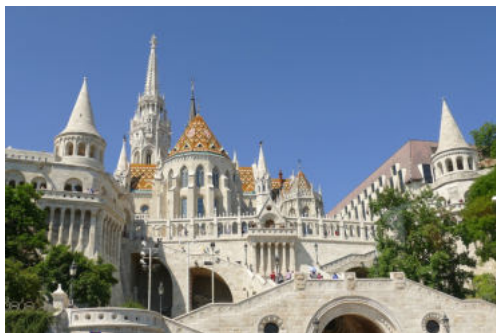


THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE

Budapest – Vienna - Prague



Fishermen's Bastion, Budapest



Schoenbrunn Palace, Vienna



Prague Castle & Charles Bridge, Prague

PROGRAM:

Arrive in Budapest, Hungary:

Arrive at the airport in Budapest where our Tour Manager will meet us and help us board our private motor coach.

On the way to our hotel, we will enjoy a panoramic tour of one of the most beautiful cities in Europe.

The remainder of the day is at leisure to do some independent sightseeing, shopping and browsing, or to freshen-up prior to dinner at the hotel. (D)

Budapest, City Tour:

Today we get an overview of Budapest and take a look at the most beautiful and imposing buildings of Budapest during our city tour. We are going to visit both sides - Buda, which is the hilly and Pest, which is the flat one. At Buda we will visit the Castle District (Fisherman's Bastion, Matthias Church). At Pest side we see the Heroes' square, where we can see the statues of the most important heroes of Hungarian history. Along the nicest promenade of Budapest (Andrássy Avenue) we reach the city centre, pass by St. Stephen Basilica. The largest and nicest building in Hungary - the Parliament - is situated on the bank of Danube.

After passing by, we cross Margaret bridge and then we reach Buda. In the „Mainstreet”, we see beautiful baroque churches from the 18th century and a 16th century Turkish bath in the water town. Afterwards we will cross Adam Clark square, named after the designer of Chain Bridge, the landmarks of Budapest. Finally we take you to Gellért hill.

From the panoramic terrace we will enjoy a wonderful view of the entire city.

At the top of the hill, there is situated Citadel, a former military fortress, built during the Austro – Hungarian Monarchy.

The rest of the day is on our own. Overnight in Budapest. (B)

Danube Bend Tour:

Leave the capital of Hungary for wonderful landscape, for traditional buildings and for history. On the northern part of the country for a few kilometers from the border is the river Danube between Hungary and Slovakia. The first stop is in the city of archbishops, in Esztergom.. The first king in Hungary - St. Stephan - was born here and crowned in 1000.

The very first Catholic Church was built here as well. During the centuries ruined but rebuilt - today you can visit the largest roman-catholic church of Hungary, the Basilica of Esztergom.

The next town we will see is Visegrad. The castle from the XIII century is on the very top of the hill and from there you get a nice view to the whole bend. This bend is the largest turn all along the river Danube. It's like a big „S”. It's worth to see!

The last stop is at the friendly artists' town, at Szentendre. Just like in the Mediterranean countries, the village is on a hill, all the streets are running down to the water. Let's have a walk along the narrow streets, or along the Danube on the promenade.

Enjoy the romantic feeling among the 18th century baroque houses during a walk along the main street to the centre of the old town. On the main square we will see the holy trinity monument and the oldest Serbian Orthodox Church in Hungary.

Along the narrowest street we reach the top of a small hill and have a look at the area. Return to Budapest.

In the evening we enjoy dinner together at our hotel. (B, D)

Budapest – Bratislava (Slovakia) – Vienna (Austria):

Following breakfast and hotel check out, we will continue to our next destination- Vienna, Austria.

On our way, we will stop en-route to visit Bratislava, capital of Slovakia. Together with a local guide we stroll through the streets of the historic Old Town centre, where we will see Bratislava's most important places and historical sights such as the Old town hall, Primate's palace, Michael's gate, St. Martin's cathedral, Bratislava castle and more.

Time for lunch on our own. Continue on to Vienna. Upon arrival in Vienna, we will check into our centrally located 4* Hotel.

The remainder of the day is at leisure to get acquainted with our new surroundings.

Dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, D)

Vienna, City Tour and Schoenbrunn palace & gardens:

After breakfast, we will depart the hotel for a half-day tour of Vienna, starting at Schonbrunn Palace, the Versailles of Vienna.

This magnificent Baroque residence, built by the Hapsburgs in the 17th and 18th centuries, has 1,441 rooms, many ornate fountains, and terrace after terrace of beautiful gardens. Time for lunch on our own.

