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2025 MAGNIFICENT RIVERS OF EUROPE RIVER CRUISE

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September 04 – 21, 2025 • Tour Manager: Lisa McKee

COUNTRIES: Hungary, Slovakia, Austria, Germany & the Netherlands

RIVERS: Danube River, Main River & Rhine River

CRUISE OVERVIEW: From Budapest to Amsterdam, and in many exciting stops along the way, experience the culture of Central Europe in a unique way on this timeless European river cruise vacation. Begin by visiting three of Europe's vibrant capital cities: Budapest (Hungary), Bratislava (Slovakia), and Vienna (Austria). A Local Guide will show you the must-see sites in each city with plenty of time to explore on your own. See the famous Heroes' Square in Budapest, stroll through Bratislava's Old Town with its winding streets and bronze sculptures, and stop in a classic Viennese café for a decadent treat.

Sail through the picturesque views of the Wachau Valley and the dramatic Rhine Gorge. Visit Melk's magnificent Benedictine Abbey and Würzburg's Baroque-style Bishop's Residenz. Enjoy a tasting of wonderful local Wachau wines. Explore quaint towns like Dürnstein with its blue and white Baroque-style Stiftskirche; Passau, known for its narrow cobblestone streets and the stunning St. Stephen's Cathedral; and Bamberg, with its town hall straddling the River Regnitz.

Enjoy guided tours in historic Nuremberg, Volkach, Würzburg, and Regensburg — one of Germany's best-preserved medieval cities. In the charming Rhine Valley town of Rüdesheim, enjoy a stroll through its famous cobblestone Drosselgasse lined with shops, restaurants, and lively taverns. Straddling both sides of the Rhine River is Cologne, Germany — a 2,000-year-old city known for its Gothic-style architecture. Here, enjoy a guided walk and see its famous twin-spired cathedral. This European river cruise would not be complete without a visit to Netherlands' lively capital of Amsterdam. See the treasures of this 700-year-old city from a unique perspective — on a canal cruise along the elegant grachten.

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Day 1: Thur, Sept 04 — HONOLULU. Depart Honolulu.

Day 2: Fri, Sept 05 — IN TRANSIT.

Day 3: Sat, Sept 06 — BUDAPEST, HUNGARY — EMBARK AVALON PASSION. Welcome to Budapest — the “Pearl of the Danube.” After completing arrival formalities meet the transfer to the ship, the **Avalon Passion**. The day is yours to relax and enjoy the city with time for photographs, cafés, and confections. This evening, the ship will dock overnight in Budapest. (D)

Day 4: Sun, Sept 07 — BUDAPEST — CRUISE TO BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA. Visit the Adventure Center for today's activities with your Adventure Host.

 **ACTIVE EXCURSION:** Hike up to a magnificent **viewpoint in Budapest** with your Adventure Host. OR

 **CLASSIC EXCURSION:** Enjoy a Guided City Sightseeing, including the iconic **Heroes' Square**.

This afternoon choose among the optional guided excursions or enjoy Budapest on your own. Indulge in a piece of cream cake in one of the many cafés. Consider a scenic hike above the Danube. The ship will cruise overnight to Bratislava. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Mon, Sept 08 — BRATISLAVA — CRUISE TO VIENNA, AUSTRIA.

 **ACTIVE EXCURSION:** Follow your Avalon Adventure Host on a **hike** to lofty **Bratislava Castle**. OR


 **CLASSIC EXCURSION:** Join a **guided walking tour** of Old Town's cobblestone streets to Town Hall. Visit the Gothic halls of **St. Martin's Cathedral** — Hungary's centuries-old coronation church.

Alternatively, in your free time take a bicycle and a picnic from the ship to explore the local sights along the Danube. Later, enjoy **live entertainment** onboard. The ship will cruise overnight to Vienna. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Tue, Sept 09 — VIENNA — CRUISE TO DÜRNSTEIN.


