



# The Beautiful Blue Danube

**2 NIGHTS IN PRAGUE AND  
7 NIGHTS ONBOARD THE AMASONATA  
AN 11 DAY/9 NIGHT CRUISE TOUR  
OCTOBER 22 - NOVEMBER 1, 2019**

Framed by rolling hillsides, lush vineyards, and medieval castles, the Danube River has captivated musicians, artists and poets throughout the centuries. Travel to legendary destinations, beginning with a 2-night stay in majestic Prague followed by 7 nights cruising from Vilshofen to Budapest on the AmaSonata. With just 82 staterooms, it's cozy yet offers all you expect from a luxury river cruise!

Explore a 2,000 year-old city, visit Europe's largest pipe organ, savor Wachau Valley wines, and experience the timeless beauty and fascinating history of Vienna and Budapest. With just 82 cabins, space is extremely limited, so make your reservations now and join us as we experience the splendor and romance of Prague and the Beautiful Blue Danube on the AmaSonata!

## Itinerary

### **October 22, 2019 - Leaving on a Jet Plane**

You board your flight bound for Europe today!

### **October 23, 2019 - Prague, Czech Republic**

You'll arrive in **Prague** today and be assisted with your transfer to your hotel. The balance of the day will be at your leisure to explore this beautiful city! Dinner is on your own in one of the area's wonderful local restaurants.

Overnight: Prague

### **October 24, 2019 - Explore Prague**

Today is **yours to explore** the Prague you want to see! From the thousand-year-old **Hradcany Castle** to beautiful **St. Vitus Cathedral**, you'll find getting around easy and the sights a delight! Don't miss iconic **Charles Bridge** where King Charles IV personally laid the first foundation stone in 1357! And be sure to see **Old Town Hall** with its spectacular astronomical clock installed in 1410 and running ever since. As you stroll along the banks of the **Vltava River**, you'll find plenty of quaint shops with local handicrafts and delightful cafes and restaurants! As you explore Prague this evening, you'll notice the unique system used to illuminate monuments. It starts with the oldest monument to the youngest in 3 minute intervals starting at dusk and completing just before midnight!

Overnight: Prague

### **October 25, 2019 - Prague to Vilshofen, Germany**

You'll check out of your Prague hotel this morning and travel through the beautiful Bavarian countryside bound for the charming 1,200-year-old town of **Vilshofen**. On arrival in Vilshofen, you'll board your luxurious ship, the **AmaSonata** to begin your Danube River cruise! Later this afternoon, join your fellow passengers at a private "**Oktoberfest**" celebration in Vilshofen, with traditional beers and Bavarian folk music and dancing. After a rousing afternoon, return to the ship to unpack and relax before enjoying a festive Welcome Dinner. (D)

### **October 26, 2019 - Vilshofen to Passau, Germany**

This morning you'll have time to **explore Vilshofen's** beautiful old town on your own before cruising to **Passau**. On arrival this afternoon you'll enjoy a walking tour of this 2,000-year-old city, noted for its Gothic and Italian Baroque architecture, cobblestoned streets, and **St. Stephan's Cathedral**, home to one of the world's largest pipe organs. (B/L/D)

### **October 27, 2019 - Linz to Gmunden, Austria**

The AmaSonata arrives in **Linz** this morning for a guided walking tour of Austria's second largest city known for its vibrant art and music scene. Then, **choose from three other excursions**. The first is visit to the Austrian Lake District, the scenic Salzkammergut region. The second option is an excursion to the Czech town of Cesky Krumlov, a wonderfully preserved medieval town nestled in the hills just over the Austrian-Czech border. The third choice is an excursion to **Salzburg, Mozart's birthplace**, where you will take a walking tour of the historic center made famous by the "Sound of Music." Enjoy free time on your own before returning to the ship. (B/L/D)

### **October 28, 2019 - Melk to Krems, Austria**

You'll enjoy a scenic cruise through the narrow **Strudengau** this morning en route to **Melk**. On arrival, a guided tour will take you to Melk's magnificent **Benedictine Abbey**, one of Europe's largest Baroque monasteries and the inspiration for the novel The Name of the Rose. You'll re-board the AmaSonata and continue cruising through the beautiful Wachau Valley to **Krems** where you will take a motor coach ride to **Dürnstein**. On your walking tour of this picturesque old town, see the magnificent blue façade of the local abbey church and the ruins of



a castle where Richard the Lionheart was once imprisoned. Tonight, after dinner on board, enjoy a wine tasting at a local winery. (B/L/D)

