

PALACE TOURS

Treasures of the Danube & Balkans River Cruise: Belgrade to Vienna, 7 Nights

7 Nights • Luxury Experience

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ABOUT THIS TOUR

Overview

The Treasures of the Danube & Balkans River Cruise: Belgrade to Vienna, 7 Nights is a 7-night Belgrade-to-Vienna river cruise aboard the MS CruceNova, exploring the Iron Gates and the lower Danube of the Balkans. Sailing the lower Danube from Belgrade to Vienna, the itinerary calls at Belgrade, the Iron Gates gorge, Budapest, Bratislava and Vienna. All-inclusive on board with guided shore excursions and an English-speaking cruise manager; fares are per person and shown in US dollars.

DAY BY DAY

Your Itinerary



DAY 1

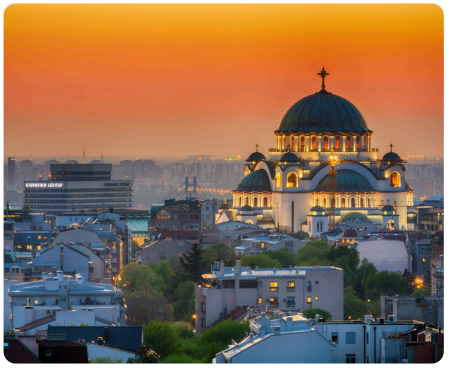
BELGRADE

Board the ship at the river port of Belgrade, Serbia's lively capital, set where the Sava meets the Danube. Settle into your cabin and meet the crew over a welcome cocktail. The rest of the day is free to start exploring the city. Dinner and overnight on board.

DAY 2

BELGRADE

Spend the morning discovering Belgrade, from the ramparts of Kalemegdan Fortress high above the two rivers to the busy pedestrian streets of the centre. All meals are served on board. Late in the evening the ship casts off for an overnight sail along the Danube.





DAY 3

NOVI SAD

Wake up docked in Novi Sad, Serbia's second city, known for its cultural life and the vast Petrovaradin Fortress. Enjoy the morning ashore before the ship sails on in the afternoon into Croatia. In the evening you reach Ilok, a small medieval town of old wine cellars and fortified walls, for a short stroll before cruising on overnight.

DAY 4

KALOCSA

A relaxed morning of scenic cruising brings you to Kalocsa around midday, one of Hungary's oldest towns and famous for its hand-painted porcelain, colourful embroidery and paprika fields. The afternoon is yours to explore local traditions before the ship departs in the evening.





DAY 5

BUDAPEST

Arrive early in Budapest, the "Pearl of the Danube". An included panoramic tour (a minimum group size applies) shows the contrast between the hills of Buda and the grand riverside of Pest. Spend the afternoon on its boulevards, in a thermal bath or a historic coffee house before the ship heads north in the evening.

DAY 6

BRATISLAVA

Reach Bratislava, the capital of Slovakia, at midday. An included walking tour (a minimum group size applies) takes you through the old town, past its quirky bronze statues and up towards the castle. Late in the evening the ship begins its final overnight sail into Austria.





DAY 7

VIENNA

Arrive in Vienna early in the morning. An included panoramic tour (a minimum group size applies) introduces the imperial capital, with its palaces, the State Opera and the Ringstrasse. The rest of the day is at leisure. Farewell dinner and overnight on board.

DAY 8

VIENNA

After breakfast, disembark in Vienna. End of services.



DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates & Rates

DEPARTURE DATE	CLASS / CABIN	SINGLE	DOUBLE (PP)
May 8, 2027	Category D - Middle Deck (Aft)	**$3,928**	**$2,619**
	Category C - Middle Deck	**$4,018**	**$2,679**
	Category B - Upper Deck (Aft)	**$5,108**	**$2,919**
	Category A - Upper Deck	**$5,738**	**$3,279**

Rates shown are per person. Single rate applies to single occupancy; Double rate applies per person in double occupancy.

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Visit https://www.palacetours.com/tour/Treasures-Danube-Balkans-Cruise_Belgrade-Vienna for the latest information.

COMMON QUESTIONS

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Treasures of the Danube and Balkans river cruise?

It is a 7-night river cruise from Belgrade to Vienna aboard the MS CruceNova. It takes in the Iron Gates gorge and the Balkan stretch of the Danube before continuing to Budapest, Bratislava and Vienna. Meals, guided shore excursions and an English-speaking cruise manager are included.

Which places does the Belgrade to Vienna cruise visit?

The itinerary calls at Belgrade, the Iron Gates gorge, Budapest, Bratislava and Vienna, so you see four capital cities in one week. Guided shore excursions are included as set out in the itinerary, and optional excursions can be added at extra cost.

