



TUI River Cruises

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Welcome to TUI River Cruises

At TUI, we want to open up as much of the globe as possible. And, when it comes to seeing tucked-away towns and bustling cities, river cruising's the way to do it. We've got itineraries that take you along some of Europe's most scenic waterways, plus our sailings on the mighty River Nile.

Our small, adults-only ships whisk you along Europe and Egypt's waterways, past pinch-yourself landscapes and into the heart of must-see places.

We've picked the crème de la crème of the continent, from big cities like **Budapest**, **Porto** and **Vienna**, to underrated hangouts like **Cochem** and **Durnstein**. Plus, we have sailings in and out of historic **Luxor**, in Egypt.

We've got a range of shore experiences to pick from at each port, too, from city tours to wine tastings. Or, you can head off and explore at your own pace.

We know the journey's just as important as the destination, so our ships flaunt chic, up-to-the-minute interiors, restaurants with an emphasis on local flavours, and lounges for drinks and nightly entertainment. You won't find any inside cabins either, so views are guaranteed. Plus, you can expect our top-notch TUI service, and with one crew member to every four guests, you'll be on first-name terms in no time.

There are 19 summer itineraries to choose from, plus 16 in winter. Some of the highlights include **Icons of Europe**, **Danube Gems**, **Douro Discovery** and of course our **Legends of the Nile**, which you can combine with an extended stay in Luxor or Hurghada.

We've added a couple of new ships to our fleet, as well, bringing our total number up to seven. First up's TUI Bahareya, which sails along the River Nile in Egypt, while the second, TUI Ria, will be based along the Rhine.

And that's not all. We've added extra durations to our itineraries to give you more flexibility and choice. So, whether you fancy a three-night break, a 15-night getaway or something in-between, we've got an itinerary to suit you.

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Reasons to cruise with us

We're part of TUI, the UK's leading travel company, so you're in good hands. We've applied our expertise to our river cruising recipe, combining standout service and culture-packed experiences with nightly entertainment and a choice of restaurants and lounges. And the beauty of river cruising is that our ships usually dock right in the heart of a destination, making it easy to get out and about.

We've already picked up a string of awards in our short time sailing. We won **Best River Cruise Line** at the **2023 Wave Awards**. We were also named **Best for First Time Cruisers** and **Best Value for Money** at the **2023 Cruise Critic Editor's Choice Awards**. And more recently we were crowned **Consumer Favourite for Food and Beverages** at the **2024 Sailawaze Excellence Awards**.

BOPPARD, GERMANY

SOPHISTICATED SHIPS

Think of our ships as **floating, modern hotels** that'll transport you from world-famous cities to tiny towns – often dropping in on more than one destination a day. There are multiple restaurants and lounges for wine and dining. And, outdoor space is in good supply, courtesy of the top deck.

SO MUCH INCLUDED

From direct flights and transfers to onboard tips, service charges and drinks at mealtimes, our cruises are the whole package. There are activities and entertainment throughout the day and into the evening, as well, plus free Wi-Fi throughout the ship.

EXPLORE YOUR WAY

Uncovering tonnes of must-see destinations without having to unpack more than once – that's a river cruising perk. Another one is that we'll take you right to the **heart of a destination**, so the landmarks are just a stroll away. Lots of our cruises sail during the night, so there's more time in each place. Plus, if we're packing two hotspots into one day, we'll travel while you eat lunch, so you don't lose any sightseeing time.

And with over a hundred highly rated experiences on offer in our River Cruises Collection, you can really get to know our destinations with a knowledgeable guide to lead you round. If you prefer to explore independently, we've got a range of ticket-only options, as well, so you can make your own way from the ship and discover destinations at your own pace.

Our **Cruise Experience Managers** hold daily port talks, so you can get clued up on the must-see attractions at your next port of call before you arrive.

TUI'S TRUSTED SERVICE

We pride ourselves on our friendly team, with a crew member to every four guests and a maximum of 184 guests onboard. What's more, all our ships are adults-only. And, as we're part of TUI, you can relax knowing we're here to help anytime, thanks to a dedicated team who can answer any questions you have before you travel and offer support if you need it.

ONBOARD AND ASHORE ACTION

Our cruises strike the perfect balance between onboard and ashore. Because the ships are smaller than ocean liners, you can look forward to a more relaxed pace, with **plenty of time in port**. Onboard, meanwhile, you can enjoy a range of daytime activities and events, tuck in to an à la carte meal, or sip cocktails to live music.

This was our first river cruise, and we were really impressed with TUI in their organisation, helpful and friendly staff, great quality food and drinks, clean, spacious cabins, and interesting ports of call.

- Rob, East Danube Explorer

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

You can relax knowing everything below comes as standard on your cruise.

-  Direct return flights
-  Up to 23kg luggage allowance
-  TUI River Cruises Representative at the airport
-  Airport transfers – to and from your ship
-  Full Board Plus as a minimum – breakfast, lunch and dinner
-  Gala dinner once per cruise on sailings of five nights or longer
-  Tea, coffee and juices with breakfast
-  Wine, beer and soft drinks at lunch and dinner
-  All fresco dining, weather permitting**
-  Free Wi-Fi throughout the ship*
-  Personal audio guide and headset for use on our walking tours
-  All onboard tips and service charges
-  Wellness Area
-  Day to night entertainment
-  Dedicated Cruise Experience Manager on hand for any help and advice
-  Complimentary tea and coffee station

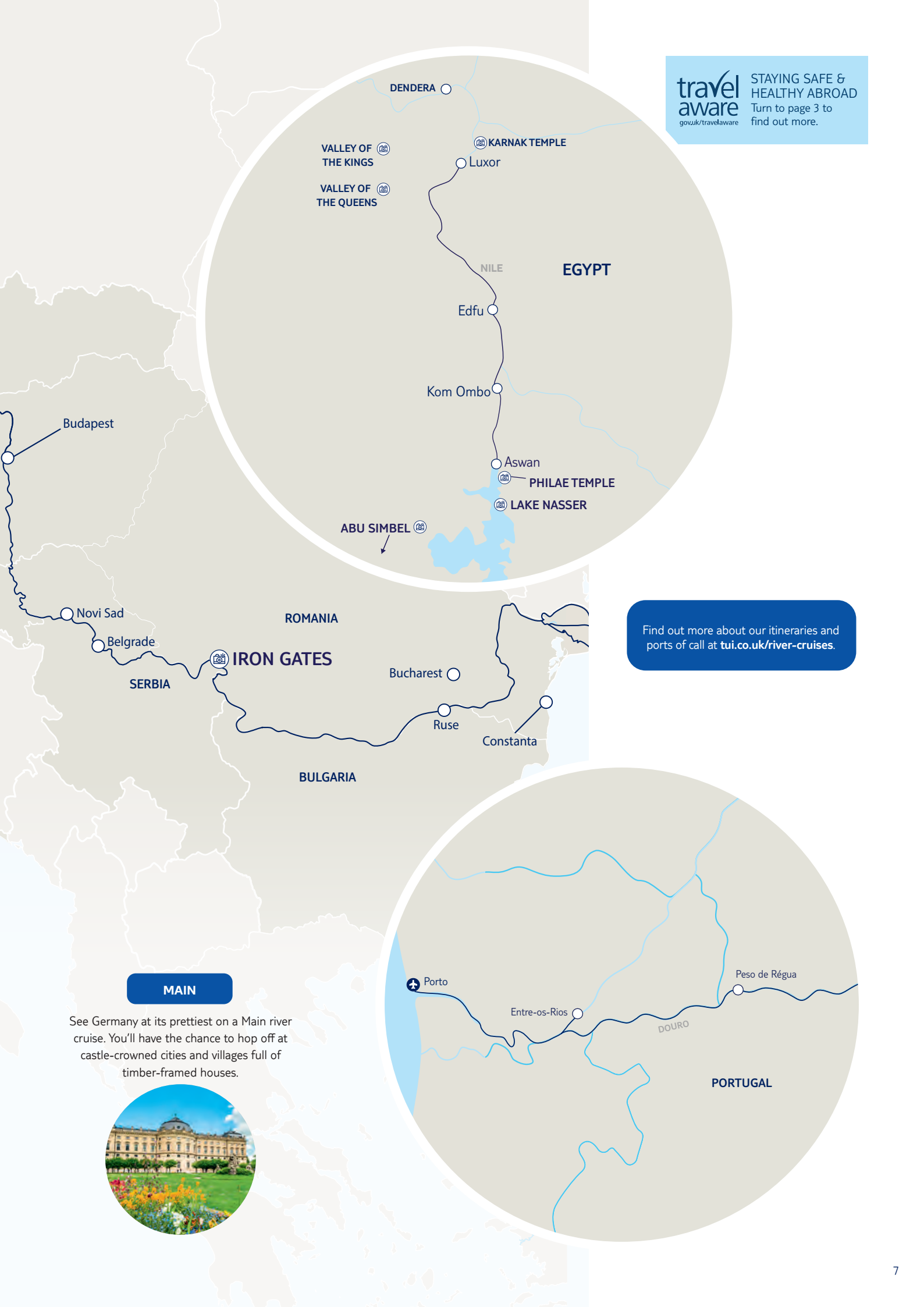
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DANUBE





VALLEY OF
THE KINGS

VALLEY OF
THE QUEENS

DENDERA

KARNAK TEMPLE

Luxor

NILE

EGYPT

Edfu

Kom Ombo

Aswan

PHILAE TEMPLE

LAKE NASSER

ABU SIMBEL

Budapest

Novi Sad

Belgrade

SERBIA

ROMANIA

IRON GATES

Bucharest

Ruse

Constanta

BULGARIA

Find out more about our itineraries and
ports of call at tui.co.uk/river-cruises.

MAIN

See Germany at its prettiest on a Main river
cruise. You'll have the chance to hop off at
castle-crowned cities and villages full of
timber-framed houses.



Porto

Entre-os-Rios

Peso de Régua

DOURO

PORTUGAL

River cruise your way

Flexibility and choice are at the heart of our cruises, so make it your own by choosing what you want, when you want – from drinks packages to the length of your river cruise.

Here are some of our flexible options and different choices on our river cruise sailings...

If you want to stay in a certain part of the ship, you can select your own cabin number for a fee. Or, let us choose for you.

There are no set dining times and an open seating policy, so you can choose when you eat, and where – we have a choice of restaurants on each of our ships.

You can upgrade your standard airport transfers to a private taxi for an additional cost.

You can book a package, or opt for cabin-only, and make your own way to the ship.

Our European sailings are Full Board Plus as standard, but you can choose to upgrade to our All Inclusive drinks package. You'll get a wider selection of drinks outside mealtimes included on your cruise, like draught beers, branded spirits, cocktails and premium Lavazza coffee.

Our daily port talks cover everything from destination information to local traditions in some of our ports. These give you the lowdown on each place, and the choice to explore under your own steam or on one of our handpicked shore experiences with an expert guide.

We offer sailings between three nights and 15 nights, so whether you fancy shopping at some of Europe's leading Christmas markets or having some extended winter sun, you'll find a sailing to suit you.

We've got a choice of venues onboard, so you can opt in and out of the entertainment as you please. You'll find everything from live music to quizzes in our main bars, while our quieter bars are ideal for cosy cocktails after dark.

Choose to extend your Nile river cruise with a hotel stay in Luxor or Hurghada. Or, combine it with our Highlights of Luxor tour. You can extend your Danube river cruise, too, with a stay in Budapest.





Tips for first-time river cruisers

Attention first-time river cruisers – this one's for you. We've rounded up some of our top tips and did-you-knows, so you'll be all clued up before you step onboard.

CABINS WITH A VIEW

One of the great things about our river cruises is that every cabin's on the outside of the ship, which means you'll always have a new view to wake up to. Some have portholes or windows, and others have French balconies.

WATER LEVEL WATCH-OUTS

While ocean cruises take advantage of deep-water harbours, river cruising is a little different. Sometimes, unexpectedly low or high water levels mean we're unable to dock in certain ports, but don't worry – if that happens, we'll do our best to ensure you still see all the sights.

LOTS OF LOCKS

Locks are used to raise and lower ships between different-level stretches of water, so you might sail through a few of these on your cruise. In fact, there are 16 locks on the Rhine-Main-Danube canal, each one 190 metres long. It's interesting to see how they work, so keep your eyes peeled as we navigate through them.

DUCKING AND DIVING

To give us the space we need to get under low bridges and certain locks, we can collapse our cleverly designed top deck. That means it might be out of action for some time during your sailing, but don't worry – you can still eye up the views from inside the ship, and the captain will re-open the top deck as soon as it's safe to do so.

DOUBLE DOCKING

Space is a little tight in a lot of ports, which means we often have to double-dock. This is very common in river cruising, and it means you'll need to walk through another ship to get on and off ours. Just make sure you keep going until you're back on your TUI ship.

OUT-OF-TOWN BERTHING

There's nothing better than exploring a new city or lesser-known town, and we always dock as close to the centre as we can. There might be places where we need to dock further out,

though, so you'll need to walk, use public transport or book a transfer to get to the sights – your Cruise Experience Manager will be able to tell you what's best.

THE LOWDOWN ON MOBILITY

Unfortunately, our river cruise ships aren't wheelchair friendly, and they're not fitted with lifts or adapted cabins. So, this type of holiday may not be ideal if you find it difficult to walk up and down stairs unassisted.

Browse the next few pages to get the lowdown on where we sail, and find out more about what to expect onboard.



Experience a destination like a local

When it comes to our destinations, we offer the best of both worlds. You can go off and explore at your leisure, or pick and choose from our selection of shore experiences.



We take care of everything. We'll even handle any unplanned changes – whether it's a cancellation, an itinerary change or a tour that runs over – so you'll never be left in the lurch.



You've got the flexibility to cancel your shore experiences for free, up to 48 hours before you're due to set off. Just so you know, for attractions and tickets, the cancellation policy can vary.



All our River Cruises Collection shore experiences are led by an expert guide, with first-hand knowledge of the local area. There are daily port talks, too, so you can get clued up on the must-see attractions before you arrive.



We carefully select all our suppliers and operators, making sure they meet our high TUI standards.



You can pre-book your shore experiences and attraction tickets, so it's easy to plan an itinerary before you set sail.

Explore, your way...

From city tours to classical concerts, the shore experiences in our River Cruise Collection pack in plenty of variety. Here's a taster of what you can expect from our range...

VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Sound of Vienna: An evening in concert



See for yourself why Vienna's nicknamed the City of Music on this experience. More famous composers have lived here than in any other city, from Beethoven to Mozart. You'll head to the Kursalon – a Renaissance-style music hall – in City Park, where you can sit back and enjoy a 90-minute classical concert.

LUXOR, EGYPT

Luxor hot air balloon experience



Luxor's often dubbed the 'world's greatest open-air museum', and you'll see exactly why on this experience. You'll start with a motorboat crossing to the Nile's West Bank, then hop in the basket and soar into the skies to look down on sights like the Valley the Kings and the Temple of Hatshepsut.

RUDESHEIM, GERMANY

Winzerexpress, cable car & old town



This tour starts with a trip through Rudesheim's old town on a land train, known as the Winzerexpress. Next, you'll board the hillside cable car and get a guided tour of the Niederwald Monument, then, it's back down to the old town for free time, and a chance to taste the highly acclaimed local Riesling wine.

AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS

Amsterdam canal cruise



On this laidback canal cruise, you'll be able to add a few of Amsterdam's 1,500 bridges and 90 islands to your photo album. The route you'll take can change day by day, but some of the landmarks you might be able to tick off your list include Anne Frank's House and the 400-year-old Westerkerk Church.

...or sightsee at leisure

If exploring at your own pace sounds like more your cup of tea, that's perfect – our cruises allow you to go off and sightsee as much as you want during our port stops. Whether you're keen for museums and art galleries or would rather just bag a spot in a local café and watch the world go by, you won't be short of knock-out sights. Try out some of our favourite ports for size...

KOBLENZ, GERMANY

Koblenz's waterfront is dotted with UNESCO-stamped forts and palaces, while fairy tale castles christen the hilltops on the edge of town. We recommend taking a cable car up to the Ehrenbreitstein Fortress for spectacular views over the city and its two rivers.

BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Sliced in half by the Danube, Budapest is like two cities in one. Hilly Buda sits to the west of the river, crowned by a vast 18th-century castle and the turreted Fisherman's Bastion. And to the east, you've got Pest, which is home to one of the grandest parliament buildings in the world.

STRASBOURG, FRANCE

Nestled in north-eastern France, this picturesque city straddles the French-German border. Sites like the 1,000-year-old Strasbourg Cathedral in the heart of the city are as Gallic as they come. Plus, Strasbourg's biggest claim to fame is its status as home to the European Parliament.

River Cruises Collection vs Tickets and Attractions

All experiences in our River Cruises Collection include pick-up from the ship by an experienced local guide, who will give you all the need-to-know information about the places you visit. You'll then be dropped back at the ship when your experience has finished.

If you'd prefer to explore at your own pace though, we also have a range of attraction tickets that you can pre-book. We've got tickets for museums, art galleries, hop-on hop-off bus tours, and much more. Just so you know, attraction tickets don't include a transfer or a guide, and you'll need to make your own way to the meeting point, which will be stated on your ticket.

We'll let you know when your shore experiences are available. Then, when you're ready to book, you can do so by visiting rivercruises.gotui.com/uk - or simply **click the button** to start browsing the experiences on offer.

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River guides

Between these European and African waterways, you'll be crossing off **crumbling castles, cosmopolitan cities, ancient landmarks** and **sprawling vineyards**. Not sure which one takes your fancy? We've picked out some of their best bits...



INSIDER INFO

It's easy to find a drop of port wine around here – the Douro Valley's the only place in the world that can legally produce it.



Best for: Scenery

DOM LUÍS I BRIDGE, PORTUGAL

Douro

Terraced vineyards, wineries and rolling green hills are the norm all the way along the Douro River. Unsurprising really, given that it stretches all the way through Portugal's wine-making region before dipping its toe into neighbouring Spain.

BIG-HITTING SIGHTS

DOM LUÍS I BRIDGE, PORTO

This iconic bridge has imposed itself on the Porto skyline for almost 140 years. Stop for a selfie with the city's rainbow-hued buildings for a backdrop, then continue over to neighbouring Vila Nova de Gaia's riverside restaurants.

SAO BENTO RAILWAY STATION, PORTO

This train station's right in the heart of the city centre, and even if you're not heading anywhere, it's worth visiting for the beautifully decorated murals on the walls. They're created from ornate Azulejo tiles, which would give New York's Grand Central Station a run for its money in the looks department.

HIDDEN GEM

ENTRE-OS-RIOS, PORTUGAL

Old stone houses and cobbled streets with traditional restaurants fill up this cosy little

village. The surrounding forests are ideal if you like to hike, while the thermal baths just outside the village have been soothing the locals here for more than a century, thanks to their natural, sulphur-rich waters.

FOODIE FIND

FRANCESINHA, PORTUGAL

Porto's signature dish is technically a sandwich, but this towering mound of meat and cheese with an egg on top and lashings of spicy sauce is definitely a knife-and-fork job.

PERFECT PICTURE

PESO DE REGUA

When you arrive in this compact town, make a beeline for the Miradouro de Sao Leonardo de Galafura. This high-up spot comes with some of the best widescreen views anywhere along the Douro Valley.



SAO BENTO TRAIN STATION



PESO DE REGUA



Best for: Cities



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HEALTHY ABROAD**
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INSIDER INFO

No matter when you visit, it's always Christmas at Johann Wanner's shop, in Basel. His handmade baubles and festive decorations are the perfect gift or souvenir to take home with you.

Rhine

A huge 65-kilometre stretch of the Rhine Valley has been given the nod from UNESCO, so you won't be surprised to hear the river takes you to sights like castles, vineyards and time-stamped towns.

BIG-HITTING SIGHTS

KOLNER DOM, COLOGNE

Once the tallest building in Europe, this jaw-dropping cathedral is Germany's largest. Its huge spires pierce Cologne's skyline at 515 feet tall.

BEETHOVEN HOUSE, BONN

This was the birthplace of famous composer Ludwig van Beethoven. These days, the house is packed-full of artefacts and rare recordings. Next door, a chamber music hall puts on concerts.

HIDDEN GEM

BOPPARD, GERMANY

As well as textbook-German half-timbered houses, this little town has a spectacular setting on one of the Rhine's horseshoe bends. You can hike up one of the hillsides for a better look.

FOODIE FIND

FLAMMEKUECHE, STRASBOURG

It's not just wine the Alsatians do well. This part of France is also known for its flammekueche – a thin pizza covered with crème fraîche, lardons and onions.

PERFECT PICTURE

NIEDERWALD MONUMENT, RUDESHEIM

Take the cable car or chairlift up to this hilltop monument, which marks the founding of the German Empire in 1871. At the top, you'll get sweeping panoramas over the Rhine Valley. Visit the monument on one of our expert-led tours.



BOPPARD, GERMANY



NIEDERWALD CABLE CAR, RUDESHEIM



Best for: History



MAIN RIVER, GERMANY



INSIDER INFO

ZUM RIESEN, MILTENBERG

Order a locally brewed Faust beer at this historic hotel. It's one of Germany's oldest, and everyone from Napoleon to Elvis Presley has signed in over the years.

Main

The Main introduces you to Bavaria at its best. This German tributary of the Rhine slices through vine-clad valleys and past chocolate-box towns with fairytale castles.



WERTHEIM CASTLE, WERTHEIM

BIG-HITTING SIGHTS

ROMERBERG, FRANKFURT

This square – fringed with half-timbered houses – looks like it belongs to an off-the-grid village, not a big, bustling city. Its gabled buildings have been painstakingly restored after World War Two.

WURZBURG RESIDENCE, WURZBURG

This UNESCO-listed palace is the city's pride and joy. As well as its grand Baroque exterior, there's a jaw-dropping staircase inside, which zigzags underneath the world's largest fresco.

HIDDEN GEM

BAMBERG, GERMANY

The whole of Bamberg's terracotta-topped old town's protected by UNESCO. This covers Medieval churches, the timber-framed town hall, a showy palace and a cute fisherman's quarter.

FOODIE FIND

SCHAUFELE, WURZBURG

Wurzburg's in the Franconian region, which is famous for its wines and beers. Even the signature schäuferle – baked pork shoulders – is usually smothered in local lager.

PERFECT PICTURE

WERTHEIM CASTLE, WERTHEIM

This red-stone castle might have been partly destroyed by a 17th-century explosion, but its ruins still make the perfect lookout point. You can see around the river bend and over houses and hillsides.

Just so you know, the River Main has a lot of low bridges, so we often need to collapse the top deck to sail underneath them. So, you might notice the top deck's closed a lot on these sailings.



FRANKFURT, GERMANY



Best for: Scenery



BREMM BEND, GERMANY



INSIDER INFO

Look out for Weinprobe or Weinverkauf signs when wandering Traben-Trarbach. This place has been crushing grapes since Roman times, and was once the world's second-largest wine-trading town.

Moselle

It's all valleys and vineyards along the Moselle, so you can pay a toast to its pinch-yourself scenery with a glass of Riesling in hand.

BIG-HITTING SIGHTS

PORTA NIGRA, TRIER

You'll understand why Germany's oldest city's often called the Rome of the North when you clap eyes on this mighty city gate. It's been standing since 180AD.

DEUTSCHES ECK, KOBLENZ

See the point where the Rhine and Moselle rivers kiss at Deutsches Eck, AKA the German Corner. Once you're done admiring the views, there's also a tall monument to the first German Emperor.

HIDDEN GEM

BERNKASTEL-KUES, GERMANY

This town of two halves has a modern and mature side. Most stick to Bernkastel, on the eastern bank, with its beam-covered buildings, cute churches and snug wine cellars.

FOODIE FIND

TRIER, GERMANY

This region's known for its white wines, and you'll have plenty of places to taste some while you're here. There are wineries dotted along the river, and the city centre's rustic wine bars have menus full of the stuff.

PERFECT PICTURE

COCHEM CASTLE, COCHEM

Time-frozen Cochem is watched over by a hilltop castle. From here, you can look down over the multi-coloured town – considered one of the valley's prettiest – and the vineyard-filled slopes.



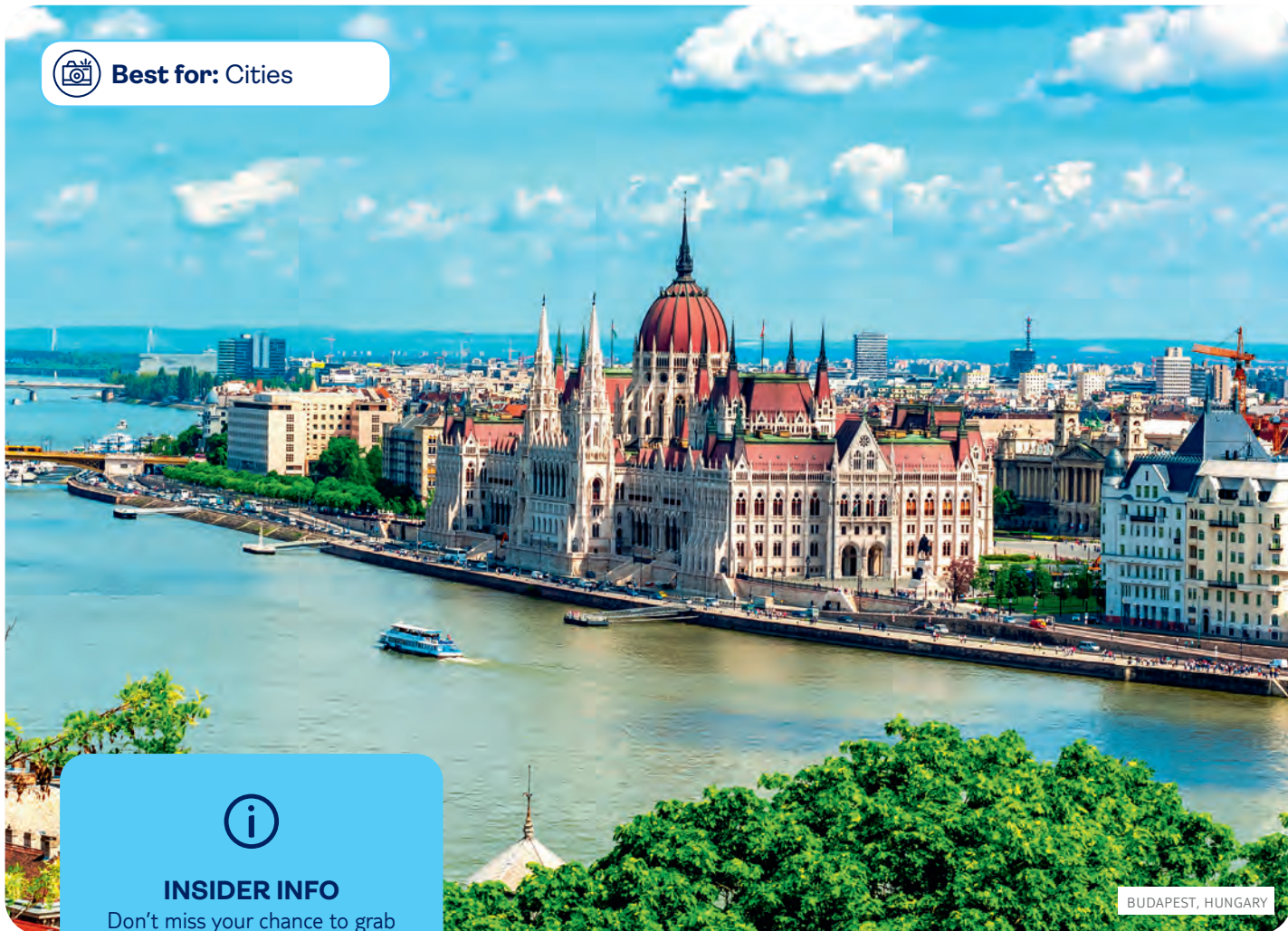
COCHEM CASTLE, COCHEM



DEUTSCHES ECK, KOBLENZ



Best for: Cities



BUDAPEST, HUNGARY



INSIDER INFO

Don't miss your chance to grab a drink in one of Budapest's ruin bars. Built inside abandoned warehouses, car parks and historic buildings, they're all bursting at the seams with quirky character.

Danube

No two days are the same on the Danube. That's because Europe's second-longest river cuts through Europe's heart, flowing through dramatic gorges, grand capitals and 10 countries.



SCHONBRUNN PALACE, VIENNA

BIG-HITTING SIGHTS

SCHONBRUNN PALACE, VIENNA

In a city praised for its architecture, this summer palace still stands out. You can see the apartments of the former Emperor of Austria, Franz Joseph, as well as wander perfectly preened gardens on our guided tour.

SZECHENYI THERMAL BATHS, BUDAPEST

You can't stop in the so-called City of Spas and not sink into a thermal bath. This bright-yellow bathhouse is one of Budapest's best, thanks to its open-air pools and neo-Renaissance architecture.

HIDDEN GEM

DURNSTEIN, AUSTRIA

This little-known town is a serious contender for the Wachau Valley's most adorable village. Despite its small size, it's home to some big sights, like an ornate abbey and a Medieval castle.

FOODIE FIND

CAFÉ JINDRAK, LINZ

The Austrian city of Linz has a dessert named after it, the Linzer Torte. And this family-run café set a world record for the largest ever Linzer Torte, which is a sort of jam-filled pastry.

PERFECT PICTURE

THE IRON GATES

Scenery-wise, this dramatic gorge is the Danube's piece de resistance. The towering cliffs are embellished with caves, Roman plaques and a huge rock carving of a Dacian king.



THE IRON GATES



Best for: Cities



AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS



INSIDER INFO

If you want to see the region's multi-coloured tulips in full bloom, plan your cruise to Amsterdam from April to mid-May.

Dutch & Belgian waterways

These canals and rivers wind their way through the Netherlands and Belgium, passing oh-so-cool cities, cobblestoned towns and fields full of tulips and windmills.

BIG-HITTING SIGHTS

ANNE FRANK HOUSE, AMSTERDAM

Visit the apartment where Anne Frank and her family hid from the Nazis during World War II. It's filled with diary extracts, photographs and original items like the bookcase to the Secret Annex. Just so you know, Anne Frank House is extremely popular and can sell out up to six weeks in advance, so it's best to book early if you want to visit.

CUBE HOUSES, ROTTERDAM

Modern, quirky architecture is Rotterdam's speciality. Designed by Dutch architect Piet Blom, these canary-coloured cube houses turn the most heads. One of them is open to visitors, too.

HIDDEN GEM

FRANKENDAEL PARK, AMSTERDAM

Amsterdam's city centre may be all canals and narrow streets, but head out just a

little and there are loads of green spaces to explore. Frankendael Park's one such spot – its botanical garden's a particular highlight.

FOODIE FIND

VESSEL 11, ROTTERDAM

This gastro pub dishes up loads of familiar favourites from home, like bangers and mash, and Sunday roasts. But that just tells part of the story – the restaurant's onboard a bulky red ship that's docked in the city centre.

PERFECT PICTURE

ERASMUS BRIDGE, ROTTERDAM

This striking bridge in the heart of the city has become a Rotterdam icon. Locals affectionately refer to it as 'The Swan', due to the distinctive shape of its single pylon. For the best snaps, head to the top of the nearby Euromast.



ROTTERDAM, NETHERLANDS



FRANKENDAEL PARK, AMSTERDAM



Best for: History



LUXOR, EGYPT



INSIDER INFO

One of the reliefs along Sphinx Avenue has a hieroglyph of Queen Cleopatra on it, which means she probably visited here on her Nile trip. Ask your guide to point it out to you, if you visit.

Nile

History buffs, the Nile's calling. The world's most famous river flows through the heart of ancient Egypt, passing pharaonic temples, millennia-old tombs and museum-filled Luxor.

BIG-HITTING SIGHTS

TEMPLE OF HORUS, EDFU

This place is one of Egypt's largest and most intact pharaonic temples. Step through the 36-metre-high gateway into a complex that's dedicated to Horus – a god with the body of a man and the head of a falcon.

KARNAK TEMPLE, LUXOR

Karnak's famed for its collection of sanctuaries, kiosks, pylons and obelisks. It also hosts a 90-minute sound and light show, which gives you a glimpse into the lives of the pharaohs.

HIDDEN GEM

ASWAN, EGYPT

As the country's southernmost city, Aswan was once dubbed the gateway to ancient Egypt. These days, it's a destination in its own right – albeit a little under-the-radar. Check out its botanical gardens, or set eyes on unearthed artefacts in one of its museums.

FOODIE FIND

KOSHARI, LUXOR

Koshari's eaten so often in Egypt, you'd think it counted as the sixth food group. This national dish is made from rice, lentils, chickpeas and macaroni, all topped with tomato or garlic sauce. It's easy to track down in Luxor – most street food stalls and traditional restaurants serve it.

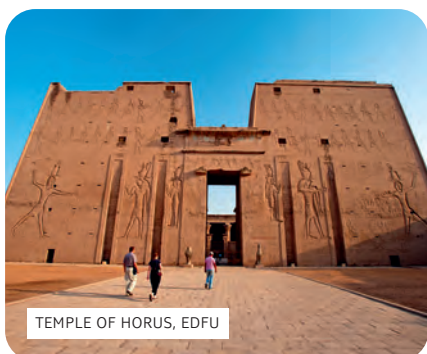
PERFECT PICTURE

SPHINX AVENUE, LUXOR

When it comes to first-rate photo stops, Sphinx Avenue easily makes the cut. This three-kilometre-long walkway is lined with – you guessed it – sphinxes, with tall palms and the Luxor Temple as the backdrop.



