

The Legendary Danube Avalon Waterways

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Route Map From Avalon Waterways



The Avalon Artistry II sailing on the Danube



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Another Picture of the Artistry II

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Overview

- From the rich history of Germany to the unique culture of Hungary, this Danube river cruise takes you to three countries, and the scenic beauty as you cruise past quaint towns, can be experienced right from your stateroom or atop the sky deck of your ship.
- In Nuremberg, Germany, board your river cruise vessel docked on the Main Danube Canal and visit this thousand-year-old city with a Local Guide.
- Next, reach Regensburg, the only German city not bombed during WWII. Lovers of architecture will enjoy the many listed buildings of historic interest, and Porta Pretoria, gates to an ancient Roman fort built in 179 AD. And here you'll taste local sausages at one of Germany's oldest restaurants and we'll introduce you to some of Germany's famous beers.

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- Next stop is Passau, known for its narrow winding streets lined with Patrician houses, and the magnificent Italian baroque St. Stephen's Cathedral.
- In Melk, you will visit Austria's majestic Benedictine Abbey, one of Europe's largest monasteries, which sits high on a bluff.
- Take in the breathtaking views before continuing through the picturesque Wachau Valley to the romantic sounds of Vienna, the "City of Music."
- Your European river cruise vacation ends in Budapest, the capital of Hungary.

Day 1 Embarkation

- Onboard welcome reception

Day 2 Roth. Excursion to Nuremberg

- :Choice of guided sightseeing in Roth
- or hike with your Adventure Host
- or guided tour in Nuremberg,
- or Nuremberg Rally Grounds tour;
- onboard lecture

Nuremberg Castle

Nuremberg, Germany

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Albrecht Durer House Nuremberg

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Day 3 Regensburg:

- Guided walk, see Altes Rathaus (Old Town Hall) and Porta Pretoria

Regensburg, Germany

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Porta Praetoria

Roman ruins used in a new building



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Old Town Hall Regensburg

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Regensburg St. Peter's Cathedral



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House of Thurn and Taxis

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Day 4 Passau-Linz:

- Guided walk in Passau;
- free time in Linz

The Veste Oberhaus

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St. Stephen's Cathedral

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St. Stephen's
Cathedral. Its organ
has 17,947 pipes.

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Passau, where three rivers meet—the Inn, the Ilz and the Danube



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The 13th –century Hauptplatz is the largest medieval square in Austria



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Illustration of the Trinity Column on a protective cover. Often key landmarks need to be protected or are under repair as the column was during our 2019 visit to Linz



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Johann Haidinger
ca. 1830

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Day 5 Melk-Wachau Valley-Vienna

- Guided tour of the Benedictine Abbey in Melk,
- or walk with your Adventure Host;
- scenic cruising through the Wachau Valley;
- free time in Vienna

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Melk

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Schonbuhl Castle

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Aggstein Castle Ruins

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Hinterhaus Castle Ruins

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Weisskirchen Wachau Valley 2012

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Spitz Wachau Valley

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Wachau Valley

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Day 6 Vienna:

- Choice of guided sightseeing
- or bike with your Adventure Host

Day 3 Habsburg Palace

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St.
Stephens
Cathedral
Vienna
Day 3



Day 7 Budapest:

- Choice of guided tour, see Heroes' Square
- or hike with your Adventure Host

Day 8 Budapest (Disembarkation):

- Your cruise ends this morning

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