**October 29, 2019 - Vienna, Austria**

This morning you wake up in **Vienna**, the city of music! After breakfast, enjoy a city tour of Vienna, where you will see the famous **Opera House**, the Ringstrasse, and **St. Stephen's Cathedral**. The afternoon is free to stroll through the historic city center and enjoy this city of Mozart, Beethoven, Strauss and Brahms! The Viennese love Gemütlichkeit (relaxation) so you might just choose to indulge in a **Sacher Torte** and a Brauner (espresso with milk) as you explore! \*\*\*An optional Mozart and Strauss concert will offered by AmaWaterways this evening. The AmaSonata remains moored in Vienna overnight for those who might want to enjoy an evening stroll along the Danube! (B/L/D)

**October 30, 2019 - Bratislava, Slovakia**

Enjoy a scenic morning cruise to **Bratislava** where you will set out on a walking tour that includes the Old Town Hall, **Mirbach Palace** and St. Martin's Cathedral. With one of the smallest historical centers, the charm of Bratislava is undeniable with cobblestoned streets, pedestrian plazas

and pastel 18th-century rococo buildings. As an alternative, you might want to take a "Communist" tour that includes such architectural landmarks as the Radio Building, Liberty Square and Soviet War Memorial. Prior to the fall of communism in 1989, Slovakia and the Czech Republic formed the former Czechoslovakia and you'll hear about its history. After your tours, you'll have the remainder of your day free to enjoy Bratislava on your own. (B/L/D)

**October 31, 2019 - Budapest, Hungary**

This morning, your sightseeing tour takes you to the historic **Buda Castle**, which offers a splendid view of the river and the twin cities of Buda and Pest. Your tour also features the Fisherman's Bastion, Royal Palace, St. Stephen's Basilica, and Heroes' Square. After dinner, the ship will sail a special "**Illuminations Cruise**" past the beautifully illuminated river front of Budapest. (B/L/D)

**November 1, 2019 - Parting is Such Sweet Sorrow**

Your cruise comes to an end today. After disembarkation, you'll proceed to the airport for your flight home. **Memories of the Beautiful Blue Danube and Prague will last a lifetime!** (B)

**Prague & Danube**

**\$5,798.00**  
Cat. E - Fixed Window

**\$6,098.00**  
Cat. D - Fixed Window

**\$6,598.00**  
Cat. C - French Balcony

**\$7,098.00**  
Cat. BB - Full Balcony

**\$7,298.00**  
Cat. BA - Full Balcony

**\$7,798.00**  
Cat. AB - Full Balcony

**\$7,898.00**  
Cat. AA - Full Balcony

**\$8,498.00**  
Cat. AA Plus - Full Balcony  
**\$9,198.00**  
Cat. SS - Suite with Full Balcony



- Inclusions**
- Round-trip airport transfers
  - Round-trip International Airfare to Prague and returning from Budapest (checked baggage fees are not included)
  - 2 nights pre-cruise in Prague
  - 7 nights onboard the AmaSonata in your selected stateroom category
  - Included shore excursions throughout your river cruise
  - All meals while onboard the AmaSonata
  - Complimentary beer and wine with lunch and dinner onboard the AmaSonata
  - All sightseeing and admissions as listed in the detailed itinerary including tours of Vienna, Bratislava, Budapest, Benedictine Abbey, Krems and more
  - This departure is a special wine cruise sailing featuring an onboard wine host with special wine pairings throughout your cruise
  - Portage of 1 full size suitcase, per person
  - Transfer from Prague to Vilshofen for embarkation and to airport in Budapest
  - All taxes, government fees and fuel surcharges

*Passports are required for this tour.*

*Built in 2014, the 158 passenger AmaSonata boasts spacious staterooms with exclusive Twin Balconies offered for most staterooms, a choice of dining venues, a heated pool with swim-up bar and more! Enjoy gourmet dining with unlimited fine wines at multiple onboard dining venues, complimentary ship-wide wi-fi, included small group shore excursions including a "Gentle Walkers" group and impeccable service! When it's time to pamper yourself, you'll find a spa offering a variety of treatments guaranteed to soothe and relax! Every lunch and dinner onboard the AmaSonata includes free-flowing regional wines as well as complimentary beer and soft drinks! And what better way to start your morning that complimentary sparkling wine served with breakfast! AmaWaterways and TRIPS - Travel \* Thoughtfully Designed \* Delightfully Executed!*

*Due to the intimate environment on river cruise vessels, once names and bookings are made, \$750.00 of your deposit will be non-refundable from the time of booking. However, you may elect to purchase trip cancellation and interruption Travel Protection for this smaller amount of deposit at time of deposit. This will protect your deposit in the event of cancellation for reasons deemed allowable under the terms of the trip cancellation/interruption policy (as per the insurance carrier) up until final payment should you have to cancel.*

Pricing is based on double occupancy!  
Single supplement is an additional 75%.

**Trip cancellation/interruption Travel Protection is available and strongly suggested.**  
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**Call today to reserve your space!!!**  
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