SPHINX AVENUE, LUXOR



TEMPLE OF HORUS, EDFU

At your service

When you cruise with us, you're travelling with the UK's leading travel company. So, you can expect the same standout service that TUI is known for.

On all our TUI River Cruises, there's at least one crew member to every four guests.

Plus, with a maximum of 184 guests onboard, you can look forward to an intimate, friendly atmosphere, where everyone knows your name.

There's also plenty of support before you set sail.

We've got a team of **TUI River Cruises Travel Experts** that are on hand if you need help or info before you go on holiday. They can tell you about our shore experience offering, give you some pointers on what to do at some of the ports you're going to visit, and advise on what you should pack for your river cruise – plus much more.

We've got a dedicated Cruise Experience Manager on every ship.

They're here to make sure your cruise goes smoothly and to help you get the most out of your holiday. Feel free to speak to them at any time – whether it's about tips on **things to see** in our ports, or for more information on our **experiences**.

To get in touch, give them a call on **0203 451 2688^**, or pop in to your local **TUI Store**.



TUI Al Horeya



TUI Al Horeya was the fourth ship to join our river cruise fleet, and it sails along the world-famous River Nile in Egypt. The layout onboard is a little different to our European fleet, and this one's All Inclusive as standard, so all your drinks outside of mealtimes are part of the package. Let's take a closer look at what's onboard...



DINING

Like all our river cruise ships, there are flexible dining times and an open seating policy.

Lazeeza is the main restaurant. It's a bright and modern space, which serves up a mix of buffet and show-cooking options for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

You can dine al fresco, as well, at **Felucca**. This spot's up on the top deck, and is open for light bites at lunch, as well as tea, coffee and cake every afternoon. In the evening, it's an à la carte restaurant with waiter service, where dishes with a local flavour are served. And, there's a buffet-style afternoon tea served here once per sailing.

OTHER FACILITIES

BARS

The **Observatory** is the ship's main bar. It's a light and contemporary lounge which hosts the nightly entertainment, where you can expect everything from local acts to live music, quizzes and films.

WELLNESS AREA

This comes complete with fitness equipment and a space for exercise classes. And, if you want to take things a little easier, you can

treat yourself to a massage for a little extra.

TOP DECK

The top deck's split into different zones for relaxation and activities. There's a pool and a couple of hot tubs to dip in, with plenty of sunloungers around them to chill out on. And there's a bar and a restaurant up here, too.



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CABINS

All our modern and stylish cabins come with a TV, a safe, and tea and coffee-making facilities as standard. You can choose from the likes of **Single cabins** and **Superior French Balcony cabins**, or opt for our **French Balcony Suite cabins** or **Balcony Suite cabins**. As well as the standard amenities, these come with a few extras, too, like bathrobes and slippers, a Continental breakfast twice per week, and a 30-minute massage.

Suite Cabin



TUI Bahareya



TUI Bahareya will be the fifth ship in our river cruise fleet when it joins the gang in winter 2025. Like its sister ship – TUI Al Horeya – it will sail along the world-famous River Nile in Egypt, and onboard you'll get the full Egyptian experience, with more than a few nods to the local culture. Expect to find everything from Arabic-inspired decor to local guest acts and regional dishes in the restaurant. It'll also be All Inclusive as standard, so you can expect all your drinks outside of mealtimes to come as part of the package. Let's take a closer look at what you can expect onboard...



DINING

Like all our river cruise ships, there'll be flexible dining times and an open seating policy.

Sofra will be the main restaurant, and there'll be a buffet set-up here with show-cooking stations and lots of local dishes to try. You'll also be able to pick up 'grab-and-go' lunches from the bar on the top deck.

OTHER FACILITIES

BARS

The **Observatory** will be the ship's main bar, where the nightly entertainment will take place. There'll be things like local acts and live music, including a traditional Nubian show, plus lectures and talks, so you can learn loads more about Egypt from the onboard Egyptologists. There'll be a second bar on the top deck, as well, plus breakout areas where you can grab local teas, coffees and delicacies.

ATRIUM

The **Atrium** will be the main hub of the ship. This bright, open space will be decked out with Arabic-influenced decor, and it's where you'll find the reception desk and the shore experiences desk. There'll be a self-serve tea and coffee station here as well, that's on hand 24/7.

TOP DECK

The top deck will be split into different zones for relaxation and activities. There'll be a pool with plenty of sunloungers dotted around it, a big space for activities, plus a bar where you can grab drinks and light lunches.



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CABINS

All of the modern and stylish cabins will come with a TV, a safe, and tea and coffee-making facilities as standard. You can choose a **Superior French Balcony cabin**, or upgrade to a **French Balcony Suite cabin**. As well as the standard amenities, these come with a few extras, too, like bathrobes and slippers, breakfast in bed twice per week, and upgraded toiletries.



TUI Isla, TUI Maya and TUI Skyla



TUI Maya will be sailing along the Danube in winter 2025 and summer 2026. **TUI Skyla** will be sailing along the Rhine in winter 2025, and the Danube in summer 2026. **TUI Isla** will be sailing along the Rhine in winter 2025, and the Danube in summer 2026.

This trio were the first ships in our river cruise fleet, and they sail along the likes of the **Rhine** and the **Danube** in Western and Central Europe. They're sister ships, so all three are identical when it comes to what's onboard. They're all Full Board Plus, too, so three meals and drinks at mealtimes are included in your package. Let's take a closer look at what they offer...



DINING

Each ship comes with two restaurants, which both offer flexible dining times and an open seating policy.

Verdastro is the main restaurant, and it's open for breakfast, lunch and dinner. The menu changes daily, with a spotlight on local flavours, so you can get a taste for the region you're in onboard as well as ashore. You can choose from a buffet or a menu at breakfast, while lunch and dinner are an à la carte affair with waiter service. Dishes include the likes of pork tenderloin, goulash and curry.

Things are a little more casual in **Bistro**, our second restaurant. It's joined at the hip with Verdastro, giving

you an extra dining option. And like its next door-neighbour, it's open for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

A swanky six-course **gala dinner** takes place once per sailing on cruises which are five nights or longer. You can get your glad rags on if you like, but there's no obligation to do so if you'd rather keep it casual.

Barbecue lunches and **ice-cream parties** are held on the top deck from time to time, weather and itinerary permitting.

There's also **afternoon tea** once per sailing on cruises which are five nights or longer. It's hosted in the Observatory, and you can tuck in to freshly made sandwiches and cakes.

OTHER FACILITIES

BARS

There are two bars onboard. The **Observatory** takes pride of place at the heart of the ships. As with all our venues, you can expect widescreen windows for admiring the panoramic views. There's also a daily happy hour with complimentary canapés. After dark, the nightly entertainment's held here, which ranges from talented musicians to interactive quizzes.

Coffee and cocktails are the cornerstones of the **Club Lounge**. Plush chairs, brass fittings and mirrored tables set a sophisticated scene. By day, you can sip a premium Lavazza coffee* while taking in the views, then at night, you can clink pre-dinner cocktails* in front of a digital roaring fireplace before heading to one of the restaurants. There's a small

library and a selection of board games here as well, plus a digital games table.

WELLNESS AREA

The wellness area's equipped with a sauna and a whirlpool bath, for the perfect place to unwind after a day's sightseeing. It's free to use, but if you fancy having it to yourself, you can book a private session when you're onboard.

TOP DECK

The top deck's split into zones, with different areas for relaxation and activities. There are sunloungers, plus tables and chairs if you fancy some chill time. And if you want to switch up the pace, the activity area hosts deck games like minigolf, cornhole and shuffleboard.



*Lavazza coffee and cocktails aren't included as part of the Full Board Plus package. You'll need to either pay extra, or upgrade to the All Inclusive drinks package.

CABINS

All our modern and stylish cabins are on the outside of the ship, with a porthole, a full-size window or a French Balcony. So, they make the perfect space to watch the world go by. You can choose from the likes of **Single cabins**, **Standard cabins** and **French Balcony cabins**, or opt for a **French Balcony Suite cabin**. As with all our cabins, you'll get a TV, a safe, Molton Brown toiletries, and tea and coffee-making facilities as standard. There are a few extras, too, like bathrobes and slippers, a nightly turndown service and a Continental breakfast in bed each morning.



TUI Alma

TUI Alma will be sailing along the Douro in summer 2026.

TUI Alma is our first ever new-build ship, which will make its maiden voyage in May 2026, sailing along the UNESCO-stamped Douro Valley in Portugal. Just like the rest of our European fleet, it's Full Board Plus, which means three meals a day and drinks at mealtimes are included in your package. Let's take a sneak peek at what's onboard...



DINING

Like all our river cruise ships, there are flexible dining times and an open seating policy onboard.

The main restaurant, **Sorriso**, is a bright, modern space, which is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, with a mix of buffet and à la carte options.

Vinha is our al fresco restaurant with waiter service, which focuses on local Portuguese dishes and takes its cues from the Douro Valley's colourful landscape when it comes to design. It's open in the evenings and reservations are required. You can make them onboard, but don't worry – it's still part of your Full Board Plus package.

On the top deck, you'll find **Cinder**. This bar and dining area's open daily for drinks and self-serve lunches. There are occasional barbecue lunches served here, too.

A swanky six-course **gala dinner** takes place once per sailing, as well. You can get your glad rags on if you wish, but there's no obligation if you'd rather keep it casual.

OTHER FACILITIES

BARS

Novo Lounge is a light and modern space, which is home to the ship's main bar. It's also where the nightly entertainment takes place, which ranges from live music to interactive quizzes.

By day, **The Retreat** has exercise equipment, space for wellness classes like yoga, and a juice bar. Then come the evenings, it's transformed into a cosy and intimate lounge bar, which

is ideal for quiet drinks and after-dinner cocktails.

TOP DECK

The top deck's split into different zones for relaxation and activities. There's a shallow pool up here with sunloungers for company, as well as Cinder – a bar and dining area that's open daily for self-serve lunches.



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CABINS

All our modern and stylish cabins come with either a porthole, a French Balcony or a balcony. So, they make the perfect space to watch the world go by. You can choose from the likes of **Single cabins**, **Standard cabins**, **French Balcony cabins**, **Balcony cabins** and **French Balcony Suite cabins**. They all come with a TV, a safe, and tea and coffee-making facilities.



Introducing TUI Ria

Summer 2026 will see the addition of a new ship to our European fleet – say hello to TUI Ria. This ship will set up home in Western Europe, with sailings along the Rhine and Moselle rivers, and the Dutch and Belgian waterways. You can expect a modern and spacious interior, an indoor pool with a retractable roof and a sauna, and shuffleboard on the top deck. There'll be a choice of restaurants, lounges and entertainment spaces, too. We can't wait to welcome you onboard.



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Now that's what I call entertainment

When you're not off exploring, there's plenty to keep you busy onboard. Take a look at what you can get up to, from early morning to evening...



DAYTIME

Our daytime activities range from top-deck games to wellness sessions. Here's a taster of what to expect.



WELLNESS ACTIVITIES

Keep fit with regular wellness sessions onboard, from **morning stretches** to **afternoon yoga sessions**.

AL FRESCO EVENTS

Depending on the weather, we'll sometimes host an event on the top deck – like an afternoon barbecue or an ice-cream party.

CULTURE AND CRAFTS

Occasionally we'll invite guest speakers onboard to talk about the local regions, history and culture. Keep an eye on the Navigate app throughout your cruise to see what's on offer during your sailing.

GAMES ONBOARD

Minigolf, **deck quoits** and **corn hole** – a throwing game – are all on the cards during our river cruises. You can play by yourself or join in with a tournament.



AND RELAX...

There's also the option of winding down at the Wellness Area in the sauna* and whirlpool*. Or, you can browse our collection of books and board games.

NIGHT-TIME

Our entertainment is quite low-key compared to larger cruise ships – but you'll still find quizzes, live music and even silent discos on our night-time entertainment programme.

GUEST ACTS

We've handpicked our guest acts so you can expect some of the best local talent. They range from dance acts and instrumentalists to singers.

LET THE GAMES BEGIN

Our **game shows** and **quizzes** use the latest technology, making them completely interactive. You can join in using one of the digital handsets and test your knowledge on everything from films and music to geography and history.

SOMETHING DIFFERENT

Now and then, we like to mix things up with a special event. These can range from **stargazing** or **movies** on the top deck, to a **silent disco** where you can choose the music you want to dance to via your own wireless headphones. Also, look out for our evening sail-aways on selected itineraries when you can marvel at the views from the ship as we leave a port.

LIVE MUSIC

Our entertainment team perform a whole variety of musical numbers from West End hits to rock-and-roll anthems.



Click the **button** to find out more about our **onboard experience**.



Just so you know, activities and guest acts will vary depending on your itinerary.
*Available on our European fleet.

Drinks with a view



From spacious lounge bars to open-air hangouts on the top deck, all our ships come with at least two bars to quench your thirst.

On our European ships, there's a Full Board Plus setup as standard, so you'll get your drinks included at mealtimes*. For drinks between meals, you can pay as you go, or upgrade to our All Inclusive drinks package – think draught beers, branded spirits, cocktails and premium Lavazza coffee. You'll have a complimentary minibar, too, if you're staying in a Superior, Superior French Balcony or French Balcony Suite cabin.

You can upgrade to the All Inclusive drinks package when you book or once you're onboard at reception, and upgrades are per cabin not per guest.



Our Nile ships – **TUI Al Horeya** and **TUI Bahareya** – are All Inclusive as standard, so even your drinks in-between meals are part of the package. You'll be able to choose from local beers, wines, spirits and cocktails, as well as soft drinks.

*Lavazza coffee and cocktails aren't included as part of the Full Board Plus package. You'll need to either pay extra, or upgrade to the All Inclusive drinks package.

All the trimmings



You can make your river cruise that little bit extra special, with a whole heap of upgrades and add-ons available before you set sail and once you're onboard.

Start your river cruise off in style with **flowers in your cabin** on arrival. Or, how about a **bottle of wine** or **Prosecco** waiting on ice when you get there?

There's our **Little Extras package**, too, which takes a handful of top-notch extras and rolls them into one big bundle. You'll get Prosecco and chocolates in your cabin on arrival, the cleaning of one bag of laundry per cabin, priority check-in on the ship, a behind-the-scenes tour with our Cruise Experience Manager, and late check-out on your last day.

You can upgrade your transfer to a private taxi, as well, if you're heading in or out of Budapest, Frankfurt or Luxor.

And if you know someone who's joining us on a river cruise, you can give them an unexpected treat with our **Surprise on the River package**. Choose from flowers, Prosecco or wine in their cabin on arrival.



To book any extras before you go, just call
0203 451 2688*

For more info on all of our extras, just visit
tui.co.uk/river-cruises/info/river-cruise-upgrades-and-extras

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Just so you know, not all our extras and upgrades are available on every sailing.



Ask our experts

Our experts fill you in on everything you need to know about TUI River Cruises.

BEFORE YOU GO

Q HOW DO I CHECK IN FOR MY CRUISE?

A Once you've booked, you'll be sent instructions on how to check-in online via our cruise control hub. You'll be asked to provide your passport information, emergency contact details, any dietary requirements and any other information you want to share with us. This will allow you to board the ship quicker when you arrive.

Q DO I NEED A VISA?

A If you're a British passport holder, visit the FCDO website – www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice – to check if you need a visa. If you hold a different type of passport, you should check with the consulate or embassy of the countries you're travelling to.

You'll need a tourist visa if you're visiting Egypt – you can apply for this online at visa2egypt.gov.eg/eVisa or, if you hold a full British passport, buy it when you arrive. If your passport's issued by another country, you'll need to check if there are any additional entry requirements before you travel. And just so you know, if you choose to buy a visa on arrival, you'll need to pay in cash.

Q DO YOU CATER FOR SPECIAL DIETS?

A If you've got any dietary requirements, let us know when you book by contacting our Customer Welfare Team on **0203 451 2688**. Then, once you're onboard, just let the maitre d' know.

We provide vegetarian, gluten-free, dairy-free and diabetic-friendly options on request. If you need to bring your own food for medical reasons, please let us know in advance, so we can ensure we have the correct facilities in place to store and prepare it for you.

There may be some requests we aren't able to accommodate, so it's important you let us know when you book your cruise. If you have more-specific dietary needs, or require particular food brands or varieties, we'd recommend you bring them with you. For restrictions on foods you can't take into certain destinations, please take a look at the FCDO website.

Q HOW DO I PAY FOR THINGS ONBOARD?

A We operate a **cashless system**, and anything you buy will be charged to your onboard account. Everything on the ship is priced in euros for our European river cruises and Egyptian pounds for our Nile river cruises. Accounts are opened when you board the ship and can be settled in cash – and by that we mean euros or Egyptian pounds – or by credit or debit card.

Q WHAT TYPE OF PLUG SOCKETS ARE IN THE CABINS?

A All our cabins have European plug sockets.

Q ARE THERE LIFTS ONBOARD?

A There are no lifts onboard any of our ships. If stairs are a problem for you, please ask us for more details before you book. You can call us on **0203 451 2688**.

Q WHAT SHOULD I PACK AND IS THERE A DRESS CODE?

A During the day, the dress code onboard TUI River Cruises is casual. Beachwear can't be worn in the restaurants though. In the evenings, the dress code is smart – men will need to wear long trousers or smart tailored shorts, a shirt or polo shirt and closed shoes. If you want to add a jacket or tie, that's up to you.

Some guests might choose dressier clothing for our gala dinner, which takes place once per

cruise on sailings of five nights or more, but there's no requirement to do so.

Q ARE DRINKS INCLUDED?

A Drinks at mealtimes are included. We're talking tea, coffee and juices at breakfast. Then it's beer, wine and soft drinks at lunch and dinner. We also offer complimentary tea and coffee in the atrium, along with tea and coffee making facilities in the cabins. Between meals, drinks are available at the bars – you can buy these on a pay-as-you-go basis, or upgrade to the All Inclusive drinks package.

Our Nile river cruises are All Inclusive as standard, which means you'll get local beer, wine, spirits, soft drinks, selected cocktails and coffee included outside of mealtimes, as well.

Q CAN I RESERVE A PARTICULAR CABIN NUMBER AHEAD OF MY CRUISE?

A Yes, you can **pre-book a cabin from £70**. This can be done at the time of booking either online or with your Travel Expert.

Q DO YOU HAVE TWIN CABINS?

A On our European river cruises, the beds in our Superior, Superior French Balcony and French Balcony Suite cabins can be converted into twin beds, but the default set-up is as a double. If you'd like twin beds, please give us a call on **0203 451 2688**. On our Nile river cruises, only our French Balcony Cabins come with twin beds.

Q HOW CAN I BOOK A SHORE EXPERIENCE?

A You can pre-book your shore experiences by going to rivercruises.gotui.com/uk or by calling our team on **0203 451 2688**. You can also book onboard using your smartphone, or one of the ship's tablets, although we recommend booking before you travel to secure your space.



Q CAN I ADD ANY EXTRAS TO MY BOOKING?

A Yes, we offer a range of extras that can be added to your booking. These include Celebration packages that include Prosecco and chocolates, breakfast in bed, and a card from your Cruise Experience Manager. We can also arrange to have flowers or wine delivered to your cabin – and plenty more besides. To book or find out more, see **page 31**, contact your **Travel Expert** or give us a call on **0203 451 2688**^.

ONBOARD

Q CAN I SMOKE ONBOARD?

A All our ships operate a no-smoking policy. You can only smoke in designated areas of the top deck. Smoking is not permitted in cabins, including from the French balconies. This also applies to e-cigarettes.

Q IS THERE WI-FI AVAILABLE?

A Wi-Fi is available throughout the ship and is free of charge to use, however speeds may vary.

Q DO I NEED TO TIP?

A All onboard tips and service charges are included in the cost of your holiday. You're not expected to tip any of our crew – unless, of course, you want to.

Q CAN I EXPLORE EACH PORT ON MY OWN?

A Yes, if you want to explore on your own you're welcome to do so. The onboard Cruise Experience Manager will be happy to give you some tips about the local area at each port you dock at.

Q WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THE SHIP PASSES UNDER LOW BRIDGES?

A To get under low bridges, the top deck of our ships can collapse all the way down to deck level. The wheelhouse – where the captain sits to sail the ship – is on hydraulics, which can lower the whole lot down to allow the captain to continue steering the ship. During this time, the top deck is out of use, and can be for some time for safety

reasons. But don't worry, you can still make the most of the riverside panoramas from inside the ship or from the terrace in the observatory.

Just so you know, this is particularly frequent on sailings on the River Main.

*Please see individual itineraries for details.

Q WHAT HAPPENS IF MY CRUISE IS AFFECTED BY WATER LEVEL CHANGES?

A Most sailings go ahead without any disruptions, but the water levels on the rivers can go up or down depending on the weather. If your cruise is affected, we'll still make every effort to complete your itinerary. To do this, there may be changes to berth locations, completing parts of the itinerary by coach or by modifying shore experiences. For more information on water levels, please see the A-Z at the back of the brochure.

Q WHAT IS DOUBLE DOCKING?

A Occasionally we'll be berthed next to another ship, and you may be required to walk across the top deck or through it to get on or off our ship. This is called double docking and is very common in river cruising.

Q WILL THE SHIP BE BERTHED IN THE CENTRE OF TOWN?

A We try to berth close to the centre of a destination, but this isn't always possible. So, sometimes, you'll have to walk or catch public transport to reach the sights.

Q HOW CAN I FIND OUT ABOUT THE DAILY SCHEDULE AND ACTIVITIES ON MY RIVER CRUISE?

A You can find all the information about your cruise via our onboard app, Navigate. It's free to use – all you need is a smartphone, a tablet or a laptop. There are details on our ports of call, the weather forecast, the daily entertainment schedule, and you can check your onboard account and leave feedback.

Q DO YOU OFFER BIKE HIRE ONBOARD?

A On our European ships, we have e-bikes available to hire for either half a day or a full day, depending on how long we're in port. You can book these once you're onboard.



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If there's anything else you'd like to know, visit tui.co.uk/river-cruises/info/river-cruise-onboard-experience or check out our Facebook page. You can also speak to our dedicated river cruise team on **0203 451 2688**^ or pop into your local store.

The long and short of it

When it comes to duration, there's no one-size-fits-all approach with our cruises. Whether you fancy a short sail away or something a little longer, this hand-picked selection of sailings from our line-up has got you covered. They're all between four and 10 days, and tick off everything from buzzing capital cities to the beating heart of Germany's wine region.



VIENNA, AUSTRIA

 **Duration:** 3 nights
 **Sailing on:** TUI Isla, TUI Skyla & TUI Maya

THREE GRAND CAPITALS

AUSTRIA – SLOVAKIA – HUNGARY

- ✓ Soak in Budapest's thermal baths
- ✓ Visit Schönbrunn Palace in Vienna
- ✓ Wander around Bratislava's hilltop castle
- ✓ Overnight onboard stay in Budapest

This river cruise ticks off three capitals in just as many nights. You'll start your trip in Vienna, where there'll be time to visit its postcard-worthy palaces. Then it's on to Bratislava, where the city's buildings paint a picture of architecture through the ages. The sailing's topped off with two days in the world's thermal bath capital, Budapest.

*This itinerary has several departure dates, with sailings every month between **May 2026** and **October 2026**.*

 **Best for:** Cities



BUDAPEST, HUNGARY



BUDAPEST, HUNGARY



Duration: 4 nights



Sailing on: TUI Isla,
TUI Skyla & TUI Maya

DANUBE FLAVOURS

HUNGARY – SLOVAKIA – AUSTRIA

- ✓ Marvel at the majestic Hofburg Palace in Vienna
- ✓ Gasp at Gothic architecture in Bratislava
- ✓ Bar-hop in quirky Budapest
- ✓ Overnight onboard stays in Budapest and Vienna

You'll cross off three big-name capital cities during this five-day river cruise, with stops in Budapest, Bratislava and Vienna. There's a whole day to explore the Slovakian capital, and a couple of days in each of Budapest and Vienna, meaning plenty of time to grab some goulash and snack on schnitzel.

*This itinerary has several departure dates, with sailings every month between **May 2026** and **October 2026**.*



Best for: Cities



BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA



VIENNA, AUSTRIA



BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA



GHENT, BELGIUM



AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS



ROTTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS



Duration: 6 nights



Sailing on: TUI Ria

DUTCH DELTA DISCOVERY

NETHERLANDS – BELGIUM

- ✓ View a van Gogh in Amsterdam
- ✓ Visit Rotterdam's Euromast Tower
- ✓ Explore Ghent's Medieval monasteries
- ✓ Overnight onboard stay in Amsterdam

You'll spend the first half of this seven-day river cruise in the Netherlands' two biggest cities – Amsterdam and Rotterdam. There's a stop in the cosy city of Veere, as well, then you'll sail over the border and tick off two Belgian big-hitters – Ghent and Antwerp – before finishing back in Amsterdam on the final day.

*This itinerary sails on **1st June 2026**.*



Best for: Cities



Duration: 8 nights



Sailing on: TUI Ria

MOSELLE & NORTH RHINE

GERMANY – NETHERLANDS

- ✓ Try the local Riesling in Rudesheim
- ✓ Wander around Cologne's charming old town
- ✓ Check out fine art in Frankfurt's Stadel Museum
- ✓ Overnight onboard stay in Amsterdam

This nine-day cruise includes a blend of cosy towns and major cities. You'll start off in the skyscraper-filled city of Frankfurt, and wrap things up in the Netherlands' capital, Amsterdam. In between, you'll tick off the likes of Cochem, with its 11th-century castle, and Koblenz. The latter's where the Rhine and Moselle rivers meet.

This itinerary sails on 20th September 2026.



Best for: Variety



FRANKFURT, GERMANY



COCHEM CASTLE, GERMANY



AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS



FISHERMAN'S BASTION, BUDAPEST



LINZ, AUSTRIA



REGENSBURG, GERMANY



Duration: 8 nights



Sailing on: TUI Skyla

DANUBE ICONS

HUNGARY – SLOVAKIA – AUSTRIA – GERMANY

- ✓ Visit the Fisherman's Bastion in Budapest
- ✓ Check out Regensburg's Medieval architecture
- ✓ Peek around Passau's Italian-inspired cathedral
- ✓ Overnight onboard stays in Budapest and Nuremberg

You'll visit four countries on this nine-day sailing. It's all about capital cities from days one to four, as you tick off Budapest, Bratislava and Vienna. Then, it's down to another Austrian big-hitter – Linz – before you cross into Germany and head to Passau, Regensburg and Nuremberg.


This itinerary sails on 26th October 2026.




Best for: Cities



KOBLENZ, GERMANY

 **Duration:** 9 nights

 **Sailing on:** TUI Ria

NORTH RHINE & MOSELLE EXPLORER

GERMANY – NETHERLANDS

- ✓ Ride the cable car in Koblenz
- ✓ Reach the top of Cologne Cathedral
- ✓ Visit the cube houses in Rotterdam
- ✓ Overnight onboard stay in Amsterdam

This 10-day cruise is a mix of big-name cities and under-the-radar towns. The likes of Cologne and Amsterdam fall firmly into the former category, while the hidden gems include Cochem and Bernkastel-Kues. There's also a part day in Trier – Germany's oldest city – and a few hours in Rudesheim, in the heart of German wine country.

This itinerary sails on 25th April 2026.

 **Best for:** Variety



FRANKFURT, GERMANY



RUDESHEIM, GERMANY

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Douro Discovery

This eight-day cruise shines the spotlight on Portugal's Douro Valley – a UNESCO World Heritage site, and the heart of the country's wine-making region.



Best for: Scenery

HIGHLIGHTS

- Cross the iconic Dom Luis I Bridge in Porto
- Slip across the border into Spain, and visit the Old City of Salamanca
- Visit riverside vineyards, and taste Portugal's famous port wine

DAY 1: PORTO, PORTUGAL

You'll start your river cruise in Portugal's second-largest city, Porto. Depending on what time you arrive, there may be time to wander across the iconic Dom Luis I Bridge, shop the big-name brands on Rua Santa Catarina street, or head to the train station in the centre of town. Even if you're not going anywhere, it's worth popping your head in to see the ornate Azulejo tiles on the walls – the whole place gives New York's Grand Central Station a run for its money in the looks department.

DAY 2: ENTRE-OS-RIOS, PORTUGAL

You'll arrive in Entre-os-Rios, today. Old stone houses, cobbled streets and rolling hills filled with vineyards are the biggest pulling points in this cosy little village, while the surrounding forests are ideal for hiking. If you'd rather take it easy, you can head out on a shore experience or visit the thermal baths just outside town. Their natural, sulphur-rich waters have been soothing the locals here for more than a century.

DAY 3: PESO DE REGUA, PORTUGAL

It's on to Peso de Régua today – a compact town that's nestled just inside Portugal's Vila Real district. It's hard to find a more central spot in the country's port wine region, so it's no surprise that wine-tasting's on the cards in the hillside vineyards that are dotted around. It's also within easy reach of Lamego if you fancy spreading your wings a little – this scenic town's got thousands of years of history behind it, and it's just a short trip away. And don't panic if you don't get to see everything in Peso de Régua today, as you'll be back here on day six.

DAY 4: VEGA DE TERRON, PORTUGAL

You'll reach Vega de Terron today – a laidback town that straddles the border between Portugal and Spain. If you're staying local, you can stroll among the traditional textured sandstone buildings around town and head to the old market square. Or, if you fancy crossing the border, Salamanca's within easy daytripping distance.

DAY 5: BARCA D'ALVA, PORTUGAL

There's another border town on the cards today – Barca d'Alva. Nature thrives here, with groves of almond and olive trees, plus plenty of vineyards and orchards dotted along the banks of the river. It's the ideal spot for heading out to the International Douro Natural Park, too. This bird watcher's paradise is a great place to spot rare species like the Egyptian vulture, royal eagle and Eurasian golden oriole, and it's only an hour's drive away. Even closer is the picturesque town of Castelo Rodrigo, with its Medieval city walls and castle – this place is only around 30 minutes' drive away.

DAY 6: PESO DE REGUA, PORTUGAL

You'll get a second look at Peso de Régua today. While wine-tasting's the big attraction here, away from the corks and carafes you can find out all about the local history at the Douro Museum. And don't forget to check out the Miradouro de Sao Leonardo de Galafura while you're in town. This high-up spot comes with widescreen views over the surrounding valleys. If you fancy heading out of town for a few hours, Mateus Palace is just a 20-minute ride away. This impressive winery and manor house dates back to the 16th century, and you can wander around its pristine gardens or visit the vineyard museum.

DAY 7: PORTO, PORTUGAL

You'll arrive back in Porto today, so there's time to see anything you might've missed on your first day. You can take the tram along the waterfront to Foz do Douro if you fancy heading to the beaches on the edge of town, or make a beeline for the Livraria Lello bookstore – its carved wooden interiors are said to have inspired the appearance of Hogwarts in the Harry Potter universe.

DAY 8: PORTO, PORTUGAL

You'll head home today, but hopefully you'll still have time to try Porto's signature dish if you haven't already. The francesinha can be found on menus across the city, and while it's technically a sandwich, this towering mound of meat and cheese with an egg on top and lashings of spicy sauce is definitely a knife and fork job.



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PORTO, PORTUGAL



ENTRE-OS-RIOS, PORTUGAL



PESO DE RÉGUA, PORTUGAL



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RHINE

SAILING ON:
TUI RIA

Rhine Gems

On this itinerary, you'll travel along the UNESCO-ticked stretch of the Rhine that's inspired artists, authors and composers for centuries.



Best for: Variety

HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore the Palm Garden in Frankfurt
- Ride the cable car in Koblenz
- Sip local red wines in Breisach

DAY 1: FRANKFURT, GERMANY

This itinerary starts in Germany's financial hub, Frankfurt. The cosmopolitan city's nicknames – Mainhattan and Chicago on the Main – might lead you to think it's modern through and through. But you couldn't be more wrong. Its centrepiece is a carefully reconstructed old town, known as Römerberg, which is fit-to-bursting with timbered buildings. Plus, there's the 54-acre Palm Garden, which opened in 1871, and a whole district of museums.

DAY 2: KOBLENZ, GERMANY

You'll reach the start of the romantic Middle Rhine Valley this morning. Koblenz also happens to be the place where the Rhine and Moselle meet. You can visit the exact spot at Deutsches Eck, AKA German Corner. Then, follow the pretty riverside promenade all the way along to the neo-Classical Electoral Palace. Depending on how you're doing for time, you can also take a cable car up to the hilltop fort.

DAY 3: MANNHEIM, GERMANY

Mannheim is where Medieval meets modern. You can wander its Marktplatz, tour its lavish Baroque palace and visit countless museums. This is a city that Forbes called one of the world's most inventive. It was

here that Karl Drais introduced the first bike in 1817 – there's a sculpture to mark his inaugural ride. A huge TV tower moves things into the 21st century. You can head up for the views or to dine in the revolving restaurant.

DAY 4: KEHL, GERMANY (FOR STRASBOURG)

The French city of Strasbourg sits just across the river from Kehl, Germany – a footbridge connects the two, so it'll come as no surprise that this place is a melting pot of both countries. Its thousand-year-old cathedral's a real highlight. This Gothic gem shares its architectural style with Notre Dame, and you can climb to the top for views of the nearby Black Forest.

DAY 5: BASEL, SWITZERLAND

The cosmopolitan city of Basel's settled in the north-west corner of Switzerland, very close to the borders of France and Germany. Spend half a day here in the Medieval old town – it's dominated by a 16th-century, red-brick town hall and is the setting for a farmers' market on weekends. Nearby, you'll find Basel's 12th-century Gothic cathedral. Just so you know, due to the limited number of central berths in Basel, we sometimes have to berth further away from the town centre – it's easy to get there using public transport.

