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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**, **Cologne** and **Vienna**, to underrated hangouts like **Rudesheim** and **Melk**. 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.

We've added a new ship for summer 2027, too, bringing our total number up to seven. **TUI Luzia** will be making her debut along Portugal's Douro River on one of our 11 new itineraries.

There are lots of winter sailings to look forward to as well, including our **Enchanting Danube: Solo traveller sailing** – perfect if you're cruising alone. Plus, there are winter sailings along the Rhine and the Nile, too.

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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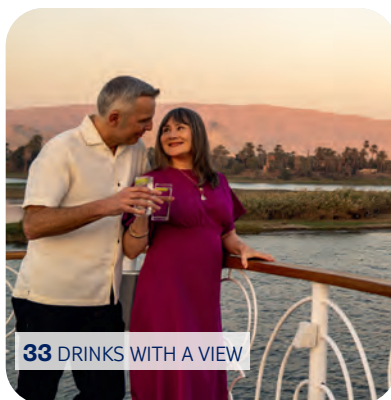
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For the latest general FCDO travel advice, including security and local laws, plus passport and visa information, check gov.uk/travelaware and follow x.com/FCDOtravelGovUK and facebook.com/FCDOtravel

See FCDO travel advice about individual destinations and sign up for FCDO travel advice email alerts, so you automatically receive the latest travel advice updates and travel requirements for the destinations you want to know about, at gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice

For travel advice from TUI, see tui.co.uk/destinations/info/travel-aware

For current travel health news, see travelhealthpro.org.uk

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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.

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 wining 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 190 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.



We've already picked up a string of awards in our short time sailing.

We won **Best for First Time River Cruisers** and **Best Value for Money** at the **2024 Cruise Critic Awards**. We were also named **Best River Cruise Line** at the **2024 British Travel Awards**, and we were crowned **Consumer Favourite for Food and Beverage** at the **2024 Sailawaze Excellence Awards**, too. Plus, we were named **Consumer Favourite for Entertainment** and **Consumer Favourite for Service** at the **2025 Sailawaze Excellence Awards**.



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 European 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

*speeds may vary

**itinerary dependant

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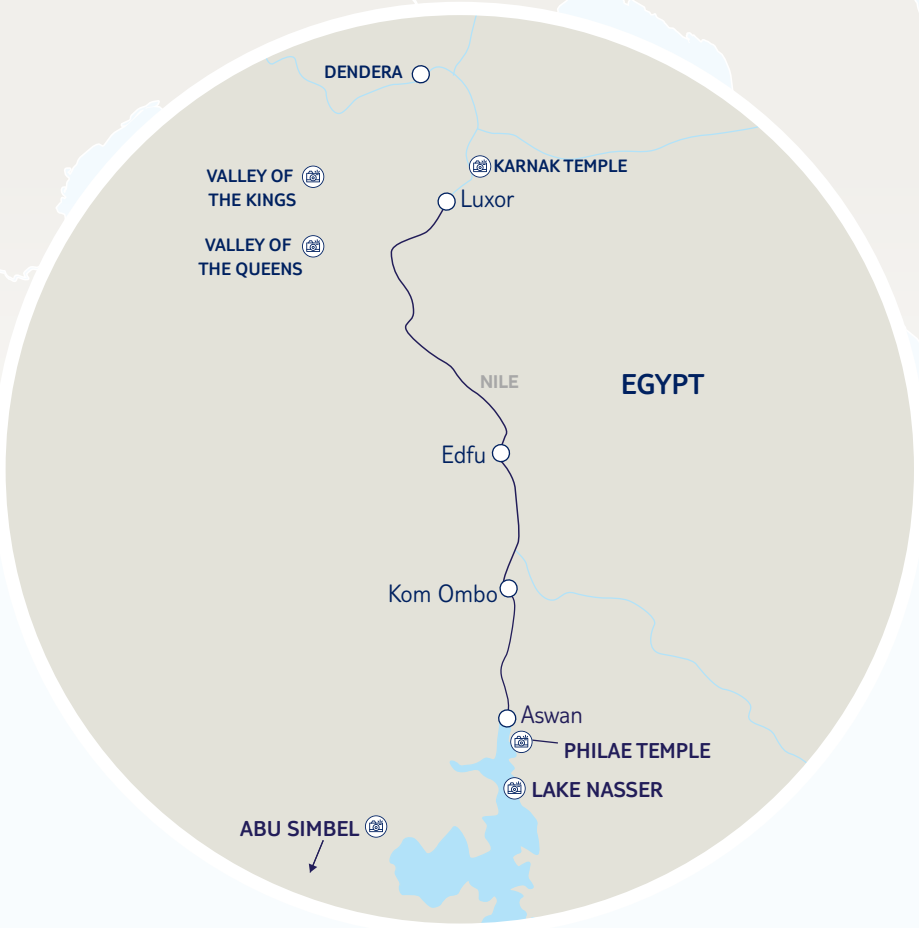
The cruise far exceeded our expectations. The crew, the food and our cabin were fantastic, and we thoroughly enjoyed all the ports of calls and excursions.

- Carol, Magical Danube



Explore iconic waterways

From the Rhine to the Nile, our cruises take you along some of the longest and most beautiful rivers in the world, ticking off time-warp villages and wide-awake cities along the way. Here's a look at the places you can go...





NILE

One of the world's most iconic rivers, the Nile winds its way past loads of Egypt's historic hotspots, including Luxor – a city that's been dubbed an open-air museum in itself.



RHINE

On its journey from the Alps to the North Sea, the Rhine ticks off cities and vineyard-backed villages. Plus, the Rhine Gorge is home to more castles than any other valley in the world.



DANUBE

Europe's second-longest river flows through 10 countries. It also passes four grand capitals – Budapest, Vienna, Bratislava and Belgrade – which you can visit on our itineraries.



DOURO

Stretching the entire width of northern Portugal and nudging into Spain, the Douro's a must if you like port wine – it's in the only region in the world that can legally produce it.



DUTCH & BELGIAN WATERWAYS

This network of canals, waterways and rivers lets you sail past historic cities and windmill-sprinkled countryside - not to mention colourful tulip fields in spring.



MOSELLE

Wine, wine and more wine – that's the name of the game along the Moselle. First-class Rieslings grow in terraced vineyards, making the views just as good as the vino.



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.

Find out more
about our
itineraries and
ports of call
at [tui.co.uk/
river-cruises](https://tui.co.uk/river-cruises).

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.

In selected ports, 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.

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.

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.

Enhance your river cruise with our extras packages, where you can add on the likes of breakfast in bed and Prosecco in your cabin on arrival.

We offer sailings between three and 15 nights, so whether you fancy a short break or a longer sail away, you'll find a sailing to suit you.

Choose to extend your Nile river cruise with a hotel stay in Luxor or Hurghada. Or, combine it with our Highlights of Luxor or Ancient Wonders of Egypt tour.



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 adapted cabins. TUI Aria has a lift onboard which goes to some decks, however our other ships don't have any lifts fitted, so this type of holiday may not be ideal if you find it difficult to walk up and down stairs unassisted. Please contact our dedicated river cruises team to discuss your specific requirements before you book.

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

Want to know anything else? Just head to tui.co.uk/destinations/faq/tui-river-cruises to find out more.

Not sure which river cruise is right for you? **Click the button below** to check out our inspiration tool.

Plus, look out for the 'best for' tags on all our itineraries, which will help point you in the right direction, too.

[More info](#)



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 – which is exclusive to TUI – 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.

STRASBOURG, FRANCE

Nestled in north-eastern France, you can visit this picturesque city which straddles the French-German border when we dock in the German town of Kehl. 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.

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.

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, so you'll need to make your own way to the meeting point, which will be stated on your ticket. Most of them are self-guided, too, but if a guide is included, this will be made clear when you come to book.

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.

More info

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

COLOGNE CATHEDRAL, GERMANY



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.

KUNSTMUSEUM, BASEL

This museum in Switzerland's cultural capital is home to the oldest public art collection in the world, and the artists on display here are like a who's who of art royalty, including Van Gogh, Picasso and Rembrandt.

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.



IMPERIAL CASTLE, NUREMBERG

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

IMPERIAL CASTLE, NUREMBERG

This terracotta-topped castle in the heart of Nuremberg offers up some of the best views over the city from the 13th-century Sinwell Tower. A walk along the fortified city walls comes a close second for views – you'll spot lots of half-timbered houses from up here.

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.

RUBENSHUIS, ANTWERP

This was the home and workshop of artist Peter Paul Rubens. Learn about his life in his Italian palazzo-style home and make a beeline for the garden in the summer months when more than 20,000 plants are in full bloom.

HIDDEN GEM

FRANKENDAEI 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



FRANKENDAEI 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.



SPHINX AVENUE, 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.



LUXOR TEMPLE, LUXOR

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 190 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 our dedicated river cruises team a call on **0204 578 0993^**, or pop in to your local **TUI Store**.



TUI Luzia

TUI Luzia will be sailing along the Douro in summer 2027.

TUI Luzia is our first ever new-build ship, which will make its maiden voyage in June 2027, 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** is the ideal spot to relax and unwind with a coffee or juice and take part in one of our wellness sessions. Then at night it's a cosy and intimate lounge bar, which is perfect for quiet drinks.

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.



TUI Aria



TUI Aria will be sailing along the Rhine in winter 2026 and summer 2027.

TUI Aria will be the sixth ship in our fleet when it sets sail along the Rhine, the Moselle and the Dutch and Belgian waterways in summer 2026. It'll be a Full Board Plus setup onboard, so three meals and drinks at mealtimes will be included in your package. And to top it off, it'll be our first river cruise ship to feature an indoor pool. Let's take a closer look at what you can expect onboard...

DINING

There'll be flexible dining times and an open seating policy onboard.

The **main restaurant** – **Verdastro** – will be a roomy, modern space with panoramic windows for watching the world go by as you dine. This place will have a familiar feel if you've sailed on TUI Isla, TUI Skyla or TUI Maya, as it's based on our popular venue onboard those ships. It'll be open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, with a mix of local and international dishes, and there'll be waiter service for all three meals.

A six-course **gala dinner** will take place on sailings of five nights or more. You can get dressed up for the occasion if you fancy it, but there's no obligation to do so if you'd rather keep it casual.

Afternoon tea will also be on the cards on sailings of five nights or more. There'll be a buffet spread with freshly-made sandwiches and cakes.



OTHER FACILITIES

BAR

The **lounge bar – Observatory** – will be a light and contemporary space with floor-to-ceiling windows where the evening entertainment will take place each night. You'll be able to kick back in the comfy seats and watch live music and local acts take to the stage. There'll be things like interactive quizzes and movie nights here, too. If you've sailed on TUI Isla, TUI Skyla or TUI Maya, this place will have a familiar feel to it, as it's based on our old favourite onboard those ships.

REFLECTIONS

You'll be able to swim, dine and drink here. It'll serve as the pool during the day – complete with retractable roof for year-round dips, plus seating around the edge and a sauna.

Then, when evening comes around the floor closes over the pool and Italian-inspired dishes will be on the menu. Light breakfasts and lunches are on the cards, too, plus occasional evening entertainment, with the likes of movie screenings and live music.

TOP DECK

The top deck will be a spacious area with different zones for relaxation and activities. Lie back on a lounge while watching the world go by or join in with the likes of Yoga classes and deck games, including shuffleboard.



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CABINS

All of the cabins will have a bright, modern feel and will include air-conditioning, a hairdryer, a flatscreen TV, a safe, and tea and coffee making facilities.



TUI Isla, TUI Maya and TUI Skyla



TUI Maya and **TUI Isla** will be sailing along the Danube in winter 2026 and summer 2027. **TUI Skyla** will be sailing along the Rhine in winter 2026, and the Danube in summer 2027.

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.

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 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 and lunch, and à la carte meals for 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. **Felucca Bar**, meanwhile, is on the top deck, and it's the perfect spot to sit back on comfy chairs and sofas while watching the world go by.

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

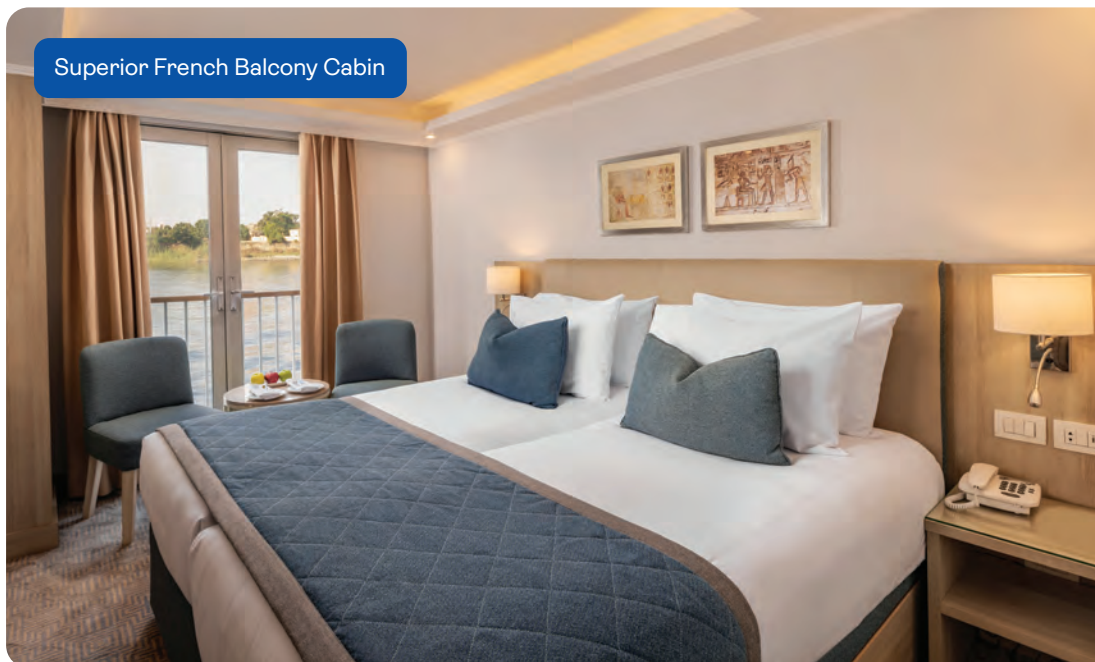
The top deck's the ideal spot for soaking up the scenery. Half of it's home to sunloungers, a pool and a couple of hot tubs, while the other half's where you'll find a restaurant, a bar and loads of comfy seating.



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 **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.

Superior French Balcony Cabin



TUI Bahareya



TUI Bahareya became the fifth ship in our river cruise fleet when it joined the gang in winter 2025. Like its sister ship – TUI Al Horeya – it sails 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 restaurants. It's also 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 are flexible dining times and an open seating policy.

Belhana is the main restaurant, and it's open for buffet-style breakfasts and lunches with show-cooking options, plus à la carte dinners.

You can also head to **Sofra**, on the top deck. Here, light snacks are served at lunchtimes, then it's an à la carte affair at dinnertime, with dishes focused on local flavours.

OTHER FACILITIES

BARS

The **Observatory** is the ship's main bar, where the nightly entertainment takes place. There are 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's also a second bar on the top deck – **Felucca** – which is open all day and offers a variety of drinks on the menu.

ATRIUM

The **Atrium** is the main hub of the ship. This bright, open space is decked out with Arabic-influenced decor, and it's where you'll find the reception desk and the shore experiences desk.

TOP DECK

The top deck's split into different zones, with space for relaxation, dining and activities. There's a pool up here with plenty of sunloungers dotted around it, a bar with an Arabic-style vibe, plus a restaurant which dishes up daytime snacks and à la carte dinners.

HETEP

Hetep is the ship's wellness area – the ideal space for some downtime after a day's sightseeing. You'll find a sauna and massage rooms* here, including one for couples. And, it's all topped off with Arabic-style decor.



*Charges apply.

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CABINS

All of the modern and stylish cabins 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 **Balcony Suite cabin**. As well as the standard amenities, these come with a few extras, too, like bathrobes and slippers, and breakfast in bed twice per week.





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 For European sailings, 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 through our visa partner, Sherpa, 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 **0204 578 0993**. 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 lifts onboard TUI Aria, but they don't go to all decks. There are no lifts onboard any of our other ships. If stairs are a problem for you, please ask us for more details before you book. You can call us on **0204 578 0993**.

