2022

Impressions from the Danube

Passau – Vienna – Bratislava – Budapest – Passau by Bike & Boat

MS SE-MANON ❄❄❄❄

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- Trip length: 8 Days / 7 Nights
- Departure and arrival day: Friday
- Length of cycle tours: 196 – 241 km
- Character of cycle tours: individual, unguided
- Difficulty: ●○○○
- Profil: Nearly all cycle tours can be classified as being easy.
- Languages on board: German/English
- Travel documents: German/English
- Booking code: DE-DOSBM-08I

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Tour Details

Accompanied by a cruise ship you cycle along Europe's second largest river Danube from the charming Bavarian “three river city” of Passau straight into the heart of the once glorious Imperial and Royal Monarchy. Enjoy three of the most enchanting European capitals: the lively Vienna, the Slovak coronation city of Bratislava at the foot of the Carpathian Mountains and Budapest, the "Hungarian Danube Queen"! By bicycle you discover the stunning natural spectacle of the Schlögener Donauschlinge ("Great Loop"), the legendary Wachau with romantic towns and mighty castles amidst lovely vineyards, the untouched alluvial forests of the Danube National Park, as well as the picturesque Hungarian Danube bend where the important cupola of the basilica in Esztergom salutes from the distance. The highlights of the tour: Passau, the City of 3 rivers, the Schloegen Danube Loop, the Hungarian Danube Bend, the World Heritage Site Wachau, the metropoles of Bratislava, Budapest and Vienna.

(All times are subject to change)

Day	Port	Arrival	Dept.
Day 1	Passau, Embarkation 16:00 h		19:00
Day 1	Engelhartszell	21:00	
Day 2	Engelhartszell		10:00
Day 2	Untermühl	11:30	14:30
Day 3	Bratislava	09:00	20:30
Day 4	Budapest	09:00	
Day 5	Budapest		02:30
Day 5	Visegrad	06:00	10:00
Day 5	Esztergom	12:00	16:00
Day 6	Vienna Nussdorf/ggf. Korneuburg	13:00	23:00
Day 7	Rossatz/Dürnstein	08:00	10:00
Day 7	Pöchlarn	14:00	16.30
Day 8	Passau, Disembarkation approx 10:30 h	10:00	

Day 1: Passau – Engelhartszell
Arrival in the "Three River City". Passau attracts many with the world's greatest church organ at the Stephansdom and its charming Old Town. Embarkation will be around 4:00 pm, departure around 7 pm. Enjoy your first dinner on board and an evening sail to Engelhartszell.

Day 2: Engelhartszell - Great Loop - Untermühl, ca. 35 km
The day starts in Engelhartszell (the only Trappist monastery in Austria), where we head towards the "Great Loop" - one of the most beautiful and original sectors of the Danube. Your cycling will encounter small villages and cosy must-see taverns. You'll board again in Untermühl. Then, you "sail into the night" towards Bratislava.

Day 3: Bratislava, ca. 54 km
Arrival at Bratislava. You start cycling from Bratislava via Hainburg to the imposing Imperial Palace of Hof beautifully terraced gardens and idyllic manor farm further on to Devin and then back to Bratislava. Tip: discover the hidden alleys of Bratislava, places and all the sights of this ambitious metropolis during a tour by mini train and by foot. In the night shipping to Budapest.

Day 4: Budapest (day of rest) or roundtrip to Szentendre, ca. 48 km
In the early morning, you enjoy the panoramic view of the Danube's gorgeous landscape on the Sundeck. The gateway to Budapest is overwhelming, as many of the famous tourist features are situated directly next to the river bank. In the afternoon you can explore the numerous attractions of the city. Nearby, you find the Margaretheninsel which is outstandingly qualified for a small bike tour or the charming town of Szentendre with Mediterranean atmosphere and lively art life. In the night shipping to Visegrad.

Day 5: Danube Bend | Visegrad – Esztergom, ca. 25 - 60 km
The Danube bend is definitely one of most delightful and attractive parts and is called the Hungarian Wachau. Today's bike leg starts at Visegrad with its famous fortress and the ruins of the former palace. You can choose from 2 different routes: the longer one includes a side trip to the island of Szentendre and the baroque village of Vác, which has been influenced by the architects of the Austrian empress Maria Theresia. The other route leads you directly to the bishop-town of Esztergom, with its gorgeous basilica – Hungary's largest Catholic Church – overlooking the village. In the night shipping to Vienna.

