

Magnificent Europe

Amsterdam to Budapest

Our most popular river cruise, and for good reason. Start with a night docked in Amsterdam, before heading along the Rhine, stopping at quaint German towns along the way. Enter Austria, where you'll delve into the classical music capital of Vienna, then culminate in Budapest, where its monuments dotting the Danube sparkle around you.

Trip Snapshot

Duration 15 days, 14 nights / **Travel Style** River Cruising / **Ship** Concerto River Ship / **Visit** 18 places, six countries

Go For Fairytale castles, quintessential German villages, inspiring capital cities and exploring many countries all in one cruise

Below Katz Castle, Rhine River, Germany





Signature Experiences

- ☆ Go beyond the gates to explore Namedy Castle before a cocktail party and a piano recital in the ballroom.
- ☆ Exclusive – Visit Vienna's City Palace for a cocktail party and private concert featuring classics by Mozart and Strauss.
- ☆ Exclusive – Journey aboard the Grand Empress steam train with a private discovery of Gödöllő Palace (May to September).

Key

- ☆ Signature Experience
- ☆ Freedom of Choice
- BLD** Breakfast Lunch Dinner

Day 01: Arrive Amsterdam, Embark Ship

Welcome to Amsterdam! We'll meet you on arrival and transfer you to your luxurious floating home for the next 15 days. Unpack, relax and get acquainted with your ship. **D**

14 Nights: a Concerto River Ship.

Day 02: Amsterdam

☆ Perhaps slow things down and cruise the canals on a glass-top boat. Maybe visit Zaanse Schans – known for its windmills and specialty produce. Or even sleep in and take the day as it comes. If you're lucky enough to be on one of our spring departures, the tulips of Keukenhof Gardens are ready to greet you at every colourful turn. Tonight, celebrate with a gala welcome dinner. **BLD**

Day 03: Bonn, Andernach

☆ ☆ This morning, awake to a new country, as you cruise to Bonn, with unlimited possibilities for what the day could bring. Take a discovery through the city. 2020 marks the 250th anniversary of Beethoven's birth, and you will visit the house where he was born, which is now a museum. Alternatively, set off on a bike to explore. You'll then travel to Andernach for your first Signature Experience, a visit to Namedy Castle. Go beyond the gates and wander about the rooms, hidden nooks and grounds, then enjoy a cocktail party in the ballroom, where a pianist sets the mood. **BLD**

Day 04: Rüdesheim

☆ Have your camera handy to capture some of the best scenery you'll encounter as you cruise through the Rhine Gorge. Dock in Rüdesheim, where a gondola ride over the Rhine Valley will give you the best perspective of the town. For something a little more quirky, Siegfried's Mechanical Musical Instrument Museum houses fine automated musical creations. Otherwise, a selection of fine Rhine Valley wines eagerly await your palate at an onboard tasting. **BLD**

Day 05: Miltenberg

☆ Pick up the pace and hike through a forested area overlooking Franconian vineyards. Or, go slow and head to a local cellar for a tippie or two. You can even stay on your ship and learn a little German. **BLD**

Day 06: Würzburg

☆ Seize the day and walk to the 18th-century Würzburg Residence. Or traverse the Romantic Road to Rothenburg. Maybe get to know the locals with a visit to a family-owned farm, with a home-cooked morning tea on the menu. **BLD**

Day 07: Bamberg

Relax on board as you sail to Bamberg. On arrival, join an exploration with a local expert to uncover everything World Heritage-listed Bamberg has to offer. **BLD**

Trip Overview

Day	Destination	Included Highlight	Day	Destination	Included Highlight
01	Amsterdam – The Netherlands	Welcome	09	Regensburg – Germany	Freedom of Choice
02	Amsterdam – The Netherlands	Freedom of Choice	10	Passau – Germany, Linz – Austria	Freedom of Choice
03	Bonn, Andernach – Germany	Namedy Castle	11	Melk, Dürnstein – Austria	Freedom of Choice
04	Rüdesheim – Germany	Freedom of Choice	12	Vienna – Austria	City Palace
05	Miltenberg – Germany	Freedom of Choice	13	Budapest – Hungary	Grand Empress steam train (select departures)
06	Würzburg – Germany	Freedom of Choice	14	Budapest – Hungary	City Tour
07	Bamberg – Germany	Old Town Tour	15	Budapest – Hungary	Farewell
08	Nuremberg – Germany	Freedom of Choice			