DAY 6: BREISACH, GERMANY

You've got all day to explore the German town of Breisach. Its buildings, each with a red roof, stretch up to the Gothic turrets of St Stephen's Church – the town's shining star. Breisach's particularly popular with fans of wine, too. The Kaiserstuhl hills, 20 minutes' drive north, are known for producing some of Germany's finest reds. Just so you know, due to the limited number of central berths in Breisach, we

often have to berth outside of the town centre – it's about 30 minutes' walk away.

DAY 7: SPEYER, GERMANY

The city of Speyer's over 2,000 years old. It overlooks the Rhine, and is crammed with churches and a big cathedral. Use your full day here to visit the clock tower, which has got two ornate clock faces. Head inside to climb to the top of the tower and you'll find far-stretching views across the cityscape. Back on the ground, head to one of the city's many wine bars for a glass of locally produced vino.

DAY 8: FRANKFURT, GERMANY

You've come full circle today, as you arrive back in Frankfurt. If you've got time, you can wrap things up with a spot of sightseeing – whether it's ogling the old opera house, sampling local cuisine at Kleinmarkthalle, or rattling through the city on a tram tour.



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FRANKFURT, GERMANY



MAP KEY

✈️ Arrival and Departure
Frankfurt

🚆 Transfer 25 minutes

TOP TIP

Visit Strasbourg's Notre Dame Cathedral around noon to watch the astronomical clock show. It starts at half 12, but the queues form well before that.



MANHEIM, GERMANY



KOBLENZ, GERMANY



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RHINE

SAILING ON:
TUI RIA AND TUI MAYA

Rhine Explorer

Find out why the Rhine is one of Europe's best-loved waterways on this eight-day river cruise that sails you from Amsterdam in the Netherlands, through Germany, to Medieval Basel in Switzerland.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Climb to the top of Cologne Cathedral
- Visit Ann Frank's house in Amsterdam
- Ride the Koblenz cable car

DAY 1: AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS

Cheese-straw-thin houses, a cross-stitch collection of canals, and a priceless collection of art across 44 museums and galleries – it can only be Amsterdam. And today you've got all day to find out why it's one of the most popular cities in Europe. There are almost 9,000 buildings that date back to the 16th, 17th and 18th centuries, so you certainly won't be short of sightseeing. Hire a bike and cycle your way down narrow lanes, or jump onto a canal cruise for a guided tour with commentary. Just so you know, due to the limited number of central berths in Amsterdam, we sometimes have to berth in nearby Coenhaven – a shuttle bus to and from Amsterdam will be provided on days in port.

DAY 2: AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS

You've got this morning to tick off anything you didn't do yesterday. Amsterdam's art galleries and museums are recognised worldwide – if you're going to visit one, make it the Hermitage. This place is a branch of the Hermitage in St Petersburg in Russia and is packed to the rafters with paintings, figurines and valuable artefacts. There's a constantly changing programme of

exhibitions, so you could see anything from Dutch Master canvases to Ancient Greek sculptures.

DAY 3: COLOGNE, GERMANY

Today you'll sail into Cologne, just in time for lunch. You've got all afternoon to explore this 2,000-year-old city, so start by treating yourself to a meal that's a favourite with locals – a halve hahn. This open rye bread sandwich is spread with butter and topped with thick slices of Gouda cheese and onion. Order it with Kolsch, the official beer of Cologne. Once you're refreshed, make a beeline for the Gothic spires of the cathedral. For a few euros you can climb to the top of one of the towers for unbeatable views of the chimney-speckled city.

DAY 4: KOBLENZ, GERMANY

This morning you'll have a few hours to explore Koblenz. No visit would be complete without taking the cable car up to the Ehrenbreitstein Fortress. This place overlooks the UNESCO-protected Upper Middle Rhine Valley and has eye-widening views of the point where the Rhine and Moselle rivers meet.

DAY 5: MANNHEIM, GERMANY

You'll arrive in Mannheim today – a firm favourite with history buffs and green-fingered gardeners. The city's five-wing Baroque palace has been intricately restored to its 18th-century glory, and it now houses historical exhibits, as well as the University of Mannheim. Plus, Luisenpark's landscaped gardens make for a scenic stroll. You can pop in and out of the butterfly house and Chinese Garden, or head up the soaring tower for a bird's-eye view of the place.

DAY 6: KEHL, GERMANY (FOR STRASBOURG)

Draw back the curtains on Strasbourg this morning. You'll dock in the port of Kehl and make your way to the city on the other side of the river, entering the north-east of France. Originally a Celtic village, Strasbourg is today home to the European Parliament and is peppered with French and German influences. You've got a full day to tick off its major landmarks, like the restored Cathedral of Notre-Dame and the 18th-century Chateau des Rohan, a former palace that now houses a trio of museums.

DAY 7: BREISACH, GERMANY

It's back into wine country today as you dock in Breisach. This town's slotted between the rolling vineyards of the Rhine Valley and the spinach-green treetops of the Black Forest. You've got until late-afternoon to peel back its old world charm. Its main landmark, St Stephen's Cathedral, is at the centre of a web of pastel-coloured houses and cobbled streets. Head into one of Breisach's cafés for a thick slab of goose liver pate paired with a bottle of merlot. Just so you know, due to the limited number of central berths in Breisach, we often have to berth outside of the town centre – it's about 30 minutes' walk away.

DAY 8: BASEL, SWITZERLAND

Your cruise ends today in Basel, Switzerland. The old town's a must-do – it's full of well-preserved historic buildings. Gardening enthusiasts will love the Basel Botanical Gardens. In here you can spy giant waterlilies, prickly cacti and Smartie-coloured orchids. And if you're into wildlife, pop into the Basel Zoo – it's home to penguins, gorillas and snow leopards. Just so you know, due to the limited number of central berths in Basel, we sometimes have to berth further away from the town centre – it's easy to get there using public transport.



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AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS



MAP KEY

- Arrival Amsterdam
- Transfer 40 minutes
- Departure Basel
- Transfer 20 minutes

TOP TIP

On our fortress tour in Koblenz, you'll get the city's famous cable car up and down, so you can combine history with views.



KOBLENZ, GERMANY



COLOGNE, GERMANY



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RHINE

SAILING ON:
TUI RIA

Rhine: Chateaux & Gateaux

The name says it all for this one. You'll journey from Germany's wine country and idyllic Black Forest to the super-pretty French city of Strasbourg and Basel, in Switzerland.



Best for: Hidden gems

HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore Strasbourg's quaint old town
- Taste wine in Rudesheim
- Take in the views from the top of Speyer's clock tower

DAY 1: FRANKFURT, GERMANY

You'll start your trip with a day in a true metropolis. Architecture-wise, Frankfurt is a contradiction. You'll need to crane your neck to clock the glistening, glass skyscrapers in the financial district. But the city's crown jewel is its pretty-as-a-picture square, known as Römerberg. Here, half-timbered houses huddle around a Medieval church. On the nearby riverfront, things fast-forward into the 21st century again. The Sachsenhausen area's home to art museums, restaurants and apple wine pubs.

DAY 2: KOBLENZ, GERMANY

Today, you'll reach the start of the romantic Middle Rhine Valley. Koblenz also happens to be the place where the Rhine and Moselle meet, and you can visit the exact spot at Deutsches Eck, AKA German Corner. Then, follow the pretty riverside promenade all the way along to the neoclassical Electoral Palace. Depending on how you're doing for time, you can also take a cable car up to the hilltop fort.

DAY 3: RUDESHEIM, GERMANY

You'll pull into Rudesheim around lunchtime. This place has a prime spot in the UNESCO-checked Rhine Gorge. Most visitors find themselves along Drosselgasse

– a narrow cobbled street packed-out with wine taverns, restaurants and shops. It's a full-of-life place, so you can expect oom-pah bands and dancing. Alternatively, you can head up to the hilltop Niederwald Monument. There's the option of walking up the vineyard-blanketed slopes or taking the cable car to the top.

DAY 4: SPEYER, GERMANY

One of Germany's oldest cities is on the cards today. Founded by the Romans in 12 BC, Speyer is littered with landmarks. Unlike lots of German towns, this place survived the Second World War relatively unscathed, which means its huge 11th-century cathedral is still gasp-worthy. It's planted itself right at the end of Speyer's main street, where it fights for attention with the pretty pastel-painted buildings, bustling cafés and boutiques.

DAY 5: KEHL, GERMANY (FOR STRASBOURG)

You'll dock in Kehl today – a German town that straddles the French border. From here, it's just a 15-minute drive across the border to Strasbourg – home to the European Parliament and major landmarks like the Cathedral of Notre-Dame, which has been in the heart of the city centre for over a thousand years. The whole city's sprinkled with French and German influences, like the half-timbered houses that sit snugly by its pretty canals.

DAY 6: BREISACH, GERMANY

Today, you'll follow the Rhine along the French border. You'll get most of the day in Breisach, which is sandwiched between the river and the Black Forest. Just like its French neighbours, this place has a passion for wine. You can dip into vaulted cellars for a tasting, or admire the vineyards from its hilltop cathedral. The town was flattened

by World War Two, but you'd never guess it, thanks to its meticulously reconstructed pastel houses. Just so you know, due to the limited number of central berths in Breisach, we often have to berth outside of the town centre – it's about 30 minutes' walk away.

DAY 7: BASEL, SWITZERLAND

We'll arrive in Basel early doors, giving you more time to see the Swiss city's top sights. Unlike modern Zurich, this place has just two skyscrapers to its name. Here, the emphasis is on culture and history, with Switzerland's oldest university and more than 30 museums. Plus, head up to Cathedral Mount to check out Basel Minster and the tomb of Dutch scholar Erasmus. You'll get sweeping views of the old town from up here, too. Just so you know, due to the limited number of central berths in Basel, we sometimes have to berth further away from the town centre – it's easy to get there using public transport.

DAY 8: BASEL, SWITZERLAND

You've got a few more hours left in Basel before boarding your flight home. Use them to visit Steinenvorstadt. Affectionately known as cinema road, this street is where you'll find all of Basel's cinemas. It's also a great place to grab a drink or an ice-cream and watch the world go by. You'll find some handy souvenir shops around here, too.



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FRANKFURT, GERMANY



MAP KEY

- Arrival Frankfurt
- Transfer 25 minutes
- Point of interest
- Departure Basel
- Transfer 20 minutes

TOP TIP

Take a stroll through
Strasbourg's historic centre
– in 1988, it became the first
whole city centre in the world
to be granted UNESCO World
Heritage status.



RUDESHEIM, GERMANY



KOBLENZ, GERMANY



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**RHINE**SAILING ON:
TUI RIA

North Rhine & Netherlands Explorer

This seven-night sailing ticks off capital cities past and present, a leading wine-making region, and a mass of museums.

**Best for: Cities**

HIGHLIGHTS

- View a Van Gogh in Amsterdam
- Check out the giant fortress in Koblenz
- Visit the cube houses in Rotterdam

DAY 1: AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS

You'll start your sailing in the Netherlands' capital, Amsterdam – a city that's famous for its winding canals and narrow, cobbled streets. For a capital city, it's pretty compact, too, and you're more likely to find the locals cruising around by bike than car. The city centre's filled with bars and restaurants, so depending on when your flight lands, you'll have plenty of time to try out Dutch delicacies, like pancakes and bitterballen. Beer's a pretty big deal, too – big-name brands like Heineken and Amstel are brewed here. Just so you know, due to the limited number of central berths in Amsterdam, we sometimes have to berth in nearby Coenhaven – a shuttle bus to and from Amsterdam will be provided on days in port.

DAY 2: AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS

There's a full day to explore the Netherlands' largest city today. Culture vultures will want to make a beeline for Museum Square in the heart of the city – the Rijksmuseum's the highlight here, where you'll see masterpieces by the likes of Rembrandt and Van Gogh. If modern history's more your thing, then the Anne Frank House is a must-see. Or, if you

prefer to take it easy, you can chill out by a canal-side café and watch the world go by with a local craft beer.

DAY 3: ROTTERDAM, NETHERLANDS

You'll head to the Netherlands' second-largest city today – Rotterdam. It's Europe's biggest seaport, so as you'd expect, there's a whole host of ocean-inspired history to find out about. And the best place to start is the Maritime Museum, which has been around since 1874, and houses more than 850,000 items. The city's also known for its modern architecture and ever-changing appearance. In fact, the Netherlands' five tallest buildings can all be found here, hence the city's nickname – Manhattan at the Meuse.

DAY 4: NIJMEGEN, NETHERLANDS

You'll drop anchor in the Netherlands' oldest city today, Nijmegen. There are loads of hiking routes here, including a lengthy nature trail along the riverfront. If you'd rather mooch around the city centre, there are plenty of museums, too, including one that recreates the experience of being blind, and even offers up one-hour tours in complete darkness.

DAY 5: DUSSELDORF, GERMANY

You'll arrive in Dusseldorf today – a west German city that packs a pretty powerful punch in the fashion and music worlds. And it's not just the arts that draws the visitors in here – the narrow streets of the old town are home to around 250 bars and restaurants in a snug space. If you'd prefer a spot of retail therapy, then Königsallee is the place to head to. This near-mile long boulevard of designer boutiques has a tree-lined canal running right through the heart of it, so you can go shopping with a view.

DAY 6: KOBLENZ, GERMANY

You'll head to one of Germany's oldest cities today – Koblenz. The Rhine and Moselle rivers meet here at a spot dubbed the German Corner, or Deutsches Eck as it's known in the native tongue. The spot's marked by a giant memorial to Kaiser Wilhelm I – the leader who united Germany in 1871. On the other side of the river is the Ehrenbreitstein Fortress, Europe's second biggest preserved fortress, which sits more than 100 metres above the Rhine River. Getting up to it is easy, though – the Koblenz Cable Car will take you right across the river and drop you off by the front door.

DAY 7: BOPPARD, GERMANY TO RUDESHEIM, GERMANY

You'll tick off a pair of picturesque towns today. First stop is Boppard – a town that's well known for its wine-making industry, which goes back centuries. Plenty of the waterfront bars and restaurants put on tasting sessions if you fancy trying a glass. Or, you can head to the Electoral Castle – a 13th-century waterfront fort that's now a history museum. The next stop today is Rudesheim – a sleepy town that's in the heart of Germany's wine country. Half-timbered Gothic houses are scattered around the place, and the surrounding landscape's peppered with sprawling vineyards.

DAY 8: FRANKFURT, GERMANY

The last stop on your cruise is Frankfurt – Germany's business and finance hub. It's not all stocks and shares here though. Depending on what time your flight leaves, you can take a tour of the city's historic cathedral, check out the panoramic views from the 200-metre high Maintower, or head to one of the city's numerous art museums. And of course, no trip here would be complete without tucking in to one of the famous hot dogs that originated in the city.



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS CRUISE OR BOOK ONLINE

AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS



NIJMEGEN, NETHERLANDS



ROTTERDAM, NETHERLANDS

MAP KEY

- Arrival** Amsterdam
- Transfer** 40 minutes
- Departure** Frankfurt
- Transfer** 25 minutes

TOP TIP

You'll find part of the original Kaiser Wilhelm I monument in Koblenz's Middle Rhine Museum. The current structure was rebuilt after being damaged during the Second World War.



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**MOSELLE**SAILING ON:
TUI RIA

The Moselle Valley: Vines & Views

Vineyard-filled vistas, traditional taverns and crumbling castles – this cruise introduces you to the oh-so-romantic towns and landscapes of the Moselle Valley.

**Best for: Scenery**

HIGHLIGHTS

- See how wine is made in Bernkastel-Kues
- Take a scenic chairlift ride in Boppard
- Visit Germany's oldest city, Trier

DAY 1: FRANKFURT, GERMANY

This itinerary starts out in Frankfurt, Germany's financial centre. But, despite having 10 of the country's tallest skyscrapers and a bustling business district, this place is historic at heart. It's got a whole neighbourhood of museums, AKA the Museumsufer, as well as a square made up of reconstructed half-timbered buildings.

DAY 2: RUDESHEIM, GERMANY

Today, you'll arrive in the town of Rudesheim. This place is famous for its wine production – try a glass of Riesling at one of the many bars that huddle around the centre's lively public square. The Niederwald Monument is worth a visit, too. The ride up to this giant, 100-year-old statue serves up incredible views of the town down below.

DAY 3: COCHEM, GERMANY

As you pull into Cochem, you'll be met by a row of pretty, pastel-painted houses and restaurants along the waterfront. If you divert your gaze upwards, you'll also spy the town's hard-to-miss hilltop castle. Once you've had a wander through the town, you can take a chairlift up to the Pinnerkreuz lookout for a bird's-eye view. From here, you can also set off on a hike through the leaf-green vineyards.

DAY 4: TRIER, GERMANY

You'll be given a history lesson in all things Roman at our next stop. Trier is Germany's oldest city and the proud owner of a whopping nine UNESCO-approved sites. There's the 2nd-century city gate, the biggest Romans baths in Europe, an amphitheatre and a throne room – to name just a few. Plus, Trier's archaeological museum is packed with intricate Roman mosaics and the world's biggest collection of Roman gold coins.

DAY 5: BERNKASTEL-KUES, GERMANY

Wine's the word in this sliced-in-half German town. On the Bernkastel side, the buildings are a vision of half-timber, slate and stone. Over the river in Kues, you can while away the hours in the Mosel Wein Museum. This place is half museum, half tasting cellar. First, you can learn about the century-old wine-making traditions, then dart over to the cellar, which is stocked with over 160 kinds of wine.

DAY 6: KOBLENZ, GERMANY

You can see the spot where the Rhine meets the Moselle today. In Koblenz, there's a pointy bit of headland known as Deutsches Eck – or German Corner – where you can admire the views, or snap photos next to a 37-metre-tall statue of the first German Emperor, William I. If you want to check things out from slightly higher up, take the cable car to the Ehrenbreitstein Fortress, which now houses a set of museums.

DAY 7: BOPPARD, GERMANY

Today, you'll get to know the traditional town of Boppard and its easy-on-the-eye surroundings. Take the chairlift up to Vierseenblick – Four Lakes View – for sweeping panoramas of the Rhine's

horseshoe-shaped bend. Or nab a seat on the Hunsrückbahn for a 10-minute train ride through viaducts and fairy tale forests. Wine's big business around here, too. White Riesling and red Pinot Noir have been bottled in the vineyards outside of town for centuries, and the bars and restaurants put on tasting sessions where you can sample them for yourself.

DAY 8: FRANKFURT, GERMANY

You'll spend your last day where you started out, in Frankfurt. This place might be Germany's fifth-biggest city, but it's got green fingers, too. Its botanical garden – Palmengarten – spreads out over 22 hectares, with greenhouses simulating sub-Arctic, tropical rainforest and desert environments. Foodies, meanwhile, can get their last taste of German cuisine at the Kleinmarkthalle – an indoor market with over 150 stalls.



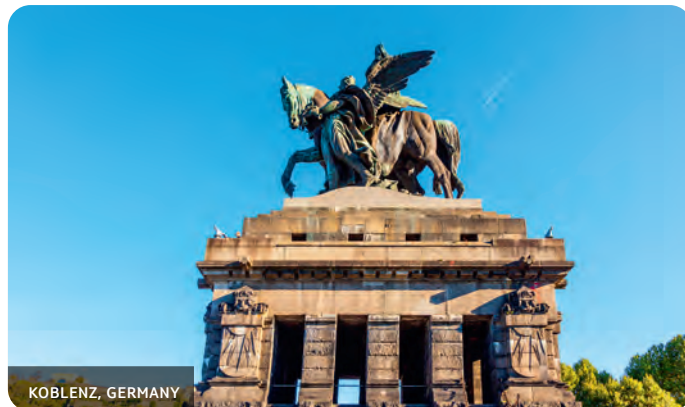
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FRANKFURT, GERMANY



TRABEN-TRARBACH, GERMANY



KOBLENZ, GERMANY

MAP KEY

- Arrival & Departure Frankfurt
- Transfer 25 minutes
- Point of interest

TOP TIP

If you fancy a wine-free activity, tour Cochem's Cold War Bunker. Around 15 billion Deutschmark were secretly stored in its huge underground safe.



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SAILING ON:
TUI MAYA

Icons of Europe

This 16-day sailing shows off some of Europe's biggest and brightest cities. Cologne, Nuremburg, Vienna and Budapest are just a handful of the show-stopping headliners.



Best for: History

HIGHLIGHTS

- Marvel at Vienna's amazing architecture
- Take panoramic photos from Cologne Cathedral
- Explore Bamberg's Bavarian old town

DAY 1: AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS

You'll kick off your adventure in the energetic Dutch capital. Here, the crowning glory is its Holy Trinity of museums. Within the same area, you've got Rijksmuseum, which houses around seven million pieces of art, as well as a library crammed with over 35,000 books. After, wander over to the Van Gogh Museum, or check out the works of Warhol at Stedelijk. You can continue exploring into the evening, since we're staying in Amsterdam overnight. Just so you know, due to the limited number of central berths in Amsterdam, we sometimes have to berth in nearby Coenhaven – a shuttle bus to and from Amsterdam will be provided on days in port.

DAY 2: AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS

You scratched the surface of Amsterdam yesterday. Today, it's time to dig even deeper. Do as the Dutch do and hop on a bike, or take a tour on one of the city's canal boats. The Jordaan neighbourhood is worth a look. There's usually some sort of market going on, as well as quirky boutiques, Anne Frank House and a floating

museum devoted to all things houseboats. Early afternoon, you'll say your goodbyes to the city.

DAY 3: COLOGNE, GERMANY

Cologne's the first German city on your list. Here, the twin-spired cathedral is the biggest draw. It's worth climbing the 509 steps in its tower to see the cityscape from above. Alternatively, you can get the perfect snapshot from Cologne's cable car. Those with a sweet tooth, meanwhile, should head straight for the Chocolate Museum, where you can see chocolates being made, gawp at a chocolate fountain and design your own bar for a little extra.

DAY 4: KOBLENZ, GERMANY

You can see the spot where the Rhine meets the Moselle today. In Koblenz, there's a pointy bit of headland known as Deutsches Eck – or German Corner – where you can admire the views, or snap photos next to a 37-metre-tall statue of the first German Emperor, William I. If you want to check things out from

slightly higher up, take the cable car to the Ehrenbreitstein Fortress, which now houses a set of museums.

DAY 5: FRANKFURT, GERMANY

You'll reach Frankfurt today, Germany's financial centre. But despite having 10 of the country's tallest skyscrapers and a bustling business district, this place is historic at heart. It's got a whole neighbourhood of museums, AKA the Museumsufer, as well as a square made up of reconstructed half-timbered buildings. And if you get a chance, grab a glass of the city's famed Ebbelwoi cider, or apple wine.

DAY 6: MILTENBERG, GERMANY

This town has plenty of cosy inns to dip into, including Gasthaus zum Riesen. It's one of the oldest, and its guestbook reads like a who's who of famous figures, from Louis IV to Martin Luther and Napoleon. You can tour the Faust brewery to the west of town if you prefer, or tuck in to some of the local specialities – marzipan and canned sausages are the two that pop up the most.





AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS



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SAILING ON:
TUI MAYA

Icons of Europe

DAY 7: WURZBURG, GERMANY

Wurzburg's next on the agenda. This place is often dubbed the Pearl of the Romantic Road – a route favoured by honeymooners, which winds through medieval villages and Bavarian towns. If Wurzburg is a pearl, then its opulent palace is the jewel in the town's crown – make a beeline for Wurzburg Residence to check out its famous frescoes, grand staircase and immaculate gardens.

DAY 8: BAMBERG, GERMANY

All the Bavarian stereotypes are present and correct at your next stop, Bamberg, where you'll have a few hours to explore this photogenic town. The old town's got a UNESCO tick to its name, and the town hall is one of the most photographed spots. It's a building of two halves – one side's traditional and half-timbered, the other's covered in murals. After your wander, you can refresh with a beer from one of the breweries. Just so you know, we can't dock in Bamberg's town centre – a free shuttle bus will be on hand to take you there and back.

DAY 9: NUREMBERG, GERMANY

You'll have a whole day in Nuremberg to see all its sights. Lots of the city's medieval buildings have been painstakingly restored, after the World War Two bombings. A shining example of this is the castle, which was the residence of every German king and emperor from 1050 to 1571. Fast forward a few centuries and you've got Nuremberg's other must-sees, which revolve around the former Nazi Party rally grounds and the Nuremberg Trials courthouse. Just so you know, we can't dock in the town centre – a free shuttle bus will be on hand to take you there and back.

DAY 10: REGENSBURG, GERMANY

As we edge closer to the Danube, you'll reach Regensburg. This medieval masterpiece is home to a twin-spired cathedral and a 12th-century stone bridge. On the outskirts of town sits Walhalla, which looks like it's been lifted from the Greek history books, but celebrates German kings, dukes and painters.

DAY 11: PASSAU, GERMANY

The next stop's Passau, which nudges up to the Austrian border. The main attraction's its Italian-inspired cathedral. The Baroque basilica was rebuilt by Italian architect Carlo Lurago in the 17th century, and its elaborate marble interior will remind you of the churches of Rome. It's also home to a huge organ – one of the biggest in the world – with over 17,000 pipes. Tonight, you'll make the crossover to Austria, docking in Linz.

DAY 12: LINZ, AUSTRIA

Austria's on the agenda today, as you visit former European Capital of Culture, Linz. This city is the epitome of old meets new. And you can rise as early as you like to get a head-start on sightseeing. The biggest church in Austria, the Mariendom, is right here, as well as an imposing riverfront castle. The riverbanks are also sprinkled

with some uber-modern museums – one dedicated to art, the other to the future.

DAY 13: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Austria's capital goes on a serious charm offensive, with fine architecture, horse-drawn carriages for cabs, and ornate coffee houses. The ship won't leave until tonight, which means you can plan a full day of sightseeing. Hofburg and Schonbrunn palaces are high on most tourists' to-do lists. But there's also a museum housing Gustav Klimt's The Kiss, a retro amusement park and an impressive cathedral. Just so you know, the river doesn't run through the centre of Vienna, so you'll need to use public transport to get to the sights.

DAY 14: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

You'll move countries today, as you swap Austria's capital for Slovakia's first city. Bratislava is a medley of styles. The old



LINZ, AUSTRIA



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DAY 15: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Hungary is the last country on your list, and you'll spend your time in its culture-vulture capital. In Budapest, there are two sides of the river to explore. One's got a castle full of Hungarian art and a turreted fortress, while the other's dominated by a Gothic Revival Parliament Building, the UNESCO-ticked Heroes' Square and a quirky Jewish Quarter. You can spend the evening getting to know its open-air ruin bars and restaurants.

DAY 16: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

You can't leave Budapest without visiting the city's popular thermal baths. Spend some time unwinding in hot, mineral-rich waters, surrounded by historic architecture. You can also grab a bite to eat from the huge Central Market Hall, where traders tout fresh fruit and veg downstairs, while steaming bowls of goulash are prepared upstairs.

TOP TIP

Koblenz is famed for its top-class wine, so be sure to pop into a winery and pick up a couple of bottles of red to take home with you.





DANUBE

SAILING ON:
TUI MAYA AND TUI ISLA

Diamonds on the Danube

Hungary, Slovakia, Austria and Germany are the headline acts on this eight-day cruise along the Danube. Highlights include Hungary's biggest church and Budapest's eye-popping parliament building.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Eye up Hungary's biggest church in Esztergom
- Visit Passau's impressive Baroque Cathedral
- Wander Buda Castle in Budapest

DAY 1: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Two days in Budapest means you've got the chance to see Hungary's capital by day and night. Put your sightseeing hat on and tick off some of its star attractions. You could start with the Fisherman's Bastion – a spired, Neo-Gothic castle. Then walk 15 minutes over to Buda Castle. In the evening, grab a drink in a quirky ruin bar – they're housed in derelict, open-air buildings.

DAY 2: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

See some more of Budapest's top-drawer architecture today. Even its famous thermal baths are style icons, from Ottoman-era Rudas to canary-yellow Szechenyi and its open-air pool. There's also time to get a selfie outside the eye-widening parliament building, and to watch locals barter for fresh fruit and vegetables in the Central Market Hall.

DAY 3: ESZTERGOM, HUNGARY

You'll have a few hours in Esztergom today. This rural town might be small, but it boasts a huge basilica that's worthy of city-centre status. It's both the biggest church and the tallest building in Hungary. The rest of the town's more low-key, with intricate streets that are peppered with traditional eateries and tucked-away churches.

DAY 4: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

Open the curtains on the Slovakian capital this morning. Bratislava Castle's the standout site – you can see it from practically anywhere in the city, thanks to its hilltop spot beside the Danube. Ornate opera houses and a turquoise-tinted Art Nouveau church are also among the signature sights, and beer and dumplings is the go-to combo in most restaurants.

DAY 5: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Classical music, palatial architecture and priceless works of art are just a flavour of Vienna's social standing – and you've got all of today to soak up as much of it as you can. Jump on a U-Bahn train – they take five or 10 minutes to get from the waterfront to the city centre, where pretty parks fill in the gaps between the libraries, churches and opera houses. Just so you know, the river doesn't run through the centre of Vienna, so you'll need to use public transport to get to the sights.

DAY 6: KREMS, AUSTRIA

You've got a few hours today in Krems before you sail on to Linz. This cool customer stays under the radar with quiet cobbled squares and ice-cream-coloured buildings. Must-see historic sites include the 15th-century city gates and the Piarist Church, and there are loads of art galleries, too. Plus, it's a great place to try Austrian wines, thanks to the neighbouring vineyards – Riesling is the local speciality.

DAY 7: LINZ, AUSTRIA

Another Austrian megastar's on the cards today. Linz is a perfect example of half old, half new. There's a stellar collection of extravagant churches, abbeys and Baroque buildings – most of which are handily placed on the fringes of the main square, Hauptplatz. These are matched by ultra-modern museums and art galleries on the riverfront, like the Ars Electronica Center.

DAY 8: PASSAU, GERMANY

You'll spend your last day in Passau, ahead of your flight home. This German town's snuggled up to the Austrian border and flaunts winding lanes that are drizzled with churches, cafés and an Italian-inspired cathedral. Make time to try some local snacks, like bratwurst sausage or cambozola – a triple-cream cheese, served with honey, crackers and fruit.



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PASSAU, GERMANY



MAP KEY

- Arrival Budapest
- Transfer 45 minutes
- Departure Munich
- Transfer 2 hours

TOP TIP

Try schnitzel – breaded meat – in Vienna. Family-sized portions come cheap in the city and are often served with tasty potato salad.



BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA



ESZTERGOM, HUNGARY



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DANUBE

SAILING ON:
TUI MAYA, TUI ISLA AND TUI SKYLA

Danube Gems

Eye-catching architecture's around every corner on this cruise – from mighty basilicas in Hungary to Austria's extravagant abbeys and Bratislava's UFO Bridge.



Best for: History

HIGHLIGHTS

- Eye up Hungary's biggest church in Esztergom
- Pop into Austria's oldest theatre
- Wander Buda Castle in Budapest

DAY 1: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Your cruise kicks off in Hungary's capital, Budapest. This place is a grand old dame, with elaborate architecture everywhere you turn. The spires of Hungary's Parliament Building and castle dominate the city's riverfront. In the Jewish Quarter, meanwhile, the domes of its synagogues and centrepiece basilica pierce the skyline. You'll be here again tomorrow, and come back on the final day, so there's plenty of time to get around the sights.

DAY 2: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

You'll have all day to explore Budapest again today, from the UNESCO-approved Andrássy Avenue with its designer shops to the city's iconic ruin bars in the Jewish Quarter. These watering holes have been set up in once-abandoned buildings, and are now one of the biggest attractions in town. Szimpla Kert is the most famous of the lot, and the oldest.

DAY 3: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

You'll move countries today, as you swap Hungary's capital for Slovakia's first city. Bratislava is a medley of styles. The old town is Medieval and Gothic. A Renaissance castle sits on its hill. And a futuristic bridge spans its river. Speaking of the latter, you can take

a lift to the observation deck of the UFO Tower to get a better look at Bratislava from above.

DAY 4: KREMS, AUSTRIA TO WEISSENKIRCHEN, AUSTRIA

It's on to Austria today, and first up's the under-the-radar town of Krems. The 15th-century city gates, the Piarist Church and a string of art galleries are some of the big pulling points here. Later, you'll head to the cosy town of Weissenkirchen, where winemakers' and shipmasters' houses rub shoulders with cosy pubs and rolling vineyards.

DAY 5: GREIN, AUSTRIA

The compact city of Grein is your next stop. This place is a real looker, with a backdrop of rolling green hills and a scattering of pastel-coloured buildings around its centre. Austria's oldest theatre sits in the heart of town, too, having pulled back the curtain all the way back in 1791. The country's oldest residential castle – Schloss Greinburg – can also be found here. The theatre's open daily for visits, while the castle's only open to the public at certain times throughout the year.

DAY 6: MELK, AUSTRIA TO DURNSTEIN, AUSTRIA

Expect a double helping of Austrian hotspots today, as you enter the scenic Wachau Valley. First up, you'll hit Melk. It's like a pocket-sized version of Vienna, with grand architecture and an easy-on-the-eye old quarter. Then it's on to Durnstein. This cute town's nestled into the middle of a photogenic bend in the river. But that's not its only claim to fame. Sitting above town is the castle where Richard the Lionheart was imprisoned in 1192. Head up to it for the best views over the town.

DAY 7: ESZTERGOM, HUNGARY

This next stop might look like a quiet, rural town, but it's got a big-hitting attraction. You can spy the 72-metre-high dome of its mammoth basilica – Hungary's biggest – from miles away. Once here, you can climb to the top of the dome for 360-degree views, inspect the jewel-studded relics in the treasury, or admire the huge painting in the chapel.

