



The “Golden City” and the Rivers Moldova and Elbe  
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# MS FLORENTINA 2020



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The Czech Republic, the small country in the heart of Europe, impresses with its original river landscapes, picturesque villages and romantic castles, whose history and architecture can often be traced back to the Middle Ages. Prague, known also as „the Golden City“ and „the City of a Hundred Spires“, is both point of departure and final destination for this beautiful bike and barge tour along the Upper Moldova, in Czech called Vltava, and the huge Elbe River – when the bridges of the Vltava River are ablaze with sunlight and the spires of the castle sparkle in the light, then it becomes obvious that Prague has its nickname „Golden City“ with good reason! Multifaceted and unique, modern and at the same time aware of tradition –

discover one of Europe’s most beautiful metropolis with its Old Town listed as UNESCO World Heritage Site. The MS FLORENTINA moors approx. 1 km away from the Charles Bridge and is therefore an ideal springboard for exploring this gorgeous city – the marvellously restored Market Place, the busy Wencelslas Square or the Jewish quarter are waiting for you. And you will not be missing out on good food – beer and roast pork with dumplings, just to name one of the many specialities – when you are on the move with your bike do not miss to have a break and quench your thirst with a original Czech amber nectar.

### Itinerary (All times are subject to change):

Day	Port	Arr	Dept
Day 1	Prag – Embarkation from	16:00 hours	
Day 2	Prag		12:00
Day 2	Kralupy nad Vltavou	17:00	
Day 3	Kralupy nad Vltavou		09:00
Day 3	Mělník	13:00	14:30
Day 3	Litoměřice	19:30	
Day 4	Litoměřice		
Day 5	Litoměřice		05:30
Day 5	Roudnice	08:30	09:00
Day 5	Mlčechvosty	16:30	
Day 6	Mlčechvosty		09:00
Day 6	Prag	15:30	
Day 7	Prag		
Day 8	Prag – Disembarkation until	9:30 hours	

### Day 1: Arrival in Prague

Individual arrival in Prague. Embarkation from 4 pm. After dinner, you should take a stroll over the Charles Bridge, particularly beautiful in the dark, and enjoy the stunning view of the illuminated Prague Castel.

### Day 2: Prague – Kralupy, Cycle Tour approx. 27 km

The morning is at your disposal and you have enough time for a nice little walk through Prague. Then you will be handed out your bike and start for your first cycle tour. You will cycle along the Vltava River via Troja (Baroque castle – National Art Gallery) to the village of Klecánky and then over the tread of the Vltava via Drasty, Vodochody back to the river bank to today’s destination Kralupy. Arrival of the ship at around 5 pm.

### Day 3: Kralupy – Mělník, Cycle Tour approx. 28 km, Boat Trip to Litoměřice

After breakfast, around 9 am, we will take out the bike again. You will cycle – almost always along the Vltava River – to Nelahozeves. Tip: visit the birth house of Antonin Dvořák and one of the most famous Renaissance castles of Bohemia, also known as the “little Louvre of Czechia”. The tour takes you past the Veltrusý Park, with numerous sculptures and gazebos in an extensive terrain, up to the royal town of Mělník. Around about 1.30 pm, return back to the ship and enjoy the boat trip on the Elbe River to Litoměřice.

### Day 4: Litoměřice – Day of rest or cycle tour to Ustí and back (approx. 53 km)

A day at leisure. Discover one of the most beautiful Czech towns, the royal town of Litoměřice. The colourful Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque buildings in the town centre, which for the most part is encircled by well-preserved Gothic fortifications, will enchant you. Well-worth seeing: Baroque Cathedral of St Stephen atop the dome hill, the historic underground (extensive tunnel system) or the Bishop’s residence. You might also be interested in an individual visit to the Terezín Memorial (Theresienstadt) in the village of Terezín. The concentration camp memorial is located only 5 km away. The more advanced cyclists may feel to cycle to Ustí - idyllically situated in the narrow valley of the Elbe river – You will come by the Bohemian Gate and by the old castle ruin Schreckenstein. The MS FLORENTINA will moor overnight in Litoměřice.