Day 6: Vienna-Nussdorf / (Korneuburg may also be possible) (day of rest)
You should be sure to see the most famous places of interest like the St. Stephens Cathedral, the Hofburg, the gorgeous boulevard "Ringstraβe" with the Burgtheater, the State Opera House or the town hall that takes you back to the past. In the night shipping to Rossatz or Dürnstein (Wachau).

Day 7: Wachau – Melk – Pöchlarn, ca. 39 km
Your last biking day is a special highlight! Amidst small dreamy villages, apricot trees, vineyards, castles, monasteries and ruins, this gentle hilly landscape enchants everybody. A powerful ruin looms above the small Baroque town of Dürnstein, while the blue tower of the monastery church is a landmark of Wachau. In the small village of Pöchlarn you will board again. After the farewell gala dinner, you start “sailing” back to Passau.

Day 8: Departure from Passau
Every journey draws to an end. Once again you enjoy on deck the first sunbeams and the peaceful silence of the Danube Valley. Take a last sight at the Schlögener Schlinge ("Great Loop") before you arrive relaxed at Passau. Arrival: approx. at 10 am, disembarkation half an hour later.

Travel Dates I Prices I Services

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06MAY – 13MAY I 13MAY – 20MAY I 20MAY – 27MAY I 27MAY – 03JUNE I 03JUNE – 10JUNE I 10JUNE – 17JUNE
05AUG – 12AUG I 12AUG – 19AUG I 19AUG – 26AUG I 26AUG – 02SEP I 02SEP – 09SEP I 09SEP – 16SEP

Prices per person in Euro

Main Deck 2-bed cabin	Middle Deck 2-bed cabin	Upper Deck 2-bed cabin
999.-	1.199.-	1.299.-

Supplements / Reductions

Child reduction: till 13 years 20% in a 2-bed cabin with 1 adult
2-bed cabin for single use: 50% (limited quantity, main deck only)
Rental bike fee 7-gear-Unisex: € 75.-
Rental bike fee 8- gear-E-Bike: € 165.-
Bikes:

- 7-gear-Unisex-trekking bikes und 8-gear-E-Bikes (brand: Velo de Ville - special SE-Tours edition)
- With hand brake and pedal brake *or* hand brakes only (subject to availability, please indicate as a non-binding customer request by the booking)
- Pannier bag and rental bike insurance included.
- E-Bikes on a limited number only
- Please indicate your body height by the booking

Travel safe and secure with SE-Tours: We recommend to wear a bike helmet

(compulsory use for helmets: In Austria for children till 12 years). Onboard Selling: UVEX I-VO € 40.- per helmet,

limited number.

Services included

- 7 nights in outside cabins with private facilities in the booked cabin category
- Programme according itinerary from/to Passau
- All passenger fees and port fees
- Captains greeting and Welcome-Drink
- Daily cabin cleaning. Changing of towels and bed cloths as necessary.
- Full meals: 7x breakfast, 6x packed lunch for cyclists or lunch snack on board (non cyclists), 6x afternoon coffee break, 6x 3-course-dinner and 1x farewell-dinner with farewell-drink
- Daily informational meeting
- Information pack with route book (one per cabin)
- GPS tracks
- Tour guide on board

Services not included

Journey to and from Passau, shuttles, bike rental, entrance fees and excursions, city maps, ferry fees, travel insurances, parking fees, tips, drinks on board

Passenger car parking options in Passau

Parking space inclusive transfer to/from ship € 71.-
Parking garage inclusive transfer to/from ship € 83.-
(registration form in the travel-documents, payable on site)

Ship’s description I Remarks

MS SE-Manon

Year of construction 1999 | **Refurbishment** 2019 | **Registry** Netherlands | **Length** 110 m | **Width** 11,40 m | **Draft** 1,50 m | **Number of Crew** approx. 30 | **Passengers** max. 150