DAY 8: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

You can't leave Budapest without 'taking the waters'. The ancient phrase relates to the 125 thermal springs, which feed the city's popular thermal baths. Spend the time before your flight unwinding in hot, mineral-rich waters, surrounded by historic architecture.



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BUDAPEST, HUNGARY



KREMS, AUSTRIA



BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

MAP KEY

📍 Arrival and Departure
Budapest

🕒 Transfer 45 minutes

TOP TIP

Don't miss the Central Market Hall in Budapest. There are three floors of stalls where you can pick up souvenirs and authentic Hungarian snacks.



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Magical Danube

You'll visit four countries in a week on this cruise along the Danube. Three historic capitals – Budapest, Bratislava and Vienna – are also on the cards.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Budapest's thermal baths
- Schönbrunn Palace in Vienna
- The City of Three Rivers, Passau

DAY 1: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Your cruise kicks off in Hungary's culture-rich capital. The ship won't leave 'til late-evening. So, if you've got time, it's worth checking out some of the city's jaw-dropping architecture. Start at the riverfront Parliament Building and work your way inwards to the Jewish District, where St Stephen's Basilica proudly stands among the office buildings and ruin bars.

DAY 2: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

The country-hopping begins this afternoon, as you dock in Slovakia. This place has strong links with Hungary – lots of its Baroque palaces were built by the country's nobles back in the 13th century. But it's the city's hilltop castle that turns heads. This snow-white fortification dates back to the 9th century, but has been rebuilt a whopping three times. Other architectural highlights include the Art Nouveau St Elizabeth's Church and the whole of the old town.

DAY 3: KREMS, AUSTRIA

Another day, another country. You'll breeze into Austria, stopping in the charming town of Krems for a few hours. This place is a creative customer, with an Art Mile dedicated to galleries and museums. There's

the country's only caricature museum, which features a small collection of English political satires. Plus, there's an art museum housed in an old tobacco factory and a former cloister, dedicated to wine-making finds. Just so you know, we can't dock in Krems' town centre – a payable shuttle bus may be on hand to take you there and back, or it's around a 25-minute walk.

DAY 4: PASSAU, GERMANY

You'll cruise into your fourth country today, with half the day to explore it. Passau, in Germany, has a one-of-a-kind setting. It's the only place in the world where three rivers meet. Its old town rests on a spikey peninsula, which juts into the meeting point of the Danube, the Inn and the Ilz. For a bird's-eye view, you'll need to head up the observation tower of the city's 13th-century hilltop fortress, Veste Oberhaus.

DAY 5: LINZ, AUSTRIA

Before we reach Vienna, you'll spend a day in Austria's third-biggest city. This place has always attracted creative types, like composers Mozart and Bruckner, or scientist Johannes Kepler. Back in their day, it was the Augustinian Abbey and handsome Hauptplatz that turned heads. These days, visitors are drawn in by the ultra-modern Lentos Art Museum and the Ars Electronica Center, AKA the Museum of the Future, which light up the riverfront.

DAY 6: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Austria's capital is next on the agenda. You could spend a whole day in its lavish palaces alone. Hofburg's the official residence of the country's president, as well as the dancing Lipizzaner horses. Schönbrunn's gardens are just as preened as its opulent interiors. And Belvedere houses an art museum, featuring works like The Kiss by Gustav Klimt. You're not leaving 'til late, so there's time to scope

out other buildings, like the opera house and cathedral, too. Just so you know, the river doesn't run through the centre of Vienna, so you'll need to use public transport to get to the sights.

DAY 7: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

You'll swap extravagant Vienna for oh-so-cool Budapest this afternoon. This place is dubbed the Paris of the East for its attractive architecture, but it's got a quirky side, too. Here, the sky's dominated by a multi-spired Parliament Building and a hilltop castle complex, rather than the Eiffel Tower. Plus, the Champs-Élysées is replaced by a Jewish Quarter full of ruin bars and restaurants. You're here overnight, so there's plenty of time for a drink or two.

DAY 8: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

It's your last day, so you'll need to finish up any last-minute sightseeing. You could go for lunch at the Great Market Hall. There's a mezzanine level, where you can grab goulash, served in a bowl of bread. Or go for a dip at one of the city's bathhouses. There are all kinds to choose from. Szechenyi's outdoor pools are super-popular, the Ottoman-era Kiraly flaunts old-school Turkish vibes, and Rudas has a swanky rooftop hot tub.



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BUDAPEST, HUNGARY



MAP KEY

📍 Arrival and Departure
Budapest

🚗 Transfer 45 minutes

TOP TIP

Did you know that Vienna has 1,700 acres of vineyards? You can sample the local wines at the taverns known as heurigen.



KREMS, AUSTRIA



BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA



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DANUBE

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Danube Treasures

From Vienna's palaces to Budapest's bathhouses, this itinerary dances you along the Danube, stopping at must-see cities and all the picture-perfect villages in between.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Vienna's extravagant palaces
- Budapest by night
- Bratislava's cobblestoned old town

DAY 1: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Your first day is in Budapest, Hungary's grand capital. This place is split in two by the Danube, and each district has its own charms. There's the hilly Buda area, which is crowned by a sprawling castle and a turreted fort. Or flat Pest, which has its own architectural gems, like the spectacular Gothic Parliament Building. Even the city's bathhouses are handsome – think the Art Nouveau Gellert Baths, the Ottoman-era Kiraly and the bright-yellow Szechenyi.

DAY 2: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

From one capital to another, you'll pull into Bratislava this afternoon. You'll have until the evening to explore the Slovakian city, which is known for its Prague-style bar scene and historic architecture. You can see where 11 Hungarian kings were crowned at St Martin's Cathedral, then follow the little brass crowns along the cobblestone paths of the old town. They'll lead you past Medieval buildings, quirky shops and lively cafés.

DAY 3: DURNSTEIN, AUSTRIA

You'll tick off one of Austria's prettiest towns today, as you arrive in Durnstein, in the scenic Wachau Valley. This twee town's nestled into the middle of a photogenic bend in the river. But that's not its only

claim to fame. Sitting above the town is the castle where Richard the Lionheart was imprisoned in 1192, and if you take a hike up to it, you'll get the best views over the town centre.

DAY 4: LINZ, AUSTRIA

History buffs and fans of all things modern will both be in their element today. You'll spend the day in Linz, an Austrian city, which teeters on the edge of old and new. Its old town's full of ornate Baroque buildings and half-timbered houses. Those after something more 21st century – and beyond – will find just that at the cutting-edge Ars Electronica Center, AKA the Museum of the Future, where there's an emphasis on interactive exhibits.

DAY 5: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

There's a lot to see in Vienna, which is why you'll get two days to explore. The so-called City of Music has a prolific past, attracting all the big names – from Beethoven to Brahms. And it's still a big part of life here, hence the grand opera house and concert halls. You'll be staying here overnight, which means you can try to take in a show. Before this, though, there are two opulent palaces to see. Just so you know, the river doesn't run through the centre of Vienna, so you'll need to use public transport to get to the sights.

DAY 6: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

You've got another day in Vienna, as we don't leave 'til late afternoon. You can really get under the city's skin today. See where its famous composers spent their days on a potter around its famous coffeehouses. Follow in the footsteps of Freud at Café Central, or discover where Mozart once played at Café Frauenhuber. Just make sure to stop for a coffee and slice of apfelstrudel along the way.

DAY 7: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

You're heading back to Hungary, for an overnight stay in its capital. In Budapest, it's worth checking out some of the city's jaw-dropping architecture. Start at the riverfront parliament building and work your way inwards to the Jewish District, where St Stephen's Basilica proudly stands among the office buildings and ruin bars.

DAY 8: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

After spending the night in Budapest, you can get to know the city even better on your last day. If you crossed off the big-hitting sights on your last visit, it's time to delve a little deeper. The Jewish Quarter's a good place to start. It's full of ruin bars – one-of-a-kind watering holes housed in the city's old, dilapidated buildings. The most popular – Szimplakert – features room after room filled with graffiti, mismatched decor and quirky artwork.



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BUDAPEST, HUNGARY



MAP KEY

📍 Arrival and Departure
Budapest

🕒 Transfer 45 minutes

TOP TIP

For a thermal bath experience minus the crowds, try Veli Bej. This Ottoman-era spa with domed roof is one of Budapest's oldest.



DURNSTEIN, AUSTRIA



BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA



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DANUBE

SAILING ON:
TUI MAYA, TUI ISLA AND TUI SKYLA

East Danube Explorer

From Hungary's Paprika Capital to Serbia's first city, this cruise navigates east to explore some of Europe's less-trodden destinations.



Best for: History

HIGHLIGHTS

- Budapest's iconic Parliament Building
- The UNESCO Iron Gates gorge
- Belgrade's Church of Saint Sava

DAY 1: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Budapest, AKA the Pearl of the Danube, is first on your tick-list. This place is like a treasure chest of architecture, with its neo-Gothic Parliament Building, Art Nouveau bathhouses and Baroque opera house. The ship won't leave until late this evening, so you can squeeze in some sightseeing before starting your adventure.

DAY 2: KALOCSA, HUNGARY TO MOHACS, HUNGARY

Kalocsa might not be as big as Budapest, but its architecture's just as colourful. You can spend the morning gazing up at its canary-yellow palace and gilded cathedral. Or switch up the colour palette at the Paprika Museum. After all, this place is the Paprika Capital of the World – a key ingredient in the country's national dish, goulash. Come afternoon, you'll move onto Mohacs – a sleepy little town with a lot of history. Just so you know, we can't dock in Kalocsa's town centre – a payable shuttle bus will be on hand to take you there and back.

DAY 3: NOVI SAD, SERBIA

After passing through customs yesterday evening, you'll cross the border into Serbia today. It might feel more like

Greece, though. That's because Novi Sad's nicknamed the Athens of Serbia for its historical buildings and wealth of museums. Europe's second-biggest fort sits across the river from the old town, which is dominated by a grand town hall. If you're here in the summer, it's worth making the half an hour walk from town to the riverfront beach.

DAY 4: CRUISING THE IRON GATES TO DONJI MILANOVAC, SERBIA

This morning, you'll see the Danube at its most scenic and natural. As you cruise the Iron Gates, it's all about kicking back and absorbing the spectacular scenery. Towering cliffs soar up from either side of the river, and there are some manmade touches to marvel at along the way. You'll want to get your cameras ready for Decebal's Head – a huge, 40-metre-high rock sculpture of the Dacian king. In the afternoon, you'll pull up in Donji Milanovac where you'll have the chance to set foot on Serbian soil for a second time.

DAY 5: BELGRADE, SERBIA

Now, it's time for Serbia's plucky capital, Belgrade. Architecture-wise, it's a flurry of Art Nouveau masterpieces, socialist blocks, Ottoman relics and a pride-and-joy fort. Celts, Romans, Hungarians and Turks have all left their mark on the riverside citadel. You've got until night-time to explore, so you can also hunt down the Church of St Sava – one of the biggest Orthodox temples in the world.

DAY 6: VUKOVAR, CROATIA

You'll briefly pass into Croatia today, as you visit Vukovar – a town, which sits directly on the country's eastern border with Serbia. This place has a turbulent past – it was almost completely destroyed by a siege in 1991. You can learn all about it in the

palace-turned-museum, or see the damage for yourself at the water tower.

DAY 7: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

You'll pull into Budapest late afternoon. This gives you time to work your way around some of its top sights. Head up to Fisherman's Bastion – the spired, neo-Gothic castle makes for a great viewing point. Then make the 15-minute walk across to Buda Castle. We'll be staying put overnight, which means you can see the city by night, too.

DAY 8: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

You can spend the last few hours before your flight getting to know Budapest better. Watch the locals barter for fruit and veg at the Central Market Hall, or sip coffee in a super-grand setting at the stunning New York Café.



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BUDAPEST, HUNGARY



MAP KEY

Arrival and Departure
Budapest

Transfer 45 minutes

TOP TIP

Visit the secret tunnels under Novi Sad's Petrovaradin Fortress. The 15 kilometer-long network was built as part of the castle's defence in the 18th century.



MOHACS, HUNGARY



KALOCSA, HUNGARY



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Danube Capitals

This eight-day Danube cruise highlights three of Europe's most impressive cities – Budapest, Bratislava and Vienna.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Soak in a spa in Budapest
- Visit the Fisherman's Bastion
- Take in a classical concert in Vienna
- Overnight onboard stays in Budapest and Vienna

DAY 1: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Before you settle into your cabin, go and get an eyeful of Hungary's eyebrow-raising capital. The ship stays in Budapest overnight, so you'll have plenty of time to see some of the city's palaces and grand buildings. Make a list of your favourites – you're here tomorrow, and you'll return to Budapest on days seven and eight for more time to sightsee.

DAY 2: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

You'll wake up with the whole day ahead of you in Budapest – so plenty of time to get under the skin of the city. It's divided in two by the river, with the east side – Pest – flaunting the Gothic Revival parliament building and the quirky Jewish Quarter. Buda, in the west, has got a castle full of Hungarian art and a turreted fortress.

DAY 3: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

Butternut-squash-coloured rooftops, splashes of gold along Medieval streets and a turquoise-tinted Art Nouveau church all add to the colourful look of Slovakia's capital. You'll have all of today to visit some of its signature sights – like Bratislava Castle, built from white stone and capped with terracotta turrets. You'll return on day six, so you don't need to rush to see everything.

DAY 4: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Today marks the first of two days in the Austrian capital, so you've got bags of time to get to know Vienna. This place is as fancy as Champagne afternoon tea in the Ritz. Get settled with a touch of luxury straight away by riding in a horse-drawn carriage – they act as taxis here. Or, marvel at the eye-widening decor in the 13th-century Hofburg Palace. Just so you know, the river doesn't run through the centre of Vienna, so you'll need to use public transport to get to the sights.

DAY 5: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Take today to explore Vienna at your own pace. It's worth riding a U-Bahn train between must-see landmarks. They take you from the waterfront to the city centre within five to 10 minutes, where pretty parks fill in the gaps between the libraries, churches and opera houses.

DAY 6: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

You'll return to Bratislava today. Get an eyeful of the city from the UFO Observation Deck. This 100-metre-tall viewing deck is part of the futuristic New Bridge that crosses the Danube. There's a restaurant in the UFO that serves Slovakian dishes. And, it's only a few minutes' walk from the castle, so this is a great chance to pair both attractions if you didn't get to the castle on day three.

DAY 7: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Today, you'll return to uber-cool Budapest. Epic architecture and quirky bars built in ruined buildings rub shoulders throughout the city. It's worth carving out some time to visit one of the city's popular thermal baths. Spend time unwinding in hot, mineral-rich waters, surrounded by historic architecture. You can also grab a bite to eat from the huge Central Market Hall.

DAY 8: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Depending on the time of your homeward journey, use this final day to do some last-minute sightseeing in Budapest. Or, splash the cash on a souvenir shopping spree. Head to Falk Miksa Street for a run of art and antique shops – little trinkets and huge statues rub shoulders in the shops. Or, visit one of Budapest's flea markets for one-off bargains, like paintings, pottery and clothing.




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BUDAPEST, HUNGARY



MAP KEY

 Arrival and Departure
Budapest

 Transfer 45 minutes

TOP TIP

Visit quirky Szimplakert, a ruin bar in Budapest, where you can have a beer while seated in a cut-open car or bathtub.



VIENNA, AUSTRIA



BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA



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DANUBE

SAILING ON:
TUI MAYA

East Danube Delights

This seven-night itinerary ticks off four countries, plus big-name cities like Budapest and Belgrade and under-the-radar towns like Kladovo and Vidin.



Best for: Scenery



Best for: History

HIGHLIGHTS

- Have a drink in Budapest's iconic ruin bars
- Sightsee along the Iron Gates gorge
- Wander around Belgrade's grand fortress

DAY 1: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

You'll start your river cruise in the Hungarian capital. Budapest is cut in half by the Danube, with hilly Buda to the west and flat-as-a-pancake Pest in the east. In Buda, you can get to grips with the area's imperial history at an 18th-century castle. Pest, meanwhile, is home to the city's iconic ruin bars – watering holes set up in once-abandoned buildings. And don't worry if you miss anything today, as you'll be back on day eight.

DAY 2: VUKOVAR, CROATIA

You'll arrive in Croatia today, in the once-troubled city of Vukovar, which was completely destroyed during a battle with Yugoslavia in 1991. Nowadays, a lot of the city's been preserved as a memorial to the people who fought to defend it. There are wartime museums which highlight its grizzly history, and the bullet-riddled water tower, which hasn't been touched since the fighting, is a must-see spot.

DAY 3: CRUISING THE IRON GATES TO KLAĐOVO, SERBIA

Today's a two-parter, and it starts off with sightseeing from the comfort of the ship as you pass through the Iron Gates on the Serbia-Romania border. Tree-clad slopes and rock carvings along the banks give this section of the Danube a bit of a Lord of the Rings feel. Make sure you look out for the Sculpture of Decebalus – a 140-foot carving of an ancient king's face. Later, you'll arrive in the cosy town of Kladovo. It's fairly quiet here, but you're just 10 minutes' down the road from Derdap National Park, which offers up scenic views over the Danube and a tonne of hiking trails.

DAY 4: VIDIN, BULGARIA

The unassuming town of Vidin's tucked into the north-west corner of Bulgaria. It's a less-trodden location, with its stand-out feature being the Baba Vida Fortress. It's considered one of the best-preserved in the country, and you've got a few hours to check out its moat and defensive towers.

DAY 5: DONJI-MILANOVAC, SERBIA

You've got a couple of hours today in Donji Milanovac. This pretty Serbian town sits on the banks of Lake Djerdap in the Djerdap National Park. Its biggest tourist attraction is Lepenski Vir, one of the most significant Prehistoric archaeological sites in Europe. You've got time to see how humans lived in the area in 20,000 BC before sailing again in the afternoon.

DAY 6: BELGRADE, SERBIA

It's off to Serbia's capital today. Belgrade has got two riverbanks to roam along – one belonging to the Danube and the other to the Sava. They're lined with splavovi – floating restaurants, bars and clubs, each with a unique personality. Belgrade's grand fortress sits near the water, too, and you've got all day to traipse its parkland and zoo.

DAY 7: OSIJEK, CROATIA

You'll have a few hours today to explore Osijek – Croatia's fourth-biggest city. It's super laidback here, with most of the action in the Baroque-style Ante Starcevic Square, a central plaza that's actually shaped like a triangle. You'll find the city's tallest landmark here – the Church of St Peter and St Paul, which houses beautiful frescoes dating back to the 1890s.

DAY 8: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

You'll head back to Budapest today for a second look before you head home. Don't forget to explore the Jewish Quarter if you have time. It's home to the second-biggest synagogue in the world, a string of vintage clothing boutiques and loads of colourful street art.



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BUDAPEST, HUNGARY



MAP KEY

✈️ Arrival and Departure
Budapest

🚆 Transfer 45 minutes

TOP TIP

Budapest is nicknamed 'the City of Spas' thanks to its huge collection of thermal springs, which are dotted all over the city. Pop along if you get the chance, and bathe in the mineral-rich waters.



THE IRON GATES



VUKOVAR, CROATIA



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CRUISE & STAY

You'll be sightseeing your heart out on these itineraries, so how about rounding things off on a more relaxing note? With our Cruise & Stay holidays, you can tag a seven-night stint in a Luxor hotel, or a four-night break in a Hurghada hotel onto the end of your river cruise.

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There's a whole host of top-notch hotels for you to choose from – here's a closer look at a few of them...

LUXOR

IBEROTEL LUXOR



This hotel's standout feature is its swimming pool, which floats above the River Nile. It's even got a bar for company, which means your lazy days by the water are all sorted.

LUXOR

JOLIE VILLE KINGS ISLAND



This place sits on an island on the Nile, so the views come at you from all angles. As for food, you've got half a dozen restaurants on hand.

LUXOR

STEIGENBERGER NILE PALACE



A riverside pool and a stocked-up spa are two of this hotel's biggest calling cards. It's also got a quartet of restaurants in its locker, including three à la carte spots.

Our seven-night sailings, Legends of the Nile and Ancient Gods and Famous Pharaohs, start and finish in Luxor, with stops in Edfu, Kom Ombo and Aswan in-between. There are loads of shore experiences you can book along the way, including trips to the Valley of the Kings, Hatshepsut Temple, Karnak and Luxor Temples,

and Aswan High Dam. You also have trips to Edfu Temple and Kom Ombo Temple included as part of your package. Plus, some of our more bespoke experiences include the likes of a tour of the Abu Simbel Temples, or a sound and light show at Karnak Temple. And English-speaking guides will be with you on every excursion.

FAST FACTS



Average temperature:

17 – 34°C



Currency:

Egyptian Pound



Direct flights from:

Gatwick and Manchester with TUI



Sailings available from:

November 2025 – April 2026



Key sights:

- Valley of the Kings
- Hatshepsut Temple
 - Edfu Temple
 - Luxor Temple
 - Kom Ombo

HURGHADA

TUI BLUE MAKADI GARDENS



This adults-only hotel takes you on a culinary trip around the world with its global theme nights. A pair of pools, a private beach and a couple of beach bars are on hand, too.

HURGHADA

STELLA MAKADI BEACH RESORT & SPA



With four pools, five restaurants and three bars, this place doesn't do things by halves. It's bagged a spot on Makadi Bay, too – one of Egypt's top scuba-diving spots.

HURGHADA

PREMIER LE REVE



This adults-only hotel gives you a sea-view pool, seven restaurants and a luxury spa, all on the edge of a private beach in Sahl Hasheesh.

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NILE

SAILING ON:
TUI AL HOREYA AND TUI BAHAREYA

Legends of the Nile

This seven-night sailing takes you along a section of Africa's longest river, starting and finishing in one of the world's oldest inhabited cities, Luxor.



Best for: History

HIGHLIGHTS

- Get the stories behind the sights from onboard Egyptologists
- Visit Luxor - 'the world's greatest open-air museum'
- Lots of shore experiences to choose from – pick your favourites

DAY 1: LUXOR, EGYPT

You'll arrive in Luxor today, and after the short 25-minute transfer from the airport, you'll be able to familiarise yourself with the ship, which will be docked on the city's outskirts.

DAY 2: LUXOR, EGYPT

Today, you'll have the whole day to explore this old-meets-new city, which is often dubbed 'the world's greatest open-air museum' for its smorgasbord of ancient sights. Two of the top ones are the temples of Karnak and Luxor, and if they weren't striking enough on their own, the road that connects them, Sphinx Avenue, is a sight in itself thanks to the thousand-plus statues that line it on both sides.

DAY 3: LUXOR, EGYPT

You'll have the morning to check out any sights you might've missed yesterday, but if anything's still on your to-do list then don't panic, as you'll be back in Luxor on day seven. You'll then have the whole afternoon and evening to make the most of the facilities onboard, like the pool and the hot tubs on the top deck or the wellness area inside.

DAY 4: EDFU, EGYPT TO KOM OMBO, EGYPT

You'll spend some time this morning in Edfu, a small city on the Nile's west bank, which dates all the way back to 3000 BC. There's an included excursion with a certified Egyptologist to its main attraction, the Temple of Horus – one of Egypt's best-preserved ancient monuments, which depicts the birth of the falcon god, Horus – or you can hang back on the ship and use all the facilities. Late morning, the ship will set sail for Kom Ombo for a short stop. Here, you'll have another included excursion with a certified Egyptologist to its unique double temple, which is dedicated to two Gods, before the ship sets off for Aswan in the late evening.

DAY 5: ASWAN, EGYPT

You'll arrive in Aswan overnight – another of Egypt's ancient cities on the Nile's east bank. You'll have the whole day here, and most of tomorrow, so there's plenty of time to head out on one of the optional excursions that are lined up. First up's a full-day tour to Abu Simbel – a pair of temples that are cut into a mountainside in the village of the same name. Remarkably, the entire complex was moved to higher ground back in the 1960s, due to the risk posed by rising water levels.

DAY 6: ASWAN, EGYPT

You'll have a second day in Aswan today, and there are more optional excursions if you fancy venturing out, including a trip that ticks off three of the city's biggest sights – the Aswan High Dam, the Unfinished Obelisk and Philae Temple. The ship will then set sail for the trip back to Luxor in the late afternoon, so you should be in time to catch the sunset from the top deck.

DAY 7: LUXOR, EGYPT

You'll arrive back in Luxor first thing this morning, and there's a whole day to see any sights you might've missed the first time around. The optional excursions include a visit to the Valley of the Kings and Hatshepsut Temple, with a felucca boat trip thrown in. Or you can explore Luxor at your own leisure and head to one of its spice-scented souks, or grab cocktails at the grandiose Old Winter Palace.

DAY 8: LUXOR, EGYPT

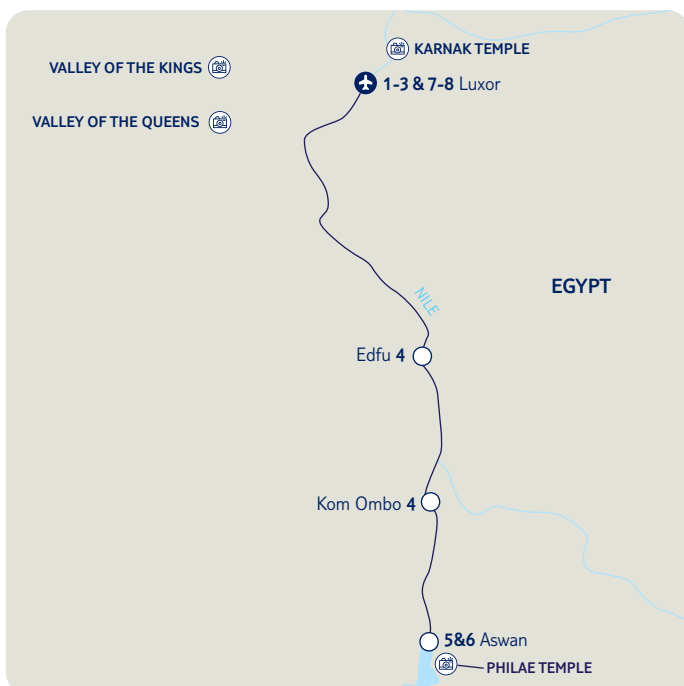
You'll head home today, and depending on what time your flight leaves, there may be some time to explore more of Luxor. Take a stroll along the riverside walkway of Sharia al-Corniche. It's a top spot for watching the Nile roll by over a glass of shai – the local cuppa. Or, you can have a final laze around on the ship's top deck and catch some more rays before heading home.



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LUXOR, EGYPT



MAP KEY

Arrival and Departure
Luxor

Transfer 25 minutes

TOP TIP

Don't forget to watch the sound and light show at Karnak Temple. If you think it's impressive in the daytime, just wait 'til you see it lit up at night.



KOM OMBO, EGYPT



EDFU, EGYPT



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Best for: Cities



Best for: History

HIGHLIGHTS

- Get your history fix from onboard Egyptologists
- Take a walk around Luxor - 'the world's greatest open-air museum'
- Choose from loads of shore experiences – all with an expert guide

DAY 1: LUXOR, EGYPT

Your river cruise starts today in Luxor. It's a short 25-minute transfer from the airport to the ship, and once you're onboard you can get a feel for it and check out the facilities.

DAY 2: LUXOR, EGYPT

You'll have some time to explore this old-meets-new city today. It's been dubbed 'the world's greatest open-air museum' for its variety of ancient sights, which includes the striking temples of Karnak and Luxor. They're impressive enough by themselves, but the road that links them, Sphinx Avenue, is a whole sight by itself, too, thanks to the thousand-plus statues that line up along it on both sides.

DAY 3: KOM OMBO, EGYPT TO ASWAN, EGYPT

You're in Kom Ombo this morning, where you can go on an included excursion to its famous temple. It's been standing for more than 2,000 years, and it's distinctive for being a double temple. The original temple was an Ancient Egyptian shrine to Sobek, the crocodile God. Then, once the Egyptians left town, the Romans came in and added their own temple on the side. Later, you'll head to Egypt's southernmost city, Aswan.

DAY 4: ASWAN, EGYPT

Today, you'll have a whole day in Aswan. You can chill out on the ship, or head out on a couple of optional excursions. The first one's to Abu Simbel and its famous temples. They're cut into a mountainside in the village of the same name, but that's not the only thing about them that stands out. Incredibly, the entire complex was moved to higher ground back in the 1960s, due to the risk posed by rising water levels. The other excursion is a visit to a Nubian village, followed by a ride along the River Nile on a traditional felucca boat.

DAY 5: ASWAN, EGYPT

You'll spend this morning in Aswan again, and there are a couple more optional excursions to choose from. One of them takes you to a trio of Aswan's biggest sights – the Aswan High Dam, the Unfinished Obelisk – which was undiscovered for thousands of years – and Philae Temple. The other one heads to the Tombs of the Nobles – where some of Ancient Egypt's princes, governors, and other dignitaries are buried – and Kitchener's Island, which is home to Aswan's botanical gardens.

DAY 6: EDFU, EGYPT

You'll wake up in Edfu today. This small city sits on the Nile's west bank, and it dates all the way back to 3000 BC. One of Egypt's best-preserved ancient monuments – the Temple of Horus – calls this place home, and you can head there on an included excursion. Then, you'll head back to Luxor in the late morning, so there's a whole afternoon onboard to relax.

DAY 7: LUXOR, EGYPT

It's back to Luxor today, and you'll have a whole day to tick anything off you might've missed the first-time round. If you're exploring the city at your own pace, why not barter for bargains at a spice-scented souk or enjoy a cocktail at the grandiose Old Winter Palace. You can head out on an optional excursion in the evening, too, if you like, to the sound and light show at Karnak Temple. This action-packed, 90-minute show looks back at the history of Thebes and the lives of the pharaohs through stirring music and historic tales, while the ruins are illuminated by a dazzling light show.

DAY 8: LUXOR, EGYPT

Your river cruise will come to an end today, but if you have time before you leave Luxor, head to Sharia al-Corniche. It's one of the best spots in the city to soak up river views and there are plenty of places to grab a glass of shai – the local cuppa in these parts.



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ASWAN, EGYPT



MAP KEY

Arrival and Departure
Luxor

Transfer 25 minutes

TOP TIP

Head to one of Luxor's souks. You'll find the main tourist bazaar in Sharia Al-Souk, which runs parallel to Sharia El Karank, near Luxor Temple. Everything from shisha pipes to perfume bottles are up for grabs here.



KOM OMBO, EGYPT

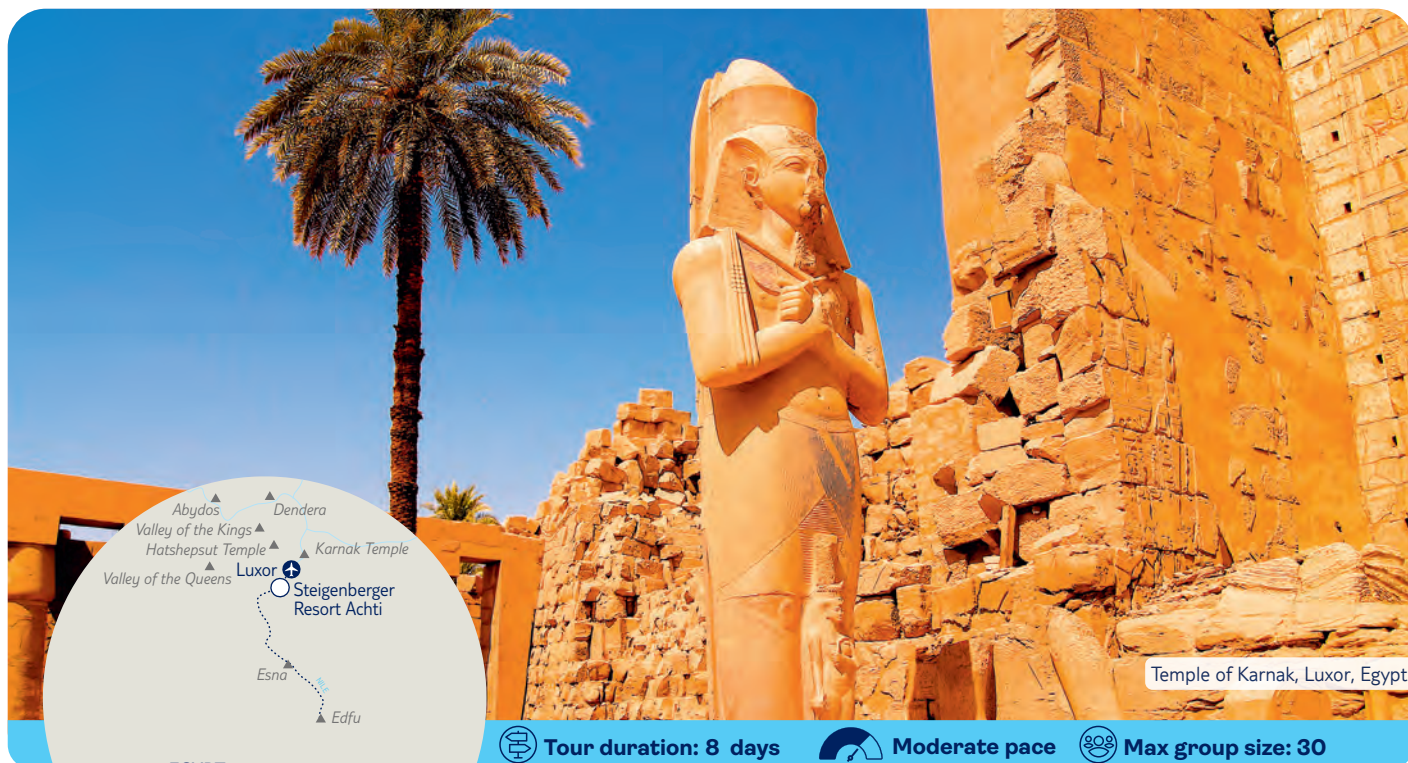


EDFU, EGYPT



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Temple of Karnak, Luxor, Egypt



Tour duration: 8 days



Moderate pace



Max group size: 30

MAP KEY: ○ Overnight location
▲ Attraction

Highlights

- Peek inside royal tombs
- Pose next to sphinx statues
- Tour an ancient city

Price includes

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The secrets of the ancient world come to life on this eight-day tour of Luxor. Shrines, sphinxes and royal tombs top the bill of this time-travelling adventure, along the banks of the River Nile.