Above Hungarian Parliament, Budapest, Hungary / **Right** City Palace Private Concert, Vienna, Austria

Day 08: Nuremberg

Ⓜ Perhaps journey through Nuremberg's history with its Gothic churches and World War II sites. Or keep fit with a hike through the Schwarzach Valley. You will be rewarded with freshly baked gingerbread on your return. This afternoon, continue cruising on the Main-Danube Canal. Having taken 32 years to construct, the canal links the North and Black seas. **BLD**

Day 09: Regensburg

Ⓜ In Regensburg, explore its World Heritage-listed city centre. Maybe take a culinary walk and visit the Michelin-starred St. Jakob. Or perhaps get active and take a guided bike ride to the Walhalla memorial. Later, a student from the University of Regensburg will come aboard for a presentation. **BLD**

Day 10: Passau, Linz

Ⓜ From Passau, head to Salzburg to visit some of the sights featured in Roger and Hammerstein's *The Sound of Music*. Or set off into the Czech Republic, where Český Krumlov awaits. Either way, re-board your ship in Austria's Linz. Alternatively, explore the town of Passau, followed by a relaxing day on board cruising to Linz. **BLD**

Day 11: Melk, Dürnstein

Ⓜ Visit the statuary-adorned Melk Abbey. Otherwise a local expert is on hand to show you around town. It's then onto more remarkable scenery as you cruise through the Wachau Valley to Dürnstein, where you'll roam its cobblestone lanes at your leisure. Or perhaps take a guided bike ride along the river from Melk to Dürnstein. **BLD**

Day 12: Vienna

Ⓜ Ⓜ Perhaps take in the city's many landmarks along the Ringstrasse, including St. Stephen's Cathedral. The 1,441-room Schönbrunn Palace and its gardens are another option. Or tick another country off your list and journey to Slovakia's Bratislava. Otherwise, get active with a bike ride to Klosterneuburg Monastery. After dinner, head to the Family of Liechtenstein's City Palace in the heart of Vienna, where we have arranged an exclusive cocktail party and private recital, just for you. A full orchestra will perform classical masterpieces by Mozart and Strauss. You will also be enchanted by an operatic recital and some members of the Mozart Boys' Choir. **BLD**

Day 13: Budapest

Enjoy a relaxing morning sailing to Budapest.

Ⓜ The Grand Empress steam train

This afternoon, follow in the footsteps of the Habsburg Empire. Enjoy a welcome reception at Budapest's Royal Waiting Room, then board the Grand Empress steam train. You will see inside some ornately adorned carriages from the early 1900s. Gödöllő Palace, Elisabeth of Bavaria's favourite residence, is your destination. You will be shown through this monument of Hungarian aristocracy and architecture. Later, be treated like royalty with dinner served on your train, before returning to your ship. Operates on all departures between May and September.

Later, return to your ship. **BLD**

Day 14: Budapest

Enjoy a morning city tour of Budapest taking in its historic monuments, followed by the afternoon at leisure to further explore. Finish the day in style with an illuminations cruise through the twinkling lights of Budapest. **BLD**

Day 15: Disembark Ship, Depart Budapest

Sadly, the time has come to say goodbye and be transferred to the airport. **B**

Extend Your Journey With Our Grand City Stays

Paris

Stay for three nights at the Hotel du Collectionneur Arc de Triomphe. You can choose to sample Paris' fine food, hop in a vintage 2CV and cruise about town, or discover Montmartre. Unmissable Signature Experiences include lunch served at the renowned Ore Restaurant, as well as an evening at the dazzling Lido Cabaret.

Tour code: EUMCPP21/EUMCRPP21
See pages 64-65 for further details.

Prague

Stay for three nights at the Alcron Hotel Prague. See the iconic monuments on a discovery, including Charles Bridge and the Old Town. Dine within the Art-Deco walls of the award-winning La Rotonde restaurant. Your Signature Experience is a visit to Chateau Jemniště for a private tour, lunch and falconry display.

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London

Stay three nights at The May Fair Hotel. Two Signature Experiences await: access the Tower of London before it is open to the public and see the Crown Jewels; and learn the etiquette of afternoon tea at the Bentley Hotel. You also have a choice to ride the London Eye or cruise along the Thames.

Tour code: EUMCLP21/EUMCRPL21
Select departures. Enquire for details.

Amsterdam

Stay three nights at the Marriott Amsterdam. Choose between a Jordaan culinary tour, or explore the city's Golden Age architecture. Visit Utrecht's Museum Speelklok, cruise the canals, sample some craft beers, see the Hague and enjoy the Signature Experience of lunch at the Hotel Kurhaus.