 **ACTIVE EXCURSION:** Explore Vienna's **Danube Island** by **bike** with your Adventure Host. OR


 **CLASSIC EXCURSION:** After a short walk of Vienna, join a guided visit of Austria's largest museum, the legendary **Kunsthistorisches Museum (Museum of Fine Arts)**. OR

 **CLASSIC EXCURSION:** Explore the Habsburg empire this morning on a guided city tour of Vienna's gilded landmarks. See the **Imperial Palace complex** — the winter residence of the Imperial Family, the historic **Vienna Opera House**, and stunning **St. Stephen's Cathedral**.

Join an optional guided excursion to Schönbrunn Palace — summer home of the Habsburg Empire. Consider a tram ride to Vienna's Prater amusement park or to one of the many museums nearby. Later, consider joining an Optional Excursion to attend Royal Waltz Concert in an elegant hall. This evening cruise overnight to Dürnstein. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Wed, Sept 10 — DÜRNSTEIN — WACHAU VALLEY — MELK — CRUISE TO PASSAU, GERMANY.

 **ACTIVE EXCURSION:** Take a **guided hike** up to the **castle ruins** to take in the spectacular view of the village, Danube, and the Wachau Valley below. OR

 **CLASSIC EXCURSION:** Join a guided walk, and **hear the legendary tale of King Richard the Lionheart** — who was imprisoned in the castle above the village during the Crusades.

Later, stretch out on the Sky Deck as you sail through the Wachau Valley past vineyards, castles, and charming villages on your way to Melk.



 **ACTIVE EXCURSION:** Join your Avalon Adventure Host for a **walk along the Danube River** and around Melk. OR

 **CLASSIC EXCURSION:** Take a Guided Tour of the frescoed ceilings, statues, incredible library, and ornate pipe organ of Melk's **Benedictine Abbey**.

 **DISCOVERY EXCURSION:** Later, enjoy a **Wine Tasting** onboard as you prepare to sail to Passau.

The ship will cruise overnight to Passau. (B, L, D)


Day 8: Thur, Sept 11 — PASSAU — CRUISE TO REGENSBURG.

 **CLASSIC EXCURSION:** Join a **guided city walk** to learn more about this beautiful “City of Three Rivers.”

Alternatively, join an optional full day guided excursion to Salzburg — the city of Mozart — or to the picturesque Bohemian town of Cesky Krumlov. The ship will cruise overnight to Regensburg. (B, L, D)


Day 9: Fri, Sept 12 — REGENSBURG — CRUISE TO ROTH.

 **ACTIVE EXCURSION:** Explore **Walhalla by bike** with your Adventure Host. OR


 **CLASSIC EXCURSION:** Join a guided city walk and see **Altes Rathaus (Old Town Hall)** and **Porta Pretoria** — built in 179 A.D. as the entrance to Castra Regina fortress. You may choose to join an optional guided excursion visit the Benedictine Monastery in Weltenburg. Alternatively spend a free afternoon exploring Regensburg on foot or by bike through its charming streets.

This evening, enjoy **live entertainment** after dinner as you cruise toward Roth. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Sat, Sept 13 — ROTH — EXCURSION TO NUREMBERG — CRUISE TO BAMBERG.

 **DISCOVERY EXCURSION:** Enjoy an onboard lecture about the Main-Danube Canal — linking these two rivers to make a vital connection enabling navigation between the North and Black Seas.


 **CLASSIC EXCURSION:** Enjoy a Guided Sightseeing Tour of the Bavarian town of Roth — with its half-timbered houses, market square, and 1535 hunting lodge Schloss Ratibor. OR

 **CLASSIC EXCURSION:** Choose a guided sightseeing of Nuremberg — with its medieval architecture, gilded fountain, Gothic cathedral, and **Kaiserburg Castle**. OR

 **CLASSIC EXCURSION:** Take a guided tour of the historic **Nuremberg Rally Grounds** — used by the Third Reich.

Tonight, relax onboard with live entertainment as you sail to Bamberg. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Sun, Sept 14 — BAMBERG — CRUISE TO VOLKACH.

 **ACTIVE EXCURSION:** Your bike is ready! Hop on and **bike along the canals in Bamberg** with your Adventure Host. OR



📷 CLASSIC EXCURSION: Take a **guided walking tour** of the **former home to imperial dynasties**, and see its **Romanesque cathedral, Old Town Hall**, and seven hills crowned with churches.

