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April 1–8, 2028

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- **Discover a few of Europe's historic capital cities: Vienna, Bratislava and Budapest**
- **Sail through spectacular scenery and admire the Wachau Valley's vineyard-laden hillsides, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.**
- **Enjoy an exclusive visit to Göttweig Abbey, a working monastery overlooking Austria's Wachau Valley and more!**

This 8-day group cruise along the Danube River is designed to benefit the MAC and everyone is welcome to join us! Experience the soothing waters of a traditional thermal bath in Budapest, learn to waltz at a Viennese dance school. Savor Austro-Hungarian cuisine in Vienna and Budapest. Admire the Wachau Valley's beauty. Gain rare insight into daily monastic life during an exclusive visit to Göttweig Abbey, and explore lesser-known Central European cities like Bratislava and Passau.

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See the following pages for more on the itinerary, highlights, rates & more!

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Day 1 – Saturday, April 1, 2028
Budapest, Hungary

Embark your ship and settle into your stateroom. Riverside beauty and a vibrant cultural scene blend together in Budapest to form one of Europe's most rewarding cities. Hungary's enchanting capital straddles the banks of the Danube. By day, stunning art nouveau buildings, stalwart castles and grand palaces set the stage for inspiring strolls. By night, the shimmering lights of the Parliament building dance across the waters of the Danube, the Chain Bridge uniting it all as a dramatic centerpiece.

Day 2 – Sunday, April 2, 2028
Budapest, Hungary

Take in one of Europe's great cultural capitals and see its iconic sights on the *included* **Panoramic Budapest** walking tour. Meet your guide for a panoramic tour. Along the elegant Andrássy Avenue, admire the National Opera House. Pass Heroes' Square, a spacious plaza of monuments and statues commemorating the Magyar state. Across the river, explore the more traditional Buda side of the city. Here, visit the Castle District with its massive hilltop castle complex, the turreted Fisherman's Bastion and Matthias Church. From the heights of Buda Hill, take in views of the famous Chain Bridge. Afterward, enjoy free time to explore the enchanting Buda Hill Castle area at your leisure, before returning to your ship.

Optional excursions offered: Budepest Castle Hill Hike; Budapest Thermal Bath, where you can join locals in this centuries old tradition; Hungarian Horsemen, a tour of a horse farm and witness some exciting horsemanship by highly skilled riders and much more!



Day 3 – Monday, April 3, 2028
Bratislava, Slovakia

The Slovakian capital of Bratislava is filled with lovingly restored baroque city palaces and leafy squares. Discover one of Europe's most intimate capitals by foot on the *included* **Bratislava Walking Tour**. Join your guide and set off along the Amber Road, tracing the ancient trade route that once linked Northern and Southern Europe. Stop to view the Gothic-style Universitas Istropolitana, the first university to have been founded in present-day Slovakia. In the main square, admire the Roland Fountain, built in 1572 to provide water to the public. Around the square, you will see the rococo, late-baroque Grassalkovich Palace, residence of the president, and the rose-hued Archbishop's Palace, home to today's mayor. You will also see the outside of the Gothic St. Martin's Cathedral, home of Hungarian coronations for more than 250 years.

Optional excursions offered: Bratislava Hike, with sweeping views over the city by its namesake castle; Bratislava Beer Tasting & Dinner; Red Stone Castle & Wine Tasting and much more!

Day 4 – Tuesday, April 4, 2028
Vienna, Austria

Renowned as the "City of Waltzes," Austria's capital city of Vienna is Europe's center of classical music. Strauss and Mozart composed many of their finest pieces here. Vienna's musical history is matched by the elegant, graceful architecture that lines the Ringstrasse, the wide boulevard encircling the Inner City. Baroque, neo-Renaissance, Gothic-Romanesque and other splendidly styled structures. On the *included* **Panoramic Vienna** tour, see the magnificent architectural highlights of one of Europe's most elegant and romantic cultural capitals. Vienna was center of arts and intellect during the reign of the Habsburgs and beyond. Meet your guide and drive into the city for a motor coach and walking tour, focusing on the splendid buildings on the Ringstrasse, the



gracious boulevard laid out on the site of the old city walls during the mid-19th century. Imposing palaces, elegant public buildings and grand residences line this world-famous avenue. See the magnificent Hofburg Palace, winter residence of the Habsburgs and home of the Spanish Riding School with its Lipizzaner horses.

