will have the opportunity to engage in a range of fun filled activities.

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**Day 16 Mon, 03 Oct Cologne (B,L,D)**

**Freechoice:** Take a stroll through Cologne and get up close to the filigree twin towers of the famous cathedral, or step inside the cathedral and let your local guide marvel you with its history. Alternatively, explore the city's past and present, from Roman times to its Jewish heritage, during a guided tour, or if you are feeling more active, join a guided cycling tour.

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**Day 17 Tue, 04 Oct Amsterdam (B,L,D)**

Explore wonderful Amsterdam, with its wealth of canals, museums and bicycles.

**Freechoice:** Hop aboard one of our e-bikes and take a guided bicycle tour outside of the city, or join a flavours of Holland walking tour and taste some Dutch favourites, such as herring, cheese and poffertjes. Alternatively, take the opportunity to experience an iconic canal cruise, or step outside of Amsterdam and visit the villages of Alkmaar & Schermerhorn, home to many authentic windmills dating back to the 16th century.

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**Day 18 Wed, 05 Oct Amsterdam (B)**

Depart after a wonderful farewell breakfast. Amsterdam is the end of your cruise, but it will be the start of wonderful memories.

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