### Day 5: Litoměřice – Roudnice – Mlčechvosty, Cycle Tour Roudnice – Mělník – Mlčechvosty, approx. 40 km

Early in the morning, the ship will take you to Roudnice. Your cycle tour starts at around 09:00 am. Almost always alongside the Elbe, via Dobřín, Račice and Vliněves, you cycle back again to the lovely village of Mělník. Enjoy the splendid panoramic view of the confluence of the Vltava and Elbe River from the top of the castle hill. You continue cycling to today's destination Mlčechvosty. Arrival of the ship at around 4:30 pm.

### Day 6: Mlčechvosty – Prague, ca. 40 km

Today you can go for a last bike tour via Nelahozeves, Kralupy, Vodochody, Drasty and Klecánky to Prague or you relax on the sun deck. You will arrive at Prague at ca. 3:30 pm. The rest of the day is reserved for Prague.

### Day 7: Prague, Cycle tour Prague – Zbraslav and back, ca. 30 km

Today you have enough time to discover the right bank of the Vltava River, the highlights of the Old Town, the New Town and the Jewish Quarter. Or just meander along the streets or watch the lively goings-on sitting in one of the cafes on the Old Town Square. There are countless possibilities! In case you feel like cycling, make a tour upstream along Vltava River to Zbraslav and back. A trip to Vyšehrad Castle is worthwhile. It was built, probably in the 10<sup>th</sup> century, on a hill over the Vltava River. Local legend holds that Vyšehrad was the location of the first settlement which later became Prague.

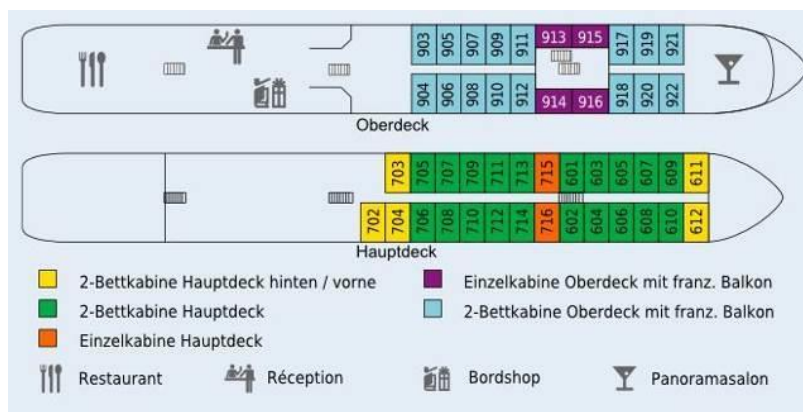
### Day 8: Departure from Prague

After breakfast, till 09:30am disembarkation and individual departure.

## MS FLORENTINA:

Built in 1980 and completely refurbished between 2008 and in 2014 the MS FLORENTINA is a cosy and comfortable middle-class ship. The Czech chef prepares national good home cooking and international dishes which will be served in the bright, friendly restaurant with bar. Both the little lounge next to the reception and the observation saloon with its panoramic windows on the upper deck offer comfortable seating areas. Rest and relax you find on the deck chairs on the large sun deck. The ship features 16 twin cabins (approx. 10 sq m)

and 4 single cabins (approx. 8 sq m) with French balcony (opening windows) on the upper deck, and 24 twin cabins (ca. 10 sq m) and 2 single cabins (ca. 8 sq m) on the main deck (windows cannot be opened). All 46 cabins are outside cabins and have en-suite shower facilities. They all also include a central air condition with individually adjustable ventilation, hairdryers, TV's and safes. There is W-LAN on board (please note that the signal is not always available).



