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9 DAYS • 20 MEALS • BUDAPEST > MUNICH

# CHRISTMAS MARKET CRUISE ON THE DANUBE RIVER

**Departure Date:** November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2027

Get into the holiday spirit with a relaxing cruise on the Danube, Europe’s most popular river, during the holiday season. Explore the wonderful Christmas Markets of four countries with ports of call in the enchanting cities of Budapest, Bratislava, Vienna, Dürnstein, Passau and Regensburg, each specially decorated for the season. Roam the markets of each port in search of special handmade ornaments and crafts to bring home and cherish at holiday time for years to come.





Christmas Market in Vienna, Austria

**DAY 1 Depart the USA**

Depart the USA on your overnight flight to Budapest, Hungary.

**DAY 2 Budapest, Hungary**

Welcome to Budapest! All flights must arrive prior to 5:00pm. You will be met and transferred from the airport to your Emerald Cruises luxury river cruise ship. After boarding, enjoy some time at your leisure to explore Budapest. This evening, join your fellow travelers for dinner and enjoy a Hungarian folk dancing and music performance onboard. Meal: D

**DAY 3 Budapest**

Budapest is Eastern Europe's liveliest and most cosmopolitan city. Enjoy a guided panoramic tour of the city sights including the Hungarian Parliament Building, the Buda Castle and the Chain Bridge linking Buda and Pest. During your free time, begin your Christmas shopping as you stroll through the Christmas market on Budapest's main square near Váci Utca Street. Marvel at the displays of unique handcrafted Hungarian ornaments and other Christmas items that await! This afternoon, the cruise begins as you set sail for Bratislava. Meals: B, L, D

**DAY 4 Bratislava, Slovakia**

This morning, arrive in the city of Bratislava, capital of the Republic of Slovakia. Enjoy a walking tour including the enchanting Old City with its Town Hall and Slovak National Theater. Bratislava is also home to charming Christmas markets throughout the city, where you can shop for handmade ornaments and holiday craft items. Meals: B, L, D

**DAY 5 Vienna, Austria**

This capital city is comprised of grand boulevards, ornate palaces, amazing architecture and storied history. Also famous for art exhibitions and museums, your included tour visits the Kunsthistorisches Museum, the largest art museum in the country. After the tour, enjoy free time to visit the wonderful Christmas Markets throughout the city. Meals: B, L, D

**DAY 6 Dürnstein**

Today, enjoy a morning sailing on your Star-Ship as it sails through the fascinating Wachau Valley, part of the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Wachau Cultural Landscape. This afternoon, embark on a guided tour of Göttweig Abbey, a true treasure overlooking the valley from a hill covered by vineyards and forests. Built in 1083, it's one of Austria's most important Benedictine abbeys, attracting visitors from around the globe. Run by a community of about 45 monks, it's visible from a great distance and provides epic panoramas from the grounds. As part of the tour you get to taste the delightful Göttweig wine, which is a tradition well kept by the monks throughout centuries. Meals: B, L, D



Stroll through the charming Christmas market in Bratislava



Explore Europe's magical Christmas Markets

#### DAY 7 Linz

Today you will be docked in Linz, the capital of Upper Austria and Austria's third biggest city after Vienna and Graz. During your walking tour, you will have the chance to see the historical old town with a mix of baroque and Renaissance architecture. Hand-carved nativity scenes are on display in many of its churches, making for a serene and contemplative Christmas experience. A festive day for the senses, as you end with a Linzer torte tasting – the local delicacy that will add flavor to your Christmas time memories of this old Austrian town.