🚲 DISCOVERY EXCURSION: Attend an **onboard lecture** to learn about **European history and culture**.

The ship will cruise to Volkach. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Mon, Sept 15 — VOLKACH — KITZINGEN.

🚶 ACTIVE EXCURSION: Bike along the **Main-Danube Canal** with your Adventure Host. OR

📷 CLASSIC EXCURSION: Join a **walking tour** of the quaint town of **Volkach** with its half-timbered houses and cobblestoned streets.

You may choose to join an optional guided excursion to the beautiful Bavarian town of Rothenburg. See the local sights and enjoy the fairytale atmosphere that has inspired artists. Alternatively, enjoy a relaxing afternoon while cruising to Kitzingen. The ship will dock overnight in Kitzingen. (B, L, D)

Day 13: Tue, Sept 16 — KITZINGEN — WÜRZBURG — CRUISE TO MILTENBERG.

🚶 ACTIVE EXCURSION: Enjoy an easy **bike ride along the river** with your Adventure Host. OR

📷 CLASSIC EXCURSION: Take a **guided sightseeing tour** of **Würzburg** with its **Old Main Bridge, towering fortress**, and baroque **Bishop's Residenz** — with the largest known ceiling fresco.

This afternoon enjoy a leisure sailing as the ship cruises towards Miltenberg. (B, L, D)

Day 14: Wed, Sept 17 — MILTENBERG — CRUISE TO RÜDESHEIM. Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

📷 CLASSIC EXCURSION: Join a **guided walking tour** of Miltenberg, a showcase of medieval half-timber homes and home to Germany's oldest inn.

Later, enjoy **onboard entertainment** as you cruise to Rüdesheim. (B, L, D)

Day 15: Thur, Sept 18 — RÜDESHEIM — RHINE GORGE — CRUISE TO ENGERS.

🚶 ACTIVE EXCURSION: Enjoy a **hike** with your Avalon Adventure Host through the picturesque **vineyards of Rüdesheim**. OR

🚶 ACTIVE EXCURSION: Take an **open-air cable car ride** to the **Niederwald Monument**. Ride or walk back down through the vineyards; enjoy tasting of the authentic **Rüdesheimer coffee**. OR

🚲 DISCOVERY EXCURSION: Tour the incredible **Mechanical Music Museum** for a one-of-a-kind instrumental experience; based on your departure enjoy a local **special treat**.



This afternoon cruise through the dramatic Rhine Gorge and see the famous **Rock of the Lorelei** — where mythological siren lured ill-fated sailors to shore.

🚲 DISCOVERY EXCURSION: Enjoy a remarkable **classical music concert** in a lovely baroque venue at **Engers Castle**, home to the Villa Musica Rhineland-Palatinate National Foundation, one of Germany's largest music institutions.

The ship will cruise this afternoon to Engers. (B, L, D)

Day 16: Fri, Sept 19 — ENGERS — COLOGNE — CRUISE TO AMSTERDAM. Ask about today's energizing or relaxing Adventure Host activities.

🚶 ACTIVE EXCURSION: Enjoy a **bike ride like the locals** in Cologne with your Adventure Host. OR

🚲 DISCOVERY EXCURSION: Choose a guided walking tour of **Cologne's important Jewish heritage sites**. OR

📷 CLASSIC EXCURSION: Take a guided **city walk of Cologne** — explore the Old City and see its soaring twin-steepled gothic cathedral.

Spend free time over a glass of Kölsch pale lager — locally brewed for over 100 years! Cruise overnight to Amsterdam. (B, L, D)

Day 17: Sat, Sept 20 — AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS.

🚶 ACTIVE EXCURSION: Start your day joining your Adventure Host on an **early morning walk in Amsterdam**. OR

📷 CLASSIC EXCURSION: Explore the iconic waterways of Amsterdam on a guided **canal cruise** past stately homes of Amsterdam's "Golden Age."