What are the Iron Gates on the Danube?

The Iron Gates are a dramatic gorge where the Danube cuts through the Carpathian and Balkan mountains along the border between Serbia and Romania. It is one of the most scenic stretches of any European river, and a big reason travellers choose a Balkan Danube cruise over the busier upper Danube routes.

What cabin categories are available on the MS CruceNova?

There are four categories, all with a French balcony: Category D on the Middle Deck aft, Category C on the Middle Deck, Category B on the Upper Deck aft, and Category A on the Upper Deck. Every cabin has a private bathroom, individually controlled air conditioning and river views.

How much more do the higher cabin categories cost?

The lead fare is for Category D. Category C adds about US$60 per person, Category B about US$300 per person, and Category A about US$660 per person. The exact fare for each category and departure is shown on this page.

How much does the Treasures of the Danube and Balkans cruise cost?

Fares start from about US$2,619 per person sharing, in Category D. Port and tourist taxes and a fuel surcharge are charged on top. The exact fare for each departure is shown on this page.

Can I book a cabin for single occupancy on this Danube cruise?

Yes. For sole use of a cabin, a single supplement of 50% of the per-person rate applies in Categories D and C, and 75% in Categories B and A. Single fares start from about US$3,928 in Category D, and the exact single price for your date is shown on this page.

What is included in the Belgrade to Vienna cruise fare?

> The fare includes your cabin in the category you choose, and full board (breakfast, lunch and dinner) throughout. It also covers welcome and captain's events, guided shore excursions as listed in the itinerary, an English-speaking cruise manager, onboard entertainment, port charges, and Wi-Fi where available.

What is not included in the Danube and Balkans cruise price?

> International flights, travel insurance, gratuities and personal expenses are not included. Drinks outside the included selection and optional excursions are also extra. Port and tourist taxes and a fuel surcharge are added to the fare as well.

Are there taxes or surcharges on top of the cruise fare?

> Yes. Port and tourist taxes of US$95 per person and a fuel surcharge of US$65 per person are added to the fare. We include them in your quote and invoice, so there are no surprises when you pay the balance.

When does the Treasures of the Danube and Balkans cruise sail?

> The departures currently on sale fall between 8 May 2027 and 15 May 2027. May is late spring on the Danube, with long days and comfortable temperatures for sightseeing. Check the departure list on this page for the live dates and fares.

What are the cabins like on the MS CruceNova?

> All staterooms have a private bathroom, individually controlled air conditioning and river views. Every category on this sailing has a French balcony, so you can open the doors to the river. The categories differ mainly by deck and position: Upper Deck cabins are higher, and aft cabins are towards the stern.

Is the cruise run in English?

> Yes. An English-speaking cruise manager travels with the ship, and the included guided shore excursions are led in English. Onboard entertainment and the captain's events are also part of the programme.

Which flights do I need for a Belgrade to Vienna river cruise?

> Flights are not included. Because the cruise starts in Belgrade and ends in Vienna, most travellers book an open-jaw ticket: fly into Belgrade and home from Vienna. Arriving a day early gives you a buffer against flight delays. Ask us if you need help with timing.

What deposit is required for this river cruise, and when is the balance due?

> A 25% deposit secures your cabin, and the balance is due 65 days before departure. Port and tourist taxes and the fuel surcharge are included in your total invoice.

Can children join the Treasures of the Danube and Balkans cruise?

> Children are booked in two age bands, based on age at departure: under 5, and from 5 up to (but not including) 12. Child fares are confirmed on request, so contact us with your children's ages and your preferred date.

Are optional excursions available on the Danube and Balkans cruise?

> Yes. On top of the guided shore excursions included in the fare, optional excursions are offered along the way at extra cost. They are a good way to go deeper in cities like Budapest or Vienna. Ask us for the current list when you book.

Do I need travel insurance for the Belgrade to Vienna cruise?

> Travel insurance is not included in the fare, and we strongly recommend it. Choose a policy that covers cancellation, medical care and missed connections, because the cruise starts and ends in different countries and relies on flights at both ends.

Is Wi-Fi available on board the MS CruceNova?

> Wi-Fi is included where available on board. Coverage can vary along the river, especially in remote stretches such as the Iron Gates gorge, so don't rely on a constant connection for work or streaming.

How do I ask a question or book Treasures of the Danube and Balkans River Cruise: Belgrade to Vienna, 7 Nights?

> You can email travel@palacetours.com, call 786-408-0610, or message us on WhatsApp at https://wa.me/17864080610. A travel specialist or our AI assistant will reply. You can also book any date in the departure list on this page directly: pick your sailing and cabin category and reserve online.

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