# Fairmont Travel presents... Christmas on the Danube

with Optional 2-Night Christmas Markets of Prague Pre Tour Extension

**December 6 – 14, 2025** 



Upgrade to Elite Airfare! See inside for details.

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9 Days • 19 Meals: 7 Breakfasts, 5 Lunches, 7 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Vienna, 6-Night Danube River Cruise, Wachau Valley, Glühwein Party, Choice on Tour: Passau City Walk or Veste Oberhaus Fortress, Passau, Regensburg, Nuremberg, Rothenburg, Würzburg, Christmas Markets

#### **ITINERARY AT A GLANCE**

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 7	MS Amadeus Brilliant, Amsterdam
Day 8	Maritim Hotel Wurzburg, Wurzburg
	On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Saturday, December 6, 2025 Overnight Flight Welcome the winter season with a timeless trip down the Danube River. Board your cruise and relax as you are transported along beloved cities, where age-old culture is interwoven into seasonal specialties. Peruse handcrafted trinkets, traditional sweets, and infectious holiday cheer as you make your way through some of Europe's most renowned Christmas markets. Your holiday tour begins with an overnight flight to Austria.

**Day 2: Sunday, December 7, 2025 Vienna, Austria - Tour Begins -Board Cruise Ship** Your tour opens in Vienna, Austria's capital city. Board your ship and unpack once for a relaxing cruise along the Danube. Your home for the next 6 nights, this beautifully appointed vessel has all the modern amenities you could need, such as the newest technology, panoramic deck café, panorama salon and bar, exceptional service, and delicious cuisine and wine with every dinner. Celebrate with a welcome dinner on board, followed by a Christmas concert performed by the ship's orchestra. *(D)* 

**Day 3: Monday, December 8, 2025 Vienna** It is time to step off the ship and explore. After walking along the pier to reach your coach, join a local expert and see Vienna's architecture, including Hofburg Palace, the Vienna Opera House, the Ringstrasse, and the awe-inspiring St. Stephen's Cathedral on a panoramic city tour. Then, discover Vienna on foot while walking through the city's charming cobblestone streets. (Use caution, as these cobblestones may become slick with frost.) The afternoon is yours. Perhaps you'll join an optional excursion to Schönbrunn Palace, the Habsburgs' summer retreat, that shines a little differently in the magical winter months and visit Vienna's most famous Christmas market. (*B, L, D*)

**Day 4: Tuesday, December 9, 2025 Vienna - Emmersdorf -Dürnstein - Wachau Valley** Journey through the Wachau Valley, dotted with castles and hillside houses, as you cruise to the quaint town of Emmersdorf. Relax and take in the scenery before visiting the cobblestone streets of Dürnstein and the 900-year-old Benedictine Melk Abbey. Enjoy some time dedicated to exploring this ancient town. Later, get a taste of local tradition at a Glühwein party before returning to the ship. (*B, L, D*)

**Day 5: Wednesday, December 10, 2025 Passau, Germany** Amid the early morning light, cruise past scenic valleys and charming riverside towns to Passau, situated at the meeting point of the Danube, Inn, and Ilz rivers. This morning, **it's your choice!** Enjoy a leisurely paced guided walking tour of Passau, the 2,000-year-old fairy-tale city also known as the "City of Three Rivers" and take in its ornate Baroque architecture, the cobblestoned streets, and St. Stephen's Cathedral, home to Europe's largest church organ **-OR**-spend time at one of the largest preserved castle complexes in Europe, the Veste Oberhaus,\* perched high above the old town of Passau. (*B, L, D*)

**Day 6: Thursday, December 11, 2025 Regensburg** With an expert guide, discover Regensburg, one of Germany's best-preserved medieval cities. See the first stone bridge built over the Danube and the Porta Praetoria – a Roman gate built in A.D. 179. Stroll through Old Town to Regensburg's charming Christmas market spread across the Old Town's streets and squares and marvel at the festive lights and decorations. Browse and shop at the brightly lit wooden huts holding seasonal ornaments, wooden toys, and local handicrafts. Or perhaps you'll join an optional excursion and experience the beauty and magic of the romantic Christmas market at Thurn and Taxis Palace in Regensburg. (B, L, D)

