



## Cruise Details

Name:	Danube Delights & Oktoberfest
Reference:	EMERALDEMNB190926-2
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	River
Cruise Rating:	Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Star
Regions:	Danube
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Departs On:	19 Sep 26
Departs From:	Budapest
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Arrives On:	28 Sep 26
Arrives At:	Nuremberg
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Cruise Nights:	9
Total Vacation Days:	10

## Itinerary

### Day 1: Budapest (Hungary)

Welcome to Budapest, where you'll be met at the airport and transferred to your contemporary Emerald Cruises Star-Ship, before enjoying plenty of free time to explore the Hungarian capital at your leisure.

This evening, enjoy an authentic Hungarian folklore show on board, followed by a traditional dinner.

**EmeraldPLUS**  
Traditional Hungarian folklore show on board

Please book your flight to arrive into Budapest prior to 05:00 PM.

Arrives On: 19 Sep 26

### Day 2: Budapest (Hungary)

Architecture from across the centuries shines a light on the history of the Hungarian capital. Originally two separate cities, Buda to the west and Pest to the east offer incredibly different views on the culture of one of the liveliest cities in Eastern Europe. Today, you'll have the opportunity to

explore the city during a guided tour, including Heroes' Square and the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Andrassy Avenue and Buda Castle District. Alternatively, enjoy a hike to Gellert Hill for a postcard-worthy panorama view of the Danube banks.

**Included Excursion**  
Guided coach tour of Budapest

**EmeraldACTIVE**  
Hike to Gellert Hill

Arrives On: 20 Sep 26

### Day 3: Bratislava (Slovakia)

This morning, relax on board as we sail to Bratislava. An ancient landscape awaits, where remarkable towers add to a skyline that perfectly encapsulates the history of the city, and preserved medieval fortifications tell tales of a turbulent past. Your local guide will take you through the heart of the city, as you soak in the sights of the lavish Episcopal Summer Palace and the neo-Renaissance façade of the Slovak National Theatre.

If you're feeling more active, you could instead choose to hike around the serene gardens of Bratislava Castle, which provides the perfect setting for the Shakespeare festival that occurs during the summer months.

This afternoon, you will be invited into the home of a local family to learn more about their traditions and culture over coffee and cake.

**Included Excursion**  
Walking tour of Bratislava

**EmeraldPLUS**  
Home-hosted coffee and cake with a local family

**EmeraldACTIVE**  
Guided hike to Bratislava Castle

**DiscoverMORE**  
Skoda tour of Post-Communist Bratislava (extra expense)

**DiscoverMORE**  
Carpathian wine route (extra expense)

Arrives On: 21 Sep 26

### Day 4: Vienna (Austria)

Sweeping boulevards and world-famous art exhibitions welcome you to Vienna, a city which perfectly encapsulates the opulence of the Habsburg Monarchy and their ornate Baroque palaces. The Austrian capital is an art-lover's dream, and your guided tour will include a visit to the Kunsthistorisches Museum, the largest art museum in the country and one of the most important museums worldwide.

If you're feeling more active, then you may opt to explore on two wheels instead, cycling along the riverbanks before touching on Danube Island and Prater, the famous Viennese amusement park, home to the traditional 19th-century Ferris wheel.