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 Twin beds are available in all cabins on our Douro river cruises. On the rest of our European 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 **0204 578 0993**. 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 **0204 578 0993**. 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 34**, contact your **Travel Expert** or give us a call on **0204 578 0993**^.

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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Operations Manager



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Senior Operations Manager



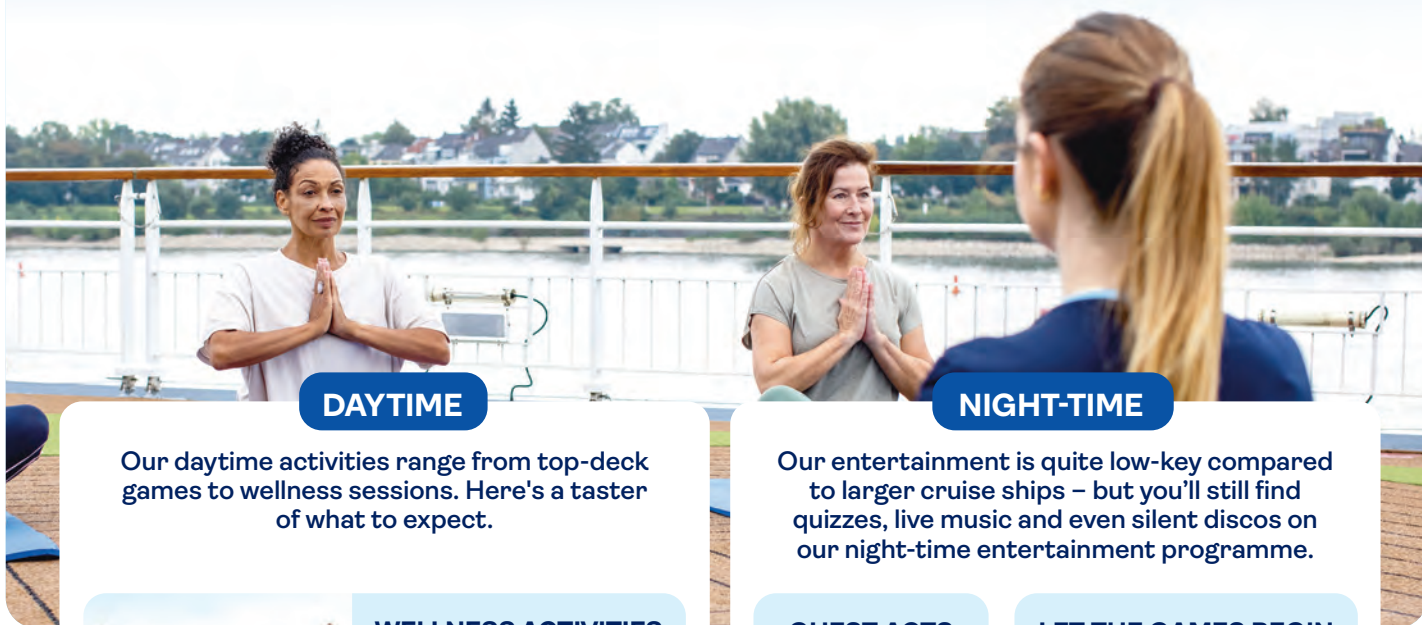
JACOB DOWLING

Senior Destination Experience and Planning Manager

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 **0204 578 0993**^ or pop into your local store.

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.

More info



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

Drinks with a view

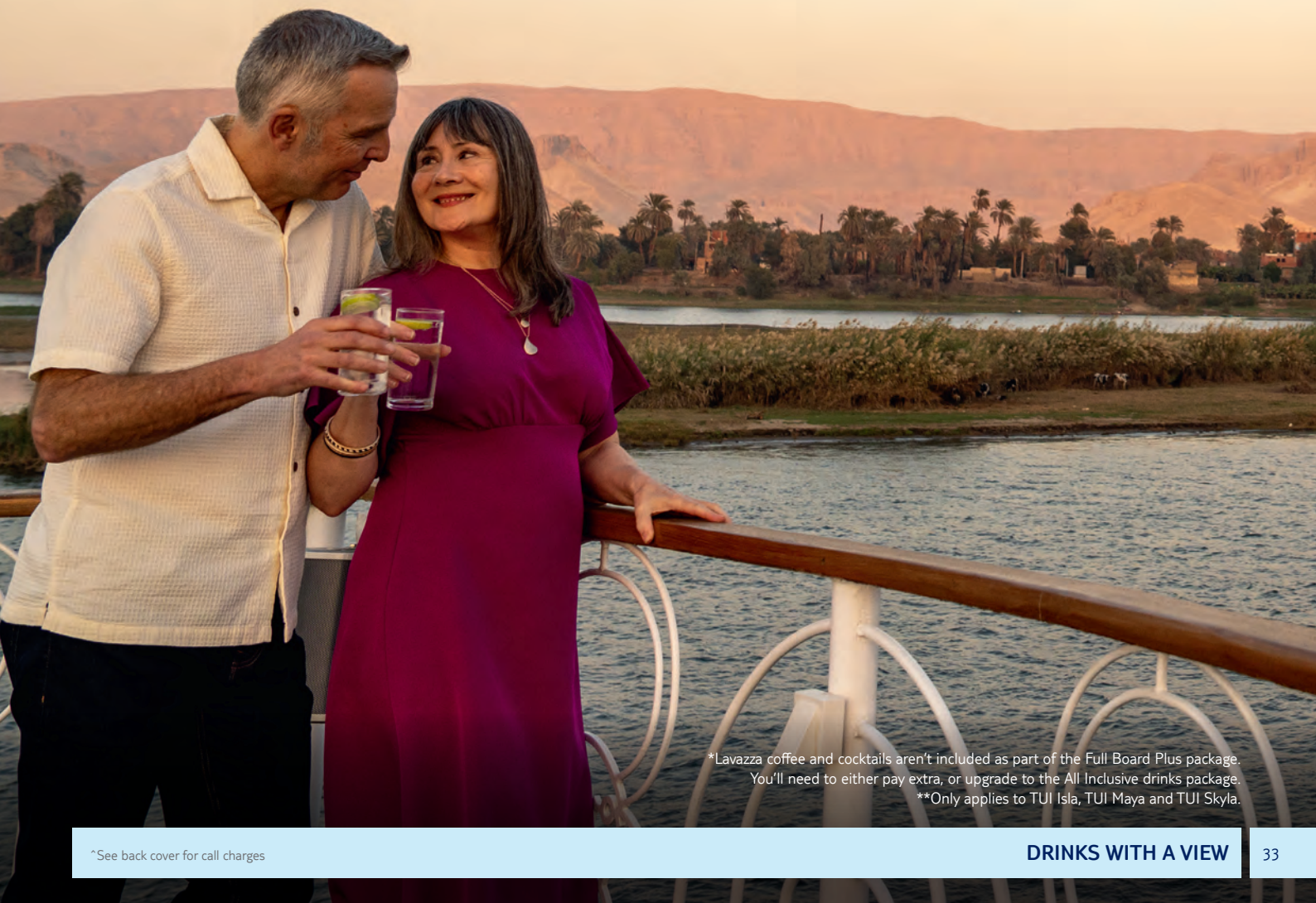
From spacious lounge bars to open-air hangouts on the top deck, all our ships come with at least two bars to quench your thirst.

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.

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.

JUST SO YOU KNOW...

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.



*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.

**Only applies to TUI Isla, TUI Maya and TUI Skyla.



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 **0204 578 0993**[^]

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.

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.
- ✓ Local guides – our shore experiences are delivered by locally-employed guides, which supports the local economy.
- ✓ Reducing food waste – we've installed new equipment in the galley to determine the amount of food waste and reduce it.
- ✓ Sustainable experiences – we've added sustainable alternatives to our shore experience programme such as River Cruise Collection: Amsterdam Cruise, which is operated by an electric boat. Plus, we've added some new sustainable shore experiences with National Geographic.

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.

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The long and short of it

When it comes to duration, there's no one-size-fits-all approach with our cruises. From short sail aways to something a little longer, this hand-picked selection from our line-up has got you covered. They're all between four days and 16 days, and tick off everything from buzzing capital cities to the beating heart of Germany's wine region.



Highlights of the Rhine & Netherlands



Locations: Germany & Netherlands



Duration: 3 nights



Sailing on: TUI Aria

This three-night cruise starts in Germany's fashion capital, Dusseldorf. Then, you'll cross the border into the Netherlands on day two to visit Nijmegen – the country's oldest city – before sailing to Rotterdam on day three, and wrapping up in the Dutch capital, Amsterdam, on day four.

This itinerary departs on **15th August 2027**.

Rhine & Dutch Explorer



Locations: Netherlands, Germany, Switzerland & France



Duration: 11 nights



Sailing on: TUI Aria

You'll visit four countries on this 11-night itinerary – the Netherlands, Germany, Switzerland and France. Along the way you'll stop in major cities like Amsterdam and Cologne, plus cosier towns like Speyer and Breisach.

This itinerary departs on **18th August 2027**.

Rhine & Dutch Treasures



Locations: Netherlands, Germany, Switzerland & France



Duration: 14 nights



Sailing on: TUI Aria

This mammoth 14-night cruise along the Rhine shines a spotlight on giant cities from Germany, Switzerland and the Netherlands, including Frankfurt, Basel and Amsterdam. You'll stop off in German wine country, too, and visit under-the-radar riverside towns like Rudesheim.

This itinerary departs on **15th August 2027**.

Moselle & North Rhine



Locations: Germany & Netherlands



Duration: 8 nights



Sailing on: TUI Aria

This eight-night 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 departs on **11th July 2027**.

Dutch Delta Discovery



Locations: Netherlands & Belgium



Duration: 6 nights



Sailing on: TUI Aria

You'll start this six-night cruise in the Dutch capital, Amsterdam, before heading on to Zaandam, Rotterdam and Veere. Then, you'll glide over the Belgian border and visit a couple of the country's big-hitters – Ghent and Antwerp, before finishing back in Amsterdam on the final day.

This itinerary departs on **19th July 2027**.

Moselle & North Rhine Discovery



Locations: Germany, Netherlands & Belgium



Duration: 14 nights



Sailing on: TUI Aria

This 14-night river cruise travels the Moselle, Rhine, and Dutch waterways, linking Germany's vineyard-edged towns and Belgium's Medieval quarters with the Netherlands' modern ports, like Rotterdam and Amsterdam. Along the way you'll visit big cities like Cologne and Amsterdam, plus cosier towns like Bernkastel-Kues and Veere.

This itinerary departs on **11th July 2027**.

Jewels of the Rhine & Moselle



 **Locations:** Germany & Netherlands

 **Duration:** 9 nights

 **Sailing on:** TUI Aria

This nine-night cruise takes you through some of Germany's most historic spots, including Trier – the oldest city in the country. Then, you'll drop anchor in the Netherlands for the final couple of days and visit the country's two biggest cities – Rotterdam and Amsterdam.

This itinerary departs on **11th April 2027**.

Discover the Moselle & Rhine



 **Locations:** Germany

 **Duration:** 6 nights

 **Sailing on:** TUI Aria

It's an all-German affair on this six-night cruise, which ticks off traditional towns known for their wine and riverside views, including Rudesheim, Cochem and Boppard, plus a couple of big cities – Frankfurt and Cologne.

This itinerary departs on **11th April 2027**.

Taste of the Rhine & Dutch Waterways



 **Locations:** Germany & Netherlands

 **Duration:** 3 nights

 **Sailing on:** TUI Aria

This three-night itinerary's ideal for city slickers. It ticks off two of Germany's big-hitters – Cologne and Dusseldorf – plus the Netherlands' two biggest cities – Rotterdam and Amsterdam.

This itinerary departs on **16th April 2027**.

Rhine & Moselle Adventure



Locations: Germany, Switzerland & France



Duration: 14 nights



Sailing on: TUI Aria

This fourteen-night cruise is a winner when it comes to variety. It sails through Germany, France, and Switzerland, with stops at Roman ruins, storybook-style old towns, and world-famous wine valleys. Highlights include Switzerland's cultural capital, Basel, and the German city of Mainz, in the heart of wine country.

This itinerary departs on **16th May 2027**.

Tulips & Waterways



Locations: Netherlands



Duration: 5 nights



Sailing on: TUI Aria

See some of the Netherlands' biggest and oldest cities in bloom on this five-night, all-Dutch cruise. It sets sail in tulip season, so colourful backdrops are a near-certainty. You'll start off in Amsterdam, then sail to Hoorn, Arnhem and Rotterdam, before finishing back where you started.

This itinerary departs on **20th April 2027**.

Icons of Europe 2



Locations: Hungary, Slovakia, Austria, Germany & Netherlands



Duration: 15 nights



Sailing on: TUI Skylla

This itinerary's a real whopper, as you visit five countries – including four capital cities – over 15 nights. Hungary, Slovakia, Austria, Germany and the Netherlands all make the cut, with stops in Budapest, Bratislava, Vienna and Amsterdam, plus a medley of German towns and cities.

This itinerary departs on **25th October 2027**.

Danube Flavours 2



Best for: Cities



Locations: Hungary, Slovakia & Austria



Duration: 4 nights



Sailing on: TUI Maya

You'll cross off three big-name capital cities during this four-night 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 **April 2027** and **October 2027**. There's a departure on **25th March 2027**, too, which starts from Vienna and goes in reverse, finishing up in Budapest.

Three Grand Capitals 2



Best for: Cities



Locations: Austria, Slovakia & Hungary



Duration: 3 nights



Sailing on: TUI Maya

This itinerary ticks off three capitals in 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 seven sailings between **April 2027** and **October 2027**.

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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.



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS CRUISE OR BOOK ONLINE

PORTO, PORTUGAL



ENTRE-OS-RIOS, PORTUGAL



PESO DE RÉGUA, PORTUGAL



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RHINE

SAILING ON:
TUI ARIA

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 half the 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 part 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.



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS CRUISE OR BOOK ONLINE

FRANKFURT, GERMANY



MANNEIM, GERMANY



KOBLENZ, GERMANY

MAP KEY

 Arrival & 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.



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RHINE

SAILING ON:
TUI ARIA

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: 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. At its centre there's a square that used to be a fish market. Today, there's a fountain with a big fish sculpture in the middle to mark its historic importance. You can also 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 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. 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 for first-time visitors – it's full of well-preserved historic buildings that sit snugly next to each other. 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, snow leopards, and everything in between. 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 / MOSELLE

SAILING ON:
TUI ARIA

Rhine & Moselle Wonders

This seven-night sailing ticks off capital cities past and present, a leading wine-making region, and not just one but two rivers – the picturesque Moselle and the history-soaked Rhine.



Best for: Scenery

HIGHLIGHTS

- Shop for souvenirs in Mainz
- Ride the Koblenz cable car
- Taste local wines in Boppard

DAY 1: FRANKFURT, GERMANY

Start your cruise in Frankfurt. You might hear this place referred to as Mainhattan, alluding to the city's setting on the Main River, as well as its futuristic skyline. But mixed in with the new are timber houses and red-brick churches. Lots of the city was damaged in World War Two, but it's since undergone a huge restoration project. Römerberg square's now lined with traditional, Medieval-style buildings. And Palmengarten is Frankfurt's version of Kew Gardens.

DAY 2: BOPPARD, GERMANY

The German town of Boppard's main claim to fame is its wine, and you've got half a day to acquaint yourself. White Riesling and red Pinot Noir's been bottled here for centuries, starting off life in the vineyards – including the biggest in the Middle Rhine Valley – outside of town. The bars and restaurants here put on tasting sessions where you can sample them for yourself. You'll find them clustered along the waterfront – which is also home to traditionally German, 16th-century architecture and museums.

DAY 3: COCHEM, GERMANY

Cosied into one of the curves of the Moselle River, Cochem is Germany at its prettiest. Its old town's fit to bursting with half-timbered houses and Medieval gates. Its hill's crowned by a romantic-looking castle, and restaurants and manicured parks form ranks along its riverside promenade. Catching a ride on the chairlift up to the Pinnerkreuz lookout is a great way to start, and worth it for the views alone. Elsewhere, you can track down the town's secret Cold War bunker.

