



## Cruise Details

Name:	Portraits of Eastern Europe
Reference:	UNIWORLD54327
Operator:	Uniworld
Cruise Type:	River
Cruise Rating:	Luxury
Ship:	S.S. Beatrice
Regions:	Danube
Departs On:	24 Apr 26
Departs From:	Bucharest
Arrives On:	12 May 26
Arrives At:	Prague
Cruise Nights:	18
Total Vacation Days:	19

## Itinerary

### Day 1: Bucharest (Romania)

Arrive at Bucharest Henri Coandă International Airport. If you have arranged a Uniworld arrival transfer, you will be greeted by a Uniworld representative and transferred to the hotel.

Arrives On: 24 Apr 26

### Day 2: Bucharest (Romania)

Get to know the bustling heart of Romania's capital city with a full day to explore Bucharest on your own.

Arrives On: 25 Apr 26

### Day 3: Bucharest (Romania)

Bucharest is a fascinating combination of Communist grandiosity, elegant French-influenced 19th-century buildings and surprising survivors dating from the 1500s. Today in Bucharest you'll enjoy a panoramic city tour and a visit to People's Palace. Later, you'll travel via motorcoach to Giurgiu, where your ship awaits.

Arrives On: 26 Apr 26

#### Day 4: Ruse (Bulgaria)

Bulgaria's foremost Danube port, Ruse is sometimes called "Little Vienna" for its elegant 19th-century mansions and public buildings.

Arrives On: 27 Apr 26

#### Day 5: Vidin (Bulgaria)

Vidin is a port town on the Danube that once played an important role in medieval Bulgarian politics, as the great fortress Baba Vida attests. It's your base for an unusual excursion today—a visit to the fascinating Belogradchik rock formations. Or you can indulge in a tasting at a local winery.

Arrives On: 28 Apr 26

#### Day 6: Iron Gates (Romania)

Today's main attraction will be the spectacular scenery along the Danube, as you cruise a stretch of gorges known as the Iron Gates. Later, head ashore to explore a Paleolithic site and an extraordinarily well-preserved medieval fortress. All along the way, history lines the banks of the river. Keep an eye out for Trajan's Plaque, which the ancient Romans erected to commemorate the road they anchored in the steep cliffs above the water, and Golubac Castle, built in the 14th century and attacked successively by the Serbs, Magyars, and Turks.

Arrives On: 29 Apr 26

#### Day 7: Belgrade (Serbia)

Belgrade, the modern-day capital of Serbia, is one of Europe's oldest cities, dating back some 7,000 years. Signs of its tumultuous history are visible everywhere, juxtaposed with the city's vibrant modern-day present.

Arrives On: 30 Apr 26

#### Day 8: Vukovar (Croatia)

Welcome to Croatia! This ancient country, which has made a remarkable recovery from a brutal civil war, is noted for its beautiful countryside and thriving folk traditions, as well as simple,

delicious local rustic food. You'll dock in Vukovar, Croatia's biggest port, at the confluence of the Danube and Vuka rivers.

Arrives On: 01 May 26

#### Day 9: Budapest (Hungary)

Located on opposite sides of the Danube, Buda and Pest each have their own distinctive character and allure. Explore this dynamic and multifaceted city with your choice of excursions—you can see it from a local's perspective on our walking tour, or cover more ground with a panoramic tour. Vibrant Budapest, Hungary's capital, offers an enchanting combination of East and West.

Arrives On: 02 May 26

#### Day 10: Budapest (Hungary)

Other passengers are heading home today, but you are only halfway through your marvelous holiday. Enjoy a day of leisure exploring beautiful and historic Budapest.

Arrives On: 03 May 26

#### Day 11: Budapest (Hungary)

Located on opposite sides of the Danube, Buda and Pest each has a distinctive character and allure all its own. Explore this dynamic and multi-faceted city with a panoramic tour, or choose our Jewish Heritage excursion offering you a detailed introduction to Jewish Budapest.

Arrives On: 04 May 26

#### Day 12: Vienna (Austria)

The grand dame of the Danube, Vienna was the heart of the Austro-Hungarian Empire and remains, to this day, the political and cultural center of Austria. Klimt painted here; Beethoven and Mozart composed here; Freud developed his theories here. It's a treasure trove of splendid architecture, astonishing art collections and inviting cafés—and today it is yours to explore.

Arrives On: 05 May 26

#### Day 13: Dürnstein (Austria)

Dürnstein is one of our favorite towns along the Danube, a lovely place to wander cobblestone lanes and browse quaint shops. For your included tour today, opt for a tasting or learn all about the world's costliest spice from the Wachau Valley's only saffron grower.

Arrives On: 06 May 26

#### Day 14: Linz (Austria)

Linz may be best known for its famous Linzer torte, but it's also a hotbed for the arts. See the sights with a local expert and visit a family at their farm in the countryside. Austria's third-largest city, Linz boasts a long history of trading and textile manufacturing, but these days it is perhaps best known for its electronic arts and annual festival.

Arrives On: 07 May 26

#### Day 15: Engelhartszell an der Donau (Austria)

Your ship cruises through a scenic highlight of the Danube early this morning, the Schlägener Schlinge—a hairpin loop in the Danube that was once very hazardous for ships and is now a lovely, serene stretch of water—and leaves Austria behind today. Your first German port of call is Passau, where three rivers meet—the Inn, the Ilz and the Danube—and three nations almost meet: Austria, Germany and the Czech Republic, making for a fascinating cultural mosaic.

Arrives On: 08 May 26

#### Day 16: Regensburg (Germany)

Bavaria's first capital, Regensburg, owes its impressive historical lineage and rich architectural heritage to 600 years as a Free Imperial City, a fact recognized by UNESCO in 2006. Today, you'll discover how the beautifully preserved medieval city coexists with a vibrant modern urban center.

Arrives On: 09 May 26

#### Day 17: Regensburg (Germany)

Disembark the ship early and set your sights on the "city of a hundred spires" as you transfer to Prague via motorcoach.

Arrives On: 10 May 26

#### Day 18: Prague (Czech Republic)

A magnet for generations of artists, writers, scientists and composers, Prague is famous for its dynamic energy and elegant ambiance (and the beers here are pretty amazing too). A thousand years of architecture, from ornate Gothic to fanciful postmodern, has been beautifully preserved here.

Arrives On: 11 May 26

#### Day 19: Prague (Czech Republic)

You've experienced the best of the Danube River and Prague, sampling myriad culinary delights and exploring fascinating stops along the way. Now your journey comes to a close. If you have arranged a Uniworld departure transfer, you will be transferred to Prague Václav Havel Airport for your flight home. Your Uniworld adventure may be over, but we know you'll enjoy the memories you've made for years to come.

Arrives On: 12 May 26

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