Meals: B, L, D

#### DAY 8 Passau, Germany

Embark on a guided tour to Passau. Explore its beautiful historic center, featuring charming baroque buildings, stunning riverside views, and narrow cobblestone streets, all infused with the aroma of freshly baked gingerbread. This important historic trading center, known as the City of Three Rivers—where three of Europe's main waterways converge—borders Austria and showcases a distinctive blend of cultures. You can enjoy the magical ambience in the St. Stephen Cathedral with its special organ concert or wander through the Christmas market of Passau right in front of the St. Stephen's Cathedral and discover the unique Bavarian delicacies. Meals: B, L, D

#### DAY 9 Passau / Munich / USA

After breakfast, bid farewell to your fellow travelers and disembark the ship. Transfer to the Munich Airport, taking home warm memories of Europe at Christmastime. Flights depart Munich after 2:00pm.

Meal: B

Itinerary and excursions are subject to change.

Additional excursions will be released approximately 180 days prior to departure.

#### CRUISE ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 2 through 8 – Aboard an Emerald Cruises Star-Ship



#### EXCEPTIONAL INCLUSIONS

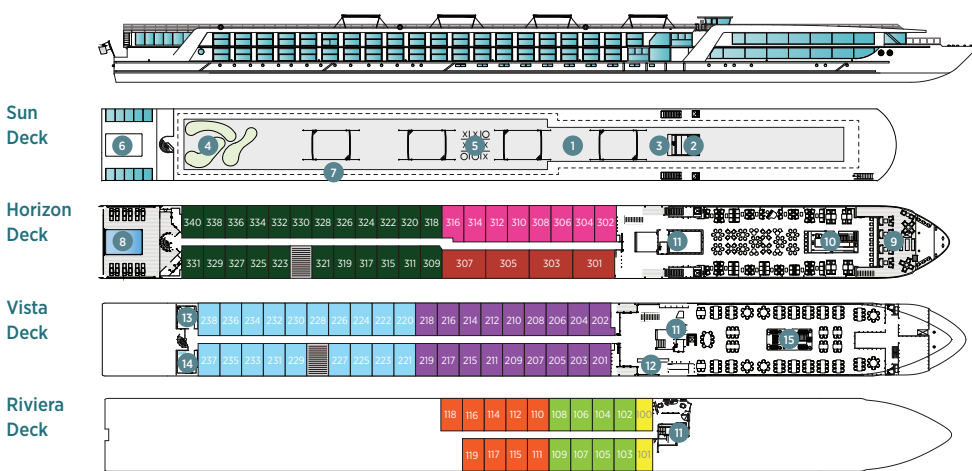
- 20 Meals: 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 7 dinners
- Airport transfers on tour dates when air is provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours
- Visit Christmas Markets in four different countries – Hungary, Slovakia, Austria and Germany
- Seven night cruise on an Emerald Cruises Star-Ship
- First-class service by an English-speaking crew
- Onboard Activity Manager will host daily onboard wellness activities, games, classes and evening entertainment
- Shore excursions with English-speaking local guides
- Personal listening device for shore excursions
- All meals included onboard with a variety of international cuisine
- Complimentary regional wines, beer and soft drinks accompany onboard lunches and dinners
- Complimentary bottled water in your stateroom
- Complimentary bicycles onboard for use ashore
- Variety of onboard entertainment
- All gratuities included



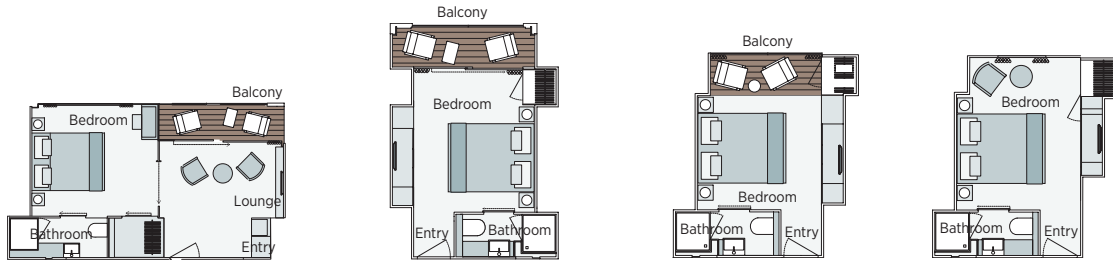
Experience a guided tour of Götweig Abbey