Next, we will continue with our sightseeing tour and where we will see the State Opera, Hofburg Palace, and St. Stephen's Cathedral, among other famous landmarks.

This evening we will have a very special dinner with wine and local music at a typical Heurigen restaurant in the outskirts of Vienna.

Return to our hotel for overnight. (B, D)

Vienna – Prague (Czech Republic):

After breakfast and hotel check-out, we will board the motorcoach for the journey to our next destination - Prague, Czech Republic.

Sit back and relax as we drive through a fertile farmland in a picturesque and hilly area.

En-route, we stop in the quaint little town of Trebic. Time for shopping, a small snack or browsing.

Arriving in Prague, we will check into our 4* Hotel for check-in. The remainder of the afternoon will be at leisure to enjoy this beautiful city on your own. Dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, D)

Prague, City Tour - Part 1:

After breakfast, we will depart on a full-day tour of Prague, which will include the Historic Center, Old Town Square, Mamesti Republiky (Republic Square), Prasna Brana (Powder Tower), the Royal Way, Tyn Church, the Jan Hus Monument, Clam-Gallas Palota (Clam-Gallas Palace) Courtyard, Palac Kinskych (Kinsky Palace outside view), Vaclavske Namesti (Wenceslas Square), the Statue of St. Wenceslas, the Jewish Ghetto, including entrance and visit to the Jewish Museum Prague and Old/New Synagogue. We will stop for a leisurely lunch (on our own) while touring.

After some free-time to refreshen-up in our hotel, be ready for a marvelous cruise on the waters of the Vltava River while we enjoy a delicious dinner against the backdrop of the city lights. The cruise will pass the Charles Bridge, Prague Castle, the Rudolfinum, National Theater, Dancing House, Vysehrad, and more. Overnight at the hotel. (B, D)

Prague, City Tour - Part 2:

After breakfast, we will embark on our second full day of touring Prague. Today, we will visit many of the most famous places on the left bank (Mala Strana or Lesser Quarter) of the Vltava River. Hradcany Castle, Prague's most venerated landmark. We will also visit Kostel Svateho Mikulase (Church of St. Nicholas), Karluv Most (Charles Bridge), the Lennon Peace Wall, Kostel Panny Marie Vitezne (Church of Our Lady Victorious), and many other interesting sites. Following lunch on our own, we will have the remainder of the day at leisure for some shopping or browsing or independent sightseeing.

We re-gather this evening for a special farewell meal at typical Czech local restaurant which will include a Bohemian Folklore show and unlimited drinks. Overnight at the hotel. (B, D)

Prague, Departure day:

After breakfast and hotel check-out, we will be transferred to the airport where we will board our return flight home. (B)

INCLUDED SERVICES:

- Deluxe motor-coach throughout as per itinerary including all necessary fees for parking, road tolls etc.
- Service of a Professional Tour escort (English speaking) for all tours as mentioned in program above
- All necessary costs for tour escort and bus driver
- Daily European breakfast buffet at hotels mentioned above
- 3x nights' accommodation at central-located Hotel in Budapest 4*
- 2x nights' accommodation at central-located Hotel in Vienna 4*
- 3x nights' accommodation at central-located Hotel in Prague 4*
- 2x 3-course dinners at Hotel in Budapest
- 1x 3-course dinner at Hotel in Vienna
- Heurigen evening in Vienna includes a typical Heurigen Buffet dinner and one glass of wine and Heurigen music
- 1x 3-course dinner at Hotel in Prague
- Vltava Dinner Cruise with Buffet dinner and Welcome Drink (other drinks are not included)
- Farewell dinner in a typical Czech local restaurant with Bohemian Folklore Show and dinner incl. unlimited drinks
- Half-day City tours with English-speaking local guides in Budapest and Prague (2x)
- Full-day City tour with English-speaking local guide for Budapest and Danube Bend Tour
- Full-day City tour with English-speaking local guide in Vienna incl. Schoenbrunn palace
- City Tour with English-speaking local guide in Bratislava (2 hrs)
- Entrance fees and tours included at: Fisherman's bastion & Matthias Church in Budapest, Esztergom basilica, Visegrád citadel, St. Stephen's basilica Budapest, Schönbrunn palace and gardens in Vienna, Prague Castle district incl. Saint Vitus cathedral, Jewish quarter in Prague incl. the Jewish museum and the Old-/New Synagogue
- All other visits according to the tour program above
- Porterage of luggage at all hotels in/out
- All Taxes and charges for ground services (VAT, local taxes etc.)