



Balkan Discovery River Cruise

Budapest to Bucharest



CRUISING WITH CONFIDENCE. Cruising with Confidence policy features new health and safety procedures from the moment you arrive to the moment you leave, without taking away from having the time of your life. The policy will evolve as time goes on and as we continue to monitor local public health recommendations, but what won't change is our commitment to keeping you safe as you explore our big, beautiful world. [Read more about the Cruise with Confidence policy](#)

Tour Choices:

There will be days when you will have the option to choose your tour! There are three different tour types:

CLASSIC

ACTIVE

DISCOVERY

DEPART CANADA: SEPTEMBER 8th

Today your journey begins! Fly to Europe overnight with KLM

DAY 1: SEPTEMBER 9th

WELCOME TO BUDAPEST — HUNGARY'S CAPTIVATING CAPITAL

The day is yours to relax and enjoy Eastern Europe's shining city on the Danube.

DAY 2: SEPTEMBER 10th

BUDAPEST

The day is at leisure to explore Budapest.

DAY 3: SEPTEMBER 11th

BUDAPEST (EMBARKATION)

CLASSIC

Enjoy a guided city sightseeing tour, including the iconic Heroes' Square.

This afternoon, board your Suite Ship®. Later this evening enjoy dinner on board the ship.

EVENING/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO MOHÁCS

DAY 4: SEPTEMBER 12th
MOHÁCS

CLASSIC

Join a morning Guided Sightseeing Tour of Mohács—the quiet Danube harbour town with its historical memorial parks, statues, and distinctive churches. Tour the remarkable medieval St. Nicholas Watermill—one of only a few remaining watermills performing stone-ground grain processing, OR:

CLASSIC

Take a Guided Tour of nearby Pécs to see its 4th-century Christian underground tombs, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with fascinating murals. You'll also enjoy an organ concert on your tour.

EVENING/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO ILOK

DAY 5: SEPTEMBER 13th
ILOK, CROATIA – NOVI SAD

CLASSIC

Join a Guided Tour of Ilok, with its 1,000-year-old winemaking tradition still thriving and its medieval fortress protected for its Croatian cultural heritage.

Enjoy a brief cruise to Novi Sad while having lunch onboard.

NOVI SAD

CLASSIC

Join a Guided Tour of Novi Sad, the second largest town in Serbia. Admire its Austro-Hungarian old town, with its baroque buildings, and ancient fortifications.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

EVENING/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO BELGRADE

DAY 6: SEPTEMBER 14th
BELGRADE, SERBIA

CLASSIC

Join a Guided Sightseeing Tour of Belgrade—where the Danube and Sava Rivers converge—and see the city's many fascinating sights, including Saint Sava—one of the world's largest Orthodox churches OR:

DISCOVERY

Attend an onboard Lecture to learn about the rich history, destinations, and culture of the Balkan states.

Spend your free time exploring the city on your own this afternoon on Knez Mihailova Street—Belgrade's central pedestrian thoroughfare with many lively cafés, shops, and cultural spots.

This evening, you might like to join an Optional Excursion for an authentic Bohemian Dinner in the Quarter of Skadarlija.

OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO DONJI GOLUBAČ

DAY 7: SEPTEMBER 15th
GOLUBAČ – DONJI MILANOVAC, EXCURSION TO LEPENSKI VIR – IRON GATES GORGE

CLASSIC

Visit the Fortress of Golubač, one of the best-preserved medieval fortresses in Europe. You'll hear about its tumultuous history as a border control for defense in the Middle Ages, and a source of conflict between Serbia, the Habsburg Monarchy and the Ottoman Empire.

Enjoy a brief sailing to Donji Milanovac.

CLASSIC

Join a Guided Tour to the Mesolithic archaeological site of Lepenski Vir with unique views of the Danube Gorge.

Sail through the spectacular and narrow Iron Gates Gorge—a natural border between Serbia and Romania.

AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO VIDINN

DAY 8: SEPTEMBER 16th

VIDIN, BULGARIA

CLASSIC

Join Guided Sightseeing in Vidin, followed by a Guided Tour of Belogradchik. Marvel at the remarkable rock formations on the western slopes of the Balkan Mountains, sculpted by 200 million years of natural elements.

AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO ROUSSE

DAY 9: SEPTEMBER 17th

ROUSSE, VELIKO TÂRNOVO & ARBANASSI EXCURSION

CLASSIC

Join a full-day Guided Tour to the former Bulgarian capital of Veliko Târnovo—with its ancient stone houses clinging to the cliffs above the Yantra River. Discover one of the oldest towns in Bulgaria (circa 4300 BC), as well as the Bulgarian Revival architecture in the 15th-century town of Arbanassi, OR:

CLASSIC

Join a Guided Sightseeing Tour of Bulgaria's largest inland port and visit its impressive Holy Trinity Church, OR:

ACTIVE

Join a walk through the park with your Avalon Adventure Host.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board with a Bulgarian folklore show.

OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO OLTENITA

DAY 10: SEPTEMBER 18th

OLTENITA, ROMANIA (DISEMBARKATION) – BUCHAREST – BRASOV

CLASSIC

Take a Guided Tour of the Romanian capital city of Bucharest with its tree-lined boulevards and Arc de Triomphe—honoring WWI Romanian soldiers. See the Royal Palace Square—the scene of the city's 1989 riots to overthrow the communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu.

After the visit drive to Brasov for the night

DAY 11: SEPTEMBER 19th

BRASOV

CLASSIC

Enjoy a Guided Tour of Brasov and admire its gothic, baroque and renaissance architecture.

In the evening depart for Bran Castle of Dracula in Transylvania.

CLASSIC

Take a Guided Tour of Bran Castle—the 1377 legendary home of the famed Romanian vampire, followed by a dinner in this amazing location.

DAY 12: SEPTEMBER 20th
BRASOV – SINAIA – BUCHAREST

CLASSIC

Enjoy a Guided Tour of Visit Peles Castle the summer residence of the royal family until 1947.

Drive out the Carpathians to Bucharest and spend some free time exploring this fascinating city on your own to discover its trendy shops, cafés, museums, beautiful homes, and churches along Victory Avenue.

DAY 13: SEPTEMBER 21st
BUCHAREST

Enjoy the day at leisure.

DAY 14: SEPTEMBER 22nd
BUCHAREST

The tour ends this morning. The group will be transferred to the airport for the return flight home to Canada.

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