DAY 4: RIOL, GERMANY (FOR TRIER)

Your next stop's Germany's oldest city, Trier. It dates back to the Roman Empire, and you can visit many Roman ruins and monuments, like Porta Nigra – a Roman city gate which showcases its origins. Trier Cathedral flaunts a mishmash of architectural styles from where it's been rebuilt over the years, while the old town has a lively market square lined with shops, cafés and restaurants.

DAY 5: BERNKASTEL-KUES, GERMANY

Next stop – Bernkastel-Kues. The Moselle River splits this town in half, and once acted as a natural divider between the separate villages. They joined forces at the turn of the 20th century, combining Bernkastel's quaint, timber-clad marketplace and Kues' more modern streets. A single bridge connects the east and west banks, and a brief stroll out of town gets you to vineyard-coated hills with standout views.

DAY 6: KOBLENZ, GERMANY

You've got a whole day to explore Koblenz. This city is a meeting place of mountains, and the Rhine and Moselle rivers come together here, too. The waterfront's dotted with UNESCO-stamped forts and palaces, while fairy tale castles christen the hilltops on the edge of town. And the surrounding valleys are teeming with terraced vines and world-class wineries. Take a cable car up to the Ehrenbreitstein Fortress for spectacular views over the city.

DAY 7: RUDESHEIM, GERMANY

Rudesheim's a little town in the heart of Germany's wine country. Gothic, 16th-century houses line the water's edge. And in the background you'll find a hillside sprinkled with walking trails for hikers, castles for historians and vineyards for wine-lovers. In fact, some of the biggest vineyards in Germany are found near here. Stick about in the centre of town, and you've got plenty of shops and bars to nip in and out of.

DAY 8: MAINZ, GERMANY

If you have time before your flight home, spend your final day exploring Mainz. Over in the market square, brightly coloured souvenir stalls are hemmed by a border of Baroque-style houses. And the Kirschgarten area's loaded with traditionally German, half-timbered houses and restaurants – the former of which date back to the 16th century. At the centre of it all sits the thousand-year-old Mainz Cathedral.



FRANKFURT, GERMANY



COCHEM, GERMANY



BOPPARD, GERMANY

MAP KEY

-  Arrival & Departure
Frankfurt
-  Transfer 25 minutes

TOP TIP

Have your camera handy when you're walking around Rudesheim – its cobbled alleys and half-timbered houses make for postcard-worthy pictures.



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RHINE / MOSELLE

SAILING ON:
TUI ARIA

Upper Rhine Splendours

Sail along the Upper Rhine through Germany, France, and Switzerland – ticking off cosy riverside towns, vineyards and Gothic cathedrals along the way.



Best for: Variety

HIGHLIGHTS

- Stroll through Mainz's Medieval old town
- Explore Strasbourg's Petite France district
- Snap Basel's red-sandstone buildings

DAY 1: MAINZ, GERMANY

Your cruise begins in Mainz, just downstream from Frankfurt where the River Main meets the Rhine. In minutes you'll be in the old town, with its 1,000-year-old red-sandstone cathedral at the centre. Nearby, the Gutenberg Museum showcases the city's most famous invention – the printing press – and one of the first printed Bibles. A short walk uphill takes you to St Stephan's Church, where Marc Chagall's stained-glass windows flood the interior with blue light. Back on the riverfront, cafés and wine taverns invite you to try a glass of local Riesling.

DAY 2: SPEYER, GERMANY

Today you'll head south along the Rhine to the town of Speyer. It may be small, but its Imperial Cathedral is anything but – it's one of Europe's largest Romanesque churches, topped with a mint-green copper roof, and awarded UNESCO World Heritage status. Stroll down Maximilianstrasse, the main street lined with cafés, shops, and photo spots. If you like quirky museums, the Technik Museum Speyer is nearby, with vintage cars, planes, and even a space shuttle.

DAY 3: BREISACH, GERMANY

Perched on a hill above the Rhine, Breisach is your gateway to the Black Forest and Alsace wine country. You've got some time here today to head up to St Stephen's Cathedral for river and vineyard views. Below, the cobbled streets are lined with houses painted in ice-cream shades – pistachio, peach, lemon – and café terraces spill out onto the square. If you're a wine lover, Breisach is home to one of Europe's largest wine cellars, where you can taste the region's famous whites.

DAY 4: BASEL, SWITZERLAND

You've got a full day to explore Basel, Switzerland's cultural hub. Start at Marktplatz to see the fiery-red Town Hall, then wander the Medieval lanes up to Basel Minster for one of the best views over the Rhine. You'll also have time to pop into some of the city's 40-plus museums – don't miss the Kunstmuseum, with its incredible collection of European art from Holbein to Picasso. And be sure to try a Basler Lächerli, the city's famous spiced gingerbread – it's a tasty local treat. 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 5: KEHL, GERMANY (FOR STRASBOURG)

You'll dock in Kehl today, and from here it's just a short walk across the river into Strasbourg. The Petite France district feels like a pop-up book of half-timbered houses in cream, peach, and pale blue, with flowers spilling from the windows. The Cathedral of Notre Dame towers above, its single spire and intricate Gothic stonework dominating the skyline. You can climb up to a platform for city views, or step inside to see the astronomical clock in action at noon.

Streets are lined with winstubs – local wine taverns – where you can try Alsatian classics like tarte flambée, the region's take on pizza, paired with a glass of local wine.

DAY 6: MANNHEIM, GERMANY

You've got some time to explore Mannheim today. Known as the Quadratestadt – City of Squares – for its grid-like streets and grand squares, the city has plenty to see. The Baroque Palace, one of Europe's largest, sits by the river and is home to part of the university. Don't miss the Wasserturm, a turreted water tower set in a fountain park. Around it, you'll find lively shopping streets, and a short stroll takes you to Luisenpark – think tree-lined paths and Chinese gardens.

DAY 7: ASCHAFFENBURG, GERMANY

Today, you'll stop for some time in Aschaffenburg, a town just south of the Main River in northern Bavaria. Nicknamed the "Bavarian Nice" for its sunny climate, its main draw is Johannisburg Palace. Built from deep-red sandstone, the palace sits above the river with views over the Main. Inside, you'll find an impressive art collection, and the palace gardens and riverside park are top strolling spots. Back in the old town, narrow streets wind past bakeries, small beer gardens and churches.

DAY 8: FRANKFURT, GERMANY

Your cruise wraps up in Frankfurt, where sleek skyscrapers rub shoulders with Medieval squares. Before heading home, delve into the city – whether that's taking in the Römer, the city's half-timbered town hall, visiting St. Paul's Church where Germany's parliament first met, stepping into Goethe House for a glimpse of the country's most famous writer, or strolling along the Museumsufer, a row of museums with wide riverside paths. If you're keen on views, head up the Main Tower for a bird's-eye view of the skyline.



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS CRUISE OR BOOK ONLINE

MAINZ, GERMANY



MAP KEY

➕ Arrival & Departure
Frankfurt

🕒 Transfer 25 minutes

TOP TIP

The Rhine is famous for the local wine Riesling – you'll find it in wine taverns and on restaurant menus. Try a glass where it's grown, especially in Mainz or Mannheim.



BREISACH, GERMANY



SPEYER, GERMANY



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RHINE

SAILING ON:
TUI ARIA

Rhine: Chateaux & Gateaux 2

The name says it all for this one. You'll journey from Basel in Switzerland, to Germany's wine country and idyllic Black Forest.



Best for: Hidden gems

HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore Strasbourg's quaint old town
- Taste wine in the Moselle Valley
- See an oom-pah band in Rudesheim
- Overnight onboard stay in Basel

DAY 1: BASEL, SWITZERLAND

You'll fly into Basel today. Unlike modern Zurich, this Swiss city 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. Don't worry about cramming in all the sights – you'll spend the evening here and won't leave until tomorrow. 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 2: BASEL, SWITZERLAND

You've got more time to see Basel's top sights today. You can head up to Cathedral Mount to check out Basel Minster and the tomb of Dutch scholar Erasmus. It's the perfect spot to take in sweeping views of the old town.

DAY 3: 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.

DAY 4: KEHL, GERMANY (FOR STRASBOURG)

You'll leave Germany behind today and head to the French city of Strasbourg. The border between the two countries runs directly down the middle of the river, and a bridge over it to the German city of Kehl connects the two. Petite France should be on your to-do list today – half-timbered houses sandwich themselves between narrow streets and the river bank. Another must-see is the city's cathedral – it's home to an astronomical clock that puts on a big show at half past noon.

DAY 5: MANNHEIM, GERMANY

The city of Mannheim is your next stop. It's been designed just like an American city, with an easy-to-use, grid-like layout. But, other than that, it's European to a T. Gondolletta boats bob in Luisenpark, an ancient Romanesque tower sits at the centre of Friedrichsplatz, and its Old Observatory was once visited by composer, Wolfgang Mozart.

DAY 6: RUDESHEIM, GERMANY TO BOPPARD, GERMANY

Today's split in two – you'll pull into Rudesheim first, then spend some time in Boppard after. Rudesheim 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. After, you'll cruise into Boppard, which is famous for its dramatic S-shaped bend and locally grown wines.

DAY 7: KOBLENZ, GERMANY

Koblenz is next on the list. The Moselle and Rhine rivers meet in this city – a viewpoint and statue of Germany's first Emperor mark the spot. There are forts and castles to explore, too, which are perched above the centre. You can catch a cable car up to the Ehrenbreitstein Fortress. Or, hop on a bus to Schloss Stolzenfels, which once hosted Queen Victoria.

DAY 8: FRANKFURT, GERMANY

You'll finish your trip 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.



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS CRUISE OR BOOK ONLINE

BOPPARD, GERMANY



BASEL, SWITZERLAND



BLACK FOREST, GERMANY

MAP KEY

- Arrival Basel
- Transfer 20 minutes
- Departure Frankfurt
- Transfer 25 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.



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**RHINE**SAILING ON:
TUI ARIA

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 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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RHINE / DUTCH-BELGIAN WATERWAYS

SAILING ON:
TUI ARIA

Rhine & Belgian Waterways

Discover the heart of Western Europe on this Rhine and Belgian Waterways river cruise. Explore wine-growing towns, Gothic cathedrals, and Medieval squares, with stops in Germany, the Netherlands and Belgium.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Sip Riesling in Rüdesheim's wine taverns
- Spot Cologne's Roman and Gothic gems
- See Amsterdam's canals and museums

DAY 1: FRANKFURT, GERMANY

Your itinerary will begin in Frankfurt, where modern skyscrapers tower over cobbled alleyways. You'll have a chance to see the city's highlights, like the old town, Römerberg. Nearby, Sachsenhausen is a district full of traditional cider taverns where locals sip Apfelwein – apple cider – from ceramic cups. When it comes to art, you've got the likes of the Stadel Museum – featuring works by Rembrandt, Monet and Picasso – the Liebieghaus Sculpture Museum, and the Museum of Modern Art. For city views, head up the Main Tower for a panoramic snapshot of 'Mainhattan'.

DAY 2: RUDESHEIM, GERMANY

You're sailing into Rüdesheim today. You'll have some time to wander into this small town in the heart of the Rhine Gorge, which is famous for its vineyards and wine taverns serving up the local Riesling. The old town is cosy, with narrow streets and painted timber-framed houses, while Drosselgasse is a livelier lane teeming with wine bars. Rüdesheim is also known for Siegfried's Mechanical Music Cabinet, a quirky collection of historic instruments – a little-known treasure beyond the vino.

DAY 3: COLOGNE, GERMANY

Up next is a full day in one of Germany's oldest cities, Cologne – famous for its cathedral, Kölsch beer, and Roman roots. Marvel at the cathedral's twin Gothic spires, home to the Shrine of the Three Kings. If you wander the old town, you'll see it's dotted with traditional Kölsch pubs where beer is served in 0.2-litre glasses called 'Stangen'. Cross the Hohenzollern Bridge for a snapshot of the thousands of love locks or satisfy your sweet tooth at the tucked-away chocolate shops.

DAY 4: NIJMEGEN, NETHERLANDS

Crossing into the Netherlands, you'll dock in Nijmegen, the country's oldest city. Roman ruins still mark its past, but the riverside today buzzes with cafés and bicycle-friendly streets. You've got some time to tick off the sights, like strolling through Kronenburgerpark, climbing the old Valkhof hill fort for views, or heading to Grote Markt square beneath the 17th-century town hall, where locals chat over coffee or Jenever – the Dutch gin.

DAY 5: ANTWERP, BELGIUM

Heading north along the waterways, you'll dock for a full day in Antwerp today. Known as Belgium's diamond capital, the city is also a hub for fashion and art. The port is one of Europe's largest, but the old town feels much smaller, with cobbled streets, grand guildhalls and Baroque churches. Don't miss the Cathedral of Our Lady, home to masterpieces by Peter Paul Rubens, or wander the Diamond District to see artisans at work. Stop for Belgian chocolates, waffles, or a local craft beer – the city's amber ale, known as a Bolleke, is a favourite with locals.

DAY 6: GHENT, BELGIUM

A short sail brings you to Ghent, once one of Europe's richest cities. A full day here gives you enough time to see the Graslei and Korenlei quays, lined with medieval guild houses along the water. Step inside St. Bavo's Cathedral to see the Ghent Altarpiece, climb the ramparts of Gravensteen castle, or wander the narrow cobbled lanes of Patershol. The area is packed with cafés, craft beer bars and restaurants serving Flemish dishes like waterzooi – a creamy chicken or fish stew.

DAY 7: ROTTERDAM, NETHERLANDS

Back in the Netherlands, Rotterdam feels different – modern, bold, and innovative. Bombed in WWII, the city was rebuilt with striking architecture like the Cube Houses, the Erasmus Bridge and sleek skyscrapers along the Maas River. For a taste of local life, visit Markthal – a mix of food hall and artwork – where fresh seafood, cheeses, and Dutch treats fill the stalls. Meanwhile, the old Delfshaven harbour gives a glimpse of the city's maritime past.

DAY 8: AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS

Your cruise finishes in Amsterdam, a city criss-crossed by canals. Before you head home, you may have some time to step into the historic centre to see narrow houses leaning over the water, and hit highlights like the Rijksmuseum, Van Gogh Museum, and Anne Frank House. For something quieter, stroll through Vondelpark or wander the Jordaan district with its boutique shops and cosy cafés. Be sure to try stroopwafels – caramel-filled waffle cookies – and sample Dutch cheeses at one of the city's lively markets. Just so you know, due to the limited number of central berths in Amsterdam, we sometimes have to berth in nearby Coenhaven.



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FRANKFURT, GERMANY



MAP KEY

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

TOP TIP

In Cologne, stop at a traditional Kölsch pub and try ordering a round the local way – the server keeps bringing 0.2-litre glasses until you signal 'stop' with the coaster.



COLOGNE, GERMANY



RUDESHEIM, GERMANY



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RHINE / DUTCH-BELGIAN WATERWAYS

SAILING ON:
TUI ARIA

Treasures of the Rhine

Start this eight-day cruise in the Netherlands and end it in Germany. In the middle, you'll pass through world-famous wine-growing regions and fairytale-style towns.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit Amsterdam's Rijksmuseum
- Ride the chairlift in Boppard
- Explore Cologne Cathedral

DAY 1: AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS

Start your cruise with a double helping of Amsterdam – you're in Holland's capital today and tomorrow. The city's storybook scenery is instantly recognisable, with narrow streets and canals and tall, thin houses. You'll find plenty of metro stations nestled into the mix, so getting out and about in Amsterdam is a piece of cake. 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

Spend your second day in Amsterdam getting into its art scene. The Netherlands is a country known for its star-studded art alumni. And it's no wonder, with names like Rembrandt, Vermeer, and, of course, Van Gogh on the list. Amsterdam takes advantage of this legacy, and lines up a host of famous art museums in the aptly named Museumplein. See the classics in the Rijksmuseum and the Van Gogh Museum.

DAY 3: ARNHEM, NETHERLANDS

Arnhem makes a good first impression, thanks to its up-to-date, shop-filled centre. You've got a few hours here today to explore its public parks, as well as its art-filled museums and galleries. History's not in short supply, either – the city took to the world stage during Operation Market Garden in 1944, which you can learn about during a guided tour.