**Day 7: Friday, December 12, 2025 Nuremberg** Cruise across the continental divide to Roth and make your way to Nuremberg. After walking along the pier to reach coach, join your local expert on a bus tour that will give you the first taste of the city. Continue with a walking tour of Nuremberg that will take you on a stroll through the



Lower Outside Cabin Rates: Double \$3,698; Single \$4,698 Middle Outside Cabin Rates: Double \$3,998; Single \$5,398 Upper Outside Cabin Rates: Double \$4,598; Single \$6,598 Suite Cabin Rates: Double \$4,998; Single \$7,498

Included in Price: Round Trip Air from Houston Intl, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$699 per person

Limited Availability. All space is on a first come first served basis. Limited space on each cabin category, all cabins and singles are on a first come first served basis.

# Deposits are refundable up until December 07, 2024

# Upgrade your in-flight experience with Elite Airfare

# Additional rate of: Premium Economy \$2,490; Business Class \$4,490

- \* Elite Air pricing (Premium Economy, Business Class or First class) is valid until 8 months prior to departure, after which rates are subject to change and will be quoted based upon availability.
- <sup>+</sup> Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option
- \* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change

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historic city for more than an hour. See Old Town, the 900-year-old ramparts, and the Imperial Castle. Your city tour concludes at Nuremberg's 17th-century Christmas market, which is Germany's oldest. Wander along the local goods and perhaps you'll shop for handcrafted nutcrackers or treat your taste buds to Nuremburg's famous *Lebkuchen* (gingerbread). *(B, L, D)* 

Day 8: Saturday, December 13, 2025 Nuremberg - Disembark Ship - Rothenburg - Würzburg Disembark your ship in Nuremberg and continue on to Rothenburg, a town of medieval walls, fairy-tale houses, and Christmas markets. Join a local guide in nearby Würzburg, an ancient wine town. Embark on a leisurely paced walking tour of the city and surrounding sights. This evening, join your fellow passengers for a farewell dinner and toast to the end of your journey along the Danube. (B, D)

**Day 9: Sunday, December 14, 2025 Würzburg - Tour Ends** Say goodbye to Germany as your tour draws to a close. *(B)* 

#### Experience It! Nuremberg Christmas Market

A Christmas market, also known as *Christkindlesmarkt*, is a street market associated with the celebration of Christmas during the four weeks of Advent. These markets originated in Germany, Austria and Alsace. The history of Christmas markets goes back to the Middle Ages in the German-speaking part of Europe. The Nuremberg Christmas market, first held in 1628, is one of the oldest Christmas markets in the world. It attracts 2 million visitors annually and has over 250 wooden stalls offering traditional ornaments, gifts, handicrafts and fresh food. Generally held in the town square and adjacent pedestrian zones, accompanied by traditional singing and dancing, the market sells local food, drink and seasonal items from open-air stalls.

# **EXTEND YOUR VACATION WITH**

Optional 4 Days 2-Night Christmas Markets of Prague Pre Tour Extension Per Person Rates: \$799.00 USD double, \$999.00 USD single, land only

For more information on extensions and options for this tour visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1260920

#### PLEASE NOTE:

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 2. This means you like a balanced approach to travel. Walking two to three miles over the course of a day is no problem for you. You can partake in a two-hour leisurely walking tour, covering up to two miles (with included breaks). You can handle a variety of terrains, from cobblestone streets to moderate hills with relative ease and without assistance. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease. There may be 1 to 2 days on this tour when walking tours can cover 3 to 4 miles over uneven terrain. Expect some full days balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. You can handle altitudes up to 6,000 feet. While this level is appropriate for travelers that require mobility assistance devices, there could be times when you may have to sit out on some of the included activities.

