

# 8 Day Affordable Central Europe

## Escorted Package Includes

- Flights St. Louis-Budapest, Prague-St. Louis  
Airline taxes & fuel surcharges
- 6 nights First Class accommodations
  - 2 nights Budapest
  - 2 nights Vienna
  - 2 nights Prague
- Hotel portorage
- All transfers
- 8 Meals: 6 breakfasts, 2 dinners
- Sightseeing per itinerary in modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Services of English-speaking tour manager throughout
- Services of local guides per itinerary
- Entrance fees per itinerary
- Comfortable wireless earphones for enhanced touring

October 31 - November 7, 2018

\$1549 pp. dbl. occ.

### **DAY 1, Depart for Hungary**

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### **DAY 2, Arrive in Budapest**

Arrive in Budapest, the capital city of Hungary that straddles the Danube River, with the Buda Hills to the west and Pest to the east and transfer to your hotel. Balance of the day is at leisure. This evening, enjoy a Welcome Drink and Dinner along with an orientation meeting with your Tour Manager and fellow travellers

**Overnight:** Budapest

**Meals:** Dinner

### **DAY 3, Budapest City Tour**

Morning city tour of Budapest. Begin in Pest and continue to view the Parliament, Heroes' Square, and Market Hall before crossing the Danube to the Buda Hills.

There, see the Royal Palace, visit Matthias Church and continue to the Fisherman's Bastion for enthralling panoramic views of the city. Afternoon is at leisure, or join the *optional* tour to the Parliament\* with its stunning interior and to impressive St. Stephen's Basilica, the largest church in Budapest. End the tour with a walk through the historic Great Market Hall with its over 100 market stalls and endless choices of regional products. This evening, perhaps join the *optional* Danube dinner cruise and take in the spectacular skyline from the comfort of a private boat  
*\*Be advised that you might not be able to book this optional tour locally, due to certain restrictions regarding the Parliament.*

**Optional:** Parliament, St. Stephen's & Great Market Hall (PM)

**Optional:** Danube Dinner Cruise (PM)

**Overnight:** Budapest

**Meals:** Breakfast

**DAY 4, Wednesday - Vienna City Tour**

Depart Hungary and travel through the Austrian countryside to Vienna, former center of the Hapsburg Empire. Upon arrival in Vienna, enjoy a panoramic tour of the city that begins with a drive along the Ringstrasse, Vienna's main boulevard, to view Hofburg Palace, the Opera House, the monument of Empress Maria Theresia, Votive Church, City Hall, Belvedere Palace, Prater Amusement Park, and St. Stephen's Cathedral. Afterwards, continue to magnificent Schonbrunn Palace for a highlight tour. Tonight, don't miss the *optional* evening of Viennese culture in the "City of Music" featuring the classical masterpieces of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and Johann Strauss, two of Vienna's most famous citizens

**Optional:** Mozart and Strauss Concert (PM)

**Overnight:** Vienna

**Meals:** Breakfast

**DAY 5, Thursday - Full Day in Vienna**

Enjoy a full day to explore Vienna independently. As European cultural capital, Vienna abounds with stunning palaces, historical monuments, fascinating museums, and some of the world's best concert performances, ranging from classical masterpieces to lively jazz fusion. Perhaps, participate in the *optional* morning tour to Bratislava, capital of Slovakia, one of Europe's newest capitals with time to explore the historic center of this charming city before returning to Vienna. Tonight, feel the spirit of imperial Vienna on the *optional* evening in a cozy wine tavern in the Vienna woods including a hearty meal, local wines and music

**Optional:** Half Day Bratislava (AM)

**Optional:** Austrian Wine Tavern Dinner (PM)

**Overnight:** Vienna

**Meals:** Breakfast

**DAY 6, Friday - Arrive in Prague**

This morning, depart Austria for the Czech Republic. Enjoy the sights of Central Europe during your journey. Make your way through Southern Bohemia and on to the Czech capital city, Prague "The City of a Thousand Spires"

**Overnight:** Prague

**Meals:** Breakfast

**DAY 7, Saturday - Prague City Tour**

A morning sightseeing tour of Prague includes a visit to the Royal Castle District at Hradcany, former residence of the Bohemian kings. Enjoy magnificent views of the city and Charles Bridge below as well as a visit to St. Vitus Cathedral. Following your visit, view St. George's Basilica, the oldest church in the Castle complex and best preserved Romanesque basilica in Prague. This evening, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant in this gorgeous city known for its stunning Gothic and Renaissance architecture

**Overnight:** Prague

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

**DAY 8, Sunday - Depart the Czech Republic**

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight

**Meals:** Breakfast



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