DAY 4: COLOGNE, GERMANY

You've got all day to get to know Cologne today. This place is a city of contrasts, where ancient Roman walls and Medieval churches rub shoulders with a postmodern quarter chock-full of chic shops. Visit the Imhoff-Schokoladenmuseum on the waterfront – a museum dedicated to the history of chocolate. And don't leave Cologne without walking through its cathedral. This World Heritage Site hovers majestically over the roofs of the city, and its interior's just as impressive as its two spiky spires.

DAY 5: 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 around here, too, and the bars and restaurants put on tasting sessions where you can sample them for yourself.

DAY 6: FRANKFURT, GERMANY

It's all about Frankfurt today. 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 a taste of German cuisine at the Kleinmarkthalle – an indoor market with over 150 stalls.

DAY 7: RUDESHEIM, GERMANY

In the heart of the Rhine Gorge, Rudesheim is a pint-sized town with a big wine reputation – the locals have been making it here since 1074. Its half-timbered old town is pure fairytale, and Drosselgasse, a narrow alley lined with wine taverns and boutiques, is a must-see. You'll have time to swing by St. Jacob's Church, or hop on the cable car for sweeping views over the vineyards.

DAY 8: DUSSELDORF, GERMANY

Last stop, Dusseldorf – 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. Spend your last few hours delving into the shops along Königsalle. This near-mile long boulevard of designer boutiques has a tree-lined canal running right through the heart of it, so you can go souvenir shopping with a view.



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS CRUISE OR BOOK ONLINE



DUSSELDORF, GERMANY



MAP KEY

- Arrival Amsterdam
- Transfer 40 minutes
- Departure Dusseldorf
- Transfer 25 minutes

TOP TIP

Have your camera handy when you're walking around Rudesheim – its cobbled alleys and half-timbered houses make for postcard-worthy pictures.



COLOGNE, GERMANY



ARNHEM, NETHERLANDS



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**MOSELLE**SAILING ON:
TUI ARIA

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: 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 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: RIOL, GERMANY (FOR TRIER)

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: 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 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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COCHEM, GERMANY



MAP KEY

Arrival & Departure
Frankfurt

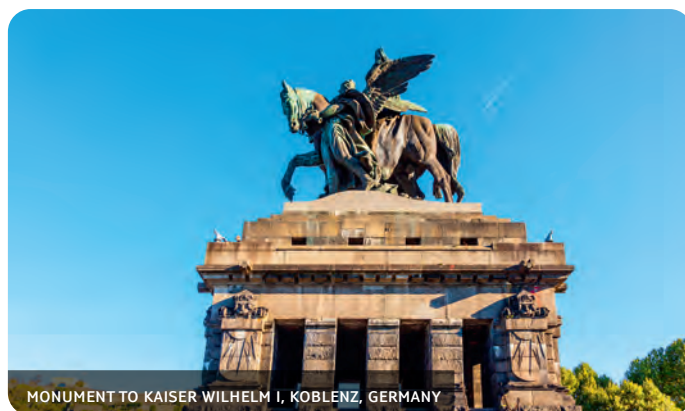
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TOP TIP

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.



TRIER, GERMANY



MONUMENT TO KAISER WILHELM I, KOBLENZ, GERMANY



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DANUBE

SAILING ON:
TUI ISLA

Diamonds on the Danube 2

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
- Passau's Baroque Cathedral
- Wander Buda Castle in Budapest

DAY 1: PASSAU, GERMANY

You'll spend your first day in Passau, after you've touched down. 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.

DAY 2: LINZ, AUSTRIA

An 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 3: KREMS, AUSTRIA

Sandwiched neatly between your two stops in Austrian megastars, Linz and Vienna, is the more under-the-radar Krems. There's plenty to see here though, including the 15th-century city gates, the Piarist Church and a string of art galleries. It's a great place to try Austrian wines, too, thanks to the neighbouring vineyards – Riesling is the local speciality.

DAY 4: 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 5: 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 6: ESZTERGOM, HUNGARY TO BUDAPEST, 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 got a more low-key appeal, criss-crossed with intricate streets that are peppered with traditional eateries and tucked-away churches. After, you'll sail over to Budapest, where you'll spend the night.

DAY 7: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Put your sightseeing hat on, as you've got a full day in Hungary's capital. 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 8: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

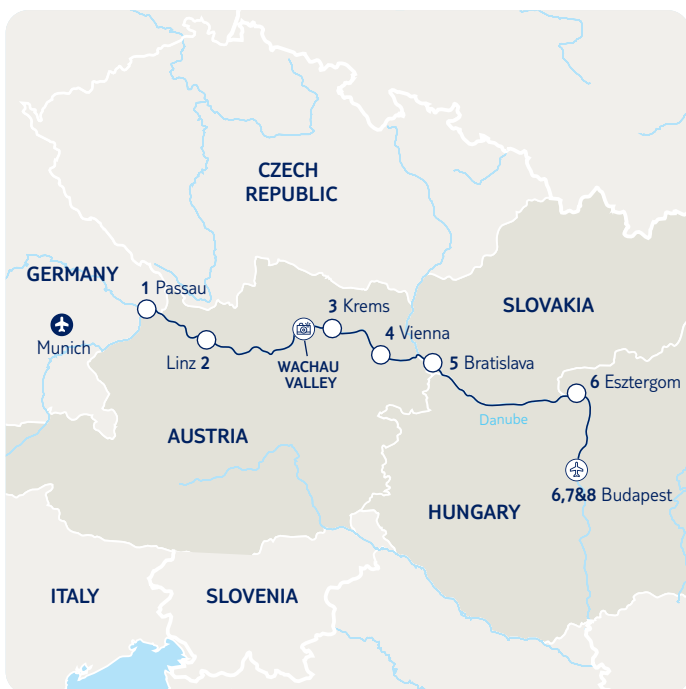
It's your last day today. If there's time before your flight, you can spend it taking in more of Budapest's top-drawer architecture. Even its famous thermal baths are style icons, from Ottoman-era Rudas to canary-yellow Széchenyi and its open-air pool.



PASSAU, GERMANY



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MAP KEY

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

TOP TIP

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



KREMS, AUSTRIA



LINZ, AUSTRIA



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DANUBE

**SAILING ON:
TUI ISLA**

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

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



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.



KREMS, AUSTRIA



BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA



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DANUBE

SAILING ON:
TUI ISLA, TUI MAYA AND TUI SKYLA

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 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

SAILING ON:
TUI ISLA, TUI MAYA AND TUI SKYLA

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. After a day of palaces and all things musical yesterday, 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 CASTLE, SLOVAKIA



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DANUBE

SAILING ON:
TUI SKYLA AND TUI MAYA

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 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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NOVI SAD, SERBIA



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**SAILING ON:
TUI MAYA

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. Visit some of its signature sights – like Bratislava Castle, built from snow-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 SKYLA AND 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 KLADOVO, 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 splanovi – 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: ALJMAS, CROATIA

You'll cross back into Croatia today where you'll have a few hours in the cosy village of Aljmas. The Marian Church takes centre stage here, and it's a crowd puller for two reasons. Tourists come to marvel at its distinctive modern architecture, while worshippers have been flocking here in their droves since an apparition of the Virgin Mary was supposedly spotted a few centuries ago.

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.



RIVER DANUBE, THE IRON GATE



VUKOVAR, CROATIA



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Navigating the Nile

In winter 2025, we doubled our fleet on the world-famous River Nile, when TUI Bahareya joined TUI Al Horeya on Africa's longest river. And with direct TUI flights from Gatwick and Manchester to the ships' home port, Luxor, you'll be soaking up some winter sun before you know it.

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 six-night break in a Hurghada hotel onto the end of your river cruise.

Or, Stay & Cruise?

Fancy flipping it on its head? With our Stay & Cruise holidays, you can kick things off with an eight-night break in a Hurghada hotel, before heading off on your Nile river cruise.

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.

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.

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.

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More info

Two itineraries to choose from

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 2026 – April 2027



Key sights:

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

Cruise & Tour

If a Cruise & Stay sounds a little too laidback, you can tag a tour onto the start or end of your river cruise instead. Our seven-night **Highlights of Luxor** tour includes visits to Luxor Temple, The Valley of the Kings and more, while our **Wonders of Egypt** tour includes stops in Cairo and Alexandria.

To see the full range, visit tui.co.uk/river-cruises/info/river-cruise-and-stay

To book, just pop into your local TUI Store or call **0204 578 0993**^.



LUXOR TEMPLE



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
- 2 shore experiences included – to Kom Ombo Temple and the Temple of Horus

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 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

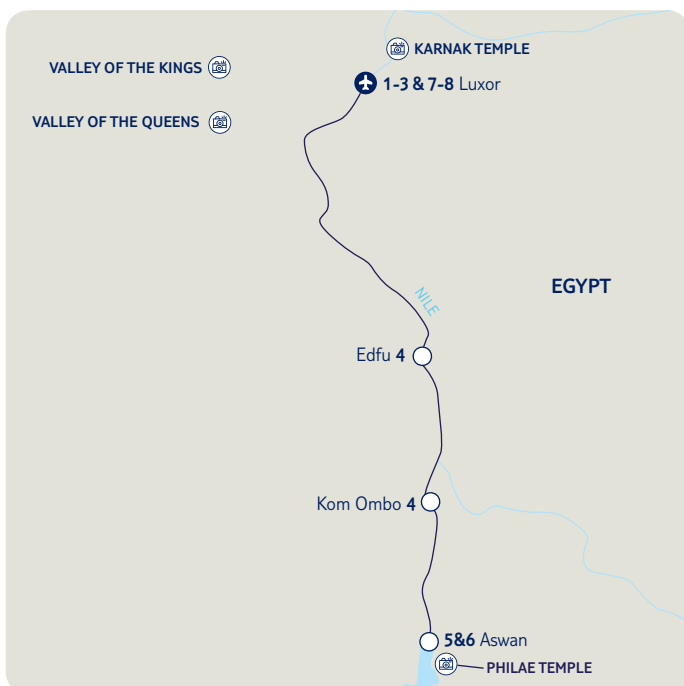
You'll head home today, and depending on what time your flight leaves, there may be some time to explore more of Luxor. Take a stroll along the riverside walkway of Sharia al-Corniche. It's a top spot for watching the Nile roll by over a glass of shai – the local cuppa. Or, you can have a final laze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



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LUXOR TEMPLE, 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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NILE

SAILING ON:
TUI AL HOREYA AND TUI BAHAREYA

Ancient Gods and Famous Pharaohs

You'll glide along the world-famous River Nile on this seven-night sailing, which starts and finishes in Luxor – one of the world's oldest inhabited cities.



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
- 2 shore experiences included – to Kom Ombo Temple and the Temple of Horus

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 TO LUXOR, 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

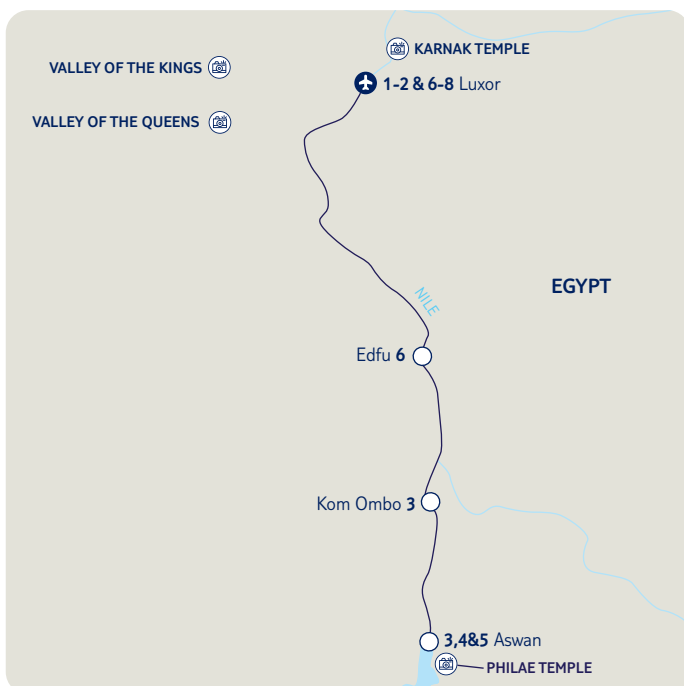
Your river cruise will come to an end today, but if you have time before you leave Luxor, head to Sharia al-Corniche. It's one of the best spots in the city to soak up river views and there are plenty of places to grab a glass of shai – the local cuppa.



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS CRUISE OR BOOK ONLINE



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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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 it's not just German Christmas markets on the cards. Our Danube winter sailings stop off at festive fairs in Hungary, Austria and Slovakia.

Planned activities subject to change.



RHINE

SAILING ON:
TUI ARIA

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.



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 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 Brenten 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. The Christmas market here has more than a hundred stalls set up 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. 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.



MAP KEY

- 📍 Arrival and Departure
Dusseldorf
- 🕒 Transfer 20 minutes



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RHINE

SAILING ON:
TUI ARIA

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

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.



MAP KEY

- ✈️ **Arrival and Departure**
Dusseldorf
- 🚆 **Transfer** 20 minutes



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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.



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), FRANCE

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.



MAP KEY

- Arrival and Departure
Dusseldorf
- Transfer 20 minutes



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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

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 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.



COLOGNE, GERMANY



MAP KEY

✈ **Arrival and Departure**

Dusseldorf

🕒 **Transfer** 1 hour



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DANUBE

SAILING ON:
TUI ISLA

Yuletide Magic

You'll visit three of Europe's grandest capitals on this five-night itinerary – Vienna, Budapest and Bratislava – as well as under-the-radar towns like Durnstein and Krems.



DAY 1: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

You'll start your river cruise in Austria's majestic capital, Vienna. Depending on what time you arrive, there may be time to check out some of the city's lavish palaces, like Hofburg, which is home to the country's president and the world-famous Spanish Riding School. Or, head to the Rathausplatz Christkindlmarkt for some Christmassy souvenirs. If you don't get time to see all the sights, you'll be back in Vienna on day six, so there's no need to try and whizz round them all. 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 2: DURNSTEIN, AUSTRIA TO KREMS, AUSTRIA

Today's a two-parter, as you visit a pair of cosy towns in Austria's scenic Wachau Valley. First up's Durnstein, which is best known for its castle above the town – head up here for the best views. Next, you'll visit Krems, where its 15th-century city gates, Piarist Church and a string of art galleries rule the roost around its charming cobbled squares.

DAY 3: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

You'll arrive in Hungary's capital, Budapest, today. The city's famous for its natural thermal springs, which supply mineral-rich waters to the popular bathhouses around town – the canary-coloured Szechenyi is arguably the best-known, while the Art Deco Gellert Baths and the Ottoman-era Kiraly Baths show off the city's smorgasbord of architectural styles. The ship will be docked here overnight, so if you fancy visiting Budapest's famous ruin bars in the Jewish Quarter, there's no need to rush back.

DAY 4: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

You'll have a full day today in Budapest, so there's plenty of time to see anything you might've missed yesterday. The city's split in two by the Danube, and on the Buda side, you'll find a hilltop castle and Fisherman's Bastion – a fortress which offers up some of the best panoramas across the Pest side. Speaking of Pest, that's where you can visit the Gothic parliament building and the Central Market Hall. This metal-roofed building houses the city's biggest indoor market, and you can pick up souvenirs like paprika and handicrafts here, before stopping for a bite to eat at one of the traditional food stalls.

DAY 5: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

You'll have a few hours in Bratislava today – Slovakia's scenic capital. Its hilltop snow-white castle is arguably the best-known sight – weave your way through the windy Medieval old town to get up to it. Speaking of the old town, it's particularly lovely at Christmastime – the trees are wrapped in twinkling lights and the squares are filled with people weaving through festive market stalls. And, if you get the chance, head over to the UFO Bridge. This modern monument stretches across the Danube and its flying saucer-shaped viewing deck comes with a restaurant and some of the best views of the city.

DAY 6: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

You'll head back to Vienna today for a final chance to see the city before you head home. If you have time, head to Stadtpark in the city centre. It gives a brief glimpse into why Vienna's known as the 'City of Music', thanks to statues dotted around the park of famous Viennese composers, like Schubert and Strauss.



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- 📍 Arrival and Departure
Vienna
- 🕒 Transfer 50 minutes



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DANUBE

SAILING ON:
TUI ISLA

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

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.



