

I Travel with Miki presents ...

Cruise aboard our privately owned 162-passenger M/S River Aria or M/S River Adagio

Christmas Markets Along the Danube

Austria: Vienna, Melk, Linz | **Germany:** Passau, Regensburg, Nuremberg



ITINERARY OVERVIEW

Departure NOVEMBER 23, 2024

Return DECEMBER 1, 2024

Please note: This departure will sail from Nuremberg to Vienna.

9 days from **\$3,035** with international airfare from Little Rock



IT'S INCLUDED

International airfare, airport transfers, government taxes, fees, and airline fuel surcharges, unless you choose to make your own air arrangements

Accommodations for 7 nights aboard a private river ship with wireless Internet access in all common areas and cabins

20 meals: 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches, and 7 dinners—plus all onboard house beer & wine, as well as soft drinks

5 included tours with personal headsets, **up to 5 Christmas markets**, and **6 Exclusive Discovery Series events**—Main-Danube Canal conversation • German language lesson • Regensburg choral concert • *Stollen* cooking demonstration • *Christmas Traditions* conversation • Wachau Valley conversation

Local Program Directors, a Grand Circle Cruise Line exclusive: These dedicated experts are with you and your group of 38-45 travelers from beginning to end to provide insider's knowledge and a local perspective

Gratuities for local guides and motorcoach drivers

All port charges

Baggage handling for 1 piece of luggage per person, including tips

5% Frequent Traveler Credit toward your next trip



Reservations & Information **501-412-0485**

Day 1 • Depart U.S.

Day 2 • Vienna, Austria

Embark ship

Day 3 • Melk • Wachau Valley

Included Tour Melk Abbey

Day 4 • Linz

Optional Tour Salzburg

Day 5 • Passau, Germany

Included Tour Passau

Day 6-7 • Regensburg

Included Tour Regensburg

Day 8 • Nuremberg

Included Tour Nuremberg

Day 9 • Nuremberg • Return to U.S.

Disembark ship

MAXIMIZE YOUR DISCOVERIES & VALUE

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

all with FREE Single Supplements

Vienna, Austria

3 nights pre-trip from \$745

Munich, Germany

3 nights post-trip from \$795

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WHAT TO EXPECT

Group Size

- This trip has a maximum group size of 38-45 travelers with a local Program Director exclusive to Grand Circle

Pacing

- 9 days, with 7 nights aboard a private river ship
- Return flights to U.S. often require departing from ship in early morning hours

Physical Requirements

- Walk 1-3 miles unassisted over a period of 1-2 hours, including stairs and cobblestones, and participate in 3-4 hours of physical activities each day

- Optional activities and walks may be offered in addition to the above mentioned activity level
- Not accessible for travelers using wheelchairs or scooters
- Travelers using walkers, crutches, or other mobility aids must travel with a companion who can assist them throughout the trip
- We reserve the right for Program Directors to restrict participation, or in some circumstances send travelers home, if their limitations impact the group's experience

Terrain & Transportation

- Diverse terrain and uneven walking surfaces, including steep paths, hills, riverbanks, 25-60 stairs without handrails, and cobblestones
- Travel by 162-passenger river ship and 49-seat coach
- Changes in water-level depths may require adjustments to your itinerary

Climate

- Daytime temperatures range from 38-45°F during cruising season
- Rain, ice, snow, and wind are possible during the holiday season

YOUR ITINERARY

Please note: The itinerary shown here reflects the reverse direction of this trip—your River Cruise Tour will travel from Nuremberg to Vienna.

DAY 2 • Vienna, Austria • Embark ship

You'll be met at the airport today and transferred to your private river ship. Mingle with your fellow travelers during dinner onboard this evening. If you began your discoveries early with our optional pre-trip extension to *Vienna, Austria*, you will join your main group today.

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DAY 3 • Melk • Wachau Valley discussion

After setting sail this morning, enjoy hot chocolate and relax onboard as your ship cruises along the Wachau Valley. Your Program Director will provide enlightening commentary about this UNESCO World Heritage Site consisting of sculpted hills and medieval towns built along the river during an **Exclusive Discovery Series** discussion. Later, disembark in Melk for an excursion to the dramatic 900-year-old Baroque Melk Abbey.

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DAY 4 • Linz • Optional Salzburg tour

This morning the ship calls at the port of Linz. You have the day free to explore this Old World city. It offers a wealth of discoveries—from its Hauptplatz, one of the loveliest squares in Europe, to the 17th-century Abbey of St. Florian, where Linz's native son, Anton Bruckner, was the organist and composed many of his famed masterpieces of church music.

Or, join us for an optional full-day tour of Salzburg, the Baroque city of Mozart. Savor hearty Austrian fare over lunch at a local restaurant. Tonight, celebrate the holidays with your fellow travelers at the Captain's Farewell Dinner.

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DAY 5 • Passau, Germany • German language lesson • Christmas Traditions discussion

Begin the day with an **Exclusive Discovery Series** German language lesson, where you can learn some German phrases—such as, *Schöne Feiertage* (Happy Holidays)—commonly used during the Christmas season. In mid-morning, disembark to explore Passau on an included walking tour, which includes visits to St. Stephen's Cathedral and the Bishop's Residenz. After time to admire the remarkable artistry displayed at the festive Christmas handcrafts market, gather onboard for an **Exclusive Discovery Series** conversation on the history of Christmas traditions, as your ship cruises along the picturesque Danube River to Passau.