DAY 1. FLY TO LUXOR

Locations: Luxor

Today you'll fly out to Luxor, the capital of ancient Egypt. You'll touch down in Luxor Airport before transferring to your hotel for dinner.

Meals: Dinner

DAY 2. TEMPLES AND SHRINES IN THE EAST BANK

Locations: Luxor

After breakfast you'll make tracks for Luxor's East Bank. This open-air museum along the banks of the Nile lines up sphinx statues and gravity-defying temples.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 3. TOUR THE WEST BANK'S UNDERGROUND TOMBS

Locations: Luxor

You'll get to see the other side of Luxor today, as you tour the West Bank. Highlights include the Valley of Kings, where Tutankhamun was laid to rest.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 4. FREE TIME IN LUXOR

Locations: Luxor

You'll have a free day today to soak up the sights of Luxor at your own pace.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 5. ABYDOS AND DENDERA TEMPLE TOUR

Locations: Abydos, Dendera

You'll visit two of Egypt's best-kept temples on this full day tour to Abydos and Dendera, passing traditional villages along the way.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 6. TOUR TUCKED AWAY TEMPLES IN EDFU

Locations: Edfu, Esna

After breakfast, you'll travel further up the banks of the Nile to a pair of under-the-radar temples.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 7. SOUVENIR SHOPPING IN LUXOR

Locations: Luxor

You'll have free time today to snap up souvenirs and take in Luxor's sights for one last time before your flight home tomorrow.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 8. LATER, LUXOR

Locations: Luxor

After loading up on breakfast, it's straight to the airport where you'll catch your flight home to the UK or transfer to your beach extension hotel.

Customise your tour

Choose how to spend your downtime with these optional experiences

- Karnak Temple Sound and Light Show on days 2 & 7
- Museums of Luxor on day 4
- West Bank Temples on day 7

Hotels

1 x hotel of a 5* standard. You'll stay at the following or similar: Steigenberger Resort Achi on days 1-7.



ONBOARD

- Warm up with a **speciality hot chocolate**, or some **mulled wine**.
- Join activities like **festive food demonstrations** and **festive crafts**.
- Snuggle up at our **festive film screenings**.
- Get tips from your Cruise Experience Manager on **Christmas market best buys**.
- Look forward to **local acts**, bringing their own Christmas traditions onboard.

ASHORE

- Check out the 100-year-old carousel or the life-sized manger from Bethlehem in **Dusseldorf**.
- Spy the advent calendar in the 24 dormers of **Koblenz's** town hall.
- Go **ice-skating** in Bonn – its Christmas market comes with a huge ice rink.
- Stare up at **Strasbourg's** huge tree, which is decorated with over 400 baubles.
- Ride the giant Ferris wheel in **Budapest**, and see the city's sights from up high.

FEELING IN THE FESTIVE MOOD?

See our itineraries on the following pages.

Cruising towards Christmas

Steaming mugs of mulled wine, snow-dusted forests, sizzling bratwurst – there's nothing quite like the run-up to Christmas on the Continent. Here's a look at what you can get up to on our **Christmas market** sailings along the Rhine and the Danube...



MAD FOR MARKETS

Germany's Christmas markets are known around the world for their size, scale and spectacle. We're talking giant mazes of tinsel-topped stalls, tower-tall Christmas trees and more souvenirs than you can shake a candy cane at. During our Christmas markets river cruises itineraries, you'll have the chance to visit a few of the

country's biggest and oldest fairs, where you can pair seasonal shopping with a spot of sightseeing. And, from winter 2025, we're throwing even more markets into the mix, when our brand-new itineraries stop off at Christmas fairs in Hungary, Austria and Slovakia.

Planned activities subject to change.



Best for: Cities

COLOGNE CATHEDRAL, GERMANY

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HEALTHY ABROAD**
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find out more.



INSIDER INFO

Horse-drawn carriage rides are a big deal in Koblenz. They set off from the Christmas market and mugs of mulled wine are served along the way.

The Rhine at Christmas

From fairy tale hamlets to time-stamped towns, the Rhine takes some beating as far as festive settings go. So, it's no surprise to learn that some of Europe's best Christmas markets take place along here.

BIG-HITTING SIGHTS

KOLNER DOM, COLOGNE

Once the tallest building in Europe, this jaw-dropping cathedral is Germany's largest. Its huge spires pierce Cologne's skyline at 515 feet tall, while the city's biggest Christmas market takes place right outside. It's not the only one though – there are three more major markets dotted around the city, plus lots of little ones, as well.

RATHAUS, KOBLENZ

When Christmastime comes, Koblenz's Baroque town hall transforms into one of the city's must-see sights. That's because this impressive building doubles up as a giant advent calendar, with its 24 windows gradually lighting up throughout December. And to top things off, the town square next to it is one of six with its own festive market.

HIDDEN GEM

SPEYER, GERMANY

This picturesque spot really comes to life over the festive period thanks to the

Christmas market which takes over the town's old quarter. There's an entire section dedicated to handicrafts, and you can try baking your own Christmas cookies. Head over to the Old Gate, meanwhile, and you can skate around a 2,000-square-foot ice rink.

FOODIE FIND

BRENTEN BISCUITS, FRANKFURT

These traditional Christmas cookies have been a festive staple around here for centuries. Marzipan and almond paste give them their distinctive flavour, and a couple of splashes of rose water round them off.

JUST SO YOU KNOW

If you're planning to visit a Christmas market, most of these are wrapped up before the big day.



RATHAUS, KOBLENZ



SPEYER, GERMANY



Best for: Cities



BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA



INSIDER INFO

Dip down Artists' Alley in Passau, which is home to petite shops and workshops. Even the walls and cobblestones are becoming works of art themselves.



SCHONBRUNN PALACE, VIENNA



BUDA CASTLE, BUDAPEST

The Danube at Christmas

No two days are the same on the Danube. That's because Europe's second-longest river cuts through Europe's heart, flowing through tiny towns, grand capitals and 10 countries. So, it's no surprise that Christmastime along here's just as varied, too.

BIG-HITTING SIGHTS

SCHONBRUNN PALACE, VIENNA

In a city praised for its architecture, this summer palace still stands out. And come Christmastime, it shows off a whole new side, when the parade court's transformed into a festive market filled with stalls, nativity sets and the smell of freshly-baked vanillekipferl – a popular vanilla-based cookie in these parts.

SZECHENYI THERMAL BATHS, BUDAPEST

You can't stop in the so-called City of Spas and not sink into a thermal bath. This bright-yellow bathhouse is one of Budapest's best, thanks to its open-air pools and neo-Renaissance architecture. It's open all-year-round, as well – even on Christmas Day. Talk about a winter warmer!

HIDDEN GEM

DURNSTEIN, AUSTRIA

This little-known town is a serious contender for the Wachau Valley's most adorable

village. Despite its small size, it's home to some big sights, like an ornate abbey and a Medieval castle. The latter plays host to a Christmas market, too, when the courtyard's filled with festive stalls.

FOODIE FIND

VARENE VINO, BRATISLAVA

This warming winter drink is Slovakia's answer to mulled wine. Spices like cinnamon and cloves give it a bit of oomph, and some places add in extras like orange or lemon peel, cardamom, ginger, and even black pepper to tickle your tastebuds.

PERFECT PICTURE

BUDA CASTLE, BUDAPEST

There's never a bad time to snap a picture of this striking palace, which keeps watch over Hungary's capital. You'll get the best picture after dark though, from the other side of the river, when it's lit up in all its glory.



RHINE

SAILING ON:
TUI ISLA

Christmas Carols & Castles

From Cologne's Cathedral Market to Rudesheim's 'Christmas Market of Nations', this four-night itinerary ticks off some of Germany's best-known festive fairs.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Ride the cable car in Koblenz
- Visit Rudesheim's 'Christmas Market of Nations'
- Check out Cologne's Cathedral Market

DAY 1: DUSSELDORF, GERMANY

Your river cruise starts today in the old-meets-new city of Dusseldorf, where skyscrapers sit side-by-side with Medieval townhouses. Seven Christmas markets take place around the city each year, with the main one setting up shop in the historic old town. Vintage carousels and a giant Christmas tree are on the cards here, while over at the Little Angel Market, you'll find the best crafts and handmade souvenirs, plus a cute music pavilion in the middle.

DAY 2: COLOGNE, GERMANY

You'll have a whole day to explore Cologne today. The city's probably best-known for its enormous Gothic cathedral, which took more than 600 years to build. The aptly-named Cathedral Market takes place right outside at this time of year – it's one of four Christmas markets dotted around the city, and it's the biggest of the lot. You can also visit the traditional Old Market, the Harbour Market – which is well known for its chocolate treats – and the Neumarkt, where costumed angels sprinkle glitter among the stalls.

DAY 3: RUDESHEIM, GERMANY

You'll head to the cosy town of Rudesheim, today. This place really comes to life during the festive period, when its old town is transformed into a Christmas wonderland, with a market that's been dubbed the 'Christmas Market of Nations' for its global-themed festivities. You can eat your way around the world at its food stalls, with everything from Finnish to Far Eastern on the menus. The life-sized nativity scene here is one of the biggest in Europe, too.

DAY 4: KOBLENZ, GERMANY

Today, you'll have a whole day to explore Koblenz. The city's well known for its Deutsches Eck monument, which marks the point where the Rhine and Moselle rivers meet. Take the cable car up to the Ehrenbreitstein Fortress for the best views. The Christmas market gets plenty of attention at this time of year, as well. More than a hundred stalls set up for the holidays, next to the Baroque town hall. This place becomes a sight of its own at this time of year when it doubles up as a giant advent calendar, with its 24 windows gradually lighting up throughout the month.

DAY 5: DUSSELDORF, GERMANY

Today, you'll round off your river cruise back where it all started, in Dusseldorf. If you have time before your flight, you can tick off any markets you may have missed on day one and stock up on souvenirs. The main Marktplatz is the go-to spot for handmade products from skilled craftspeople, including wood carvings and ornate glassworks. Or, finish things off with a drop of the city's signature altbier in the old town. This area's dubbed 'The Longest Bar in the World' for the sheer number of breweries and bars here.



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DUSSELDORF, GERMANY



RUDESHEIM, GERMANY



COLOGNE CATHEDRAL CHRISTMAS MARKET, GERMANY

MAP KEY

📍 Arrival and Departure
Dusseldorf

🚗 Transfer 20 minutes

TOP TIP

Head to Little Tokyo in Dusseldorf if you fancy a taste of Japan. It's home to the biggest Japanese community in Germany, and freshly rolled sushi and steaming bowls of ramen are served on every corner.



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RHINE

SAILING ON:
TUI ISLA

Mistletoe and Rhine

You can work your way around some of the Christmas markets in Germany's biggest cities on this five-night itinerary, including Dusseldorf, Cologne and Frankfurt.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Browse for baubles in Cologne's Christmas markets
- See where the Rhine and Moselle rivers meet in Koblenz
- Bite into spiced Breten biscuits in Frankfurt

DAY 1: DUSSELDORF, GERMANY

You'll start your river cruise today in Dusseldorf – one of the most modern cities along the Rhine. Skyscrapers rub shoulders with a historic old town here, and it's at the latter where you'll find the city's main Christmas market. The stalls here are designed to look like mini versions of Dusseldorf's Medieval townhouses. The Little Angel Market, meanwhile, is the place to go for the best crafts and handmade souvenirs, and there's a cute music pavilion in the middle.

DAY 2: COLOGNE, GERMANY

It's Cologne's turn to impress today. They really go all out with the Christmas markets here, with four different events spread around the city. The Cathedral Market's the biggest, and as the name suggests, it sits right outside Cologne's gargantuan Gothic cathedral. At the Neumarkt, costumed angels sprinkle glitter among the stalls, while the Old Market's the most traditional of the four. And, if you like your chocolate, head to the Harbour Market – it's well known here for its sweet treats.

DAY 3: RUDESHEIM, GERMANY

You'll arrive in Rudesheim today – a sleepy town where things are a little more quaint. Its cosy old town comes to life during December, where the global-themed festivities have led to its Christmas market being dubbed the 'Christmas Market of Nations'. There's everything from Finnish to Far Eastern on the food and drink front, plus classic German staples of course, like bratwurst and gluhwein. One of the favourite tipples here is Rudesheim coffee, which is mixed with tasty local brandy and topped with whipped cream. The life-sized nativity scene is one of the biggest in Europe, too.

DAY 4: FRANKFURT, GERMANY

You'll arrive in the skyscraper-packed city of Frankfurt today, which is home to one of the oldest and largest Christmas markets in Germany. There are more than 200 stalls to browse in the city's old town centre, where it's easy to stock up on local favourites, like spiced Breten biscuits and Bethmannchen cookies, which are made from marzipan and almonds. And if you fancy venturing away from the festive scenes, the Museumsufer district lives up to its name, with sculpture, film and natural history museums to visit.

DAY 5: KOBLENZ, GERMANY

You'll spend the day in Koblenz today, the city where the Rhine and Moselle rivers meet. The exact spot's called Deutsches Eck. Take the cable car up the hill on the other side of the riverbank for the best bird's-eye views of it. As for the Christmas market, that gets plenty of attention, too.

More than a hundred stalls set up shop for the season under the watchful eye of the Baroque town hall. This impressive building looks good year-round, but it really lights up in December – literally – when it doubles up as a giant advent calendar, as its 24 windows gradually light up throughout the month.

DAY 6: DUSSELDORF, GERMANY

It's back to Dusseldorf for your final day, so depending on your flight time, you can try and get to anything you might've missed on day one. Christmas markets crop up all over the city at this time of year, so you can stock up on souvenirs before you head home. The main Marktplatz is a good place to start. The 16th-century town hall makes for a handsome backdrop, while the stalls are stacked with handmade products from skilled craftspeople, including wood carvings and ornate glasswork.



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FRANKFURT, GERMANY



MAP KEY

📍 Arrival and Departure
Dusseldorf

🚗 Transfer 20 minutes

TOP TIP

Horse-drawn carriage rides are a firm favourite at this time of year in Koblenz. They set off from the Christmas market and mugs of mulled wine are served along the way.



KOBLENZ, GERMANY



COLOGNE, GERMANY



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DANUBE

SAILING ON:
TUI MAYA

Yuletide Delights

It's capital cities all the way on this five-night itinerary, which stops off in Budapest, Bratislava and Vienna. The latter's home to the world's biggest Christmas market, too, so there are plenty of stalls to snap up souvenirs from.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Browse for trinkets at the world's biggest Christmas market in Vienna
- Spot the Hungarian Parliament Building from Buda Castle
- Try traditional Slovak dumplings in Bratislava's old town

DAY 1: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Your festive river cruise kicks off in Vienna – it's Austria's capital and home to the biggest Christmas market in the world, Rathausplatz Christkindlmarkt. You'll find more than a hundred stalls right by the city hall, along with all the trimmings like Christmas trees and nativity scenes. Carols ring through the air, ice skaters glide around a frozen rink and glowing fairy lights set the ambience – top the scene off with a cup of mulled wine and you'll be fully in the festive spirit.

DAY 2: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

There's plenty of culture to soak up on your second day in Vienna. This city was famously the home of classical music greats like Mozart and Beethoven, and you can learn all about its musical history in the museum quarter. When you're not meandering around exhibitions, you can turn your attention to Vienna's palaces. Schönbrunn Palace is one of the most popular attractions in the city – it's got manicured gardens and grand interiors, along with the UNESCO World Heritage seal of approval.

DAY 3: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

The next day of your cruise gives you some time in the capital of Hungary. Budapest lights up during the festive season, with the markets being a main attraction. A huge Christmas tree sits in the middle of St Stephen's Square, surrounded by twinkling stalls that zigzag from one side to the other. You can browse everything from handmade tree decorations to scented candles, and we'd recommend grabbing a chimney cake or a walnut roll for the full festive experience.

DAY 4: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Your second day in Budapest's a full one, with plenty of time to explore. It's a city of two halves – you've got Buda on one side of the river, and Pest on the other. Over in Buda, you can wander around a Medieval castle and the Fisherman's Bastion, which looks like something straight out of a fairy tale book. And across the Danube, you can marvel at the famous Hungarian Parliament Building or visit the ruin bars, where abandoned buildings have been transformed into artsy drinking spots.

DAY 5: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

Up next is Bratislava, the capital of Slovakia. This city's packed with cosy pubs, gothic architecture, stylish coffee shops and historical monuments. At Christmastime, you've got a big helping of seasonal fun – as well as festive theatre shows, there are a few Christmas markets scattered about the streets. Keep your eyes peeled for the Christmas tram, too – this carriage gets a festive glow-up each year, lit up with hundreds of fairy lights.

DAY 6: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

The final day of your river cruise takes you back to Vienna. If you have time before your flight, you could do a final lap of Rathausplatz Christkindlmarkt, hop on a tram tour, or simply while away the afternoon in toasty coffee shops, where hot chocolates and apple strudels are sure to warm the cockles. You'll get the best part of a day to finish exploring the city before beginning your journey home.



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VIENNA, AUSTRIA




BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA



BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

MAP KEY

 Arrival and Departure
Vienna

 Transfer 50 minutes

TOP TIP

Make sure you swing by
Budapest's Central Market Hall,
where three floors are filled
with stalls selling keepsakes and
authentic Hungarian snacks.



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DANUBE

SAILING ON:
TUI MAYA

Festive Danube Delights

Austria steals the show on this five-night itinerary, which drops anchor in Vienna, Linz and Melk. You'll have a day in the Slovakian capital, Bratislava, too – its pretty old town's illuminated by twinkly fairy nights at this time of year.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Sip mulled wine at the world's biggest Christmas market in Vienna
- Listen to brass bands by Christmas lights in Krems' old town
- Marvel at grand architecture in Melk Abbey Church

DAY 1: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Your journey begins in Vienna. It's Austria's capital city, and at Christmastime, it transforms into a winter wonderland. In fact, it's home to the biggest Christmas market in the world, Rathausplatz Christkindlmarkt. Over a hundred stalls pop up by the city hall each year, accompanied by an ice rink, a gigantic Christmas tree, a carousel and much more. You can browse everything from traditional Austrian snacks to handmade decorations, all with a mulled wine in hand – it's as festive as can be.

DAY 2: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

You've got a little extra time to explore Vienna on the second day of your river cruise. If you're into culture, the museum quarter's the place to be. You could browse art galleries or learn about the city's musical history – it was once home to Mozart, so there's lots to unpack. Vienna's known for its palaces, too. One of the most popular tourist attractions in the city is Schönbrunn Palace, a UNESCO World Heritage site with grand interiors and pretty gardens.

DAY 3: LINZ, AUSTRIA

Next up on your sail down the Danube is Linz. During advent, this riverside city comes alive with shimmering Christmas trees by Baroque townhouses, and market stalls in wooden huts selling handmade gifts and crafts. Away from the hustle and bustle of the markets, there's a scattering of majestic cathedrals, plus a handful of museums and a big contemporary art centre packed with creative exhibitions.

DAY 4: MELK, AUSTRIA TO KREMS, AUSTRIA

Your first stop on day four of your cruise is Melk. We'd recommend a peek at Melk Abbey Church, where huge archways are embellished with gold – it's quite a sight to see. Right by the abbey, the Christmas markets are illuminated with strings of lights and lively stalls. You'll have a little time here, before heading on to Krems, a city famous for its winemaking. The old town's made up of Medieval alleyways, and at this time of year, they'll be filled with festive flair.

DAY 5: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

Day five takes you out of Austria and into Slovakia, where the capital city of Bratislava awaits. This place is surrounded by vineyards and is sprinkled with lively bars and restaurants, so you've hit the jackpot if you're into your food and drink. A wander around the old town's particularly lovely at Christmastime – the trees are wrapped in twinkling lights and the squares are filled with people weaving through festive market stalls.

DAY 6: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

The final day of your river cruise takes you back to where it all began – Vienna. If you've got some space in your suitcase, you could head back to Rathausplatz Christkindlmarkt for one last bit of Christmas shopping. Or, if you want to take things slowly, you could find a comfy spot in a coffee shop and sample Austrian pastries and hot chocolates before making your journey home.



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VIENNA, AUSTRIA



MAP KEY

Arrival and Departure
Vienna

Transfer 50 minutes

TOP TIP

When you visit Bratislava, be sure to try the national dish of bryndzové halušky – it involves Slovak dumplings that are made from potatoes and are smothered in cheese.



MELK, AUSTRIA



LINZ, AUSTRIA



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DANUBE

SAILING ON:
TUI MAYA

Austrian Christmas Flavours

This four-night itinerary's exclusively Austrian. Durnstein, Melk and Linz are all on the cards, as well as the capital, Vienna.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Mosey around Vienna's Christmas markets
- Explore the scenic Wachau Valley
- Visit Linz's modern museums

DAY 1: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

You can spend your first day feeling festive in Vienna. There are plenty of Christmas markets to mooch around, with the one right in the square, in front of the Rathaus town hall, being a firm favourite. If you're a Christmas market fanatic, Stephansplatz market's worth a visit, too – the traditional wooden huts wrap around St Stephen's Cathedral.

DAY 2: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

If you want to continue the festivities in to your second day in Vienna, you've got plenty of markets to choose from. Am Hof square's right in the city centre and sells arts and crafts with the backdrop of historic Viennese buildings. If you'd rather see the city's sights, take a stroll to the southern reaches, where you'll find Baroque palaces and grand concert halls.

DAY 3: DURNSTEIN, AUSTRIA TO MELK, AUSTRIA

You'll get a double helping of Austrian hotspots today, as you enter the scenic Wachau Valley. You'll start things off in Durnstein, a small town nestled in the middle of a bend in the river, and end it in Melk – a pocket-sized version of Vienna, with grand architecture and a picture-worthy old quarter. Plus, during winter, the villages sparkle with Christmas markets and the summer wine is turned into a warm tipple called glühwein.

DAY 4: LINZ, AUSTRIA

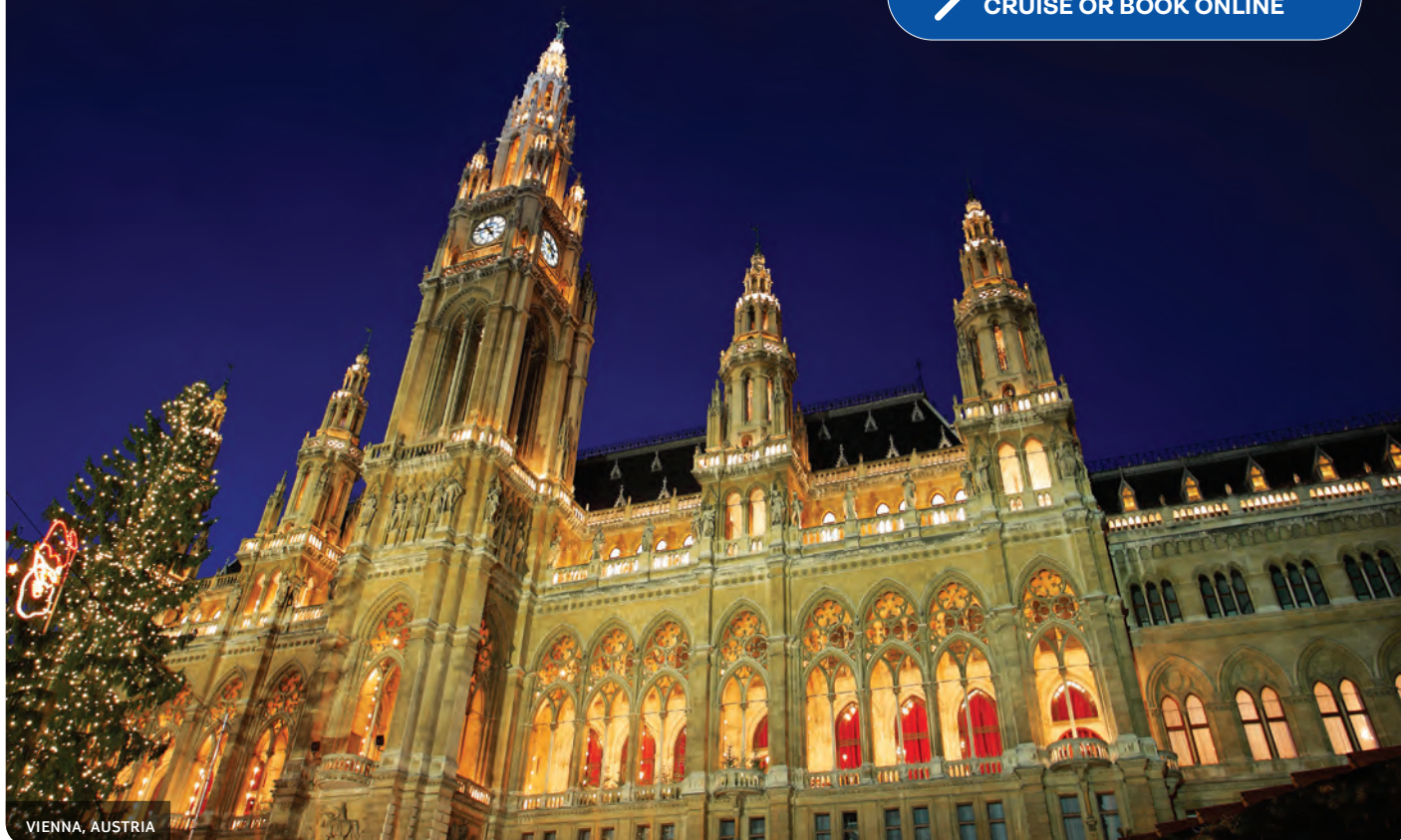
Today will be spent in Linz, Austria's third-largest city. Extravagant churches and Baroque buildings in the city centre contrast with the ultra-modern museums and art galleries on the riverfront, so you can get a taste of both the old and the new parts of the city.

DAY 5: LINZ, AUSTRIA

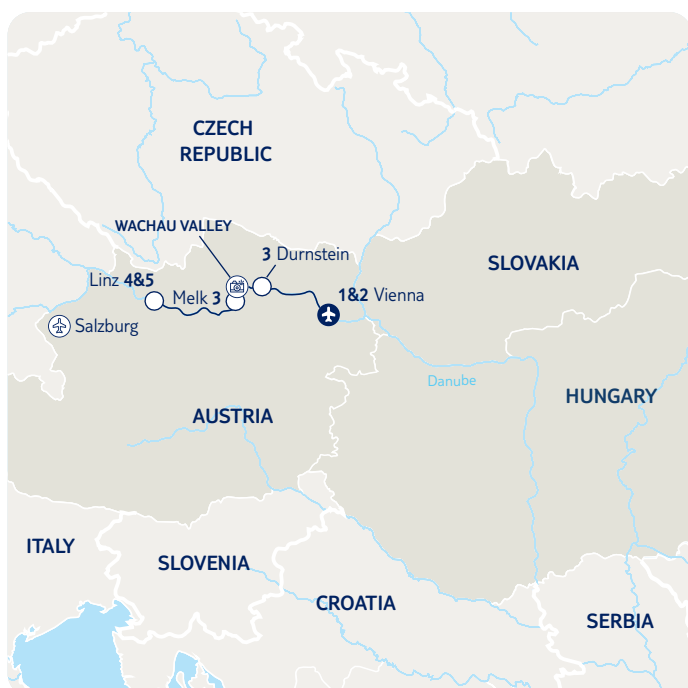
Your final day is in Linz, too. If you've seen all the traditional sights, you can end it on a festive note if you have time before your flight home. Head back into the main square to browse the golden-lit wooden huts gathered around the illuminated Christmas tree. You'll find handmade decorations, pottery, glassware and jewellery you can take home as a memento of your cruise.



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VIENNA, AUSTRIA



DURNSTEIN, AUSTRIA



MELK, AUSTRIA

MAP KEY

- Arrival Vienna
- Transfer 50 minutes
- Departure Salzburg
- Transfer 2 hours

TOP TIP

If you're feeling the winter chill, remember to try a glass of glühwein – it's Germany and Austria's version of mulled wine, with a whole concoction of different spices bundled together.



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RHINE

SAILING ON:
TUI SKYLA

Glühwein on the Rhine

Tick off three German cities over four nights on this itinerary. It starts and ends in Cologne, with stops at Dusseldorf and Koblenz sandwiched in between.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Check out Koblenz's building-sized advent calendar
- Visit Cologne's chocolate museum
- Ride the Ferris wheel in Dusseldorf

DAY 1: COLOGNE, GERMANY

Cologne's first up on your river cruise. Christmas markets spring up all over the city at this time of year, and the biggest one takes place in the shadow of the giant cathedral, which keeps watch over the city. There are three more major markets to check out, too. The Old Market's the most traditional, the Harbour Market is a haven for chocoholics, thanks to its plot next to the city's waterfront chocolate museum, while costumed angels on stilts wander among the stalls and spread glitter at Neumarkt.

DAY 2: DUSSELDORF, GERMANY

Dusseldorf's next up on the agenda. There's an old-meets-new feel to the city, with leggy skyscrapers rubbing shoulders with an historic old town. The latter's where the city's main Christmas market is held, too. The wooden stalls are designed to look like the city's Medieval townhouses, while a giant ice-skating rink and a 50-metre high Ferris wheel are on the cards if you're feeling daring. Just a five-minute stroll away, the Little Angel Market on Heinrich-Heine-Platz is the go-to place for handicrafts and souvenirs, plus a cute music pavilion in the heart of it.

DAY 3: KOBLENZ, GERMANY

You'll spend a few hours today in Koblenz, where the Rhine and Moselle rivers meet. The Christmas market takes centre stage in the heart of the town at this time of year, when more than a hundred stalls set up by the Baroque town hall. And that's a sight of its own in December, when its 24 windows gradually light up throughout the month to form a giant advent calendar.

DAY 4: COLOGNE, GERMANY

You'll come back to Cologne today, and if you've covered all the Christmas markets, how about heading to the chocolate museum we mentioned earlier? You can even get your own customised bar made while you wait. If you're a sportier type, there are loads of interactive exhibits at the Olympic Museum, next door, or you can amble around the narrow, cobbled streets in the old town.

DAY 5: COLOGNE, GERMANY

It's the last day of your cruise today, and one last chance to explore Cologne. Stroll along Schildergasse – the city's main shopping street – if you fancy taking some last-minute souvenirs home, or head to one of the taverns in the old town for a cold Kolsch. This local beer can only be brewed within 30 miles of Cologne to be considered the real deal, so it's as authentic as it gets.



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CRUISE OR BOOK ONLINE



COLOGNE, GERMANY



MAP KEY

Arrival and Departure
Dusseldorf

Transfer 1 hour

TOP TIP

Tuck in to a halve hahn in Cologne. This popular snack is made up of a buttered rye bread roll, which is filled with cheese, gherkins, raw onions and mustard, before being cut in half – hence the name.



KOBLENZ, GERMANY



DUSSELDORF, GERMANY



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RHINE

SAILING ON:
TUI SKYLA

A Christmastime on the Rhine

This five-night itinerary starts and finishes in one of the Rhine's mega-cities, Cologne. In between, you can snap up souvenirs from the Christmas markets in Koblenz, Speyer, Strasbourg and Rudesheim.



Best for: Hidden gems

HIGHLIGHTS

- See Rudesheim's giant nativity scene
- Bake Christmas cookies in Speyer
- Gawp at Strasbourg's giant cathedral

DAY 1: COLOGNE, GERMANY

Your river cruise starts today in Cologne – a city famous for its colossal cathedral. Christmas markets pop up all over town at this time of year as well, and the biggest one takes place right next to the iconic landmark. The Harbour Market, meanwhile, is beside the city's chocolate museum, so as you'd expect, there are plenty of sweet treats to snap up. And don't worry if you don't see everything today, as you'll be back in Cologne on the final day.

DAY 2: KOBLENZ, GERMANY

It's Koblenz's turn to impress today – the city where the Rhine and Moselle rivers meet. You can get a great view of the exact spot from the Ehrenbreitstein Fortress. The cable car is the best – and most scenic – way to reach it. The city's Christmas market is well underway at this time of year, as well, with more than a hundred stalls to wander around. It all takes place by the Baroque town hall, which becomes a sight of its own at this time of year, as its 24 windows gradually light up throughout December to create a giant advent calendar effect.

DAY 3: SPEYER, GERMANY

Today, you'll spend a few hours in the compact city of Speyer. At this time of year, its old quarter is taken over by the Christmas market, where festive-themed huts and stalls sit side-by-side along the paved streets. You can try your hand at baking Christmas cookies, and there's a whole section dedicated to handicrafts. You can also head over to the Old Gate, and skate around a 2,000-square-foot ice rink. Or, sit back in one of the many wine bars dotted around town for a glass of locally produced wine.