MAP KEY

- **Arrival and Departure**
Vienna
- 🕒 **Transfer** 50 minutes



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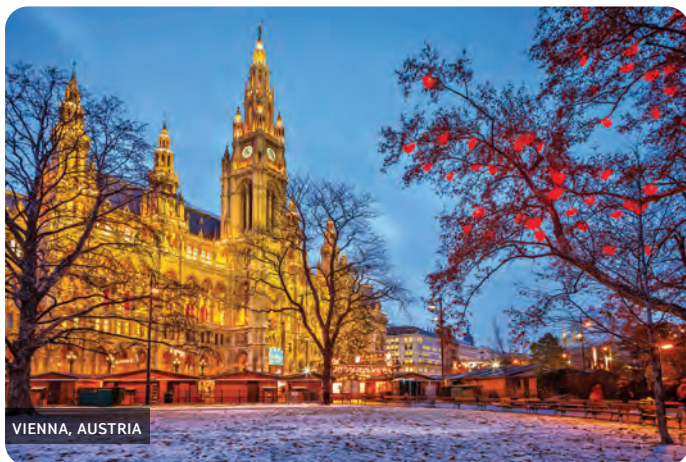


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**DANUBE**SAILING ON:
TUI MAYA

Flavours of Christmas

Cruise through Christmas like a pro on this four-night trip through Vienna, Budapest, and Bratislava. Think twinkly lights, Christmas markets, and plenty of hot spiced drinks and sweet treats as you tick off the sights.



VIENNA, AUSTRIA

**Best for:** Cities

DAY 1: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Your first day lands you in Vienna – a city that knows how to do Christmas right. Once you've arrived and settled in, there's no better way to kick things off than with a warm mug of Glühwein – hot mulled wine – and a wander around the Christmas markets. They'll be in full swing – and you'll find stalls stacked with handmade gifts, lights, and sweet treats. The biggie's right in front of the city hall at Rathausplatz, but if you're after a more local feel, Spittelberg and Karlsplatz are great shouts.

DAY 2: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Today's all about digging a little deeper. You've got Vienna's iconic sights on the Ringstrasse – a boulevard that loops the city – letting you tick off landmarks like Hofburg Palace, the Opera House, and the Spanish Riding School. Schönbrunn Palace is extra magical this time of year, and art or music lovers can swing by the MuseumsQuartier, Mozart's old flat, and the House of Music. If you need a break, stop by a coffeehouse for a slice of Sachertorte – it's Vienna's signature chocolate and apricot cake.

DAY 3: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Your next stop is Hungary's capital. You've got a full day to bounce between Budapest's best bits, like Buda Castle and Fisherman's Bastion – and getting into the festive spirit is easy here. St. Stephen's Square is a Christmas market highlight, with handmade goodies and fairy-lit stalls. When the weather's crisp, a dip in Széchenyi Thermal Bath is a must – Budapest's famous for its hot-spring spas, and this one's a classic.

DAY 4: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

Now it's on to Bratislava, where you've got the afternoon and evening to check out the highlights. The Old Town's an easy walk from the ship – it's a picture of pastel-painted buildings, quirky statues and cosy cafés. The Christmas market in the main square is worth a visit for a taste of local treats and gifts. Grab a chimney cake and stroll up to the castle, too, for views over the Danube.

DAY 5: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

You're back in Vienna for your final hurrah, and there may be time to squeeze in a few more sights, depending on what time your flight departs. You could head over to Naschmarkt for tasty bites, stroll through Stadtpark for a selfie with the golden Strauss statue, or, get one last glimpse of the markets to end on a festive note.



MAP KEY

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Vienna
- Transfer 50 minutes



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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.

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 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.



MAP KEY

- ✈ Arrival and Departure
Vienna
- 🕒 Transfer 50 minutes



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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...



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.

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

- Visit **Vienna** – Austria's grand capital – on Christmas Day.
- Spend Christmas morning marvelling at **Ghent's** Medieval architecture.
- 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.

FEELING IN THE FESTIVE MOOD?

See our itineraries on the following pages.

Planned activities subject to change.

**DANUBE**SAILING ON:
TUI ISLA

A Magical Danube Christmas

This seven-night itinerary takes you to three of Europe's grandest capitals, plus lesser-trodden towns like Durnstein and Krems.

**Best for: Cities**

HIGHLIGHTS

- Soak in Budapest's thermal spas
- Visit ultra-modern museums in Linz
- Tick off three capital cities in three days – Vienna, Budapest and Bratislava

DAY 1: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

You'll start your river cruise today in Austria's impressive capital, Vienna. It's known as the 'City of Music' for the impressive line-up of classical musicians who have called it home over the years, including the likes of Mozart and Beethoven. Head to the Musikverein – home to the Philharmonic Orchestra – or the Vienna State Opera for a big dose of culture. 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 2: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

You'll have a little bit more time in Vienna today before you set sail, so there's a chance to sample the city's famous coffee house culture. And alongside the coffee – our tip would be an Einspänner, by the way – they're the ideal place to grab a slice of apfelstrudel, one of the city's best-known delicacies.

DAY 3: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

You'll cross the border and sail into Hungary's capital, Budapest, today. From its hilltop castle and the turreted Fisherman's Bastion on the west side of the river to the grand-and-Gothic parliament building on the east side, the city's teeming with sights.

Of course, you could just head straight for one of the spas though. Budapest's famous for them, thanks to the natural thermal springs which supply the waters to them. Or, head to one of the quirky ruin bars in the Jewish Quarter for drinks in a cut-open car or bathtub.

DAY 4: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

You'll visit another capital city today, as you head to Bratislava in Slovakia. As first cities go, it's one of the cosier ones, but there are still a few sights to see. Chief among them is Bratislava Castle, which you can see from practically anywhere in the city, thanks to its hilltop spot high above the Danube. At the more modern end of the scale, there's the UFO Bridge stretching across the river. It gets its nickname for the fact it resembles a flying saucer, and there's a viewing deck at the top with views across the city's skyline.

DAY 5: DURNSTEIN, AUSTRIA

It's Christmas Day today, and you'll spend it in Austria's scenic Wachau Valley, as you stop off in the cosy town of Durnstein. It's nestled into a photogenic bend in the river and its biggest claim to fame is the castle above town which offers up sweeping views along the river. If you're into your history, you might be interested to know that Richard the Lionheart was imprisoned here in 1192.

DAY 6: LINZ, AUSTRIA

Austria's third-biggest city is on the cards today, and it's a great example of half-old, half-new. Its stellar collection of extravagant churches, abbeys and Baroque buildings give a nod to the city's grand past – when the likes of Mozart and Beethoven wrote symphonies here – while the riverfront's lined with ultra-modern museums and art galleries.

DAY 7: KREMS, AUSTRIA

Laidback Krems is next up today. Cobble squares and ice-cream-coloured buildings are dotted around its town centre, while the 15th-century city gates and the Piarist Church are two of the standouts when it comes to sights. Art buffs can check out some of the many galleries here, or if you prefer to sit down and watch the world go by, there are plenty of cafés and wine bars serving the local speciality, Riesling.

DAY 8: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

You'll be back in the Austrian capital today for a final few hours before you head home. If you didn't manage to make it to the city's lavish palaces the first time around, they're worth a visit if you have time. Hofburg's right in the city centre, and it's home to the world-famous Spanish Riding School, while Schönbrunn Palace, on the edge of town, is a UNESCO World Heritage site with grand interiors and pretty gardens.



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VIENNA, AUSTRIA



BUDAPEST, HUNGARY



VIENNA, AUSTRIA

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TOP TIP

Nowhere highlights Linz's ultra-modern side quite like the Ars Electronica Center. This place calls itself the Museum of the Future, and lives up to its name with everything from robots to an interactive deep space experience.



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DANUBE

SAILING ON:
TUI MAYA

Danube Christmas Wonderland

Kickstart your Christmas on this eight-day Danube cruise, ticking off big-name sights and hidden gems. Sail through Austria, Hungary, and Slovakia – from Vienna's grand landmarks to Budapest's thermal baths, plus storybook towns like Melk and Dürnstein.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Tick off Vienna's must-see sights
- Visit the quaint town of Melk with its hilltop castle
- Snap the sights in Budapest on Boxing Day

DAY 1: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Christmas comes early on this river cruise, and your first day kicks off in Vienna. With lights twinkling all over town, it's easy to get into the festive spirit once you've arrived and settled in. You could get started ticking off sights like Hofburg Palace and the Opera House – or Horse-drawn carriages add a traditional touch to sightseeing if you fancy. 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 2: MELK, AUSTRIA

Up next, you're heading west along the Danube to Melk. You've got some time to see what this peaceful little town is all about. Up on the hill, the Melk Abbey steals the show, with Baroque architecture, a historic library, and some pretty special views of the river. Take a stroll down to the river promenade too – it's a popular spot with the locals for walking and cycling.

DAY 3: LINZ, AUSTRIA

You're heading to Linz today, where the Old Town boasts Linz Castle – another hilltop spot where you can snap away at the city and Danube from above. If art's up your street, the Lentos Art Museum showcases contemporary, cutting-edge pieces, or, if you're after a little shopping, Landstraße is packed with quirky boutiques. Pop into one of the small bakeries for a piece of Linzertorte – the city's signature pastry with nuts, jam, and a hint of spice.

DAY 4: DURNSTEIN, AUSTRIA

This afternoon takes you to Dürnstein, a cosy town nestled in the Wachau Valley. Known for its apricot orchards, Dürnstein's quaint streets are lined with sweet treats, local jams, and the remnants of a Medieval castle perched on the hillside. As it's Christmas Eve today, some of the shops may be closed for the holidays.

DAY 5: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

It's back to Vienna for Christmas Day to tick off a couple more sights – why not pop by St. Stephen's Cathedral or walk through Stadtpart to snap a picture with the golden Strauss statue. And, back on the ship, there'll be plenty of festivities onboard before you set sail for Hungary. Just so you know, shops and restaurants may be closed today as it's Christmas Day.

DAY 6: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

You've got a full day to soak up Hungary's capital on Boxing Day – known as the City of Spas. Sat on a network of hot springs, the thermal baths here are a must-try, whether you head to the iconic Széchenyi or Gellért, or opt for the more intimate Király. After the pampering, you've also got highlights like Buda Castle, Fisherman's Bastion, and the Parliament Building to tick off the list. Just so you know, shops and restaurants may be closed as it's a public holiday.

DAY 7: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

You've got a few hours this afternoon to explore the Slovakian capital today. The old town's just a short walk from the ship, with its pastel-daubed buildings and cafés that'll lure you into the city's coffee culture. Bratislava Castle is the big draw – you'll spot it from pretty much anywhere in the city, sitting high on a hill by the Danube.

DAY 8: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

You'll wrap things up in Vienna today. If you've got time before your flight home, why not dive into this city's musical heritage. Known as the 'City of Music', Vienna is where Mozart composed some of his finest works. Visit the Mozarthaus, where he lived, or snap a picture outside the city's historic opera house. For a touch of royal elegance, Schönbrunn Palace is a must-visit. It's a grand way to say goodbye to this city.



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS CRUISE OR BOOK ONLINE

MELK, AUSTRIA



LINZ, AUSTRIA



BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

MAP KEY

- ✈ Arrival and Departure
Vienna
- 🚗 Transfer 50 minutes

TOP TIP

If you want to squeeze in a visit to Budapest's Széchenyi or Gellért Baths, try to go early in the morning or later in the afternoon to avoid the biggest crowds.



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RHINE / DUTCH-BELGIAN WATERWAYS

SAILING ON:
TUI ARIA

North Rhine Noël

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



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Take a hike in the Netherlands' oldest city
- Spend Christmas Day in Medieval Ghent
- 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. 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

You'll cross the border and spend today 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

Today's Christmas Eve, and you'll visit a third country in as many days as you cross into Belgium. You'll drop anchor in Antwerp – a city that's known for its flashy diamond district and Renaissance architecture. Make a beeline for Grote Markt while you're here – it's the city's historical centre, where you can expect plenty of fun and festivities ahead of the big day.

DAY 4: GHENT, BELGIUM

You'll spend Christmas 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. A lot of places are likely to be closed for Christmas, so if you'd prefer to stay on the ship today, there'll be plenty of festivities onboard to celebrate the big day.

DAY 5: ROTTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS

You'll head back across the border for Boxing Day, to the Netherlands' second-largest city – 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 sailing-inspired history to find out about.

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 teahouses and temples.



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DUSSELDORF, GERMANY



MAP KEY

➔ Arrival and Departure
Dusseldorf

🚆 Transfer 20 minutes

TOP TIP

As you're in Belgium on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, why not try a traditional festive treat? Smoutebollen – a deep-fried pastry with a sweet, doughy centre – is particularly popular here over the holidays.



ANTWERP, BELGIUM



NIJMEGAN, THE NETHERLANDS



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**RHINE****SAILING ON:
TUI SKYLA**

Festive Fairy Tale

Half-timbered houses lining riverbanks, cobbled old towns, and Cologne's cathedral all feature on this seven-night itinerary. Plus, you'll spend Christmas day in Rudesheim, right 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. This culture-packed city has no shortage of photo stops, which are ready and waiting as soon as you arrive. The colossal cathedral is a must see, with twin spires that soar 157 metres into the sky. 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

Today you've got another full day to suss out Cologne. Soak up the festive buzz at a traditional tavern or scope out one of the old-school brewing houses in the charming Old Town. Sip on a Kölsch in a traditional bar and trade toasts with passing travellers – this local beer is unique to Cologne, so you can't get it anywhere else.

DAY 3: KOBLENZ, GERMANY

Christmas Eve brings you a full day to explore Koblenz. Thanks to its perch in the Rhineland wine-making region, this place is the perfect stop-in for a tasty tipple 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.

Just a heads-up – as it's Christmas Eve, shops and restaurants in Koblenz usually close earlier than usual.

DAY 4: 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 spot are crowned by Medieval castles and crumbling fortresses, and the vineyard-clad slopes offer a glimpse of the local wineries. While most shops will be closed today, there'll be plenty of festive activities onboard the ship to celebrate the day.

DAY 5: SPEYER, GERMANY

Speyer is the star of the show on Boxing Day. This long-standing city is crammed with churches and a big Romanesque cathedral – a UNESCO gem, with its sandstone bricks and mint green dome. And, for those who can't resist a Boxing Day walk, you've got the riverside paths or the old town to explore.

DAY 6: 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 handsome 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 7: MAINZ, GERMANY

Today, you'll spend the afternoon 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 8: COLOGNE, GERMANY

You'll spend your last day back where you started, in Cologne. If there's time before you start to head 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.



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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 ISLA

New Year on the Danube

See in the New Year in Hungary on this seven-night cruise, which stops off in four capital cities, plus cosier towns like Mohacs and Kalocsa.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- See in the new year in Hungary
- Explore Belgrade's grand fortress
- Stop off in Kalocsa – the 'Paprika Capital of the World'

DAY 1: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Your river cruise kicks off today in Vienna – Austria's scenic capital. You can get stuck straight into the sightseeing and visit some of the city's lavish palaces, like Hofburg, which is in the city centre and home to the famous dancing Lipizzaner horses. Or, ease yourself in and sample Vienna's famous coffee house culture with a hot drink and a slice of Apfelstrudel. The ship docks here overnight, so you'll have a second chance to see anything you might've missed tomorrow. And, 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 2: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

You've got a second chance to see Vienna today, so if you're venturing into the city centre you can check out St Stephen's Cathedral. This Romanesque and Gothic monument has stood in the heart of the city for more than 400 years, and it's notable for its ornate patterned roof, which shows off a double-headed eagle. Or, if you've got a head for heights, you could check out Austria's tallest building. The Danube Tower soars more than 250 metres into the sky, and you can take in 360° views of the city from its revolving restaurant. It's even got Europe's highest slide bolted onto the side.

DAY 3: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

You'll cross the border into Slovakia today, where the country's capital awaits. Bratislava's on the smaller side when it comes to premier cities around the continent, but it's got plenty of sights to explore. Meander through its Medieval old town and you'll find yourself at Bratislava Castle. From its lofty vantage point, you'll get a clear view of one of the other major sights here – the UFO Bridge. This modern structure which stretches across the Danube, gets its nickname for its flying-saucer-shaped appearance, and there's a restaurant and a viewing deck at the top with views across the city.