Optional excursions offered: Schönbrunn Palace, home of the Habsburg dynasty; Mozart and Strauss Concert; Behind the Scenes at the Vienna Boys' Choir; and more!

Day 5 – Wednesday, April 5, 2028
Krems, Austria

A small university town at the eastern end of the Danube's Wachau Valley, Krems is

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surrounded by terraced vineyards. In its heyday, during the 12th century, Krems held even more importance than Vienna for its iron, grain, salt and wine trade. As to the latter, the city has played a long and celebrated part in the popularity of the Wachau's wine culture; the valley's south slopes in Krems are bathed in sunlight all day and create some of the best Riesling and Veltliner wines in the world. The city's cobblestone streets, taverns, wine bars and coffeehouses have a timeless appeal. The *included* **Krems Walking Tour** offers a look inside this lovely city.

Optional excursions offered: Göttweig Abbey (see highlight); Wachau Valley by Bicycle, where you'll explore the Wachau Valley on a flat bicycle trail along the scenic Danube on an electric bike or e-bike, and more.



Day 6 – Thursday, April 6, 2028
Linz, Austria

Originally known as Lentia in its days as a 1st-century Roman castle-settlement, Linz is today's provincial capital of Upper Austria. In the Old Town, narrow lanes lead to the Hauptplatz, once the largest town square in Austria. Handsome patrician houses, the 17th-century Town Hall and an impressive cathedral line the open space. The steepest mountain railway in Europe delivers visitors to Pöstlingberghill and its 18th-century pilgrimage church. Experience all the charms of this capital during the *included* **Linz Walking Tour.**

Optional excursions offered: Český Krumlov on Foot tour; a guided stroll through the Czech Republic's fairy-tale town; Austrian Countryside, a culinary excursion through picturesque landscapes; or Mauthausen Memorial, a solemn visit to honor the victims of World War II.



Highlight - Göttweig Abbey - Priveleged Access Excursion

While visiting Krems, Viking's optional excursion allows you to visit this spectacular 900 year old working monastery. A scenic drive will take you to the abbey, located on a hilltop overlooking the splendid Wachau Valley and the Danube River. Your host and guide will welcome you at the cellar entrance with a glass of sparkling apricot wine produced in the region. Then, enjoy a private viewing of a short film about monastic life and learn what it takes to run a monastery today. Step through the church's neoclassical portal to admire its colorful and ornate interior. Continue into the abbey's museum, which chronicles its 900-year history as a center of religious life and its role as a monastic retreat. Climb the Imperial Staircase, crowned by one of the largest and most spectacular ceiling frescoes in the world. The adjoining princely and imperial rooms showcase splendid artwork from the abbey's own collections.

Day 7 – Friday, April 7, 2028



Passau, Germany

Founded by the Celts over 2,000 years ago, Passau is one of Bavaria's oldest cities. Known as the "City of Three Rivers," it rests at the confluence of the Inn, Ilz and Danube rivers. The city has long enjoyed its strategic position and grew to great economic and political power because of it. The legacy of its past prosperity lives on in graceful arcades, colorful houses with rococo facades and the glorious baroque St. Stephen's Cathedral, home to one of Europe's largest pipe organs. Passau is also where two nations meet; it is here that the German-Austrian border begins. Explore the Italianate-style streets on the *included* **Passau Walking Tour.**

Optional excursions offered: Salzburg Highlights, setting of the beloved film *The Sound of Music* and the birthplace of Mozart; German Beer Culture & Dinner; Historic Train & Bavarian Woods and more!

Day 8 – Saturday, April 8, 2028
Passau, Germany

Journey home from Munich or extend your vacation with a post-cruise package. Pre-cruise packages are also available. *Ask MAGIC for details.*