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Vienna, Austria

DAY 6 • Regensburg • Choral concert

Today, you'll arrive and dock around mid-morning in Regensburg, Germany's largest medieval city. Then, enjoy a walking tour of this hidden treasure. Since the city suffered no damage during World War II, it remains beautifully preserved. Your tour features the Old Town Hall, the famous Stone Bridge, Germany's oldest, and the Regensberg *Christkindlmarkt* (Christmas market) in Neupfarrplatz. After dinner onboard, join us for an **Exclusive Discovery Series** event as we walk to a local church to hear a choral concert featuring festive holiday music.

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DAY 7 • Regensburg • Main-Danube Canal discussion • Stollen baking demonstration • Captain's Farewell Dinner

Enjoy a leisurely morning onboard today. Your cruise toward Nuremberg begins shortly after lunch. During the afternoon, you'll enjoy two **Exclusive Discovery**

Series: a discussion outlining how the Main-Danube Canal's innovative system of locks has made Europe's rivers navigable, and a *Stollen* baking demonstration, where you'll learn how to prepare this traditional German bread made with fruit and nuts, and topped with powdered sugar.

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DAY 8 • Nuremberg

Your ship docks at Nuremberg quite early this morning. After breakfast, you disembark for a tour of Nuremberg, one of the most important cities of the Franconia region. Later, visit Nuremberg's famous *Christkindlmarkt* (Christmas market), where you have free time to browse on your own. This is Germany's most famous traditional Christmas market, and it is open throughout the holiday season.

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DAY 9 • Disembark ship • Return to U.S.

After breakfast, disembark and transfer to the airport for your flight home, or join the *Munich, Germany* post-trip extension.

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MAXIMIZE YOUR DISCOVERIES & VALUE WITH THIS **PRE-TRIP EXTENSION**

Vienna, Austria

3 nights from **\$745**

FREE Single Supplement

IT'S INCLUDED

Accommodations for 3 nights

3 breakfasts

Included tour with personal headsets: Vienna

Dedicated services of a **local Program Director**

Gratuities for local guides and motorcoach drivers

All transfers



Vienna, Austria

This extension may not be available on all departures. Additional taxes and fees apply. Ask your Travel Counselor for details. Vienna, Austria is a pre-trip extension on the reverse Vienna to Nuremberg itinerary.

MAXIMIZE YOUR DISCOVERIES & VALUE WITH THIS **POST-TRIP EXTENSION**

Munich, Germany

3 nights from **\$795**

FREE Single Supplement

IT'S INCLUDED

Accommodations for 3 nights

3 breakfasts

Included tours with personal headsets: Munich • Rothenberg

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All transfers



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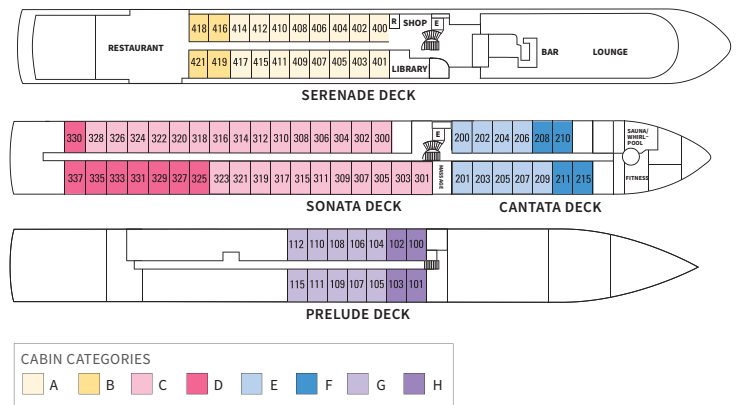
Regensburg, Germany

Christmas Markets Along the Danube

**PRICING CONSISTS OF THE BASE-TRIP COST,
AIR FROM LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS (LIT)
AND \$100 GROUP SUPPLEMENTAL FEE**

DECK WITH AIR FROM LITTLE ROCK Departure NOV 23, 2024
Return DEC 1, 2024

A	Serenade Deck (Top Deck w/balcony)	\$3,385
B		\$3,385
C	Sonata Deck (Middle Deck w/picture window)	\$3,335
D		\$3,335
E	Cantata Deck (Middle Deck w/picture window)	\$3,285
F		\$3,285
G	Prelude Deck (Lower Deck w/small window)	\$3,185
H		\$3,035



Deposit: \$500 per person.

Single Supplement: \$495 Single accommodations are limited. To avoid the single supplement, ask about our Roommate Matching Service.

GOVERNMENT TAXES AND FEES The following government taxes and fees are now included in your airfare price. **Government and other authority taxes and fees:** September 11th Security Fee of up to \$2.50 USD applies per passenger, per flight segment (maximum charge per trip—\$5.00 USD one-way, \$10.00 USD round trip). A flight segment is defined as one takeoff and one landing. **Passenger Facility Charge (PFC)** of up to \$18 per passenger. **Federal Domestic Flight Segment Fee** of up to \$3.70 USD applies per passenger, per flight segment (defined as a takeoff and a landing). **U.S. or International Departure and Arrival Charges** of up to \$200 USD may apply depending on itinerary. On select itineraries that include the purchase of a pre- and/or post-trip extension, U.S. or international departure and arrival charges of up to \$300 USD may apply. Call for details. Standard Policies and Terms & Conditions apply; see www.gct.com/tc for details. See www.gct.com/disclaimers for full policy details. Every effort has been made to publish this information accurately. We reserve the right to correct errors.

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