DAY 4: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Today's New Year's Eve, and it's Hungary's turn to show off its capital city. Budapest gives Vienna a run for its money when it comes to grandeur. Check out the parliament building on the riverfront, or venture to the other side and head up to the hilltop castle and the turreted Fisherman's Bastion, which offer up some of the best panoramas across the city. You can always take things easy at one of the bathhouses which are dotted around the city, instead – they all get their mineral-rich waters from the city's thermal springs. Or, if you fancy something a little quirky, head to one of the ruin bars in the Jewish Quarter.

DAY 5: KALOCSA, HUNGARY

It's New Year's Day today, and you'll start 2027 in Kalocsa – the seat of one of Hungary's four archbishops. That's not its main claim to fame though. The town's affectionately dubbed the 'Paprika Capital of the World', thanks to its bumper haul of flavoursome red peppers.

Folk art's another big draw here – no pun intended – and there's a museum which houses some of the best works. 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. Please also note, as it's New Year's Day, some attractions may be closed.

DAY 6: BELGRADE, SERBIA

Serbia's your next stop today, and the country's capital, Belgrade. The city has two riverbanks to roam along – one belonging to the Danube and the other to the Sava. Both of them are lined with splavovi – floating restaurants, bars and clubs, each with a unique personality. Kalemegdan Fortress is close to the water, too. This grand fort covers a huge area, and it houses museums, parkland and the city's zoo.

DAY 7: MOHACS, HUNGARY

Today, you'll cross back into Hungary and spend some time in the cosy little town of Mohacs. This place may be small, but it's more than played its part in Hungary's storied history. On the road out of town you'll come across the Mohács Historical Memorial Site. It marks the spot where the Hungarian army were defeated by the Turks in 1526 – a rule which ended up lasting almost five centuries.

DAY 8: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Your river cruise wraps up back in Budapest today. Make a beeline for the Central Market Hall if you fancy grabbing some last-minute souvenirs. This metal-roofed building houses the city's biggest indoor market, and alongside its traditional food stalls serving hot dishes, you can grab things like paprika and handicrafts.



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VIENNA, AUSTRIA



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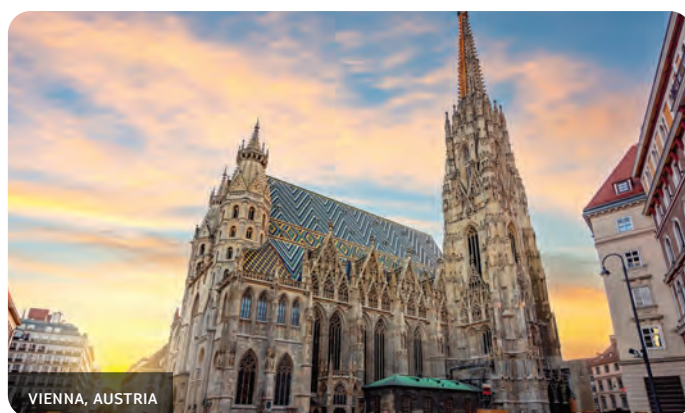
- Arrival** Vienna
- Transfer** 45 minutes
- Departure** Budapest
- Transfer** 45 minutes

TOP TIP

In Vienna, you'll get some of the best views of St Stephen's Cathedral's ornate roof from the Steffi department store. Head up to the bar and restaurant on its top floor and have a peek through the floor-to-ceiling windows.



BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA



VIENNA, AUSTRIA



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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

- Watch the world go by in one of Vienna's coffee houses
- Visit Esztergom's massive basilica
- See in the New Year 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 See the city. After arriving, why not hop on a horse-drawn carriage – they're basically taxis here. Or, take a peek inside 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 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. The home town of icons like Mozart and Klimt – and with over a hundred museums to explore – there's something here for every cultural taste. And, speaking of taste – make sure to try a slice of traditional Sachertorte, the local chocolate cake with a layer of apricot jam, best enjoyed with a coffee at a classic Viennese café.

DAY 3: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

You'll roll into Budapest this afternoon, with time to settle in and start exploring. Make a beeline for Budapest's iconic spas, which are part of the city's rich thermal tradition – Széchenyi and Gellért are the most popular options. Or, warm up with a drink at one of the city's quirky ruin bars, before gearing up for tomorrow's celebrations.

DAY 4: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Today's New Year's Eve – and you've got a full day in Budapest for a city deep dive. The Danube splits the whole place in two – on the Buda side, you've got the famous castle and epic views, while Pest is all about the Parliament Building and its lively vibe. Then, head back onboard to ring in the New Year with live entertainment and a countdown to midnight.

DAY 5: ESZTERGOM, HUNGARY

Start the New Year docking 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 make the most of panoramas of the surrounding landscape. Just so you know, as New Year's Day is a public holiday, some of the shops in town might be closed.

DAY 6: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

Today, you'll spend the day in 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 entrance 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 around 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 you head home, 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.




FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS CRUISE OR BOOK ONLINE

VIENNA, AUSTRIA



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.



BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA



BUDAPEST, HUNGARY



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RHINE / DUTCH-BELGIAN WATERWAYS

SAILING ON:
TUI ARIA

A New Year Sail Away

Sail into 2027 on this seven-night itinerary, which includes a couple of days in Amsterdam and a spectacular firework display in Cologne on New Year's Eve.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- See in the new year in Cologne
- Start 2027 in the Netherlands' oldest city
- 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

You'll spend some time today 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. It's also the city where the Rhine and Moselle rivers meet, and 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.

DAY 3: COLOGNE, GERMANY

It's New Year's Eve today, and you'll welcome in 2027 in Cologne. As you approach the city, you'll spot its giant Gothic cathedral spires from a way off. The building took more than 600 years to construct, and if you climb to the south tower viewing platform, you can admire the largest free-swinging working bell in the world. 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 4: NIJMEGEN, THE NETHERLANDS

Today's New Year's Day and you'll start 2027 with a few hours in 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, and the city boasts the oldest shopping centre in the Netherlands. Tulip-decorated ceramics and wooden clogs are just some of its treasures.

DAY 5: ANTWERP, BELGIUM

You'll cross into a new country today and have a full day to explore Antwerp – Belgium's diamond capital. Most of the city's showrooms can be found in the 'Diamond Square Mile', which is the largest diamond district in the world. Flashy gems only tell part of the story here though, as Antwerp's just as famous for its Renaissance architecture and Medieval old town.

DAY 6: ROTTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS

It's back to the Netherlands today, where Rotterdam's on the agenda. 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.



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AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS



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 canalfont.



COLOGNE, GERMANY



KOBLENZ, GERMANY



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RHINE

**SAILING ON:
TUI SKYLA**

A New Year on the Rhine

Swap tinsel for timber towns and riverside castles on this week-long cruise through Germany. From Cologne to Frankfurt, you'll sip, stroll and see in the New Year in serious style.



Best for: Cities

HIGHLIGHTS

- Ring in the New Year in Koblenz
- Sip on crisp Riesling wine in Boppard's medieval streets
- Wrap up in Frankfurt with its big-city energy

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 – this Gothic masterpiece has kept an eye over the city centre for more than 150 years.

DAY 2: DUSSELDORF, GERMANY

You've got a full day in Düsseldorf today – and there's plenty to pack in. Head to the Media Harbour to check out the gravity-defying buildings, or hit the luxury shops along the city's leafy moat. When it's time to refuel, the Altstadt – or Old Town – has bars and breweries by the dozen – don't forget to try Altbier, the city's hearty signature brew.

DAY 3: KOBLENZ, GERMANY

Today you'll dock in Koblenz for New Year's Eve. It's a proper storybook stop, with castles, vineyards and river views all in the mix. Take a wander through the Old Town, head to Deutsches Eck – to see where the Rhine and Moselle rivers meet – or hop on the cable car up to Ehrenbreitstein Fortress for top-drawer views over the water. And, come evening, look out for fireworks to ring in the new year.

Just so you know, the cable car up to Ehrenbreitstein Fortress may be running a reduced schedule as it's New Year's Eve.

DAY 4: BOPPARD, GERMANY

Kick off the New Year with Boppard next on the list – you're officially in wine territory here. This riverside gem is big on Medieval charm, with old-world streets, Roman walls, and timber-framed houses galore. It's no secret that the town's super famous for its grapes, with cosy tavern flaunting the local vino Riesling – it's a crisp, white wine. Just a head's up, some spots might be closed today as it's New Year's Day.

DAY 5: RUDESHEIM, GERMANY

Rüdesheim follows next, boasting a thousand-year-old castle and Medieval streets lined with trinket shops and wine taverns. Pop into a café for a cup of Rüdesheimer Kaffee – a local coffee laced with brandy – or ride the cable car up for sweeping vineyard views.

DAY 6: ASCHAFFENBURG, GERMANY

It's all about slowing things down in Aschaffenburg – a lesser-known Bavarian town that's big on charm. The showstopper here is Schloss Johannisburg, glowing red from the local sandstone and perched right by the river. Wander at your own speed – between leafy gardens, tucked-away galleries and peaceful river paths, it's the perfect breather before the trip wraps up in Frankfurt.

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



KOBLENZ, GERMANY



DUSSELDORF, GERMANY

MAP KEY

-  Arrival Düsseldorf
-  Transfer 20 minutes
-  Point of interest
-  Departure Frankfurt
-  Transfer 25 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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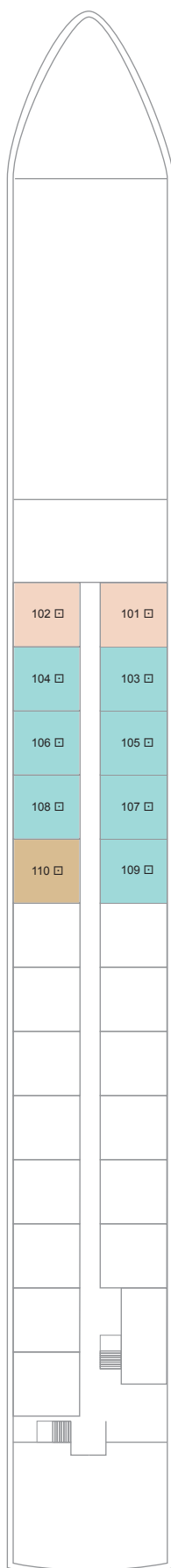
Our prices are dynamic, so they can often go up and down. Please check at the time of booking for the most up-to-date prices, plus the full terms and conditions. Under-occupancy charges and age restrictions apply. For more info, take a look at our A-Z guide at the back of the brochure. For sailing dates see page 121.

TUI Luzia Deck plan

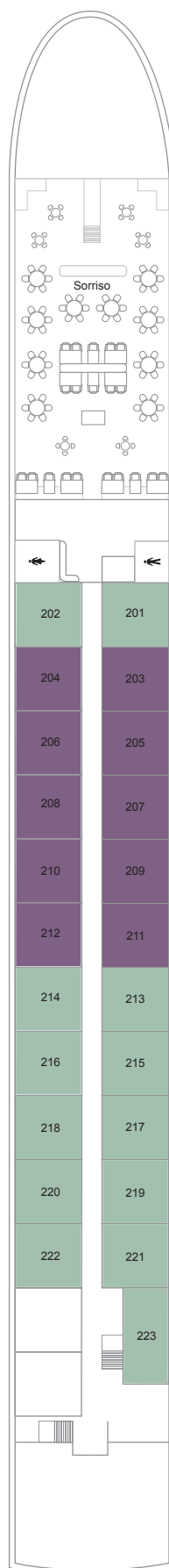
YOUR KEY TO CABIN CATEGORIES

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

Cabins: 56
Length: 80m
Beam: 11.4m

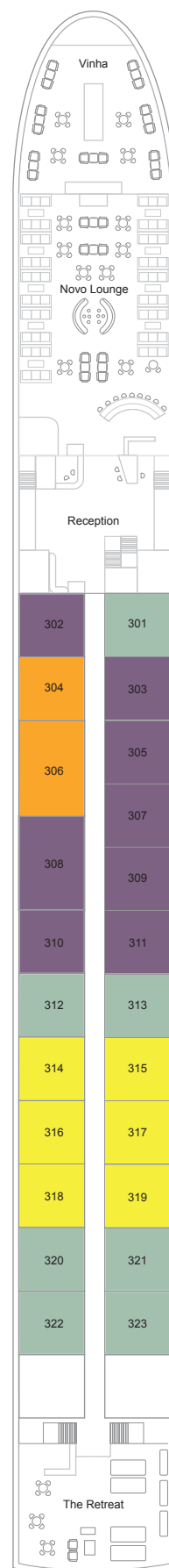


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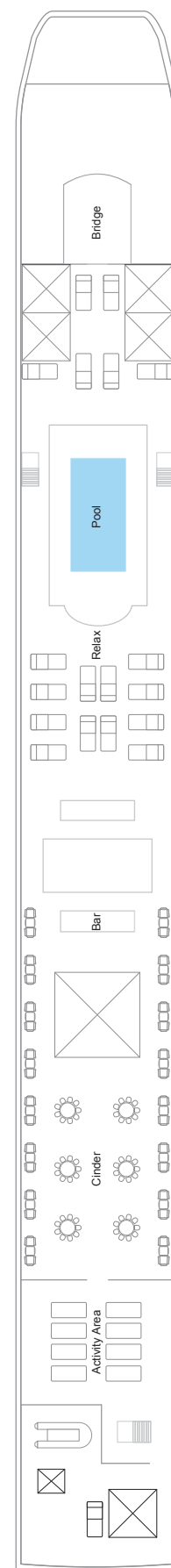
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- Sorriso Restaurant



DECK 3

- The Retreat
- Vinha Restaurant
- Novo Lounge Bar



DECK 4

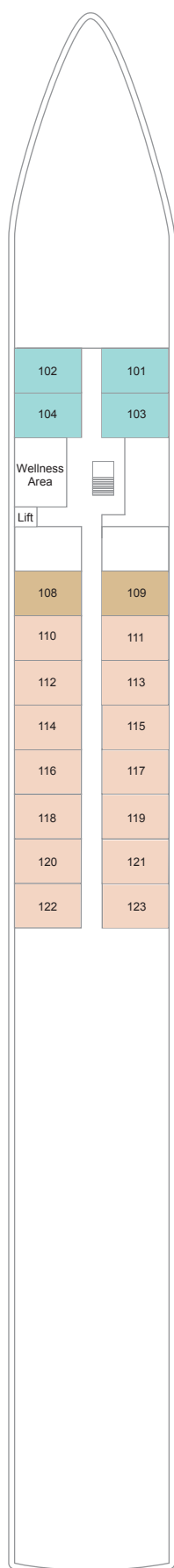
- Cinder Restaurant

TUI Aria Deck plan

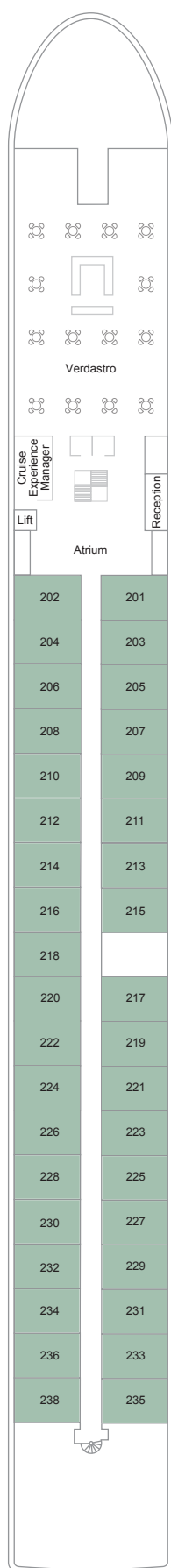
YOUR KEY TO CABIN CATEGORIES

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

Cabins: 96
Length: 135m
Beam: 11.4m

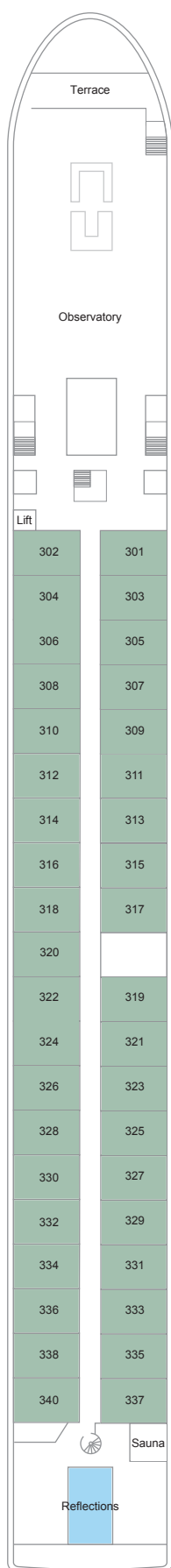


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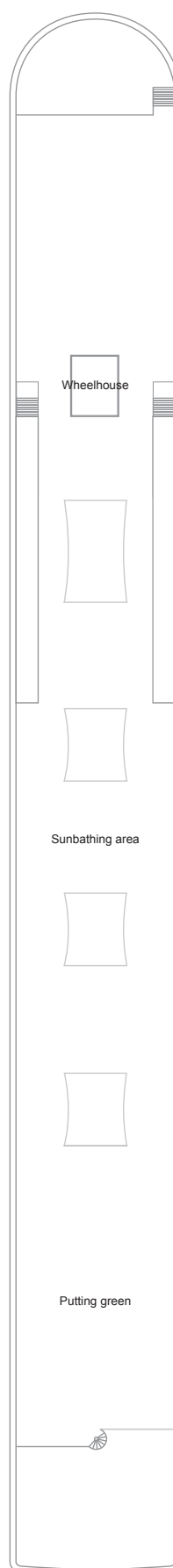
DECK 2