# EMERALD STAR-SHIPS

Built: 2014-2026 Cabins: 91 Guests: 180 Length: 443 ft. Crew: 52



- 1 Sun Deck with Deck Chairs\*
- 2 Navigation Bridge
- 3 Sky Barbecue
- 4 Golf Putting Green
- 5 Games Area
- 6 Retractable Glass Roof
- 7 Walking Track
- 8 Daytime Pool & Bar/Evening Cinema
- 9 The Terrace
- 10 Horizon Bar & Lounge
- 11 Lift
- 12 Reception
- 13 Wellness Area
- 14 Fitness Area
- 15 Reflections Restaurant



**Owner's One-Bedroom Suite**  
285ft<sup>2</sup> – 315ft<sup>2</sup>

CAT SA

**Grand Balcony Suite**  
207ft<sup>2</sup> – 210ft<sup>2</sup>

CAT S

**Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite**  
160ft<sup>2</sup> – 189ft<sup>2</sup>

CAT A CAT B CAT C

**Emerald Stateroom**  
153ft<sup>2</sup> – 170ft<sup>2</sup>

CAT D CAT E

**Important Information:** The cabin and deck plans, sizes and photographs are an indication only and are subject to variation. \* Due to safety, the Sun Deck will be closed when travelling under low bridges.

Tour Code 828PC 2027 Departure Date	RIVIERA DECK		VISTA DECK		HORIZON DECK		HORIZON DECK		HORIZON DECK	
	CAT E, D		CAT C, B		CAT A		CAT S		CAT SA	
	Emerald Stateroom		Panorama Balcony Suite		Panorama Balcony Suite		Grand Balcony Suite		Owner's One-Bedroom Suite	
	PER PERSON TWIN	SINGLE ROOM	PER PERSON TWIN	SINGLE ROOM	PER PERSON TWIN	SINGLE ROOM	PER PERSON TWIN	SINGLE ROOM	PER PERSON TWIN	SINGLE ROOM
November 30	\$4,354	+ \$4,354	\$5,541	+ \$5,541	\$5,698	+ \$5,698	\$6,501	+ \$6,501	\$7,607	+ \$7,607

**Pricing includes Local Transfers to/from O'Hare Airport. Roundtrip Air from Chicago O'Hare Airport if you book/Deposit by March 31, 2026. After March 31, 2026, please add \$750 for RT air.**

Air itineraries may not be available until documents are received. Air seats are assigned by the airline for the entire group and may not be available until airport check-in. Seat changes can only be attempted at the airport and may not be possible. If specific seat assignments are vital to your reservation, we recommend booking air on your own rather than booking air with the group.

Passport required on this program



**Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) for River Cruises – \$499 - \$569 per person (optional)**

This nonrefundable fee will provide a refund to you during the instance that you have to cancel your trip. The cancellation has to be for a covered reason (see Plan for details on coverage) and we have to be notified at least one day prior to departure. If you must leave the tour early due to personal illness or the illness or death of an immediate family member, TPP will provide a refund for any unused services after the departure of the tour. Other benefits include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, 24 hour hot line and lost or stolen baggage assistance. Return air transportation is included ONLY if your air tickets are purchased through Mayflower Cruises & Tours. Please review the Plan for details on coverage. Should you choose not to purchase our TPP, the following per person cancellation charges will be assessed for all tours and optional excursion costs:

- 121 days or more prior to departure: Deposit Amount
- 120 days to day of departure: 100% of total tour
- No refund on unused portions of the tour

Exclusions: Mayflower Cruises & Tours reserves the right to alter its Refund and Cancellation Policy when a substantial amount of cancellation or postponement of travel is attributable to: conditions resulting from an act of God, natural or man-made disaster, fire, government action, civil disorder, war, hostilities between nations, or unavailability of transportation through no fault of Mayflower Cruises & Tours. Plan and benefits offered and administered by Trip Mate, Inc.

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