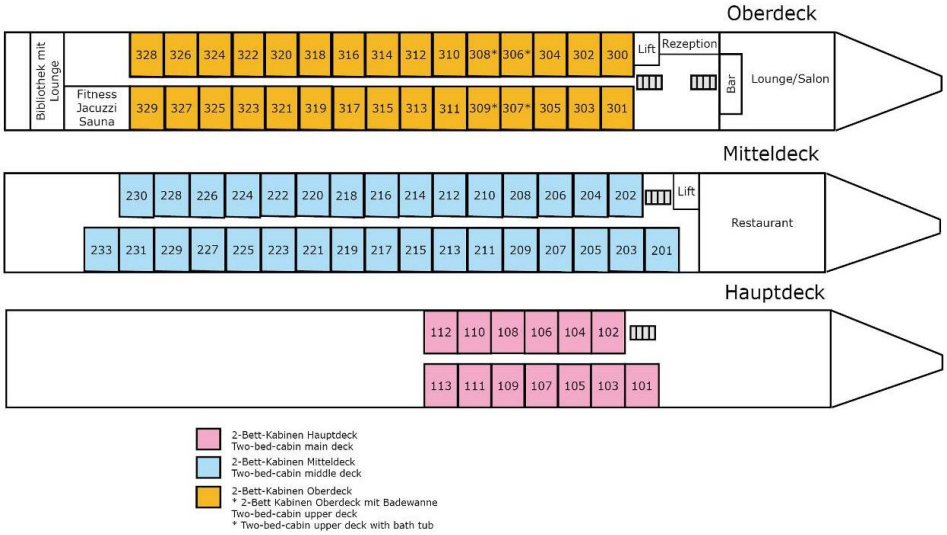
On board our comfortable premium ship MS SE-MANON you will find a relaxed and cosy atmosphere. After the bike tour you can use the small inviting wellness area with sauna and whirlpool, read a book in the pleasant library or relax in the panorama salon. Then enjoy your dinner in the restaurant with panoramic view. The spacious and partly shaded sun deck holds deck chairs, which invite you to enjoy the passing scenery. Here is also the storage space for the bicycles. A special highlight is the outdoor pool (8,70 m x 4,50 m, approx. May to August, depending on weather).

All 75 cabins are outside cabins, about 14 m² in size, comfortably furnished with hotel beds and featuring en-suite facilities with shower/WC* (*cabins no. 306, 307, 308, 309 with bathtub), hairdryer, TV, safe, in-house telephone and individually adjustable air conditioning. Middle deck and upper deck can be reached by lift.

Upper deck: cabins with french balcony (= floor-to-ceiling windows which can be opened).

Middle deck: cabins with large panorama window – can be opened.

Main deck: cabins with a small window (height approx. 40 cm) – cannot be opened).



Important remarks

In order to participate in our journeys, the vaccination or recovery status of all cruise guests have to comply with current government requirements (currently valid are so-called 2G - rules, 2G stands for “geimpft” - vaccinated or “genesen”- recently recovered). Unfortunately, unvaccinated guests or guests without a valid certification of recent recovery from Covid-19 may not participate in our sailings. Government restrictions are changing regularly and rapidly. All cruise guests are required to keep themselves updated about current restrictions in good time prior to departure. All cruise guests are solely responsible for complying with applicable Covid-19 travel regulations. For the safety of all persons present on board, you are obliged to wear a mouth and nose protector and to observe the rules of distance and hygiene. For this purpose, you will receive our ship-specific hygiene concept when booking/inquiring.

Embarkation from 4 to 5 pm | **Disembarkation** approx 10:30 am

Minimum number of participants 90 guests (must have been reached within 21 days prior to departure)

To bring your own bike On request only – due to lack of space on sun deck.

Excursions We offer a small excursion program, that can be booked directly on board at the cruise director only. You will get a brief description together with your travel documents. Depending on the number of participants some excursions could be carried out in 2 languages (German/ English).

Luggage We recommend: rainwear, bicycle helmet, sunhat and sneakers.

Schedule and program changes Basically, we reserve the right to make changes of routing and program. In case of flood or low tide, the shipping company reserves the right to bridge parts of passages by buses. In extreme situations, the shipping company reserves the right to cancel the journey on short notice. No legal right shall be constituted of both situations. The same applies for officially ordered - previously not announced - repair work on locks or bridges.

Notes Please be aware that a cruise ship on the Danube is not only your hotel but also a machine, working with engine power also during the night. Especially crossing locks and bridges - and the preparation work - may cause noise. If you are sensitive please bring your own ear plugs

Travel documents EU-citizens (without special situations like dual citizenship, main residence abroad or a limited-validity passport) are required to have a valid passport or ID-card, not expiring within six (6) months of the return of your cruise. We kindly ask non-EU citizens, EU-nationals with multiple citizenship or anybody who has to respect special legal entry requirements for the country to visit, to inform about visa and entry documents at the competent embassy.

This trip is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility. We recommend that you take out a travel health insurance with repatriation coverage as well as baggage, accident and travel cancellation insurances.