DAY 4: KEHL (FOR STRASBOURG) GERMANY

You'll anchor in Kehl today and take a short trip across the border to the French city of Strasbourg. You could be forgiven for thinking you haven't left Germany though as you wander around its pretty districts like La Petite France, which is filled with Bavarian-style half-timbered houses. The Christmas market's just like one you'd find over the border, too. It takes place next to the city's giant cathedral, and if that's not enough reason to look skywards, the enormous Christmas tree that all the stalls are clustered around just might be.

DAY 5: RUDESHEIM, GERMANY

Rudesheim takes the spotlight today. This quaint town comes to life during the festive period when its 'Christmas Market of Nations' showcases global festivities from across the world. On the food front, there's everything from Finnish to Far Eastern, and there are plenty of local delicacies, too, like Rudesheim coffee, which is mixed with local brandy and topped off with whipped cream. And check out the life-sized nativity scene while you're in town – it's one of Europe's biggest.

DAY 6: COLOGNE, GERMANY

You'll finish back where it all started today, in Cologne. If there's time before your flight and you missed any markets on day one, then you can bag some baubles before you head home. Or, take the weight off and grab a Kolsch while you're in town. This local beer can only be made within 30 miles of the city to be classed as the real deal, and it even has geographical protection from the EU to back it up.



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STRASBOURG, FRANCE



MAP KEY

Arrival and Departure
Dusseldorf

Transfer 1 hour

TOP TIP

Strasbourg was the first entire city centre in the world to be granted UNESCO World Heritage status, and you'll see more than one or two passing nods to this as you walk around town.



SPEYER, GERMANY



KOBLENZ, GERMANY



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RHINE

SAILING ON:
TUI SKYLA

Yuletide Flavours

The festive markets in Cologne, Koblenz and Dusseldorf are all on the agenda on this five-night itinerary. You'll spend a few hours in Bonn, as well – the former capital of West Germany.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit the Beethoven Museum in Bonn
- See UNESCO-stamped forts and palaces in Koblenz
- Check out Cologne's four big Christmas markets

DAY 1: COLOGNE, GERMANY

You'll start your river cruise today in Cologne. The giant Gothic cathedral soars above the skyline here and provides a scenic backdrop for the city's biggest Christmas market, which takes place right outside. It's one of four major markets that pop up around the city at this time of year, but don't worry if you can't get round them all today, as you'll be here again tomorrow, and on day six.

DAY 2: COLOGNE, GERMANY

Today's a second chance to see Cologne's Christmas markets, and each of them offers something slightly different. The Old Market's the most traditional, the Harbour Market makes the most of its plot next to the city's chocolate museum, while costumed angels on stilts wander among the stalls and spread glitter at Neumarkt.

DAY 3: KOBLENZ, GERMANY

You'll drop anchor in Koblenz, today – the city where the Rhine and Moselle rivers meet. You can visit the exact spot – Deutsches Eck – and take a cable car up to Ehrenbreitstein Fortress for the best bird's-eye views. Back in town, the Christmas market takes centre stage, when more than a hundred stalls set up shop by the

impressive Baroque town hall. And that's a sight in itself at this time of year, as its 24 windows gradually light up throughout December to form a giant advent calendar.

DAY 4: BONN, GERMANY

You'll spend a few hours today in the city of Bonn. When it comes to sightseeing, you can tick off presidential palaces, thousand-year-old churches and a variety of museums, including one dedicated to the late great composer, Beethoven, who was born here. Christmas markets are on the cards, too. They pop up all over and turn the city's squares into Christmas villages, where the smell of gingerbread and mulled wine wafts through the air.

DAY 5: DUSSELDORF, GERMANY

You'll spend today in Dusseldorf. This modern metropolis is the second-largest city on the Rhine, where skyscrapers rub shoulders with Medieval townhouses and the city's ancient old town. That's where you'll find the main Christmas market, too. Alongside the stalls, there's a giant ice-skating rink and a 50-metre-high Ferris wheel, if you fancy seeing the city from above. And take a trip to the Little Angel Market while you're in town. That's where you'll find the best crafts and handmade souvenirs, plus a cute music pavilion in the middle.

DAY 6: COLOGNE, GERMANY

It's back to Cologne for your final day, and one last chance to check out the city's Christmas markets. If you'd prefer to round things off with some sightseeing, you can get your own customised bar made for you at the chocolate museum on the waterfront or check out the interactive exhibits at the Olympic Museum next door. Or, head to one of the city's taverns for a cold Kolsch. This local beer can only be made in Cologne or the surrounding area to be considered the real deal.



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS CRUISE OR BOOK ONLINE

COLOGNE, GERMANY




BONN, GERMANY



KOBLENZ, GERMANY

MAP KEY

 Arrival and Departure
Dusseldorf

 Transfer 1 hour

TOP TIP

Tuck in to a handbrotzeit at one of Cologne's Christmas markets. Warm bread's served straight from the oven and filled with melted cheese and ham or melted cheese with mushrooms for an ideal winter warmer.



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Sailing away for festive days

Fancy celebrating Christmas Day on the Continent? Or how about seeing in the new year at a gala dinner? Here's a look at what you can expect on our **Christmas** and **New Year** sailings along the Rhine and the Danube...



ONBOARD

- Try regional **Christmas dishes** in our restaurants, as well as favourites from home.
- Warm up with a **speciality hot chocolate**, or some **mulled wine**.
- Join activities like **festive food demonstrations** and **festive crafts**.
- Snuggle up at our **festive film screenings**.
- Look forward to **local acts**, bringing their own Christmas traditions onboard.

ASHORE

- Take a walk around **Antwerp's** Christmas market on Christmas Day.
- Spend Christmas morning sailing along the UNESCO-stamped **Rhine Gorge**.
- See the spectacular New Year's Eve fireworks in **Cologne**.
- Take a Boxing Day dip in **Budapest's** thermal baths.
- Be dazzled by **Nijmegen's** Festival of Light at the Museum Park Orientalis.



CHRISTMAS DAY CRUISES

You're in for a thoroughly festive treat if you choose one of our sailings that includes **Christmas Day**. There'll be a welcome event with mulled wine, and carols to get you in the spirit. Plus, you can join a drinks reception on Christmas Eve. A word to the wise though – if you're planning to visit a Christmas market, most of these are usually wrapped up before the big day.



NEW YEAR'S EVE CRUISES

On our **New Year** itineraries, you can celebrate at a gala dinner, followed by a party with extra entertainment and an obligatory countdown to midnight. You can recharge the next day with a New Year's Day brunch. We also put on a drinks reception and extra entertainment, as well as decorations in Observatory.

FEELING IN THE FESTIVE MOOD?

See our itineraries on the following pages.

Planned activities subject to change.



RHINE

SAILING ON:
TUI ISLA

North Rhine Noël

You'll visit three countries on this seven-night itinerary, including Germany and the Netherlands, plus Belgium on Christmas Day and Boxing Day.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Take a hike in the Netherlands' oldest city
- Visit Antwerp's Christmas market on Christmas Day
- Head up the Euromast Tower in Rotterdam

DAY 1: DUSSELDORF, GERMANY

Dusseldorf is first up on your river cruise today. Modern meets Medieval here, with soaring skyscrapers and a historic old town sitting side by side. Christmas markets take place all over the city, too, and if past years are anything to go by, then you should be right in time for them. You'll be back in Dusseldorf on days seven and eight, as well, so if you miss anything today, you'll have another chance to see it at the end of your river cruise.

DAY 2: NIJMEGEN, THE NETHERLANDS

It's Christmas Eve today, and you'll spend it in the Netherlands' oldest city, Nijmegen. Naturally, it boasts the oldest shopping street in the country, as well – Lange Hezelstraat. If you're looking for a unique last-minute gift, the shops along here sell everything from wooden clogs to tulip-decorated ceramics. And if you've already wrapped everything up before the big day, you can head out on a hike instead. There are loads of routes around the city, including a lengthy nature trail along the riverfront.

DAY 3: ANTWERP, BELGIUM

You'll spend most of Christmas Day in Antwerp – a city that's known for its flashy diamond district and Renaissance architecture. While most places are likely to be closed, the Christmas markets will be open until the early evening. They're spread around the city centre, with the main one taking place in Grote Markt – the city's historical centre. If you'd prefer to stay on the ship today, there'll be plenty of festivities onboard to celebrate the big day.

DAY 4: GHENT, BELGIUM

You'll spend Boxing Day in the cosy city of Ghent. This place is a firm favourite with history buffs, thanks to its Medieval buildings, like the 12th-century Gravensteen castle and the Graslei – a row of pointed guildhalls beside the harbour. There's another Christmas market to wander around, too, if you fancy it. More than 150 stalls are spread out around the city's historical centre, selling everything from fancy trinkets to handmade keepsakes.

DAY 5: ROTTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS

You'll head back across the border to the Netherlands' second-largest city today – Rotterdam. The country's five tallest buildings can all be found here, hence the city's nickname – Manhattan at the Meuse. It's Europe's biggest seaport, too, so there's a whole load of ocean-inspired history to find out about. Check out the Maritime Museum, which has been open since 1874, and houses more than 850,000 nautical-themed items.

DAY 6: ARNHEM, THE NETHERLANDS

A shop-filled centre and lots of pea-green public parks give Arnhem an up-to-date look compared to some of its neighbours. Saying that, it was a major player in World War Two, so it doesn't hold back on history either. It's got a great collection of museums and galleries, plus its train station has been given an abstract makeover, making it worthy of a photo stop.

DAY 7: DUSSELDORF, GERMANY

You'll head back to Dusseldorf today. The city's old town is known as 'The Longest Bar in the World' for the sheer number of breweries and bars that are packed together. If you do fancy a tipple, try the city's signature style of beer – altbier. It's deep ruby red in colour, and is always served in smaller measures to make sure your drink stays crisp and fresh.

DAY 8: DUSSELDORF, GERMANY

You'll spend the final few hours of your river cruise in Dusseldorf. If you have time, check out Little Tokyo – home to the biggest Japanese community in Germany. Freshly rolled sushi and steaming bowls of ramen are easy to find here, and you can even visit a Japanese garden filled with pagoda-style tea houses and temples.



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DUSSELDORF, GERMANY



MAP KEY

➔ Arrival and Departure
Dusseldorf

🚆 Transfer 20 minutes

TOP TIP

Make a beeline for Markthal in Rotterdam if you fancy trying something a little different. It's home to around a hundred food stalls serving up dishes from all over the world, from Korean to Greek and Portuguese.



ANTWERP, BELGIUM



NIJMEGEN, THE NETHERLANDS



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RHINE

SAILING ON:
TUI SKYLA

Festive Fairy Tale

Half-timbered houses along the riverbank, cobbled old towns and Cologne's colossal cathedral all feature on this seven-night itinerary. And you'll sail into Rudesheim on Christmas Day, in the heart of German wine country.



Best for: Hidden gems

HIGHLIGHTS

- Celebrate Christmas Day in Rudesheim
- Sip Kölsch beer in a traditional tavern
- Hop between Cologne's museums

DAY 1: COLOGNE, GERMANY

Start your Christmas adventure in Cologne. Though the festive markets may be finished, this culture-packed city has no shortage of photo stops. Cologne's colossal cathedral is a must see with twin spires that soar 157 metres in the sky. With insides brimming with art and bejewelled treasures, this gothic masterpiece is one of the most popular sights in Germany. Elsewhere, a crop of first-class museums share the limelight. Top picks include the city's chocolate museum and a fragrance spot looking back on the origins of eau de cologne.

DAY 2: COLOGNE, GERMANY

Christmas Eve arrives with another full day in Cologne. The city really quietens down today, but some of the traditional taverns and old-school brewing houses in the charming Old Town may still be open. Sip on a Kölsch in a traditional tavern and trade toasts with passing travellers – this local beer is unique to Cologne, so you can't get it anywhere else.

DAY 3: RUDESHEIM, GERMANY

On Christmas Day you'll sail into Rudesheim, a little town in the heart of Germany's wine country. The riverbanks of this storybook spot are crowned by Medieval castles and

crumbling fortresses. Glance over at the vineyard-clad slopes for a taste of what's in store at the wineries and bars found dotted around the town.

DAY 4: SPEYER, GERMANY

Speyer is the star of the show on Boxing Day. This two thousand-year-old city is crammed with churches and a big Romanesque cathedral. For far-reaching views across the cityscape, make a beeline for the clock tower. The historic landmark was once the entrance through the city's walls – today visitors can make their way inside and spy out over the bustling city below from the top of the tower.

DAY 5: KEHL (FOR STRASBOURG), GERMANY

You'll anchor in Kehl today and take a short trip across the border to the French city of Strasbourg. You could be forgiven for thinking you haven't left Germany as you wander around this UNESCO-backed city's pretty districts like La Petite France, which is filled with Bavarian-style half-timbered houses. For a fusion of French and German flavours, foodies can make tracks for Place Keber. Continental restaurants line the bustling square and wow punters with their best-of-both-worlds cuisine.

DAY 6: MAINZ, GERMANY

You'll spend the morning in Mainz. Half-timbered houses rub shoulders with beer taverns and tucked-away restaurants in the Kirschgarten area of town. You'll want to keep your camera handy for Mainz's thousand-year-old cathedral, too. Sacred tombs are nestled inside, along with ancient artwork.

DAY 7: KOBLENZ, GERMANY

You'll have a full day to explore Koblenz today. Thanks to its perch in the Rhineland wine-growing region, this place is the perfect stop-in for a tasty tippie or two. When your glass is empty, why not head out for a stroll around the town? Sights include the Electoral Palace and the German Corner, where the Rhine and Moselle rivers meet.

DAY 8: COLOGNE, GERMANY

You'll spend your last day back where you started, in Cologne. If there's time before your flight home, use it to fit in some final sightseeing. Art fans might like to hop between museums in the time-stamped old town. Or, hit the streets to check out the colour-splashed murals that have put Ehrenfeld on the map as one of the trendiest districts in the city.



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS CRUISE OR BOOK ONLINE



COLOGNE, GERMANY



MAP KEY

Arrival and Departure
Dusseldorf

Transfer 1 hour

TOP TIP

Koblenz is famed for its top-class wine, so be sure to pop into a winery and pick up a couple of bottles of red to take home with you.



SPEYER, GERMANY



RUDESHEIM, GERMANY



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**DANUBE**SAILING ON:
TUI MAYA

Danube Christmas Treasures

Wake up on Christmas morning in Vienna on this seven-night itinerary, which stops off in four countries – Germany, Austria, Hungary and Slovakia.

**Best for: Cities**

HIGHLIGHTS

- Celebrate Christmas Day in Vienna
- Have a glass of glühwein in Melk
- Take a Boxing Day dip in Budapest's thermal baths

DAY 1: PASSAU, GERMANY

Your first stop is Passau – a small German town snuggled up to the Austrian border, where the Danube meets the Inn and Ilz rivers. Head to St Stephen's Cathedral in the heart of Passau to eye up its white towers and blue-green domes. And if the Christmas markets are open, you can get a taste of gingerbread and other festive sweet treats.

DAY 2: LINZ, AUSTRIA

Linz is on the itinerary today. It's Austria's third-largest city and it gives you a taste of the old and the new. Extravagant churches and Baroque buildings take residence in the city centre and ultra-modern museums and art galleries sit on the riverfront. Plus, at Christmas time, the main square is lit up and the markets may still be open selling handmade decorations.

DAY 3: MELK, AUSTRIA TO KREMS, AUSTRIA

Your day will start off in Melk, in the scenic Wachau Valley. It's a pocket-sized version of Vienna with grand architecture and a picture-worthy old quarter. Plus, if the Christmas markets are still open, you can try a glass of their mulled wine – AKA glühwein.

Then, it's off to the under-the-radar town of Krems. The Piarist Church and a string of art galleries are some of the biggest draws here.

DAY 4: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Christmas Eve will be spent in Vienna. If the Christmas markets are open, you can do some last-minute shopping. If not, there are still plenty of festive sights to lay your eyes on, with the illuminated Christmas tree taking centre stage in front of the Rathaus town hall. You can also tick off Schonbrunn Palace and the Kunsthistorisches Museum, which has more art than you could shake a paintbrush at.

DAY 5: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Merry Christmas! Part of your Christmas Day will be spent in Vienna. Most attractions will be closed, but you can walk off your festive dinner with a stroll to the city's southern reaches, where you'll find Baroque palaces and grand concert halls. There are also plenty of activities on the ship to help you get into the Christmas spirit.

DAY 6: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

What better way to spend Boxing Day than taking a relaxing thermal bath? Even though some shops and attractions may be shut, Budapest's iconic thermal baths are open if you fancy a dip. Plus, if you want a slow-paced Boxing Day walk, you can tick off sights like the Hungarian Parliament Building, St Stephen's Basilica and Buda Castle.

DAY 7: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

You'll have a few hours in Bratislava today. You can get an eyeful of the city from the UFO Observation Deck. This 100-metre-tall viewing deck is part of the futuristic New Bridge that crosses the Danube. If you fancy a bite to eat, there's a restaurant in the UFO that dishes up Slovakian dishes. Plus, you can pair it with a visit to Bratislava Castle – it's built from snow-white stone and topped with terracotta turrets.

DAY 8: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

It's back to Vienna for your last day of sailing. You can tick off all the things you missed on your earlier visit. Whether that's shopping in the golden quarter, catching a classical music performance or riding the giant Ferris wheel, the city has plenty more left to uncover.



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS CRUISE OR BOOK ONLINE

PASSAU, GERMANY







MELK, AUSTRIA



LINZ, AUSTRIA

MAP KEY

-  Arrival
Munich
-  Transfer 2 hours
-  Departure Vienna
-  Transfer 50 minutes

TOP TIP

If you fancy a massage or a plunge in the private bath in Budapest's Gellert Spa, remember to book well in advance.



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RHINE

SAILING ON:
TUI ISLA

A New Year Sail Away

Sail into 2026 on this seven-night itinerary, which includes a couple of days in Amsterdam and a spectacular firework display in Koblenz on New Year's Eve.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- See in the new year in Koblenz
- Visit Arnhem's riverside art galleries
- Go on a sightseeing cruise along Amsterdam's canals

DAY 1: DUSSELDORF, GERMANY

Your river cruise starts today in Dusseldorf. Much of the city was flattened during the Second World War, so the leggy skyscrapers and pristine parks that sprung up in the post-war years give it a more modern feel than lots of other German cities. That said, the Altstadt – or old town – remained largely intact, so traditional taverns and Medieval architecture are still the norm here. In fact, the old town is nicknamed 'The Longest Bar in the World', thanks to the huge number of watering holes you'll find here.

DAY 2: KOBLENZ, GERMANY

It's New Year's Eve today, and you'll welcome in 2026 in the picturesque city of Koblenz. The waterfront's sprinkled with UNESCO-stamped forts and palaces, while fairy tale castles sit on the hilltops on the edge of town. And once you're finished sightseeing for the day, make sure you're on the top deck well in time for midnight, when the riverside's lit up by a spectacular firework display to see in the new year.

DAY 3: RUDESHEIM, GERMANY

You'll set off from Koblenz this morning and sail along the Rhine Gorge – a UNESCO-stamped stretch of the Rhine that's

scattered with centuries-old castles, hilltop fortresses and terraced vineyards. Later, you'll anchor in Rudesheim. This town's in the heart of wine country, and its narrow, cobbled Medieval lanes are packed with wine taverns and trinket shops.

DAY 4: COLOGNE, GERMANY

As you approach Cologne, you'll spot the city's cathedral spires from a way off. When you dock, you can head straight to the Kolner Dom to see its golden shrine, huge crucifix and intricate altar painting. You can also climb to the south tower viewing platform and admire the largest free-swinging working bell in the world. Later, there's time to grab a beer – like how Champagne can only come from a specific region of France, the local Kolsch beer has to be brewed in Cologne.

DAY 5: ARNHEM, THE NETHERLANDS

You'll cross the border into the Netherlands today, and the city of Arnhem. Large parts of the city were destroyed during the Second World War, but it's reinvented itself since with a thriving art scene. There are loads of riverside museums and galleries to browse, and even the main train station is worth popping into for a quick photo, thanks to its abstract makeover.

DAY 6: ROTTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS

Today's dedicated to Rotterdam, Europe's biggest port. Start off by getting a bird's-eye view of the city from the top of the Euromast Tower – the city's tallest building. Snap some photos from the viewing platform, then head to the restaurant for a sweet stroopwafel pastry. Afterwards, go for a wander around the city's collection of art galleries, where you'll see pieces by Rembrandt and Van Gogh, or check out the

Maritime Museum, which houses more than 850,000 ocean-inspired items.

DAY 7: AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS

You'll spend today and tomorrow in Amsterdam. Criss-crossed by canals, it's known as the Venice of the north – and the best way to view it all is by boat. Sightseeing cruises have been running up and down the city's waterways since 1621. From the water, you can pass landmarks like the Anne Frank Museum and the Red Light District, and you can get on and off as you please to explore. Just so you know, due to the limited number of central berths in Amsterdam, we sometimes have to berth in nearby Coenhaven – a shuttle bus to and from Amsterdam will be provided on days in port.

DAY 8: AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS

It's the final day of your river cruise today, and if you have time, head over to the aptly named Museumplein, where three major museums line up alongside each other. See the classics in the Rijksmuseum and the Van Gogh Museum, then pop to the Stedelijk Museum of modern art for more contemporary pieces.



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS CRUISE OR BOOK ONLINE

KOBLENZ, GERMANY



MAP KEY

-  **Arrival**
Dusseldorf
-  **Transfer** 20 minutes
-  **Departure** Amsterdam
-  **Transfer** 40 minutes

TOP TIP

Wander Rotterdam's Delfshaven district. It's the city's equivalent to Copenhagen's Nyhavn, with 17th-century houses, antique shops and gin bars lining the canalfront.



RUDESHEIM, GERMANY



DUSSELDORF, GERMANY



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RHINE

SAILING ON:
TUI SKYLA

A New Year on the Rhine

See out 2025 in Cologne, then spend the first day of the new year in the Netherlands' oldest city, Nijmegen, on this seven-night itinerary. Mega cities like Dusseldorf and Frankfurt feature, too.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Celebrate the new year in Cologne
- See Dusseldorf's gravity-defying architecture
- Sip Kölsch beer in a traditional tavern

DAY 1: COLOGNE, GERMANY

You'll start your river cruise today in Cologne. Traditional brewing houses, cobbled streets and a medley of museums keep crowds flocking to the culture-packed Old Town. Then, there's Cologne Cathedral – the gothic masterpiece that's kept an eye over the city centre for more than 150 years.

DAY 2: COLOGNE, GERMANY

Bring in the new year in style in Cologne. You'll get to see the banks of the River Rhine bursting with colour when Germany's biggest fireworks show takes over the city at night. You'll want to keep your camera handy to snap the moment the colossal cathedral is backlit by a kaleidoscope of dancing pyrotechnics.

DAY 3: NIJMEGEN, THE NETHERLANDS

Today's New Year's Day and you'll anchor at Nijmegen – the oldest city in the Netherlands. This place, along with its canal-facing restaurants and bars, is home to the highest density of al fresco terraces in Holland. Naturally, dining out is the 'in' thing, and the foodie scene is designed to fit all.

The shopping scene is just as special. Nijmegen shows off the oldest shopping centre in the Netherlands. Tulip-decorated ceramics and wooden clogs are just a few of its treasures.

DAY 4: DUSSELDORF, GERMANY

Dusseldorf's century-spanning street scene tops the bill today. Swing past the Media Harbour to cast your eye on the gravity-defying buildings that make Dusseldorf's steel-speckled skyline world class. Or, make a beeline for the luxury boutiques that line the banks of the city's winding moat. For bustling bars and breweries amble down to Old Town – don't forget to try Altbie, the city's syrupy signature brew.

DAY 5: BONN, GERMANY

You'll arrive in the city of Bonn today. The birthplace of Beethoven is packed with museums honouring its most famous resident. You can tour the townhouse where the star composer once lived and see the original scores and handwritten letter he left behind. Beyond the popular museum, the city centre and its fringes are bursting with life. Broad cobbled streets, waterfront parks and bustling markets are just a few of the highlights.

DAY 6: BOPPARD, GERMANY TO RUDESHEIM, GERMANY

Enter wine country on this day of two halves, featuring Boppard and Rudesheim. Boppard's old-world streets are teeming with history and culture. It's no secret that the town's super famous for its grapes, and at every turn you'll find cosy taverns flaunting the local vino. Rudesheim, meanwhile boasts a thousand-year-old castle, and Medieval streets lined with trinket shops.

DAY 7: FRANKFURT, GERMANY

You'll explore Frankfurt today, with its New York-esque skyline. Hop on the Ebbelwei Express tram to see the city from its best angles. Culture vultures, meanwhile, can get their art fix at any of the army of museums here. The 200-year-old Stadel Museum is a headliner with collections by virtuosos like van Gogh, Rembrandt and Monet.

DAY 8: FRANKFURT, GERMANY

Today's the final day of your sailing and – if you have time – a chance to check out the city's old town. Römerberg Square is famous for its reconstructed half-timbered houses, while the Kaiserdom – a Gothic-style cathedral – is a must-see if you like your architecture.



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS CRUISE OR BOOK ONLINE

COLOGNE, GERMANY



DUSSELDORF, GERMANY



NIJMEGAN, THE NETHERLANDS

MAP KEY

- Arrival**
Dusseldorf
- Transfer** 1 hour
- Departure** Frankfurt
- Transfer** 40 minutes

TOP TIP

Get your best photos in Cologne – its twin-spired cathedral is iconic. For wow-factor views, climb to the top where you'll be rewarded with city panoramas.



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DANUBE

SAILING ON:
TUI MAYA

A Danube New Year

Hilltop castles, cobbled old towns and colourful riverside buildings are just a flavour of what you can expect on this seven-night sailing. Plus, you'll see in the New Year in style in Budapest.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Get cosy in a coffee house in Vienna
- Visit Esztergom's massive basilica
- See the New Year's Eve fireworks in Budapest

DAY 1: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Your sailing kicks off in Vienna, Austria's capital. The ship will stay docked here overnight, giving you bags of time to get acquainted with the city. Head out for a ride on a horse-drawn carriage – they're basically taxis here. Or, take a peek inside the 13th-century Hofburg Palace.

DAY 2: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

You've got more time to explore Vienna today. Get your steps in with a walk in one of the city's parks, or get your culture fix in its churches, libraries and opera houses. Some of Vienna's Christmas markets are still open, too, so you can soak up the last of the festivities with a mulled wine.

DAY 3: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

You'll arrive in Budapest this afternoon, so there's some time to get stuck into Hungary's historic capital. The city's split in half by the Danube – Buda is home to the famous 18th-century castle, while Pest is best-known for its ruin bars and the distinctive Parliament Building.

DAY 4: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Today's New Year's Eve, and you'll be seeing in the new year with an impressive fireworks display. Warm up with a few drinks in one of the city's unique ruin bars beforehand, or tick some more spots off your sightseeing list – the city's thermal spas are well worth a visit.

DAY 5: ESZTERGOM, HUNGARY

You'll kick off the New Year with a half day in Esztergom – a Hungarian city best known for its huge basilica that stands tall above a bend in the river. You can eye it up from the quiet riverside walking paths, or visit it up close to check out the views of the buildings, hills and water below.

DAY 6: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

Today's destination is Slovakia's capital. A wander around the city's cobbled old town is a must, and so's a visit to its hillside castle, which lines up some of the best views around. To see it from another angle, head to Michael's Gate – a 14th-century fortified gate with a 51-metre-high tower.

DAY 7: DURNSTEIN, AUSTRIA

You'll arrive in Durnstein today, after sailing through the scenic Wachau Valley. This place takes its name from a castle that once stood on its steep hillside. It's well known for growing apricots, so you'll find plenty of apricot jams, liquors and sweet treats in the souvenir shops in the old town.

DAY 8: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

It's the last day of your cruise today, and you'll be spending it right where you started, in Vienna. If there's time before your flight, get cosy in one of the city's coffee houses. Make like the locals and order an Einspänner coffee – a double espresso served with a hefty helping of whipped cream.



VIENNA, AUSTRIA




BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA



BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

MAP KEY

 Arrival and Departure
Vienna

 Transfer 50 minutes

TOP TIP

Don't miss the chance to try some Hungarian street food in Budapest, like lagos – deep-fried flatbreads topped with sour cream and cheese.



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Keeping our rivers clean

DOING OUR BIT

We want to keep Europe's waterways as pristine as possible. Read on to find out what we're doing to help the environment and local communities...

- ✓ After revamping all of our ships, we donated all the old furniture to a charity in the Netherlands.
- ✓ Some of the carpets around the ship are made from recycled fishing nets.
- ✓ Single-use plastic's kept to a minimum onboard, and any plastic that we do use is recycled. Reusable bottles are provided in every cabin, and they're yours to keep.
- ✓ We don't use plastic straws in our drinks, only paper ones.
- ✓ We try to use locally sourced produce where possible.
- ✓ You can access our Cruise News on our Navigate app, which means we don't have to print paper copies.
- ✓ You'll find recycling bins in all of the ship's public areas.

DOING YOUR BIT

A few simple changes can help make your holiday a sustainable one – from exploring ashore to keeping your towels for a few extra days...

- ✓ Buy local – get your souvenirs and gifts from a local craft shop.
- ✓ Drink local – go for a drink in a café while exploring. You never know, you might find a hidden gem.
- ✓ Keep your towels or bed linen for longer – chances are you don't wash them at home every day, so why do it on holiday?
- ✓ Save water – turn off taps when you're not using them.
- ✓ Help the TUI Care Foundation make a difference in the communities we sail to by donating a few pounds when you book.

Want to know more?