- Verastro Restaurant
- Reception



DECK 3

- Observatory
- Swimming Pool



DECK 4

TUI Maya & TUI Isla Deck plan

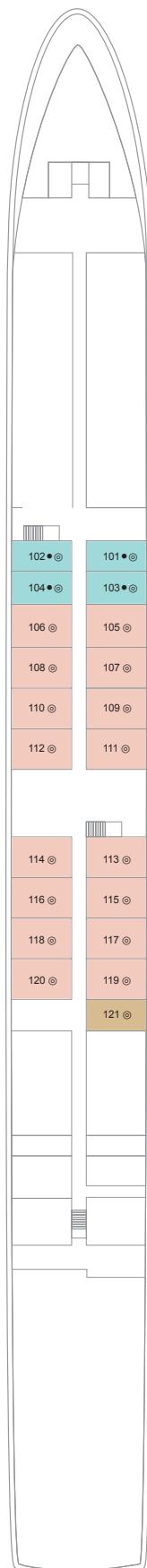
YOUR KEY TO CABIN CATEGORIES

- 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

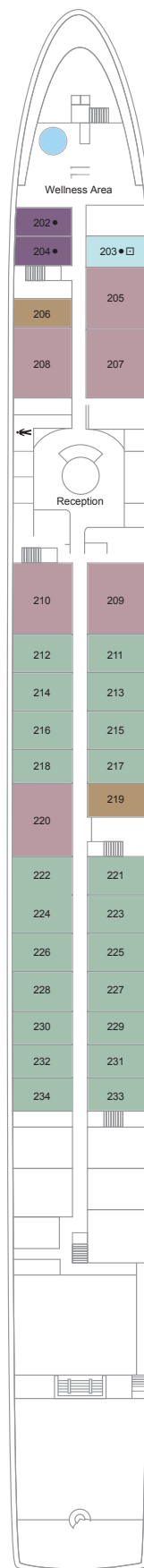
Cabins: 79

Length: 135m

Beam: 11.4m

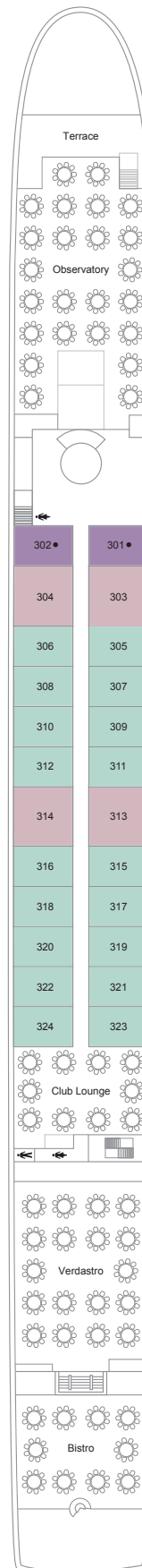


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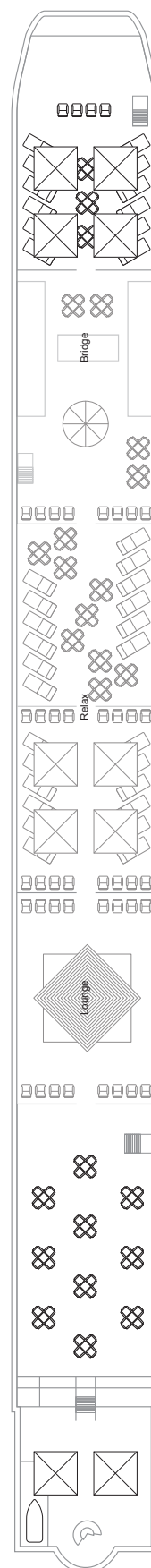
DECK 2

- Wellness Area
- Reception



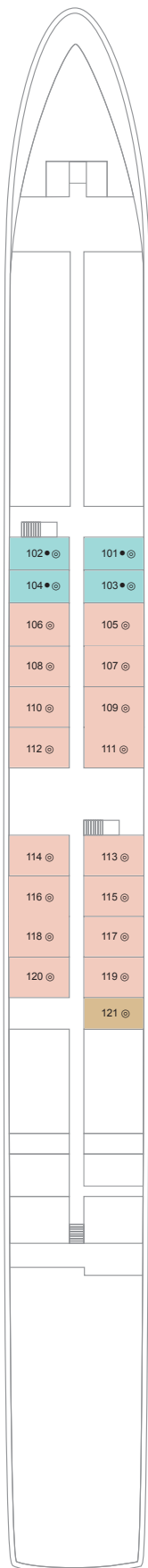
DECK 3

- Observatory
- Terrace
- Bistro
- Verdaastro
- Club Lounge

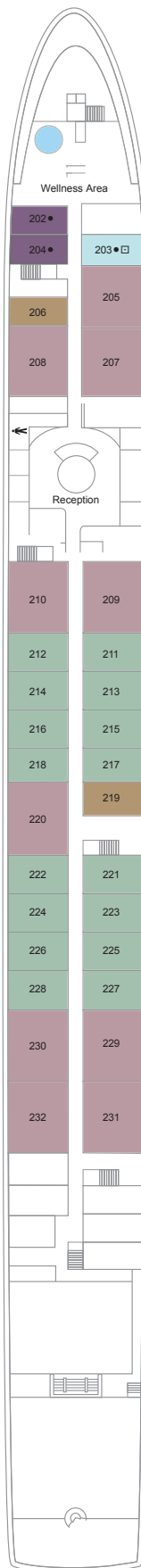


DECK 4

TUI Skyla Deck plan

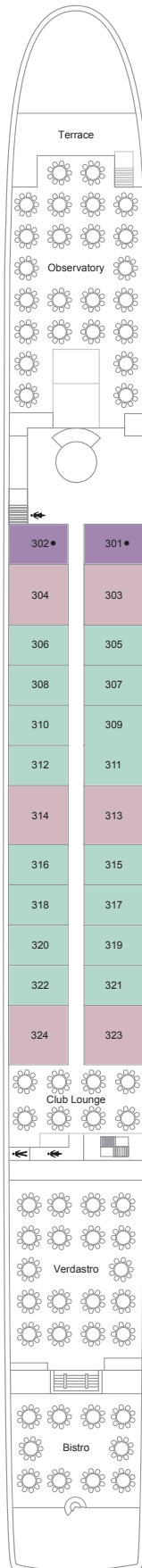


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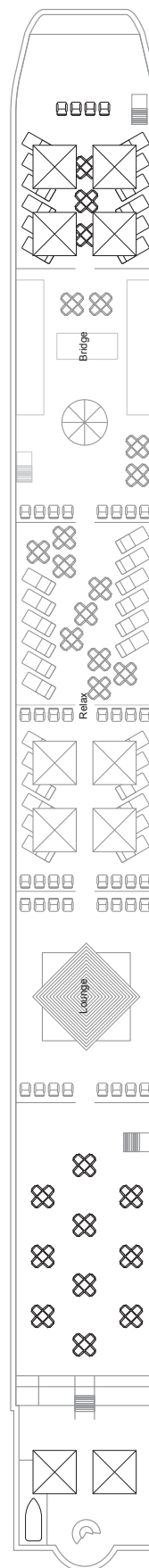
DECK 2

- Wellness Area
- Reception



DECK 3

- Observatory
- Terrace
- Bistro
- Verdaastro
- Club Lounge



DECK 4

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

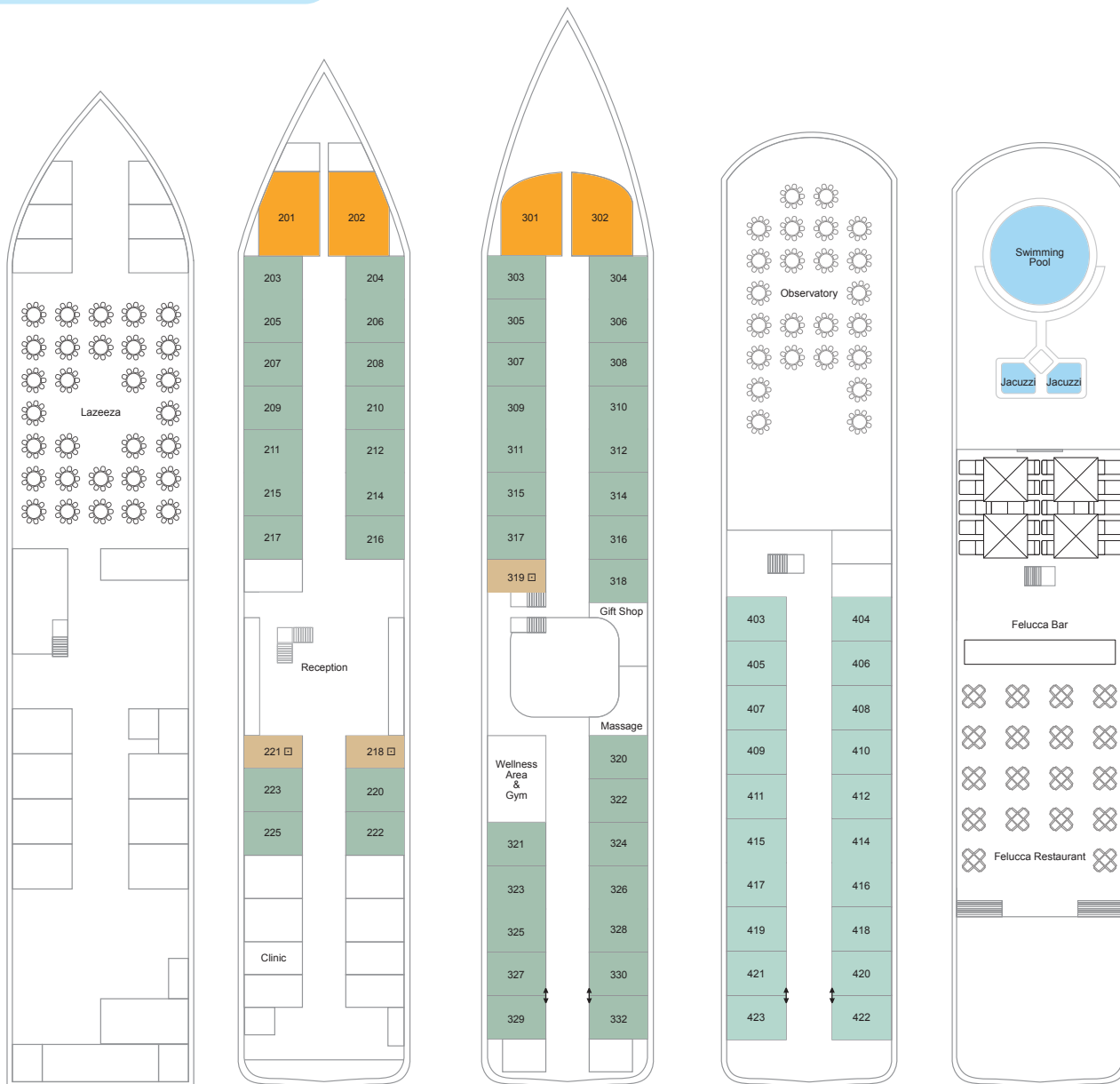
Beam: 11.4m

TUI Al Horeya Deck plan

Cabins: 72

Length: 72m

Beam: 14.4m



DECK 1

- Lazeeza Restaurant

DECK 2

- Reception

DECK 3

- Wellness Area
- Gift Shop

DECK 4

- Observatory

DECK 5

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

YOUR KEY TO CABIN CATEGORIES

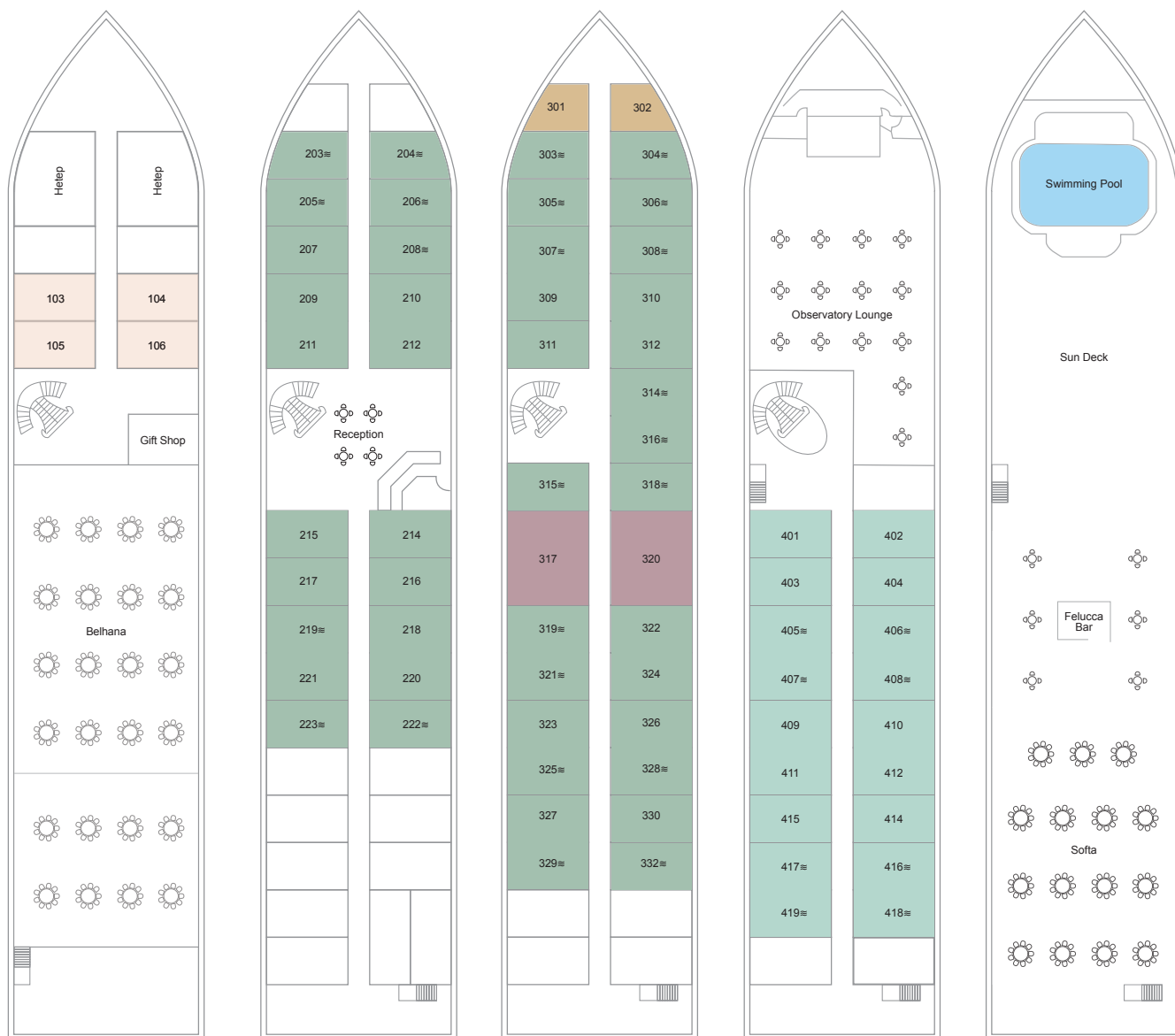
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| Superior French Balcony (Deck 2 & 3) | Balcony Suite (Deck 2 & 3) |
| Superior French Balcony (Deck 4) | Single |
| French Balcony Suite (Deck 2) | Picture window |

Cabins: 72

Length: 72m

Beam: 14.4m

TUI Bahareya Deck plan



DECK 1

• Sofra Restaurant

DECK 2

DECK 3

DECK 4

• Observatory

DECK 4

• Swimming Pool

YOUR KEY TO CABIN CATEGORIES

Superior

Superior French Balcony (Deck 2)

Superior French Balcony (Deck 3)

French Balcony Suite (Deck 2)

Single

• Fixed Bed

≈ Bath

⊙ 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 2027. And from Gatwick and Manchester to Vienna, Dusseldorf and Luxor in winter 2026. Flying with TUI Airways 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 River Cruise Team on 0204 578 0993. 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 December 2025. 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 are staying on TUI Isla, TUI Maya or TUI Skyla, and you upgrade to the All Inclusive Drinks package, and you are also in one of the following cabin categories - Deck 1 Superior, Superior French Balcony or French Balcony Suite - then your minibar is also included. 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 they do not have a lift - with the exception of TUI Aria, which has a lift between decks 1, 2 and 3. 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 dedicated River Cruise 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 https://transport.ec.europa.eu/transport-themes/eu-air-safety-list_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 0204 578 0993, 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.