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Trip from **\$7,095** per person twin share

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15 Days Amsterdam to Budapest (EUMC15)			
April 1, 1 , 15, 15 October 30, 30 November 11, 13	Twin Window	\$7,095	\$10,195
	Panoramic Balcony	\$10,195	\$14,845
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Budapest to Amsterdam

The excitement gets underway as you board your floating oasis in Budapest, where its monuments twinkle on arrival. Enter Austria and spend time in the classical music capital of Vienna, before heading along the Main and Rhine rivers to explore Germany's quaint villages. For the grand finale – a night docked in the heart of Amsterdam.

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07	Regensburg – Germany
08	Nuremberg – Germany
09	Bamberg – Germany
10	Würzburg – Germany
11	Miltenberg – Germany
12	Rüdesheim, Andernach – Germany
13	Cologne – Germany
14	Amsterdam – The Netherlands
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Day 02: Budapest

Start the day with a guided tour of Budapest.

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Later, sail towards Vienna. **BLD**

Day 03: Vienna

Take in Vienna's Ringstrasse, plus enjoy a visit to St Stephen's Cathedral. **BLD**

Day 04: Vienna

Ⓛ ☆ Another day in this beautiful city presents new options to soak up the city. The 1,441-room Schönbrunn Palace and its gardens are a favourite. Or tick another country off your list and journey to Slovakia's Bratislava. Otherwise, get active a ride a bike to Klosterneuburg Monastery. Tonight, at the regal City Palace in the heart of Vienna, we are putting on an exclusive cocktail party and private recital, just for you. **BLD**

Day 05: Dürnstein, Melk

Ⓛ Perhaps roam Dürnstein's cobblestone lanes at your leisure or take a bike tour along the river to Melk. Whether you're on a bike or on the ship, enjoy the spectacular scenery of the Wachau Valley on the way to Melk. From here, visit the statuary-adorned Melk Abbey, otherwise a local expert is on hand to show you around town. **BLD**

Day 06: Linz, Passau

Ⓛ From Linz, head to Salzburg to visit some of the incredible sights featured in Roger and Hammerstein's *The Sound of Music*. Or set off on into the Czech Republic, where Český Krumlov awaits. Either way, you will re-board your ship in the German town of Passau. Alternatively, relax on board for the entire day, then explore Passau. **BLD**

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Day 08: Nuremberg

Ⓛ Continue cruising on the Main-Danube Canal today. Nuremberg features a grand medieval castle, Gothic churches and poignant World War II sites, such as the Reich Party Rally Grounds. Perhaps embark on a journey through Nuremberg's history, or keep fit with a hike through the Schwarzach Valley. You will be rewarded with freshly baked gingerbread on your return. **BLD**

Day 09: Bamberg

On arrival into Bamberg, join an exploration with a local expert to uncover everything World Heritage-listed Bamberg has to offer. Otherwise, take it easy and relax on board. **BLD**

Day 10: Würzburg

🚶 Seize the day with a walk to the 18th-century palace, Würzburg Residence. Perhaps journey along Romantic Road to medieval Rothenburg. Or meet the locals with a visit to a family-owned farm, where a home-cooked morning tea is on the menu. **BLD**

Day 11: Miltenberg

🚶 Relax on board as you cruise into Miltenberg. Here, you're free to do as you please. Pick up the pace and hike through a forested area overlooking spectacular Franconian vineyards. Or, go slow and head to a local cellar for a tippie or two. You can even stay on your ship and learn a little German. **BLD**

Day 12: Rüdesheim, Andernach

🚶🚶 A little further up the Rhine, your ship is docked at Rüdesheim. A gondola ride over the Rhine Valley is a great way to give you a perspective of the town. If you're up for something a little more quirky, discover Siegfried's Mechanical Musical Instrument Museum. Otherwise, a fine selection of Rhine Valley wines eagerly await your palate at an onboard tasting. Afterwards, cruise through the scenic Rhine Gorge. Later in Andernach, go beyond the gates of Narnia Castle for a wander through the beautiful grounds, followed by a cocktail reception and a piano recital in the ballroom. **BLD**

Day 13: Cologne

🚶 Take a discovery through Cologne's historic city centre and sample local German beers and snacks along the way. Or set off on a bike ride to explore Cologne's historic sights. **BLD**

Day 14: Amsterdam

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