In the afternoon you may join an Optional Culinary Walk through Amsterdam to sample savory and sweet Dutch specialties. Or choose an Optional Biking Tour to discover the countryside. You might also consider an optional guided excursion to Zaanse Schans to see historic windmills and charming Dutch houses. Spend free time on your own to explore the colorful cafés, galleries, bridges, and canals of Amsterdam. The ship will dock overnight in Amsterdam. (B, L, D)

Day 18: Sun, Sept 21 — AMSTERDAM — DISEMBARK AVALON PASSION — IN TRANSIT — HONOLULU.




Disembark Avalon Passion. Bid farewell to Amsterdam as you prepare for your homeward flight. Arrive Honolulu. Aloha and welcome home!

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HIGHLIGHTS & SIGHTSEEING:

• **While on the Cruise:** Hike up to a magnificent viewpoint in Budapest; Heroes’ Square; Hike to Bratislava Castle; Bratislava’s Old Town; Town Hall; Martin’s Cathedral; Live entertainment onboard; Danube Island by bike; Kunsthistorisches Museum (Museum of Fine Arts); Imperial Palace Complex; Vienna Opera House; St. Stephen’s Cathedral; Guided hike up to the castle ruins; Hear the legendary tale of King Richard the Lionheart; Walk along the Danube river and around Melk; Benedictine Abbey; Wine Tasting onboard; Guided city walk of Passau; Explore Walhalla by bike; Altes Rathaus (Old Town Hall); Porta Pretoria; Onboard lecture about the Main-Danube Canal; Guided sightseeing of Roth; Guided sightseeing of Nuremberg; Kaiserburg Castle; Nuremberg Rally Grounds; Bike along the canals in Bamberg; Onboard lecture about European history and culture; Bike along the Main-Danube Canal; Walking tour of Volkach; Bike ride along the river; Würzburg’s Old Main Bridge; Bishop’s Residenz; Guided walking tour of Miltenberg; Hike through the picturesque vineyards of Rüdesheim; Take an open-air cable car ride to the Niederwald Monument; Rüdesheimer coffee; Mechanical Music Museum; Rock of the Lorelei; Music concert at Engers Castle; Bike ride like the locals in Cologne; Guided walking tour of Cologne’s important Jewish heritage sites; Guided city walk of Cologne; Early morning walk in Amsterdam; Guided canal cruise.

INCLUDED FEATURES:

- 15 Nights Deluxe Cruise accommodations.
- Open-air balconies and wall-to-wall panoramic windows in all Panorama Suites.
- Large bathroom featuring shower with glass door.
- Individual climate control and in-room safe.
- Well-stocked mini-bar.
- Included sightseeing with expert Local Guides with personal headset Included.
- Choice of  **CLASSIC**,  **ACTIVE**, or  **DISCOVERY** excursions so that you can experience your cruise your way.
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- Happy Hour every evening featuring house beer, wine, cocktails, and a drink of the day.
- Welcome and Farewell Cocktails with sparkling wine, and canapés.
- Daily breakfast buffet with full range of classic breakfast items, healthy Avalon Fresh® options and daily à la carte specials.
- Complimentary room service for continental breakfast, lunch, and dinner.
- Daily lunch buffet featuring regional specialties, classic dishes, healthy Avalon Fresh® options and rotating chef’s features including carving, and pasta stations. Alternatively, you may dine al fresco at our Sky Grill on the Sky Deck (weather and itinerary permitting) or enjoy a light lunch in the Panorama Lounge.
- Afternoon Tea featuring tea, coffee, and sweet treats.
- Four-course dinners with choice of appetizers, soups, salads, entrées, and desserts or cheese.
- Linger over several selections from the Panorama Bistro’s tasting menu for a less formal “sit-down” atmosphere.
- Complimentary wine, beer, or soft drinks with lunch and dinner.
- Avalon FlexDining® flexible dining times with menu and venue options .
- Vegetarian options at every meal, as well as vegan, low calorie, low fat, high fiber, low cholesterol, high energy, and allergy-free selections.
- Specialty coffees, espresso drinks, and beWell Essence flavored and infused water available throughout each day.
- Club Lounge with 24-hour self-serve beverage station with complimentary cappuccinos, lattes, tea, hot chocolate, and premium coffees, as well as treats throughout the day.
- *AvalonGo App* for your mobile device keeps you informed and on course before and during your cruise.



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