Visit our sustainability hub online to learn more about how we're reducing our environmental impact.
tui.co.uk/destinations/info/sustainability



TUI Maya & TUI Isla Deck plan

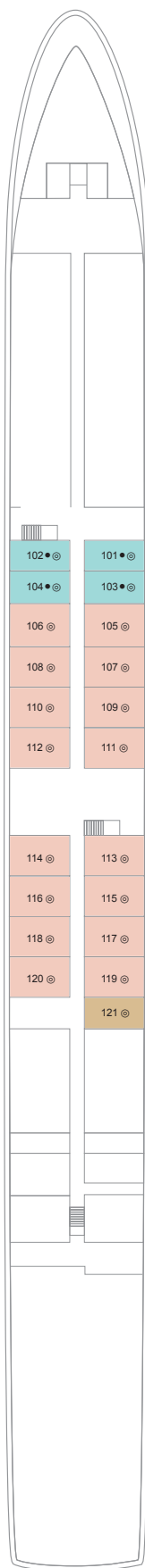
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- Standard (Deck 1)
- Standard (Deck 2)
- Superior
- French Balcony (Deck 2)
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- Superior French Balcony (Deck 3)
- French Balcony Suite (Deck 2)
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- Single
- Single French Balcony
- Fixed Bed
- Porthole window
- Picture window

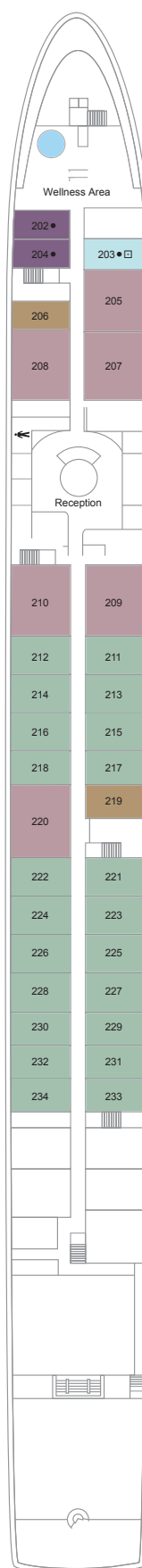
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Beam: 11.4m

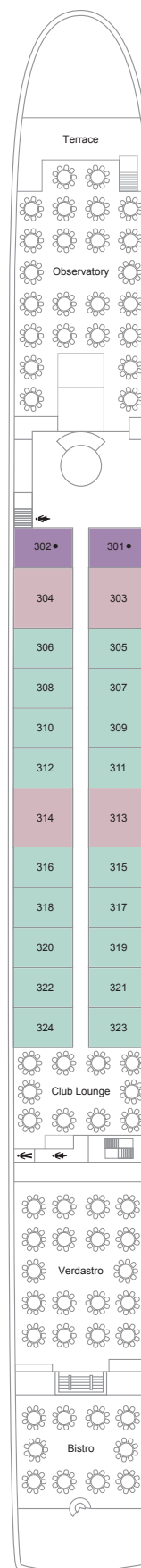


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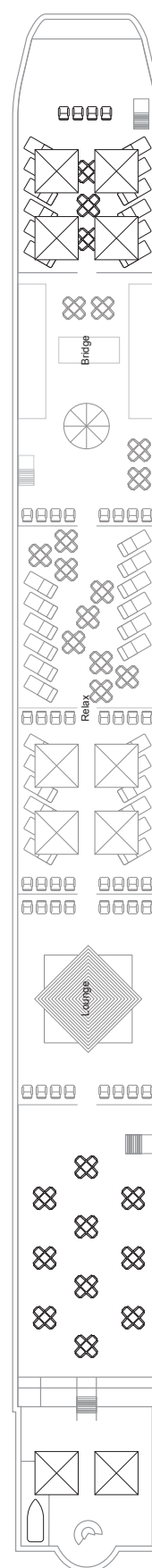
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- Wellness Area
- Reception



DECK 3












- Observatory
- Terrace
- Bistro
- Verdaastro
- Club Lounge



DECK 4

TUI Skyla Deck plan

YOUR KEY TO CABIN CATEGORIES

-  Standard (Deck 1)
-  Standard (Deck 2)
-  Superior
-  French Balcony (Deck 2)
-  French Balcony (Deck 3)
-  Superior French Balcony (Deck 2)
-  Superior French Balcony (Deck 3)
-  French Balcony Suite (Deck 2)
-  French Balcony Suite (Deck 3)
-  Single
-  Single French Balcony

- Fixed Bed
- ⊙ Porthole window
- Picture window

- Cabins: 77
- Length: 135m
- Beam: 11.4m



- DECK 2**
- Wellness Area
 - Reception



- Observatory
- Terrace
- Bistro
- Verdaströ
- Club Lounge



TUI Alma Deck plan

YOUR KEY TO CABIN CATEGORIES

- Standard (Deck 1)
- Standard (Deck 2)
- Superior
- French Balcony (Deck 2)
- French Balcony (Deck 3)
- Superior French Balcony (Deck 2)
- Superior French Balcony (Deck 3)
- French Balcony Suite (Deck 2)
- French Balcony Suite (Deck 3)
- Single
- Single French Balcony
- Fixed Bed
- Porthole window
- Picture window

Cabins: 62
Length: 80m
Beam: 11.4m



DECK 1

DECK 2

• Sorriso Restaurant

DECK 3

• The Retreat
• Vinha Restaurant
• Novo Lounge Bar

DECK 4

• Cinder Restaurant

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Al Horeya Deck plan

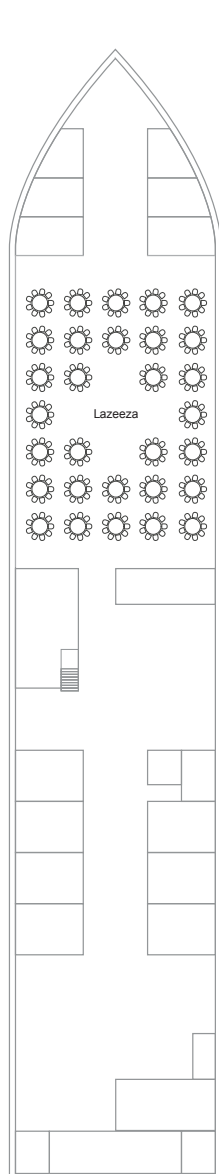
YOUR KEY TO CABIN CATEGORIES

- Superior French Balcony (Deck 2 & 3)
- Superior French Balcony (Deck 4)
- French Balcony Suite (Deck 2)
- Balcony Suite (Deck 3)
- Single
- Picture window

Cabins: 74

Length: 72m

Beam: 14.4m



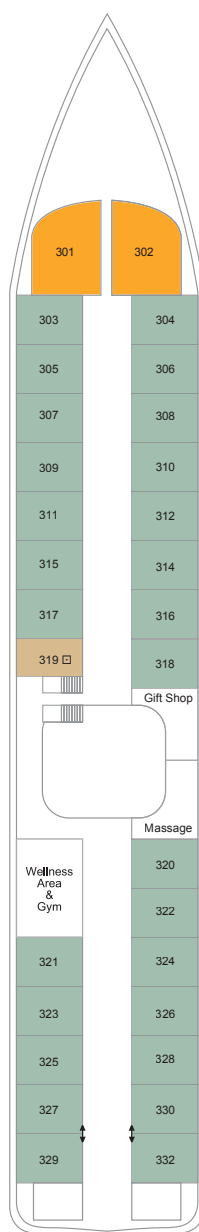
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- Lazeeza Restaurant



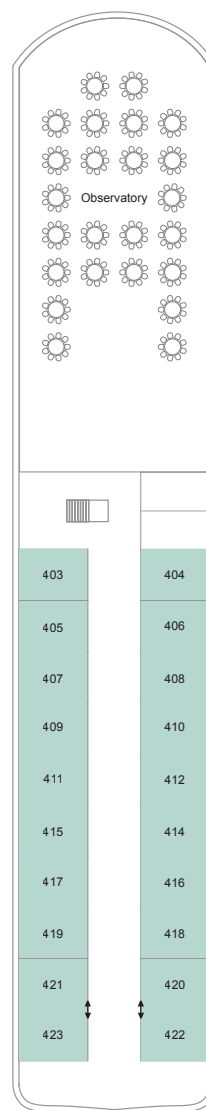
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- Reception



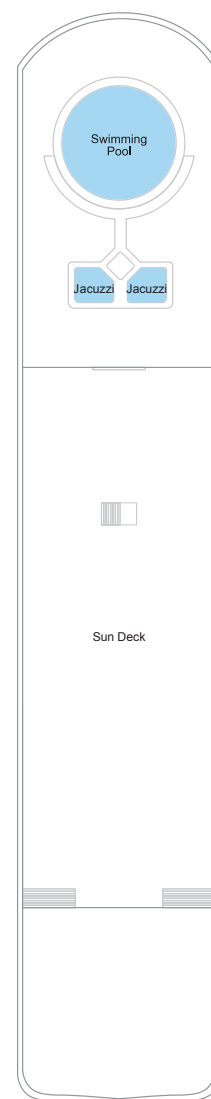
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- Wellness Area
- Gift Shop



DECK 4

- Observatory



DECK 5

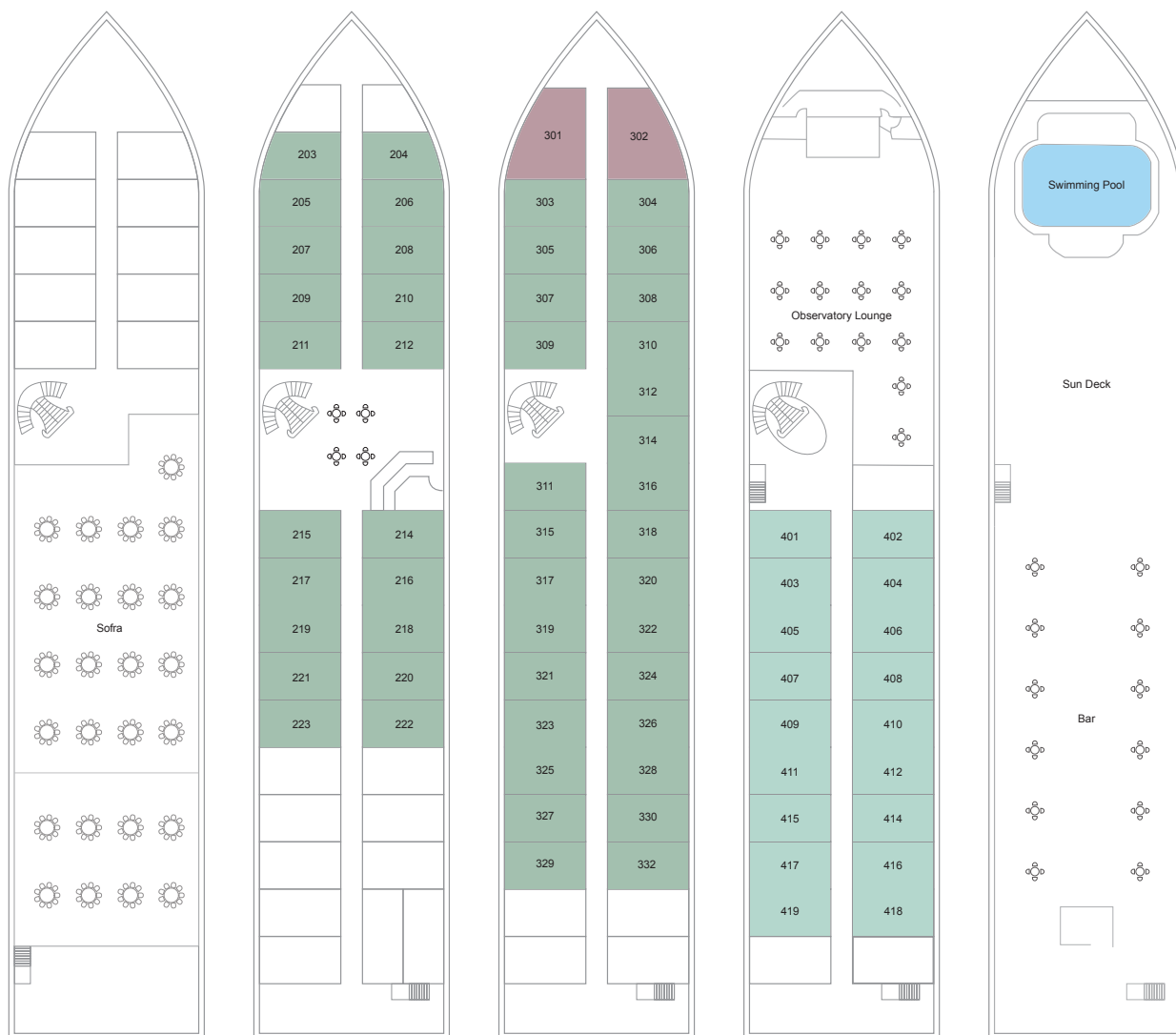
- Felucca Bar & Restaurant
- Sun Deck
- Swimming Pool
- Jacuzzi

TUI Bahareya Deck plan

Cabins: 68

Length: 72m

Beam: 14.4m



DECK 1

• Sofra Restaurant

DECK 2

DECK 3

DECK 4

• Observatory

DECK 4

• Swimming pool

YOUR KEY TO CABIN CATEGORIES

Standard (Deck 1)

Standard (Deck 2)

Superior

French Balcony (Deck 2)

French Balcony (Deck 3)

Superior French Balcony (Deck 2)

Superior French Balcony (Deck 3)

French Balcony Suite (Deck 2)

French Balcony Suite (Deck 3)

Single

Single French Balcony

• Fixed Bed

⊙ Porthole window

□ Picture window

Come fly with us

We want to make your cruise as hassle-free as possible, which is why all of our itineraries include direct flights from the UK. Here's the lowdown...

We've teamed up with a collection of leading airlines, including **British Airways**, **Lufthansa**, **KLM**, **Eurowings**, and **EasyJet**. So, you can get to your starting point from a range of regional airports. Plus, you don't need to worry about packing light, as you'll get up to **23kg luggage** allowance.

Here are the airports you can fly from...

- London Heathrow
- London Gatwick
- Birmingham
- Bristol
- Manchester
- Newcastle
- Edinburgh



You can also fly with TUI from **Birmingham**, **Gatwick** and **Manchester** to Budapest in summer 2026, and Vienna, Dusseldorf and Luxor in winter 2025. That means you can choose where you sit on the plane, or treat yourself to our seats with extra legroom or extra space.

Check-in and extras

If you're flying with one of our partner airlines, they may allow you to book extras like additional luggage. Some airlines may need you to check in online, too. We'll contact you with any need-to-know details closer to your departure date.

On arrival at your overseas airport, you'll be met by a **TUI River Cruises representative** for your transfer to the ship. Just so you know, some airports are large, and in Frankfurt, there's a 10 to 15-minute walk from the terminal building to the coach park.

We understand the small print is the last thing anyone wants to read. But we believe it's really important to be clear in the information we give you. This A-Z outlines to what extent we would be liable, if at all. If any part of this guide isn't valid or can't be enforced, the rest will still apply. Not everything here will apply to you but a lot of it will so you'll need to read this guide before you book. You'll also need to read Our Agreement With You and Your Agreement With Us. Together, they explain every aspect of your holiday. If you need information in another format please contact our Assisted Travel Team on 0203 451 2688. Calls from UK landlines cost the standard rate, but calls from mobiles may be higher. please check with your service provider.

In line with EU regulations, we need to let you know who you'll be flying with, as your holiday package flights may not be with TUI. You'll see which airline is included in your package as part of your booking journey, and we'll also let you know who the airline is when we send your tickets. If there are changes after that point, we'll tell you before you check in or at the boarding gate. From time to time, we need to change airlines or plane types but this isn't classed as a 'Major Change' to your holiday.

A

Accuracy

We published this brochure in October 2024. Our prices and information were accurate on that date but they may have changed since then. We always check our River Cruises regularly to make sure we're giving you accurate information and we'll tell you of any changes we know about when you book. If you've already booked, we'll tell you about any major changes we're aware of as soon as we can. Bear in mind public holidays and religious festivals affect whether or not facilities are available. Also, it may be the case some facilities aren't managed directly by TUI River Cruises and they could close without notice. See Itineraries for more details.

Adults-only

All TUI River Cruises are adults only - 18 years and over.

Advanced Passenger Information

You, and all members of your party, must tell us certain information that we'll send to government authorities and border control and security agencies for the purpose of immigration, security and counter terrorism. This is known as Advanced Passenger Information, or APIS. It may also be referred to as E-borders in the United Kingdom. The information you must provide will include, but not be limited to, your full name - as shown in your passport or travel document, gender, date of birth, travel document type, number, country of issue and expiry date.

Airline Rules

Charter airlines aren't allowed to carry certain nationals to and from their country of origin, due to licensing law restrictions with overseas aviation authorities. Please check with your airline prior to travel if you are in doubt.

Airport Lounges

You can pay for airport lounge access after you've booked, subject to availability. You can do this via a TUI Store, Manage My Booking or by logging into your Customer Account.

Alcohol

During your flight you can only drink the alcohol that the flight attendants serve you. On board, you are able to consume wine that you have purchased in port at dinner with no corkage fee. Please note that the minimum drinking age onboard TUI River Cruises is 18.

Drinks Package

All our European ships are Full Board Plus. This means that the standard drinks package includes soft drinks, tea, coffee, beer and wine with meals.

All Inclusive Drinks Package

Our Nile sailings are All Inclusive and include local beer, wine, spirits and coffee. On our European ships you can book the All Inclusive package when you're on board, or before you travel. Every person on the booking must be included. In addition to the standard drinks package (above) the All Inclusive package includes local beer such as Radeberger, branded spirits (e.g. Vodka: Smirnoff, Absolut; Gin: Bombay Sapphire; Whisky: Jack Daniels, Glenfiddich; Cognac/Brandies: Hennessy), cocktails and our premium Lavazza coffee.

If you don't upgrade, you can still buy these drinks on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Drinks are available from all bars, lounges and restaurants. You can order alcoholic drinks from 10am until midnight, and coffee, tea and soft drinks whenever the bars are open. The All Inclusive package only applies while you're on the ship.

If you upgrade to the All Inclusive drinks package, and you are in one of the following cabin categories, then your minibar is also included: Deck 1 Superior; Superior French Balcony and French Balcony Suite.

Free or discounted offers are available on selected holidays, dates and departure airports, subject to availability, and can be withdrawn at any time.

All Inclusive at Hotels

You may need to wear a wristband or carry some ID to get the benefits of your package. For a full description of what's included, check the hotel description. Times for inclusive drinks, meals and snacks vary. Your All Inclusive package may not include bottled water, imported drinks, à la carte meals, or some speciality dishes. Some restaurants expect you to reserve a table and will be subject to availability. Not all bars and restaurants operate on an All Inclusive basis. Also, there may be cash bars once All Inclusive bars close. Bear in mind, under-18s won't be served alcohol.

You should also be aware that we, and the hotels, may confiscate wristbands and IDs from guests who abuse the All Inclusive benefits.

You may be charged for motorised sports, and there are time limits or age and experience restrictions on some of these activities. You may have to pay a deposit to hire equipment. Things like classes and beauty treatments may be included in the price but there'll be a limit on how many sessions you can take. Safety deposit boxes may not be included and you'll need to pay for things like telephone calls and excursions.

All Inclusive packages end when you check out of your room. In some cases you can pay to keep using the facilities. If there's a delay to your flight home and you have to spend extra time in the resort, any refreshments will be in line with the airline's instructions - not the board basis of your hotel.

One last thing, you may find timings will change for things like happy hours in bars and dining times

Amenities

On our River Cruise ships, there may be a temporary loss of power from time to time because power is generated onboard, and toilets onboard use a vacuum system.

Artist Impressions

These, together with any computer-generated images, are there to give you an idea of how the ship will look - they're not replicas of the finished ship.

Assisted Travel

If you're planning a River Cruise and have a disability, have special dietary needs, a sensory impairment or are undergoing medical treatment, you must let us know when making your booking. Failure to do this may result in you being refused boarding on arrival at the ship. Our ships do not have medical facilities, they are not wheelchair friendly, and do not have a lift. If you are unable to walk unaided up and down a flight of stairs then a TUI River Cruise may not be suitable for you. Please contact our Assisted Travel Team before making your booking to discuss your requirements, and also see Persons With Reduced Mobility and Wheelchairs.

B

Balconies

Our ships have French Balconies. This means that your cabin will have glass doors with a railing directly behind these meaning you cannot step out onto a separate space as it is shallow in depth.

Banned Airlines

To improve safety, the European Commission has banned some airlines from operating in European airspace. In line with EU directive (EC) no. 2111/2005, Article 9, we need to make you aware of the list of banned airlines. To view the list of airlines that are subject to an operating ban within the European Community, visit http://ec.europa.eu/transport/modes/air/safety/air-ban/search_en.

Berth Locations

We will try where possible to berth close to the centre of a destination, however this may not always be possible, and some berth locations may require a walk or the use of public transport to reach the centre.

When berthed we may be next to another river cruise ship, therefore you will be required to walk through/ across the top deck of this ship to go ashore (or vice versa). This is common practice in river cruising.

Beaches

Many of the beaches in our resorts have been awarded the Foundation for Environmental Education's Blue Flag. The programme awards beaches and marinas that meet its high standards of hygiene, cleanliness, safety and environmental management. See www.blueflag.org. When you're on the beach, make sure you check any flag warning systems and take local conditions into account, particularly things like undercurrents and tides. You may find that public beaches are closed at certain times, particularly in low season. Beach closures are carried out by local authorities so are beyond our control. One more thing - in some destinations you may find you need to pay to use some of the beaches.

Building Work

From time to time, building work is unavoidable, particularly where hotels are open all year round, and it can be noisy. If we're aware of any work, we'll let you know as soon as possible if we think it'll affect your holiday. This can be difficult as we don't control the work and we're not always told when it'll happen and how long it will last. But if we think it'll have a significant effect, you'll have the option of a refund or an alternative holiday, as outlined under 'Major changes to your holiday' in Our Agreement With You.

C

Cabins

Deck plans and photographs are provided as a guide. The size, layout and décor of the cabins may differ slightly from those shown. Generally speaking, cabins are smaller than hotel rooms.

We'll provide towels so there's no need to pack those. Personal grooming items such as hairdryers, travel irons, curling tongs, hair straighteners and shavers are permitted when used with caution. However, if such devices are determined to pose a hazard, they will be removed and returned on the last day of the River Cruise prior to disembarkation.

Cabin Reservations

You can book a particular cabin number up to 15 days before you go. Bear in mind, there's always some background noise on a ship. This may be louder when manoeuvring through locks, turning the ship around or in bad weather. You can book your cabin number, for a fee, at the time of making your booking or over the telephone. You can reach us on 0203 451 2688, 9am to 7pm Monday to Friday, 9am to 6pm Saturday and 10am to 5pm Sunday. Calls from UK landlines cost the standard rate, but calls from mobiles may be higher. Check with your landline provider. Some cabins can't be booked and they all depend on availability. If for any reason we can't give you your reserved cabin we'll move you to a suitable alternative and refund your booking on your return home. You can cancel your River Cruise if the cabin you wanted isn't available, but you'll need to pay the normal cancellation charges. We set these out in Section 12 of Our Agreement With You. We don't class a change to the cabin you've booked as a 'Major Change' to your holiday.

Cabin Supplements see Supplements

Check-in - For Your Flight

We recommend you arrive at the airport at least two hours before your scheduled departure time. Regardless of the length of your flight, you need to have completed check-in at least an hour before departure. UK airlines need to carry out enhanced security screening from certain destinations for return flights to the United Kingdom. If this applies to your flight, you'll be told whilst you're on holiday as it may mean that you need to check in a bit earlier. You might need to be at the boarding gate earlier, too. If we think you may be under the influence of alcohol or pose a threat to passengers or crew, you won't be able to fly. The same applies if you smoke, use insulting or abusive words before or after you board. If that happens, we won't be responsible for your holiday arrangements and we won't give you a refund, pay compensation, or cover any other costs. We may even seek compensation from you for any loss caused by your behaviour. This includes having to divert the plane. It's also a criminal offence to cause disruption on board, so you may be prosecuted. Airlines may also share details about your behaviour with other airlines, which could affect your future trips.

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Online Check-in - For Your Flight

If you're flying with TUI Airways, you'll be allocated your seats when you check in online. If you don't like the seats allocated, you can pay to select your seat. Sometimes we may need to change the seat allocated to you for operational or safety reasons or for persons with reduced mobility. Boarding cards must be printed on A4 paper and be clearly legible with no rips or tears. You must drop your bags off before bag drop closes, 45 minutes before your flight time. Just so you know, if you choose not to use our online check-in service, we reserve the right to charge a fee for airport check-in. Please also see Section 14 of Our Agreement with You and Yours with Us.

Online Check-in - For Your River Cruise

We'll ask you to check in online for your river cruise prior to travel at www.rivercruisecontrol.tui.co.uk. The lead passenger on the booking will be sent an email asking them to provide passport details, emergency contact details and any dietary requirements.

Check-in - For Your River Cruise

You'll be able to board the ship as soon as your coach or taxi from the airport arrives in the port. We'll try our best to have your cabin ready on arrival. If it's not, you may have to wait for a short time in the public areas. If you've opted for a 'cruise-only' holiday, it means you've just booked the cruise part with us and you'll need to organise your own flights and transfers from the airport to the ship. Official check-in time is from 15:00 until 2 hours before the ship sets sail. When you get there look for the TUI River Cruises flags at the entrance to the ship. Keep in mind that there are no facilities at river cruise ports, so make a note of the check-in time on your confirmation. See Onboard Accounts for more details on checking in.

Check-out - For Your River Cruise

You may need to leave your luggage outside your cabin by 8am on the morning of your departure. You will be instructed on this during your River Cruise. On disembarkation day, you need to be ready to leave your cabin by 9am on our European ships, and noon on our Nile sailings. We'll have given you your bill the night before so there's no need to check out. We'll take you to the airport in good time for your flight home. Until then, you can stay on the ship.

Check-in - For Your Accommodation

Check-in time is usually 3pm to 4pm for hotels. Depending on when your flight arrives, you may miss a meal if you've booked All Inclusive, Half or Full Board. There's also the chance that your room may not be ready for you when you arrive, but you'll be able to use the hotel's facilities while you wait.

Check-out - For Your Accommodation

On the last day of your holiday, you'll usually have to leave your room by mid-morning or noon. You may be able to keep your accommodation for longer, but there could be a charge. Depending on the time of your flight, you may miss a meal at your hotel. Also, you might not be able to use some of the facilities or take advantage of the full All Inclusive package. You may be able to pay for a late check-out room, but this varies from hotel to hotel. We recommend you book in advance as the hotel will allocate them on a first-come, first-served basis.

Conditions Of Carriage

When you travel by air or by river, your journey may be subject to certain international conventions including, but not limited to, the Warsaw Convention, the Strasbourg Convention and the Montreal Convention. The airline's terms and conditions and the TUI River Cruise Conditions of Carriage are available on request, so we can supply full copies of both if you ask us to.

Montreal Convention

This is a notice required by European Community Regulation (EC) No. 889/2002.

Air carrier liability for passengers and their baggage

This information notice summarises the liability rules applied by Community air carriers as required by Community legislation and the Montreal Convention.

Compensation In The Case Of Death Or Injury

There are no financial limits to the liability for passenger injury or death. For damages up to 100,000 SDRs (approximately £96,000), the air carrier can't contest claims for compensation. Above that amount, the air carrier can defend itself against a claim by proving that it wasn't negligent or otherwise at fault.

Advance Payments

If a passenger is killed or injured, the air carrier must make an advance payment, to cover immediate economic needs, within 15 days from the identification of the person entitled to compensation. In the event of death, this advance payment shall not be less than 16,000 SDRs (approximately £15,360).

Passenger Delays

In case of passenger delay, the air carrier is liable for damage unless it took all reasonable measures to avoid the damage or it was impossible to take such measures. The liability for passenger delay is limited to 4,150 SDRs (approximately £3,980).

Baggage Delays

In case of baggage delay, the air carrier is liable for damage unless it took all reasonable measures to avoid the damage or it was impossible to take such measures. The liability for baggage delay is limited to 1,000 SDRs (approximately £960).

Destruction, Loss Or Damage To Baggage

The air carrier is liable for destruction, loss or damage to baggage up to 1,000 SDRs (approx. £960). In the case of checked baggage, it's liable even if not at fault, unless the baggage was defective. In the case of unchecked baggage, the carrier is liable only if at fault.

Higher Limits For Baggage

A passenger can benefit from a higher liability limit by making a special declaration at the latest at check-in and by paying a supplementary fee.

Complaints On Baggage

If the baggage is damaged, delayed, lost or destroyed, the passenger must write and complain to the air carrier as soon as possible. In the case of damage to checked baggage, the passenger must write and complain within 7 days, and, in the case of delay within 21 days, in both cases from the date on which the baggage was placed at the passenger's disposal.

Liability Of Contracting And Actual Carriers

If the air carrier performing the flight is not the same as the contracting air carrier, the passenger has the right to address a complaint or to make a claim for damages against either. If the name or code of an air carrier is indicated on the ticket, that air carrier is the contracting air carrier.

Time Limit For Action

Any action in court to claim damages must be brought within two years from the date of arrival of the aircraft, or from the date on which the aircraft ought to have arrived.

Basis For The Information

The basis for the rules described above is the Montreal Convention of 28 May 1999, which is implemented in the Community by Regulation (EC) No. 2027/97 (as amended by Regulation (EC) No. 889/2002) and national legislation of the Member States.

Cruise and Tour

If you have booked a River Cruise and Tour package, please see the most recent TUI Tours brochure for the information specific to the Tours part of your holiday.

Cruise Only – with no flights

If you have booked the River Cruise part on its own then transfers aren't included and it's down to you to get to the ship on time. The last check-in is two hours before the advertised sailing time, so build plenty of time into your schedule for checking in and boarding.

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Data Protection

Data Protection All details provided by you will be held by us and used in accordance with our Privacy Notice. We will process personal data about you and members of your party so that we can manage your account or booking, provide you with our products, services and/or any other travel arrangements booked with us. By providing other people's personal data, you must be sure that they agree to share their data with us and, where appropriate, they understand how their personal data may be used by us. For more information, please refer to our Privacy Notice available on our website or upon request in our stores.

Delays

Depending on airport facilities, light refreshments are provided for a delay of two to four hours, a meal – or vouchers for a meal – for four to eight hours, overnight accommodation for delays of eight to 12 hours if it's necessary and possible. If a delay is longer than five hours, you can cancel your flight and we'll refund the flight part of your holiday. We'll only refund the whole cost of your holiday if we change or cancel your holiday. We set out what this means in Our Agreement With You. If you've booked your complete River Cruise holiday – including flights, transfers and the River Cruise itself – with us and there's a flight delay, we'll try to get you to the ship where possible. See Insurance for more details.

Dress Code

During the day the dress code is relaxed, but you cannot wear beachwear in the restaurants. Come evening, things get a little smarter. Men need to wear long trousers or smart tailored shorts, a shirt or polo shirt, and closed shoes. There are also events, like our gala dinner, where you've got the option of dressing formally. When on Shore Experiences you may also have to follow a dress code – please see Local Laws

Drinks Package See Alcohol - Drinks Package and All Inclusive Package.

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Entertainment Onboard

Each itinerary has its own low-key entertainment programme which includes live music, quizzes, guest acts and speakers. Just so you know, we may need to change our guest acts and speakers from time to time.

Extras

Please be aware that some extras, such as flowers, need to be booked in at least seven days before departure.

Extra Charges

The key aspects of your holiday will be included in the price when you book – see Prices for details. But it's important to point out you may have to pay extra for some things when you get there. For example, you might want to book an experience or enjoy something from the minibar. You may also need to pay extra for things like sports and classes. If we're aware you'll need to pay extra for a particular activity or facility, we'll show you by adding an asterisk after the item.

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Facilities

At certain times during your cruise some facilities may be unavailable due to operational reasons. For example, when going under low bridges the use of the top deck will be unavailable until we have safely passed through. On some itineraries this means that the top deck may be down for the majority of the sailing, due to the number of bridges along the river.

Flight Times

Actual flight times are on your tickets. They are local times based on the 24-hour system. We can't guarantee the flight times in our brochure, on our website or on your booking confirmation won't change, so please always check your tickets.

Free Cabin Upgrade Offer

On selected departure dates and during certain booking periods it's possible to book a cabin upgrade offer. This means you can book a higher grade of cabin at a reduced price. See Special Offers.

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Gala Dinner

On sailings of five nights or more we will have a six course gala dinner, where you are given the option of dressing formally should you wish.

Gala Meals in Hotels

Many hotels and apartments host gala meals over the Christmas and New Year period. Bear in mind that men will probably have to wear a jacket, shirt, tie and full-length trousers. You'll see if the meal's included by checking the individual property descriptions.

Group Offers

You may qualify for discounts if there are 10 or more in your party. When you're about to book, ask your Travel Advisor to contact our TUI River Cruises team. Or you can call the team yourself – you'll find the number at the end of this guide. Of course, group offers and discounts are subject to availability and we may withdraw them at any time.

We base discounts on how many are travelling and everyone needs to travel on the same date. Their holidays must be for the same length and on the same River Cruise. If it's more convenient for them, we can sometimes make arrangements for large groups to leave from different airports. They may not be available in conjunction with any other offers.

Cancellations within your group may mean a drop in your discount, and the people who cancel will need to pay our standard cancellation charges. One last thing – if you want your cabins to be close to each other, you'll need to reserve your cabin numbers before you go.

Insurance

You'll need to take out a suitable insurance policy for you and anyone travelling with you. We'll tell you about our insurance policy when you book. If you choose not to take out our insurance, you'll need to tell us who you're insured with. We'll need the company details and your policy number before you travel. We can't accept responsibility for any loss that you or anyone travelling on your booking suffers if the individual isn't adequately insured. As with all insurance policies, terms and conditions apply, so you need to make sure you've got the right policy for you. See Delays for details. If you're travelling to the European Economic Area you'll also need a European Health Insurance Card. You'll get a new UK Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC) instead of an EHIC. You can apply at <https://www.gov.uk/global-health-insurance-card>. Visit www.nhs.uk/ehic for full details on what it covers. You do not need to apply for a GHIC if you already have an EHIC. Your EHIC remains valid in the EU until it expires. An EHIC or GHIC is free of charge. You'll need to have both this card and adequate travel insurance.

Itineraries

Morning or afternoon arrival and departure times indicated in the brochure are correct at the time of print but may change. The activities we describe at ports may not always be possible - due to the time spent in port or other factors outside of our control such as bad weather - and are always subject to availability. Sometimes we have to alter the time in port, the order of ports or substitute ports entirely due to bad weather, port congestion, public holidays or other operational reasons. If we alter the time in port it will mean that certain trips will only be possible if there's enough time to do them. It may not be possible to complete full itineraries due to low or high water. In the case of low or high water we will make every effort to complete your itinerary. In order to do this, it may involve a change in berth location, completing parts of the itinerary by coach, modified shore experiences and - in exceptional circumstances - a ship swap. These changes can happen before or during your River Cruise. As the situation can change quickly, we will aim to inform you of any impact as soon as possible, this may be up to 24 hours before you are due to depart. If we can complete your itinerary via these alternative methods then refunds will not be available.

Also see Local Laws for more details.

Lifts

TUI River Cruises do not have lifts. If stairs are a problem for you, please ask us for more details before you book. See Assisted Travel and Persons With Reduced Mobility for more details.

Local Laws

For our River Cruise itineraries, you'll need to abide by the laws and customs of each country we visit. When visiting religious sites you may be asked to cover arms and legs, and women may need to cover their hair. Sometimes public holidays and events mean we have to change our itinerary or miss the port altogether. See Itineraries. Sometimes local laws, religious customs or events mean facilities aren't available. Drinking and gambling ages vary by destination. It's a good idea to find out more before you travel. For the most up-to-date information, check www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice.

Lost Property

If you leave something behind on the plane during your flight out, you'll need to contact the overseas airport and ask them to check their lost property. If it's on your flight home, please contact the airline you have flown with to see if they can track down the item for you. If you leave what we class as a 'valuable item', like a camera, a laptop or a wallet, on one of our River Cruises or at a hotel after your cruise, we'll do our best to find it for you. If your item is found, there may be a charge for returning it to you. If we can't find your item, we'll send you a statement to support your travel insurance claim. For help with lost property, contact After Travel Customer Support - you'll find their details in the Getting In Touch section.

Low Bridges

Please see Facilities for details.

Low Season

You may find if you're travelling outside of peak holiday periods, like March, April, May and October, that some facilities may not be available in ports.

Luggage

All TUI River Cruises bookings have up to 23kg allowance included. Please check your booking confirmation to confirm your allowance for checked-in luggage, as this may vary depending on the airline you are flying with.

Excess Luggage And Sports Equipment

There may be a charge for excess luggage and sports equipment and it is best to check with your airline beforehand to make sure that they will be able to carry these items and what the extra charges will be. You will also need to contact us to make sure that your River Cruise will be able to take these extra items as, due to limited space on board the ship, bulkier items may not be permitted. Bear in mind, any problems with excess luggage charges need to be sorted out at the airport. We can't guarantee you'll be able to take bulky sports equipment with you on the coach to your River Cruise, and there may also be an extra charge.