**Included Excursion**  
Vienna art tour with a visit to the Kunsthistorisches Museum

**EmeraldACTIVE**  
Guided bike tour in Vienna

**DiscoverMORE**  
Viennese evening concert (extra expense)

Arrives On: 22 Sep 26

#### Day 5: Dürnstein (Austria)

<p><p>This morning, enjoy a guided tour of Göttweig Abbey with wine tasting, a true treasure overlooking the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Wachau Valley. Visible from great distance, it's one of Austria's most important Benedictine abbeys and attracts visitors from all over the world and provides epic panorama views.</p><p>Afterwards, your Star-Ship will sail through the fascinating Wachau Valley, part of the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Wachau Cultural Landscape, and on to Dürnstein.</p><p>Alternatively, join our Guided hike to Dürnstein castle or embark on a guided bike touring the Wachau region, passing terraced vineyards, castles and ruins along the way, before arriving where your Star-Ship is docked in Dürnstein.</p><p>In the afternoon we arrive in Dürnstein; a small town nestled in the heart of the Wachau wine region. You'll have the chance to hike to the medieval ruins of Dürnstein Castle, the site where King Richard I was held prisoner following his return from the Third Crusade, and part of the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Wachau Cultural Landscape, a place peppered with natural lookout points that highlight the beauty of the region.</p></p><p><strong>EmeraldPLUS</strong><br /><span>Guided tour of Göttweig Abbey with wine tasting</span></p><p><strong>EmeraldACTIVE</strong><br /><span>Guided hike to Dürnstein Castle</span></p><p><strong>EmeraldACTIVE</strong><br /><span>Guided bike tour along the Danube</span></p>

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#### Day 5: Melk (Austria)

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#### Day 6: Engelhartszell an der Donau (Austria)

<p><p>After a morning of sailing along the Danube, we will take you into the heart of Passau. Nicknamed the Dreiflüssestadt, meaning the 'the city of three rivers', it's situated at the confluence of the Danube, Inn, and Ilz rivers.</p><p>Your included guided tour of Passau will unveil its noteworthy Gothic and Baroque architecture. If you're feeling active, you could join a bike tour along the River Inn, one of the three rivers converging in Passau.</p><p>After your tour, enjoy some free time to explore Passau at your leisure, before spending an evening sailing blissfully towards Regensburg.</p></p><p><strong>Included Excursion</strong><br /><span>Guided tour of Passau</span></p><p><strong>EmeraldACTIVE</strong><br /><span>Guided bike tour along the River Inn</span></p>

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#### Day 6: Passau (Germany)

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#### Day 7: Regensburg (Germany)

This morning, we arrive in Regensburg, a city built on the site of an ancient Roman fort. Your guided walking tour of Regensburg will showcase its UNESCO World Heritage-listed medieval centre, where narrow cobbled lanes and tall façades help to define the character of this enchanting Bavarian city. We will stop for a local Bavarian sausage tasting so you get a real feel of the daily life in Regensburg.

Alternatively, you could join a bike tour to the Walhalla monument, which towers high above the slopes of the Danube. From here, you can enjoy a fascinating view of the surrounding landscape and the river.

This evening, enjoy a traditional Bavarian band performance on board.

**EmeraldPLUS**  
Walking tour of Regensburg with Bavarian sausage tasting

**EmeraldPLUS**  
Traditional Bavarian band performance on board

**EmeraldACTIVE**  
Guided bike tour to the Walhalla monument

Arrives On: 25 Sep 26

#### Day 8: Regensburg (Germany)

After breakfast, you will be transferred from your Star-Ship to your centrally located hotel in Munich. The remainder of the day and evening are at leisure to begin exploring Munich.

Arrives On: 26 Sep 26

#### Day 8: Nuremberg (Germany)

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#### Day 9: Nuremberg (Germany)

After breakfast, an included panoramic tour showcases the former Olympic site, Nymphenburg Palace, Maximilianstrasse and the Parliament, the National Theater and Munich's Residenz. During a walking tour, stroll the Marienplatz Square and see the famous Glockenspiel. After the tour, you will head to the Oktoberfest grounds where you will enter the tent to celebrate as a local and enjoy a typical Oktoberfest meal.

**Included Excursion**  
Guided tour of Munich & Entrance to the Oktoberfest grounds

Arrives On: 27 Sep 26

#### Day 10: Nuremberg (Germany)

After breakfast, it's time to bid farewell to your fellow guests and transfer to the airport, taking memories of Oktoberfest and the beautiful Bavarian city.

This itinerary is a guide only and may be amended for operational reasons such as high and low water. As such, the cruise may operate altered from that stated above. Please refer to our terms and conditions for further information.

Arrives On: 28 Sep 26

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