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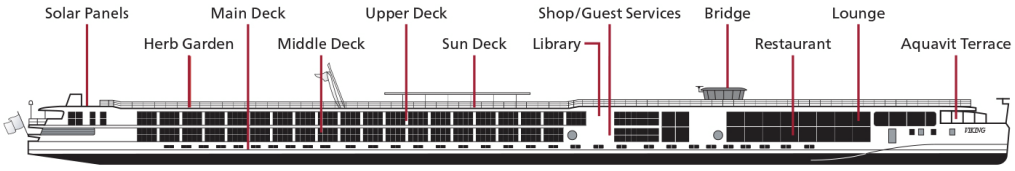
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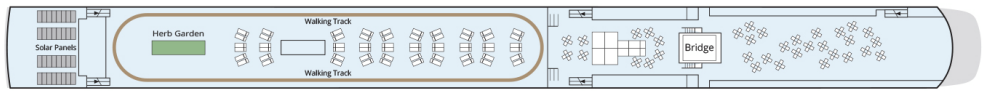
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Included In Your Viking River Cruise:

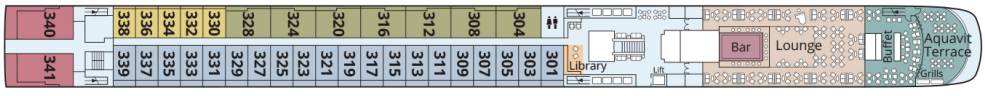
- Comfortable staterooms offering a view (Window, French Balcony, Veranda or Suite)
- A guided tour included in every port of call (other optional tours also available)
- Complimentary beer, wine and soft drinks served with lunch & dinner
- Coffees, teas and bottled water always included
- Complimentary Wi-Fi (connection speed may vary)
- Sun Deck with 360-degree views & shaded sitting area; organic herb garden & solar panels; putting green & walking track
- Aquavit Terrace & Lounge, an indoor/outdoor viewing area at the bow of the ship for al fresco dining & relaxing
- Restaurant, Lounge & Bar with floor-to-ceiling windows for panoramic views
- Library & onboard shop, laundry service available
- Elevator from Middle to Upper Deck only; no elevator access for categories E & F
- Ecologically friendly hybrid engines producing less vibrations for a smoother ride
- Flat-screen TV with infotainment system featuring a selection of live TV channels, complimentary Movies On Demand and in-house programming
- All rooms equipped with safe, hairdryer, mini-refrigerator, 110V and 220V electrical outlets



SUN DECK



UPPER DECK



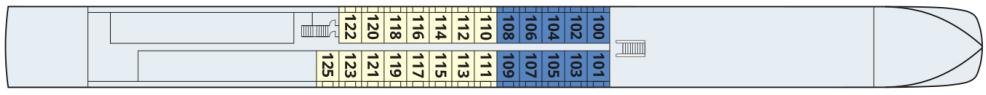
ES: Explorer Suite | AA: Veranda Suite | A: Veranda | C: French Balcony

MIDDLE DECK



B: Veranda | D: French Balcony

MAIN DECK



Water-level staterooms have smaller windows

E: Standard | F: Standard













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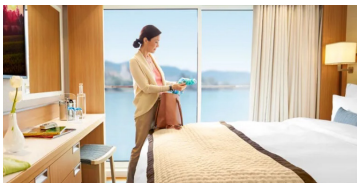
Explorer Suite (ES)

- Stateroom size: 445 sq ft (includes private veranda)
- River-view suite with private wraparound balcony offering 270-degree views off a spacious, separate sitting room, and French balcony (floor-to-ceiling sliding glass door) in sleeping quarters
- **Priced from $7,574***



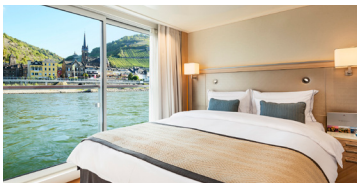
Veranda Suite (AA)

- Stateroom size: 275 sq ft (includes private veranda)
- River-view suite with full-size veranda off a spacious, separate sitting room, and French Balcony (floor-to-ceiling sliding glass door) in sleeping quarters
- **Priced from $5,974***



Veranda Stateroom (A, B)

- Stateroom size: 205 sq ft (includes private veranda)
- River-view stateroom with floor-to-ceiling sliding glass door opening to full-size veranda
- **Priced from $3,874***



French Balcony Stateroom (C, D)

- Stateroom size: 135 sq ft
- River-view stateroom with French balcony (floor-to-ceiling sliding glass door)
- **Priced from $3,374***



Standard Stateroom (E, F)

- Stateroom size: 150 sq ft
- River-view stateroom with half-height picture window
- **Priced from $2,774***

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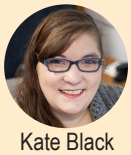
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