During the walking tour in Vienna, you may expect a lot of walking and you should be prepared to stand for a longer period of time. In Nuremberg, the walking tour will take approximately two hours.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

While this tour is appropriate for travelers that require some mobility assistance devices, river cruises cannot accommodate travelers on wheelchairs or with restricted mobility due to gangway accesses, mooring requirements, and lack of elevator accessibility to every deck of the ship.

\*If the Veste Oberhaus Fortress choice on tour is selected, you must be able to walk 20 minutes uphill.

This itinerary is subject to change due to unforeseen changes in water levels, delays at the locks and other circumstances that may arise along the waterways. These changes may include items being missed during the tour; however, every effort will be made to substitute another attraction if possible.

Ports of call are subject to change based on pier availability and weather conditions.

Cabins are available on lower (Haydn), middle (Strauss) and upper (Mozart) decks. Please note that river cruises are smaller ships and only have a finite number of each cabin category available. Specific categories are available on a first come first served basis. Every effort will be made to accommodate your cabin choice at time of booking; however, if that cabin category is no longer available, the closest available category will be offered. Please inquire at time of booking for any upgrade fees which will apply for different cabin categories. Suites (Amadeus Suites) are available on a very limited basis.

Gratuities for cabin stewards, bus boys and waiters on board the ship are not included.

Coffee or tea is included at all meals. Wine, beer and soda are included with each dinner onboard the ship.

Embarkation on day 2 is after 3:00 p.m.; on day 8, disembarkation is normally at 9:00 a.m.

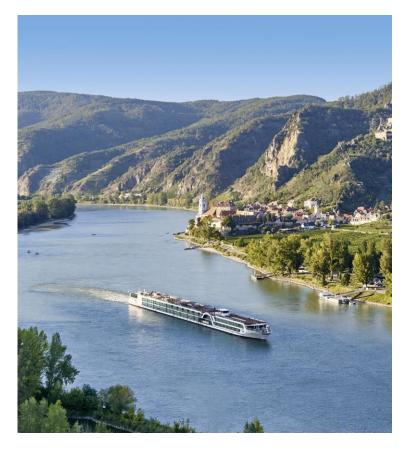
Single accommodations are extremely limited. Single rate subject to change based on availability. Triple and child accommodations are not available.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Air passengers will arrive into Vienna, Austria airport and depart from Frankfurt, Germany airport. All transfers will depart from/return to these airports.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.



Due to tour scheduling, return flights should not be booked prior to 10:00 a.m.

The cruise line reserves the right to charge a supplemental fuel charge. Should this charge be incurred, you will be notified in advance.

#### **IDENTIFICATION**

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that travelers take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Effective for travel in May 2025, all visitors who do not need a visa to enter Europe will be expected to apply for an ETIAS visa waiver, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit https://www.etiasvisa.com/

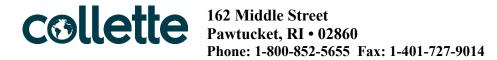
Smart casual wear is recommended throughout the trip. For the welcome and farewell dinners, a dinner dress for the ladies and jacket and tie for the gentlemen is recommended. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended throughout the tour.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$898 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Final payment due by August 08, 2025. Deposits are refundable up until December 07, 2024.

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For important reservation information visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1260920. You can also find this information on your tour documents.



If paying by credit card, please complete this form and return to Fairmont Travel. We can only charge your credit card for the amount noted if the signature, address and phone number are listed below. Thank you!

# **CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION FORM**

BOOKING NUMBER: 126 DEPARTURE DATE: Decembe	night Danube River Cruise		
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I agree to pay according to the card issuer agreement. I understand and accept Collette cancellation policy, terms and conditions.

Participating credit card companies are now requiring a billing address and phone number for **FRAUD PREVENTION**. All information MUST be provided. Thank you for your cooperation! If using your credit card for payment, please return this Authorization Form by mail to:

**Fairmont Travel** Attn: Karol Fletcher 4211 Los Verdes Dr. Pasadena, TX 77504-2415

Or by Fax to: 281-487-5450

Above credit card information has been called in to Collette.