Lost And Damaged Luggage

Please report any lost luggage or damage to the airline that you've flown with, and complete a Property Irregularity Form (PIF), within seven days. If not, under the terms of the Montreal Convention, the airline won't be liable. See Montreal Convention for details. If your luggage is damaged on your way back to the UK, you need to complete the Property Irregularity Form (PIF) at the airport and keep a copy of it for insurance purposes. If your luggage is damaged between the coach and the ship, you need to report this to the River Cruise reception or the Cruise Experience Manager as soon as possible to help with any insurance claims.

Meals - At Your Hotel

Meals are usually served in the hotel's main restaurant. The set-up here may change from buffet to waiter service, or vice versa. For à la carte restaurants you may be limited to a certain number of visits per stay and you may need to make a reservation. You may need to pay extra for these, too. Not all of the hotel's restaurants will necessarily be open at the same time. Full Board Plus includes a Continental breakfast, lunch and dinner with drinks included during mealtimes. Full Board includes a Continental breakfast, lunch and dinner. Half Board includes a Continental breakfast and dinner - or lunch, if you wish - at some hotels. Bed & Breakfast usually means Continental breakfast.

Meals - On Your River Cruise

All meals are included - see the what's included page at the start of the brochure

Medical Conditions - For Your Flight

If you have a medical condition, a serious illness, or you've recently had surgery or an accident, you'll need to be cleared for travel by the airline. You may also need a 'Fitness to Fly' certificate from your GP. Conditions that need medical clearance include respiratory, coronary or infectious illness. You'll need to give your request for medical clearance to the airline at least four working days before you're due to fly. If you're unsure what conditions require medical clearance, or if you have any concerns about your health, we recommend that you contact your doctor before you book.

The risk of deep vein thrombosis (DVT) while flying is extremely low but is still a serious medical condition. DVT is when a blood clot forms, usually in the lower leg, sometimes because of sitting still for a long time. It needs treatment with blood-thinning drugs to prevent clots breaking off and travelling to the lungs. You can take precautions to reduce the risk. People most at risk include those with a history of bronchial or circulatory problems, thrombosis, those recently hospitalised, smokers, the obese, those with congestive heart failure, a malignant disease, pregnant women or women taking the contraceptive pill. To reduce the risk, exercise your legs from time to time, or walk around if possible. Elastic stockings may be helpful. Drink plenty of non-alcoholic liquids to prevent dehydration. See your doctor if you think you may be particularly prone to DVT.

If you think you might need to ask for therapeutic oxygen during your flight, please contact your airline for details at least one month before your departure date. See Special Requests for more details.

Medical Conditions - For Your River Cruise

Medical centres are not available onboard. If you're planning to use a medical centre on shore, remember to take your insurance claim form. If you're concerned about seasickness, ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before you go. It's worth pointing out you won't be able to board if you're showing signs of a contagious disease.

Money Exchange

Money exchange facilities are not available on board, so please ensure you arrange any money exchange requirements prior to your departure from the UK. See Onboard Accounts.

Money Exchange - At Your Hotel

If you want to change money to your hotel when you get there, check the property descriptions to find out if you can do this at your hotel.

Official Ratings for Hotels

See Tour Operator Ratings

Onboard Accounts

Our ships are cashless. Prices onboard are in Euros on our European ships, and Egyptian Pounds on our Nile Cruise ship. You can charge everything you buy onboard during your River Cruise - except shore experiences - to your cabin account. Accounts are opened when you board the ship and can be settled in Euros or credit/debit card. On all ships we accept Visa and Mastercard credit and debit cards. You just need to register with your credit or debit card during your cruise.

If purchasing experiences on board, these cannot be charged to your onboard account and must be paid for by credit or debit card and booked on the experience website <https://rivercruises.gotui.com/uk>

Onboard Drinks Package

See Alcohol - Drinks Package and All Inclusive Package.

Passports

The name in your passport must match the name on your ticket otherwise you may not be able to travel and your insurance could be invalid. If someone in your group changes their name after you have booked, tell us and we'll issue the ticket in the new name. If you've already received the ticket, return it and we'll send one with the correct name. There may be a fee for this change. British Citizens must hold a valid ten-year passport. Passports for British citizens are valid for travel to any EU country up to and including the passport expiry date. Some countries outside the EU require a British passport to have a certain period of validity left on it, such as 6 months, or blank pages. Please visit gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice for advice by country. Other nationalities should check with their own governments. It is your responsibility to check whether you need a visa to enter your destination country.

If your passport has an Israeli stamp, you may be refused entry to some countries. If this happens, you would have to stay onboard. For more information, visit HM Passport Office website at www.gov.uk/government/organisations/hm-passport-office. If you don't have a UK passport, you should always check with your own embassy, high commission or consulate before you book. Please also see Visas.

Persons With Reduced Mobility

Our ships are not wheelchair friendly and do not have a lift. There are no wheelchair accessible cabins available. When in port our ships could be moored alongside other ships and disembarking could involve walking across gangplanks and decks of other ships, and may include walking up and down a flight of stairs. Our river cruise destinations include many places with cobbled streets, uneven paving and on a steep incline which could cause difficulties for anyone with reduced mobility. If you are unable to walk unaided up and down a flight of stairs then a TUI River Cruise may not be suitable for you. If you are unsure if a river cruise is suitable for you, please contact our Assisted Travel Team and they will be able to discuss your requirements further.

Resort Transfers

If you're taking any large mobility aids, you'll need to arrange your own transfer to your river cruise ship, as you can't take them on the coach. Please remember you can't use a wheelchair or scooter onboard the ship. Please note that any mobility aids will need to be stored in cabins as there are no storage facilities on board.

On Your River Cruise

Our ships are not wheelchair friendly and do not have a lift. There are no wheelchair accessible cabins available. If you are a wheelchair user and planning on taking a river cruise with us please contact our Assisted Travel Team to discuss your booking further

Going Ashore

Some experiences may not be suitable for the less mobile, please contact our Shore Experience Team to confirm before booking, you'll find their details at the end of this guide. See Assisted Travel and Wheelchairs

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Pregnancy

You can cruise onboard our ships up to the 24th week of pregnancy. If you're sailing on any of our ships you'll need to have a medical certificate to prove that you're fit to travel. If you're more than 24 weeks at the end of your River Cruise, you won't be able to sail. Please check your insurance policy for any restrictions that apply.

Prices

Prices can be viewed on our website at www.tui.co.uk/river-cruises. They should only be used as a guide - the price you pay will depend on when you're travelling, and prices may go up and down throughout the season. Prices are based on the standard occupancy for the cabin type included in the package, so will change if the cabin is occupied by a different number of guests. Please also see Special Offers.

What's Included

The basic cost of your holiday includes the following:
Return flight from the UK

- Air Passenger Duty at the standard economy rate.
- Transfers between the airport and River Cruise ship. This is usually by coach.
- The cabin accommodation and meals as advertised or confirmed on your invoice.
- Luggage allowance as confirmed on your ticket.
- Aviation insurance and security charge.
- Estimated fuel costs.
- All obligatory service charges and taxes payable in advance.
- VAT on all holidays to EC countries.
- Port taxes.
- Tips and service charges onboard our ships.

What's Not Included

The basic cost does not include the following:

- Additional flight charges, such as taxes and regional supplements
- Additional Air Passenger Duty – there's a difference between standard and premium cabin charges. A higher rate is charged by the government for passengers in premium cabins.
- In-flight meals unless we say otherwise.
- Seats together on the plane unless we say otherwise.
- Fuel supplements where applicable.
- Experiences and Shore Experiences.
- Holiday insurance.
- Additional charges for particular cabin types, meals or under-occupancy. For details ask your Holiday Advisor.
- Excess luggage and the transport of any sporting equipment.
- Any local taxes, levies or similar that local authorities abroad expect you to pay yourselves.
- River Cruise cabin supplements – see Cabin Supplements for details.

Prohibited Items

To ensure your safety and security some items are prohibited from being carried onto our River Cruises. Each time you board the River Cruise we have the right to security screen you and your luggage, and if any prohibited items are found they may be permanently confiscated. The list of prohibited items can be found here: <http://www.tui.co.uk/destinations/info/faq/luggage-guidelines>. This list is not exhaustive and any other items which the Port or Ship security staff consider to pose a risk may also be refused.

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Safety

Overseas' safety standards are generally lower than ours in the UK. We take reasonable care to make sure only reputable businesses provide the services that make up our holidays, and we expect them to provide those services in line with local standards.

Safety Drills Onboard

There will be a safety briefing held onboard prior to departure which you must attend. If you do not do so, the ship will be unable to set sail.

Sailing Times

The morning and afternoon sailing times for our River Cruise holidays are correct when we publish them, but they may change. See Itineraries for more details.

Seating

Please check with our Assisted Travel Team before booking for details of seat pitch sizes on the airlines.

Ship Maintenance

Ongoing maintenance may happen while you're onboard one of our River Cruise ships. We'll do our best to keep noise to a minimum.

Shore Experiences

We'll send you an email when your shore experiences are available to book. Once you have received this you can visit our website at rivercruises.gotui.com/uk to select your experiences. TUI River Cruises offers two types of shore experiences, our River Cruises Collection, and a range of attraction tickets.

Our River Cruises Collection is a handpicked line-up of highly rated shore experiences, which include pick up from the ship by an experienced local guide, who will give you all the need-to-know information about the places you visit. Alternatively, we offer attraction tickets for museums, art galleries, hop of hop off bus tours and much more. Please note, these attraction tickets do not include pick up from the ship and you will need to make your own way to the attraction or meeting point.

River Cruises Collection experiences can be cancelled up to 48 hours before a tour is due to depart. Please note, attraction tickets have a different cancellation policy, and you can find out the exact terms for each attraction when you book. Should you wish to purchase experiences whilst on board, you will need to pay for these by debit or credit card. These cannot be charged to your on-board account. Please note, all shore experiences are subject to change. Also see Itineraries.

Single Cabins

These cabins are for sole occupancy. Twin berths are available to book just for yourself, but you'll need to pay a supplement.

Smoking

All our ships are non-smoking which means you can only smoke in designated areas of the open deck. Smoking isn't permitted on cabin balconies, either. As for e-cigarettes you can only use these in the designated areas on deck.

Special Offers

Offers are only available on the holidays and dates we advertise, per booking and subject to availability.

Special Requests

We'll always do our best to help however we can, but we can't guarantee we'll be able to meet your needs every time. These special requests aren't covered by Our Agreement With You so, from a legal point of view, they're not part of your holiday contract.

Supplements

Cabin Supplements

Cabin supplements vary by sailing date and deck and prices may go up or down. Occasionally it's possible to upgrade your cabins once onboard - check with the ship reception for availability and prices. Any special offers will be limited. See Free Cabin Upgrade Offer.

Supplements On Your Flight

Depending on the airport you choose to fly from, on certain days or at certain times, you may have to pay a 'flight supplement'. Flight supplements may go up or down throughout the season. Some holidays are only available on flights with extra charges, often because the River Cruise is available only with certain days of flying.

Occupancy Supplements/Discounts

Depending on the number of people sharing a cabin, you may need to pay an 'occupancy supplement' for under-occupancy or single occupancy. Supplements/ discounts may go up or down throughout the season.

Swimming Pools

It's unlikely your pool will have a lifeguard. Pools may be closed in early or late season, so April, early May and October, or in particularly bad weather. Also, pools won't be heated unless we say so in the property description.

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Tour Operator Ratings

We rate our holidays on our annual reviews and also the feedback we get from our end-of-holiday Customer Satisfaction Questionnaires. We rate hotels and apartments from '2' for no-frills, good value accommodation, to '5' for more comfort and a wider range of facilities. There may be some differences between accommodation that shares the same rating. That's where our 'plus' rating comes in.

Towels

You'll be given cabin towels on our ships for use during your River Cruise. Towels will also be provided for use in the Wellness Area.

Transfers

The transfer times we give are a rough guide. They don't allow for delays to incoming flights or local traffic conditions. Our River Cruise holidays include transfers between the airport and ship by coach or minibus. If you have booked a Cruise and Stay or a Stay and Cruise holiday, then the transfer to or from your hotel will be included. Please note that if you've booked the River Cruise part on its own, then transfers are not included - please see Cruise Only.



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Vaccinations

Speak to your doctor at least 2 months before you're due to go away. Some treatments should begin well before you go. If you're booking within three weeks of your departure, speak to your doctor before you book. There's more information available in the Department of Health's free leaflet – Health Advice for Travellers. Call 0800 555 777 for a copy.

Visas

For information on any visa requirements for your River Cruise you'll need to check with www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice (for British passport holders) or contact the relevant embassy or consulate for more information. You'll need to organise your own visas for each port of call. Without the right visas, you won't be allowed to board the ship. If you're visiting more than one port of call in a particular country, you may need a multiple-entry visa.

For Nile Cruises, a tourist visa is required for visitors to Luxor. You can apply for an e-visa online via www.visa2egypt.gov.eg/eVisa. You can also purchase a visa on arrival in resort if you hold a full British Passport. The visa cost at the moment is \$25 USD per person (including children and infants) if purchased from the local authorities, or £25 GBP if purchased from our destination management company. Please note Visas purchased on the spot are cash only – cards are not

accepted. If you hold a passport issued by any other country, you will need to check what the visa requirements are to enter Egypt. Your passport must be valid for at least six full months after the date you arrive in Egypt. Anything less than this will result in you not being able to travel.

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Water Levels see Itineraries**Weather**

Bad weather, or high/low river levels may force us to change parts of your itinerary. This may happen before the River Cruise starts or during it. It may also mean departure or arrival times at ports change. Also, local conditions may mean we have to limit our time at that port, or miss it out altogether. We may also have to change your ship for a similar one. Please also see Itineraries for more information about water levels.

Wheelchairs**On Your Flight**

You'll need to contact your airline directly if you plan to take a wheelchair or other mobility item with you, to make sure it will fit onboard. Our Assisted Travel Team can help with this. Please note that you won't be able to use your wheelchair onboard your river cruise ship. See Assisted Travel and Persons With Reduced Mobility.

Our agreement with you, and yours with us

We are TUI UK Limited, Company Number 02830117, our Registered Office is Wigmore House, Luton, LU2 9TN and Our Agreement sets out what we can expect from each other when you buy a holiday from us.

Booking Your Holiday

When you book your holiday you are accepting Our Agreement on behalf of everyone travelling with you. We will only deal with you, the lead name, and you must be an adult when you book. Anyone aged under 18 on your holiday must be accompanied by an adult.

When we say "you" and "your" we mean you, as the lead name, or you and everyone travelling, depending on the context.

Our Agreement, includes our A-Z Guide, the conditions of carriage of the airline or cruise operator and the provisions of international conventions (including the Warsaw, Montreal and Athens conventions) that apply to travel by air, land or sea. Please ask for a copy of any conditions applicable. Our Agreement along with the relevant details in the booking confirmation is the entire agreement between us for your holiday.

Our Agreement is made under the laws of England and Wales. You submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of those courts. You can choose the law and jurisdiction of Scotland or Northern Ireland but only if you live there.

Providing Information

You must ensure all information you give is correct. We'll use the personal data you give us in line with our Privacy Notice. You must pass on any information we give you to everyone travelling.

You must comply with all passport, visa and other immigration requirements. Your passport and travel documents must be in good condition – you may be refused travel if they are damaged.

If you are not self-reliant or have reduced mobility (like finding it hard to walk 500 metres) you must tell us before you book and if this changes tell us at least 48 hours before your holiday.

The Price You Pay

When you book your holiday, you must pay a deposit unless this is within 12 weeks of your holiday when you must pay in full. We'll tell you the price of your holiday and the deposit before you book. At least 12 weeks before you go you must pay the full balance. If you don't, we can cancel your holiday and charge you a termination fee.

When you book your holiday, we'll send your booking confirmation within 14 days. Mistakes can happen, so if any price on your booking confirmation, our website or our booking systems is obviously wrong, a booking made based on that price won't be valid, we can cancel it and refund you unless you want to pay the correct price.

If your holiday price changes because of movement in the relevant exchange rates, taxes or fees charged by someone else including tourist or landing taxes, port or airport fees or the cost of transport fuel or other power sources we can charge you that increase or refund to you a decrease (less our administrative expenses) providing it doesn't happen within 20 days before the start of your holiday. If we need to do this, we'll forward an amended invoice to you showing the changes made along with a detailed explanation. We'll absorb any increase of 2% or less of your holiday price, so we won't pass on any increase below that level. If the increase is more than 8% of the holiday price, you may cancel your holiday within 14 days of us telling you about the increase and we'll refund your holiday price except any amendment charges; and the increase will be considered a major change, see below.

Before Your Holiday**If You Change Your Holiday**

Airlines or other transport providers can charge a fee for a change and sometimes treat a change as a cancellation. Fees can be up to 100% of the price for that part of your holiday. You must pay those fees as well as the amendment fee shown below.

When making changes, the price of your new travel arrangements will be based on the price that applies on the day you make the change. If your change means fewer adults travel, and your holiday price is based upon the number of adults, we'll recalculate the total price and the price per person may go up. This extra price isn't a termination fee. You will also need to pay the appropriate proportion of the termination fee for the adult who has cancelled. See "If you Cancel Your Holiday".

Some elements of your holiday, such as experiences, transfers, children's activities, flight or accommodation options, room/board upgrades, late check-out rooms theme park tickets and airport parking, may be non-refundable.

You may transfer your holiday to someone else if you give us at least 7 days' notice in writing or by email and the new lead name accepts the transfer and the terms of Our Agreement – insurance can't be transferred. You will be responsible, together with the new lead name, for our amendment fees and any costs as a result of the change.

Wi-Fi on our Ships

Wi-Fi onboard our ships depends on satellite connectivity, so a strong signal can't be guaranteed and bandwidth is limited. Wi-Fi is free and available in cabins and public areas.

Wi-Fi in Hotels

Bandwidths may vary. Some hotels may offer an upgrade to a higher bandwidth which you may need to pay for. The upgraded service may also cover a different location to the free Wi-Fi zones. Some hotels may have a data cap on usage, or the free Wi-Fi may be restricted to a daily time limit per device or room. Once this usage or time limit is reached, there may be a charge to continue using the service. Factors that may reduce signal strength include high usage – particularly if lots of devices are using Wi-Fi at the same time, obstructions like thick walls and electronic machinery and adverse weather conditions. The device used to connect to the Wi-Fi – e.g. mobile phone, tablet or laptop – may result in a differing quality of service received. Wi-Fi zones may not be in the same location at every hotel. If your device isn't connected to Wi-Fi, remember to turn off data roaming to avoid possible data charges.

Due to factors outside of our control we can't guarantee the availability, performance or security of the Wi-Fi provided.

Change	Days before your holiday			
	71+	70 - 29	28 - 15	14 - 0
To change a name, passenger or passenger type (you can correct a spelling error without a fee).	Charges for name changes may vary, depending on the airline you are flying with.			
To upgrade a service, add on a flight extra, upgrade a room type or board basis.	No fee			
To change to a new package holiday from a TUI accommodation-only or TUI Airways flight-only booking travelling on the same dates as original booking. Does not apply to third party accommodation or flights. <i>Note: if your change request includes travelling on different dates to your original booking, the cancellation/amendment fees set out in the T&Cs applicable to your original booking will apply.</i>	No fee (But you will need to pay the difference in price if your new TUI package booking is more expensive.)			
To change duration, the time of a TUI Airways flight or to travel on an earlier date than planned.	£50 per person			
To change accommodation, departure or destination airport, or to change a flight not operated by TUI Airways.	£50 per person		Treated as a cancellation	
To travel on a later date than planned.	£50 per person		Treated as a cancellation	

If You Cancel Your Holiday

To cancel your holiday you must tell us as soon as possible. If you booked using a travel agency, that agency must tell us. When your holiday has been cancelled you will receive a cancellation invoice. You must pay a termination fee which covers our administration costs and compensates us for the risk that we do not resell your holiday. The fee is based upon how long before your holiday you tell us you want to cancel and is a percentage of the total price of your holiday.

How long before your holiday you cancel	Percentage of your holiday price
70 days or more	Loss of deposit
69-63 days	30%
62-49 days	50%
48-29 days	70%
28-15 days	90%
14-0 days	100%

Even if the termination fee is lower than the deposit, your deposit will not be refunded. We may not be able to refund elements of your holiday if they are added extras. If you are cancelling because of an unavoidable and extraordinary circumstance happening at your destination that will significantly impact the performance of your holiday or your flight to get there, you will not have to pay a termination fee and your deposit will be refunded.

Our agreement with you, and yours with us

If We Cancel Your Holiday

If we cancel your holiday, except where it's because you haven't paid or you have been disruptive, you can have a refund or accept a replacement holiday from us of a similar standard and price if we can offer you one. We'll also pay the compensation shown below (unless we have cancelled because of one of the reasons listed in 'Events Beyond Our Control' or where you haven't paid) and we'll refund the difference if the replacement holiday is of a lower price.

If We Change Your Holiday

We aim to give you what we promise but, as we plan our holidays a long time in advance, sometimes things can change. We can make a change at any time but will let you know before your holiday if there's time. Flight times given are for guidance only – your actual times will be shown on your e-ticket. Check that carefully when you receive it. Aircraft type can change and some facilities such as entertainment or advertised seat pitch may not be available. If we can't provide a seat option, we'll refund the price you paid for that option.

Occasionally, we may have to make a major change to your holiday such as a change of destination, downgrade of your accommodation by one full star rating, a change in flight time by more than 12 hours or a change of UK departure airport. A change in flight time that we need to make within 24 hours before you are due to fly is not a major change unless the time changes by more than 24 hours.

If we tell you about a major change after you book your holiday, you can accept the new arrangements offered by us; or accept a replacement holiday from us of the same or similar standard and price at the date of the change (we'll always refund the difference in price if the replacement holiday is a lower price at the date of the change), if we are able to offer you one; or cancel your holiday with us and receive a full refund.

If we make a major change, and you choose to cancel your holiday and receive a full refund, we'll pay the compensation shown below, unless the change is because of an event beyond our control. Any compensation payable is based upon how many days before your holiday departure we tell you about a major change. We'll pay 50% of the compensation for each person who paid a child price. No compensation will be paid for free child places.

How long before your holiday we tell you about a major change	Compensation per person
84 days or more	0
83-29 days	£25
28-15 days	£35
14-8 days	£50
7-0 days	£100

Events Beyond Our Control

Examples of events beyond our control are: war, threat of war, riots, civil disturbances, terrorist activity or its consequences, industrial disputes, any failure to secure relevant flying rights, natural or nuclear disasters, fire, health risks, unavoidable and unforeseeable technical problems with transport, closed or congested airports or ports, actual or potential severe weather conditions, the imposition of sanctions or other Governmental action and any other similar events.

On Your Holiday

Behaviour

Only you can use your accommodation. You must not let anyone else stay there. You are responsible for any damage to your accommodation or its contents during your holiday.

We can refuse to accept you on your holiday or continue dealing with you if we, or someone in authority, believe your behaviour (by any form of communication or in person) is disruptive. The Captain of your aircraft or ship can restrict your movements on board or remove you. If you are disruptive and stopped from boarding your flight from the UK, or disruptive during your flight, we'll treat your booking as cancelled by you at that moment. If you are disruptive on your holiday we can remove you from your accommodation and you will be responsible for your own return home and for any other members of your group who cannot or will not travel without you. You will not be entitled to a refund in either case and we will not provide compensation or meet any costs or expenses.

If you are disruptive you will be responsible for any damages, costs and expenses (including legal expenses) incurred as a result. This can include cleaning, repairing or replacing property lost, damaged or destroyed by you, compensating any passenger, crew, staff or agent affected by your actions and diverting the aircraft or ship for the purpose of removing you.

Disruptive behaviour includes being threatening or abusive, damaging property, upsetting, annoying or disturbing any other traveller, our staff or agents or putting any of them in danger.

Experiences

We may introduce you to suppliers of experiences or other services. If you buy one of these, you'll be contracting with the supplier directly, we act only as an agent and have no liability for the performance of that contract. Our Agreement doesn't apply to any contract for experiences or other services.

If Things Go Wrong on Your Holiday

You benefit from the rights applying to packages under The Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018. We are responsible for all the travel services included in your holiday. If any of them isn't provided as we agreed, we'll pay you compensation, if appropriate, unless it's due to an event beyond our control (see 'Events Beyond Our Control'), is your fault or is caused by a third-party.

If you are in difficulty on your holiday we'll help by providing information on health services, local authorities and consular assistance. We'll help you make phone calls, send emails or make alternative travel arrangements. You must pay any costs we incur if the difficulty is your fault.

If You Have A Complaint

It is very rare for things to go wrong. If they do, you must tell the supplier in question (e.g. the hotel) and our representative straight away so they can solve the issue. If our representative isn't available, you should contact our TUI Guest Experience Centre which is open 24/7. If you're still not satisfied, contact After-Travel Customer Support within 28 days of coming home so we can investigate properly. Contact details are in the A-Z Guide.

We usually solve any issues but you can use ABTA's scheme for resolving disputes at www.abta.com.

Personal Injury

Your holiday is made up from services provided by suppliers who follow local standards. Overseas safety standards are generally lower than in the UK.

If anyone travelling suffers injury, illness or death because of the services provided as part of your holiday, you must tell us and the supplier involved about it and complete a report at the time.

After your holiday you can contact After-Travel Customer Support. It must be no more than 3 months after you come home so we can investigate properly. Contact details are at the end of this guide.

Protecting Your Money

We provide security for the money you pay for your holiday and to bring you home in the event we become insolvent. When you buy a holiday from us that includes a flight, we do this by way of an ATOL (number 2524) managed by the Civil Aviation Authority, Gatwick Airport South, RH6 0YR. We also place a bond held by ABTA (V5126), 30 Park Street, London, SE1 9EQ, for holidays that do not include flights.

We've tried to write Our Agreement clearly. Unfortunately, the ATOL rules make us to include the next three paragraphs exactly as they're written.

Your Financial Protection. When you buy an ATOL protected flight or flight inclusive package from us you will receive an ATOL Certificate. This lists what is financially protected, where you can get information on what this means for you and who to contact if things go wrong.

We, or the suppliers identified on your ATOL Certificate, will provide you with the services listed on the ATOL Certificate (or a suitable alternative). In some cases, where neither we nor the supplier are able to do so for reasons of insolvency, an alternative ATOL holder may provide you with the services you have bought or a suitable alternative (at no extra cost to you). You agree to accept that in those circumstances the alternative ATOL holder will perform those obligations and you

agree to pay any money outstanding to be paid by you under your contract to that alternative ATOL holder. However, you also agree that in some cases it will not be possible to appoint an alternative ATOL holder, in which case you will be entitled to make a claim under the ATOL scheme (or your credit card issuer where applicable).

If we, or the suppliers identified on your ATOL certificate, are unable to provide the services listed (or a suitable alternative, through an alternative ATOL holder or otherwise) for reasons of insolvency, the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust may make a payment to (or confer a benefit on) you under the ATOL scheme. You agree that in return for such a payment or benefit you assign absolutely to those Trustees any claims which you have or may have arising out of or relating to the non-provision of the services, including any claim against us, the travel agent (or your credit card issuer where applicable). You also agree that any such claims may be re-assigned to another body, if that other body has paid sums you have claimed under the ATOL scheme.

Where your holiday is protected under the ABTA scheme, you agree to accept that in the event of our insolvency ABTA may arrange for the services you have bought to continue, or for a suitable alternative to be provided at the same cost as your original holiday. You also agree to accept that in circumstances where the travel service provider provides the services you have bought, you agree to pay any outstanding sum under your contract with us to that alternative travel service provider. However, you also agree that in some cases the services will not be provided, in which case you will be entitled to make a claim under ABTA's Scheme of Protection (or your payment card issuer where applicable) for a refund of the monies you have paid. All money you pay to a travel agent for your holiday is held by that agent on behalf of and for the benefit of the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust at all times but subject to the agent's obligation to pay it to us for so long as we do not fail. If we do fail, any money held at that time by the agent, or subsequently accepted from you by the agent, is and continues to be held by that agent on behalf of and for the benefit of the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust without any obligation to pay that money to us.

Getting In Touch

Before You Go

If you're yet to travel with us, we have a dedicated River Cruises team who you can contact on **0203 451 2688***. They can help you with Bookings, Amendments, Cabin Reservations and Shore Experiences as well as Group Bookings, General Enquiries and information about Assisted Travel.

You can also visit www.tui.co.uk/river-cruises, email us at riverenquiries@tui.co.uk or write to us at the address below. If you have your booking reference details, please include those in your letter or email. TUI River Cruises Service Centre, Alexandra House, Alexandra Road, Swansea, SA1 5ED

While You're Away

For help while you're away, please speak to the Cruise Experience Manager onboard. When you disembark the ship for the day you will be given the ship's contact details in case of an emergency.

When You Get Home

When you're back in the UK, to discuss any aspects of your holiday you can complete the online form located in the 'Contact Us' section of our website. Alternatively, you can write to us at the address below. Remember to give us your booking reference details.

After Travel Customer Support, TUI UK, Contact Centre, Alexandra House, Alexandra Road, Swansea, SA1 5ED

Travel Agent Support

If you're a travel agent and need our help, please contact us on **0203 451 2688***.

*Calls from UK landlines cost the standard rate, but calls from mobiles may be higher

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2025	NOV	21	FRI	5	Vienna	Yuletide Delights	82
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2026	MAR	22	SUN	7	Amsterdam	Rhine Explorer	42
		29	SUN	7	Basel*	Rhine Explorer	42
	APR	5	SUN	7	Amsterdam	Rhine Explorer	42
		12	SUN	7	Basel*	Rhine Explorer	42
		19	SUN	15	Amsterdam	Icons of Europe	50
	MAY	4	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
		11	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
		18	MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Delights	66
		25	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
	JUN	1	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
		8	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Capitals	64
		8	MON	4	Budapest	Danube Flavours 2	34
		12	FRI	3	Vienna	Three Grand Capitals 2	34
		15	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
		22	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
	JULY	29	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
		6	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Capitals	64
		6	MON	4	Budapest	Danube Flavours 2	34
		10	FRI	3	Vienna	Three Grand Capitals 2	34
		13	MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Delights	66
		20	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
		27	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
	AUG	3	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
		10	MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Delights	66
		17	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
		24	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
		31	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Gems	56
	SEP	7	MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Delights	66
		14	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Capitals	64
		14	MON	4	Budapest	Danube Flavours 2	34
		18	FRI	3	Vienna	Three Grand Capitals 2	34
		21	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
		28	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Gems	56
	OCT	5	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
		12	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Capitals	64
		12	MON	4	Budapest	Danube Flavours 2	34
		16	FRI	3	Vienna	Three Grand Capitals 2	34
		19	MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Explorer	62
		26	MON	7	Budapest	Diamonds on the Danube	54

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2025	NOV	24	MON	5	Dusseldorf	Mistletoe and Rhine	80
		29	SAT	5	Dusseldorf	Mistletoe and Rhine	80
	DEC	4	THU	5	Dusseldorf	Mistletoe and Rhine	80
		9	TUE	5	Dusseldorf	Mistletoe and Rhine	80
		14	SUN	5	Dusseldorf	Mistletoe and Rhine	80
		19	FRI	4	Dusseldorf	Christmas Carols & Castles	78
		23	TUE	7	Dusseldorf	North Rhine Noel	96
		30	TUE	7	Dusseldorf	A New Year Sail Away	102
2026	MAR	23	MON	7	Passau*	Diamonds on the Danube	54
		30	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
	APR	6	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
		13	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
		20	MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Explorer	62
		27	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
	MAY	4	MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Explorer	62
		11	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
		18	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
		25	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Gems	56
	JUN	1	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
		8	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
		15	MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Delights	66
		22	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Gems	56
		29	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
	JULY	6	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
		13	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
		20	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
		27	MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Explorer	62
	AUG	3	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Capitals	64
		3	MON	4	Budapest	Danube Flavours 2	34
		7	FRI	3	Vienna	Three Grand Capitals 2	34
		10	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
		17	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
		24	MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Explorer	62
	SEP	31	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
		7	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
		14	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
		21	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
	OCT	28	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
		5	MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Delights	66
		12	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
		19	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
		26	MON	4	Budapest	Danube Flavours 2	34

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2025	NOV	24	MON	5	Cologne	A Christmastime on the Rhine	90
		29	SAT	5	Cologne	Yuletide Flavours	92
	DEC	4	THU	5	Cologne	A Christmastime on the Rhine	90
		9	TUE	5	Cologne	Yuletide Flavours	92
		14	SUN	5	Cologne	A Christmastime on the Rhine	90
		19	FRI	4	Cologne	Gluwhein on the Rhine	88
		23	TUE	7	Cologne	Festive Fairy Tale	98
		30	TUE	7	Cologne	A New Year on the Rhine	104
	MAR	27	FRI	3	Vienna	Three Grand Capitals 2	34
		30	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
2026	APR	6	MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Explorer	62
		13	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
		20	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
		27	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	60
	MAY	4	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	58
		11	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Capitals	64
		11	MON	4	Budapest	Danube Flavours 2	34
		15	FRI	3	Vienna	Three Grand Capitals 2	34
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2026	MAR	27	FRI	7	Porto	Douro Discovery	38
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	APR	10	FRI	7	Porto	Douro Discovery	38
		17	FRI	7	Porto	Douro Discovery	38
		24	FRI	7	Porto	Douro Discovery	38
		1	FRI	7	Porto	Douro Discovery	38
	MAY	8	FRI	7	Porto	Douro Discovery	38
		15	FRI	7	Porto	Douro Discovery	38
		22	FRI	7	Porto	Douro Discovery	38
		29	FRI	7	Porto	Douro Discovery	38
		5	FRI	7	Porto	Douro Discovery	38
	JUN	12	FRI	7	Porto	Douro Discovery	38
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