A-Z guide

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. 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

For European sailings, you can 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.

D

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 can't wear beachwear in the restaurants. Come evening, things get a little bit smarter, moving from casual daywear to more tailored outfits, and shoes rather than sandals. 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.

E

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.

F

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. We'll try to notify you of this in advance where possible.

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.

G

Gala Dinner

On sailings of five nights or more we will have a six-course gala dinner, where you have 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 the dress code for these will probably be more formal than the usual evening attire. 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.

H

Health and Wellbeing Onboard

You agree to abide by all the prescribed health protocols onboard for the protection of all crew and passengers from any viral or bacterial illnesses known or suspected to be onboard. This may include but is not limited to all reasonable measures such as cabin confinement for a period recommended by TUI River Cruises. Failure to abide by such protocols may result in your disembarkment from the ship with any costs incurred as a result to be at your own cost.

I

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

Any full or part-day timings 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.

L

Lifts

Only TUI Aria has a lift - the rest of the fleet does not. 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 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, we will let you know so that you can arrange for the item to be collected by a courier. 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.

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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. Please check the individual hotel details to find out what's included in your chosen board basis.

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.

O

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 on our EU sailings or Egyptian Pounds on our Nile sailings, 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.

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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 - except for TUI Aria, see Assisted Travel.

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 dedicated River Cruise 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.

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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 River Cruise 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

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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Safeguarding

We don't knowingly allow anyone to travel with us who is (a) a convicted child sex offender, (b) subject to the notification requirements of the Sexual Offences Act 2003, or (c) subject to a Sexual Risk Order or a Child Abduction Notice. You must let us know if any of these apply to you or anyone you intend to include in your booking before you try to book.

If you fail to disclose any such information and it later becomes known to us, we may cancel your booking (if before departure) or remove you or the relevant member of your booking from the accommodation (if you are in resort) without any right to a refund, compensation and/or costs and expenses. In the latter case, you or the relevant party member would also be responsible for your/their own return home. We further reserve the right to refuse bookings from individuals with serious criminal convictions if we feel there is a specific risk to our guests, crew and/or staff.

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 River Cruise 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.

V

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 Sherpa, our online visa partner, at <https://apply.join.sherpa.com/...BR?affiliateId=tuiuk>. 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 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. We recommend that customers purchase their visa before travel to avoid queues. Online visas should be applied for at least 10 days before departure.

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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 River Cruise 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.

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.

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. For a breakdown of what's included in your basic holiday price, please see **Prices** in the A-Z.

Just so you know, you might also need to pay a tourist tax locally. We'll let you know what the approximate cost of this is before you book with us. Please also see **Taxes** in the A-Z.

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 place on the booking 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. Please note - if everyone on your booking transfers their place to someone else, our standard cancellation charges will apply.

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 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 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 p.p	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.

We follow ABTA's Code of Conduct and usually solve any issues but you can use ABTA's ADR 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 in the A-Z 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 **0204 578 0993***. 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 **0204 578 0993***.

*Calls from UK landlines cost the standard rate, but calls from mobiles may be higher

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		9	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66
		18	WED	4	Budapest	Danube Flavours 2	41
		22	SUN	5	Vienna	Yuletide Delights 2	
		27	FRI	5	Vienna	Yuletide Delights	90
	DEC	2	WED	5	Vienna	Yuletide Delights	90
		7	MON	5	Vienna	Yuletide Delights	90
		12	SAT	5	Vienna	Yuletide Delights	90
		17	THU	4	Vienna	Flavours of Christmas	89
		21	MON	7	Vienna	Danube Christmas Wonderland	94
		28	MON	7	Vienna	A Danube New Year	102
	2027	MAR	22	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures
29			MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66
APR		5	MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Explorer	70
		12	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Capitals	72
		12	MON	4	Budapest	Danube Flavours 2	41
		16	FRI	3	Vienna	Three Grand Capitals 2	41
		19	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68
		26	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66
MAY		3	MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Delights	74
		10	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66
		17	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68
		24	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66
		31	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Capitals	72
		31	MON	4	Budapest	Danube Flavours 2	41
JUN		4	FRI	3	Vienna	Three Grand Capitals 2	41
		7	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66
		14	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68
		21	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66
		28	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Capitals	72
		28	MON	4	Budapest	Danube Flavours 2	41
JULY	2	FRI	3	Vienna	Three Grand Capitals 2	41	
	5	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66	
	12	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68	
	26	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Capitals	72	
	26	MON	4	Budapest	Danube Flavours 2	41	
	30	FRI	3	Vienna	Three Grand Capitals 2	41	
AUG	2	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66	
	9	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68	
	16	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66	
	23	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Capitals	72	
	23	MON	4	Budapest	Danube Flavours 2	41	
	27	FRI	3	Vienna	Three Grand Capitals 2	41	
	30	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66	
SEP	6	MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Delights	74	
	13	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66	
	20	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Capitals	72	
	20	MON	4	Budapest	Danube Flavours 2	41	
	24	FRI	3	Vienna	Three Grand Capitals 2	41	
	27	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66	
	4	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68	
OCT	11	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66	
	18	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Capitals	72	
	18	MON	4	Budapest	Danube Flavours 2	41	
	22	FRI	3	Vienna	Three Grand Capitals 2	41	
	25	MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Explorer	70	

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2026	NOV	2	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68	
		9	MON	7	Budapest	Enchanting Danube**		
		18	WED	4	Vienna	Danube Wonders		
		22	SUN	5	Vienna	Yuletide Magic	87	
		27	FRI	5	Vienna	Festive Danube Delights	88	
	DEC	2	WED	5	Vienna	East Danube Christmas Charm		
		7	MON	5	Vienna	Festive Danube Delights	88	
		12	SAT	5	Vienna	Yuletide Magic	87	
		17	THU	4	Vienna	Yuletide Getaway		
		21	MON	7	Vienna	A Magical Danube Christmas	92	
	28	MON	7	Vienna	New Year on the Danube	100		
	2027	MAR	25	THU	4	Vienna	Danube Flavours	41
			29	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68
		APR	5	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66
12			MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68	
19			MON	7	Budapest	Danube Gems	64	
26			MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68	
MAY		3	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66	
		10	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68	
		17	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Gems	64	
		24	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68	
31		MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66		
JUN		7	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68	
		14	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Gems	64	
		21	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68	
		28	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66	
JULY		5	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68	
		12	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Gems	64	
		19	MON	7	Budapest	Diamonds on the Danube		
		26	MON	7	Budapest	Diamonds on the Danube 2	62	
AUG		2	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68	
	9	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Gems	64		
	16	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68		
	23	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66		
	30	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68		
SEP	6	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66		
	13	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68		
	20	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66		
	27	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68		
OCT	4	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Gems	64		
	11	MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68		
	18	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66		
	25	MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66		

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		10 TUE	8	Amsterdam	Moselle & North Rhine 2	
		18 WED	3	Frankfurt	German Gems^	
		23 MON	5	Cologne	Rhine Festive Flavours 2	
		28 SAT	5	Cologne	A Christmastime on the Rhine	85
	DEC	3 THU	5	Cologne	Rhine Festive Flavours	
		8 TUE	5	Cologne	A Christmastime on the Rhine	85
		13 SUN	5	Cologne	A Christmastime on the Rhine	85
		18 FRI	4	Cologne	Gluwhein on the Rhine	86
		22 TUE	7	Cologne	Festive Fairy Tale	98
2027	MAR	22 MON	7	Passau	Diamonds on the Danube 2	62
		29 MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Delights	74
	APR	5 MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68
		12 MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Explorer	70
		19 MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66
		26 MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Delights	74
	MAY	3 MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68
		10 MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Explorer	70
		17 MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66
		24 MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Delights	74
	JUN	31 MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68
		7 MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Explorer	70
		14 MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66
		21 MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Delights	74
	AUG	28 MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68
		5 MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Explorer	70
		12 MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66
		19 MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Delights	74
		26 MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68
	SEP	2 MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Explorer	70
		9 MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66
		16 MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Delights	74
		23 MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68
		30 MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Explorer	70
	OCT	6 MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66
		13 MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Delights	74
		20 MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68
		27 MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Explorer	70
		4 MON	7	Budapest	Magical Danube	66
		11 MON	7	Budapest	East Danube Delights	74
		18 MON	7	Budapest	Danube Treasures	68
		25 MON	15	Budapest	Icons of Europe 2	40

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2026	NOV	2	MON	7	Basel*	Rhine Explorer	46
		9	MON	7	Amsterdam	Rhine Explorer	46
		16	MON	5	Basel*	Southern Rhine Delights	
		23	MON	5	Dusseldorf	Wonders of the Rhine	
		28	SAT	5	Dusseldorf	Mistletoe and Rhine	83
	DEC	3	THU	5	Dusseldorf	Mistletoe and Rhine	83
		8	TUE	5	Dusseldorf	Mistletoe and Rhine	83
		13	SUN	5	Dusseldorf	Mistletoe and Rhine	83
		18	FRI	4	Dusseldorf	Christmas Carols & Castles	84
		22	TUE	7	Dusseldorf	North Rhine Noel	96
	29	TUE	7	Dusseldorf	A New Year Sail Away	104	
2027	MAR	21	SUN	7	Frankfurt	Rhine Gems	44
		28	SUN	7	Frankfurt	The Moselle Valley: Vines & Views	60
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		11	SUN	9	Frankfurt	Jewels of the Rhine & Moselle	39
		11	SUN	6	Frankfurt	Discover the Moselle & Rhine	39
		17	SAT	3	Cologne	Taste of the Rhine & Dutch Waterways	39
		20	TUE	5	Amsterdam	Tulips & Waterways	40
		25	SUN	7	Amsterdam	Rhine Explorer	46
	MAY	2	SUN	7	Basel*	Rhine Explorer 2	46
		9	SUN	7	Amsterdam	North Rhine & Netherlands Explorer	55
		16	SUN	14	Frankfurt	Rhine & Moselle Adventure	40
		16	SUN	7	Frankfurt	Rhine & Moselle Wonders	48
		23	SUN	7	Frankfurt	Upper Rhine Splendours	50
		30	SUN	7	Frankfurt	Rhine Gems	44
	JUN	6	SUN	7	Frankfurt	Rhine & Belgian Waterways	56
		13	SUN	7	Amsterdam	Rhine Explorer	46
20		SUN	7	Basel*	Rhine: Chateaux & Gateaux 2	52	
27		SUN	7	Frankfurt	The Moselle Valley: Vines & Views	60	
JULY	4	SUN	7	Frankfurt	Rhine Gems	44	
	11	SUN	14	Frankfurt	Moselle & North Rhine Discovery	38	
	11	SUN	8	Frankfurt	Moselle & North Rhine	38	
	19	MON	6	Amsterdam	Dutch Delta Discovery	38	
	25	SUN	7	Amsterdam	Rhine Explorer	46	
AUG	1	SUN	7	Basel*	Rhine Explorer 2	46	
	8	SUN	7	Amsterdam	Treasures of the Rhine	58	
	15	SUN	14	Dusseldorf	Rhine & Dutch Treasures	37	
	15	SUN	3	Dusseldorf	Highlights of the Rhine & Netherlands	37	
	18	WED	11	Amsterdam	Rhine & Dutch Explorer	37	
	29	SUN	7	Frankfurt	Rhine Gems	44	
SEP	5	SUN	7	Frankfurt	The Moselle Valley: Vines & Views	60	
	12	SUN	7	Frankfurt	Rhine Gems	44	
	19	SUN	7	Frankfurt	North Rhine & Netherlands Explorer	54	
	26	SUN	7	Amsterdam	Rhine Explorer	46	
OCT	3	SUN	7	Basel*	Rhine Explorer 2	46	
	10	SUN	7	Amsterdam	Rhine Explorer	46	
	17	SUN	7	Basel*	Rhine: Chateaux & Gateaux 2	52	
	24	SUN	7	Frankfurt	The Moselle Valley: Vines & Views	60	
	31	SUN	7	Frankfurt	Rhine Gems	44	

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		24	TUE	7	Luxor	Ancient Gods & Famous Pharaohs	80
	DEC	1	TUE	7	Luxor	Legends of the Nile	78
		8	TUE	7	Luxor	Legends of the Nile	78
		15	TUE	7	Luxor	Legends of the Nile	78
		22	TUE	7	Luxor	Legends of the Nile	78
		29	TUE	7	Luxor	Legends of the Nile	78
2027	JAN	5	TUE	7	Luxor	Ancient Gods & Famous Pharaohs	80
		12	TUE	7	Luxor	Ancient Gods & Famous Pharaohs	80
		19	TUE	7	Luxor	Ancient Gods & Famous Pharaohs	80
		26	TUE	7	Luxor	Ancient Gods & Famous Pharaohs	80
	FEB	2	TUE	7	Luxor	Legends of the Nile	78
		9	TUE	7	Luxor	Legends of the Nile	78
		16	TUE	7	Luxor	Legends of the Nile	78
		23	TUE	7	Luxor	Legends of the Nile	78
	MAR	2	TUE	7	Luxor	Ancient Gods & Famous Pharaohs	80
		9	TUE	7	Luxor	Ancient Gods & Famous Pharaohs	80
		16	TUE	7	Luxor	Ancient Gods & Famous Pharaohs	80
		23	TUE	7	Luxor	Ancient Gods & Famous Pharaohs	80
	APR	6	TUE	7	Luxor	Legends of the Nile	78
		13	TUE	7	Luxor	Legends of the Nile	78
		20	TUE	7	Luxor	Legends of the Nile	78

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		17	TUE	7	Luxor	Legends of the Nile	78
		24	TUE	7	Luxor	Legends of the Nile	78
	DEC	1	TUE	7	Luxor	Ancient Gods & Famous Pharaohs	80
		8	TUE	7	Luxor	Ancient Gods & Famous Pharaohs	80
		15	TUE	7	Luxor	Ancient Gods & Famous Pharaohs	80
		22	TUE	7	Luxor	Ancient Gods & Famous Pharaohs	80
		29	TUE	7	Luxor	Ancient Gods & Famous Pharaohs	80
2027	JAN	5	TUE	7	Luxor	Legends of the Nile	78
		12	TUE	7	Luxor	Legends of the Nile	78
		19	TUE	7	Luxor	Legends of the Nile	78
		26	TUE	7	Luxor	Legends of the Nile	78
	FEB	2	TUE	7	Luxor	Ancient Gods & Famous Pharaohs	80
		9	TUE	7	Luxor	Ancient Gods & Famous Pharaohs	80
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