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#### BOOKING NUMBER: 1260920

DEPARTURE DATE: December 6, 2025

TOUR: Christmas on the Danube featuring a 6-night Danube River Cruise GROUP NAME: Fairmont Travel

# **Available Options**

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 MUST be accompanied by an adult.

#### Vienna

#### The Schonbrunn Palace and the Christmas Markets

Travel from the port to one of Vienna's most beautiful buildings, the Schönbrunn Palace, which was modeled after the palace of Versailles, the residence of Louis XIV (Le Roi Soleil). Here you can view the state apartments of the Habsburgs' summer residence for many years. The Schönbrunn Palace is one of Austria's treasures and a sight to be seen! Later enjoy a delightful visit to the amazing Christmas market. The above option is only available until 15 days prior to departure. After this time, the option may be purchased once you are on the tour from your Tour Manager. Due to the nature of this option once purchased it will be nonrefundable. *Duration: Approximately 4 hours*. Please note a minimum of 20 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

#### Regensburg

#### Christmas Market at the Palais Thurn & Taxis

Experience the beauty and magic of the romantic Christmas market at Thurn and Taxis Palace in Regensburg. Begin your tour to the palace courtyard to stroll the royal gardens and take in the festive atmosphere of the enchanting Christmas market. Make your way through the stalls of festive wooden huts and explore artisan crafts and culinary delicacies. This option is available until 15 days prior to departure. After this time, the option may be purchased from your Tour Manager while on tour. *Duration: Approximately 3 hours*. Please note a minimum of 1 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

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Please make checks payable to Fairmont Travel and send to:

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# \$80 USD

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# Extend your vacation with

# Optional 4 Days 2-Night Christmas Markets of Prague Pre Tour Extension

Per Person Rates: \$799.00 USD double, \$999.00 USD single, land only

2 Meals: 2 Breakfasts

# Day 1: Overnight Flight

Your cultural experience of a lifetime begins with an overnight flight to Prague.

# Day 2: Prague, Czech Republic - Extension Begins

Arrive in Prague, the cultural capital of Bohemia. Upon arrival, settle into the hotel and join your Tour Manager on an orientation walk of the city.

# Day 3: Prague

Your day in this fairy-tale city begins with a panoramic tour through the city before arriving at Hradcany Castle for a stroll across the Charles's Bridge. Visit the beautiful St. Vitus Cathedral and see the iconic statue-lined Charles Bridge. After you've toured the city, it's time to explore the magical Christmas markets of Prague with your local guide. Wander the stalls filled with hearty food, soul-warming mulled wine, and handmade crafts and ornaments. *Today breakfast will be included.* 

# Day 4: Prague - Vienna, Austria

Your time in Prague ends today. You'll be transferred to your ship where you'll experience the beauty of Christmas on the Danube. *Today breakfast will be included.* 

# Please Note:

**The overall activity level of this extension is a level 2.** This means you can partake in a two-hour walking tour covering up to 2 miles (including breaks), over a variety of terrains. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease and handle altitudes up to 6,000 feet. While this level is appropriate for travelers that require mobility assistance devices, there could be times when you may have to sit out on some of the included activities.

**Fully-guided** extensions are perfect for travelers who want the complete experience of a new destination and local experiences. Travelers will have a dedicated guide throughout this entire extension.

Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request.

We reserve the right to cancel this extension if a minimum of 15 passengers is not met to operate.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

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While visas are not required for U.S., Australian, New Zealand, UK or Canadian citizens for a stay of up to 90 days, we recommend you inquire with your consulate for further information.

Visitors are required to show proof of travel medical insurance to travel to the Czech Republic. The health insurance must cover medical services abroad with specific coverages. Please visit <u>https://travel.state.gov</u> (the U.S. State Department) for the latest details with regards to entry requirements. If you have **purchased our Travel Protection Plan**, your coverage meets this requirement.