### Technical Details:

Year Built: 1980. Passenger Capacity: max. 86. Length: 80 m. Beam: 9.6 m. Draught: 1.5 m. Height: 5 m. Speed: 12 km/h. Flag: CZ. On Board Currency: Euro. Credit cards: EC-Maestro, MasterCard and Visa are accepted.

**Important remarks:** **Embarkation:** from 4 pm. • **Disembarkation:** after breakfast, until 9:30 am. • **Bike hire on board:** smooth-running 7 speed-unisex-city bikes made by Velo de Ville (custom built for SE-tours) with hand- and back pedal brakes or 7 speed freewheel hubs (subject to availability) and with pannier bags. Electric bikes (limited number available – early booking required). **On booking, please tell us your body height.** • **To bring your own bike:** on request only – due to lack of space on sundeck. • **Languages on board:** German, English • **Cycle Tours:** individual and self-guided. You will cycle from 27 to 53 km. The kilometres indicated for the cycle tours are approximate. • **Cycle ways/level of difficulty:** the cycle tour is suitable for people with average fitness level. You will cycle on paved or asphalted cycle ways, on very lightly-trafficked agricultural roads as well as on unpaved trails leading through forests or fields. There will also be short legs along heavy-trafficked roads. The terrain is mostly flat, though there are some slopes to cope with. • **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 on board:** we recommend waterproof rain gear, bike helmet, sun hat and sports shoes. • **Alterations of schedule or programme:** subject to change. In the event that because of low or high water levels or adverse weather conditions a route cannot be taken, the captain reserves the right to change the route for your safety (this would not be a reason for fee-free cancellation). • For safety reasons, sun deck access may be limited in times of high water levels/low bridge clearance. • Bicycles may sometimes be stored ashore overnight as a transport on the ship would not be possible due to low bridge clearance. • Please note for your tour planning that due to numerous locks, the ship will always be slower than a cyclist. • **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.**

### Tour Dates 2020:

23 June – 30 June / 30 June – 07 July / 07 July – 14 July / 14 July – 21 July / 21 July – 28 July / 28 July – 04 Aug / 04 Aug – 11 Aug / 11 Aug – 18 Aug

<b>Prices per Person in Euro:</b>	
Departures from Tuesday to Tuesday	
Twin cabin main deck at the front /back*	<b>719,-</b>
Twin cabin main deck	<b>849,-</b>
Twin cabin upper deck with French balcony	<b>1.049,-</b>
Single cabin main deck (limited number)	<b>1.149,-</b>
Single cabin upper deck with French balcony (limited number)	<b>1.349,-</b>

\* Cabins at the front and on the back of the ship. Engine and generator noise perceptible when ship is moving or at berth.

Twin cabin for single use: + 50%

€ 75. Bike hire for a 7 speed unisex bicycle, with hand- and/or pedal brake (subject to availability), pannier bag and a rental bike insurance

€ 165. E-Bike, pannier bag and a rental bike insurance (must be booked in advance, limited number)

### Included:

- Seven nights in outside cabins of MS Florentina, shower/WC in the booked cabin category
- Programme according to itinerary from/to Prague
- Welcome drink
- Daily cabin cleaning, change of bedding and towels
- Full board consisting of 7x breakfast buffet, 6x lunch snack on board (non cyclists) or lunch package for cycle tours, 6x coffee or tea in the afternoon, 7x 3-course dinner)
- All port, bridge and lock fees
- Daily briefing for the cycling tours
- Printed instructions and detailed maps for daily individual bike tours (1 per cabin)
- GPS tracks
- Tour guide

### Not included:

Journey to and from Prague, parking fees, shuttles, bike rental, entrance fees and excursions, ferry tickets, drinks on board, tips, travel insurances.

### Parking Facilities in Prague (as of April 2019):

One option could be Garage Spanelska, near Wenceslas Square, CZK 440, - (approx. € 18,- per day) onwards (price is based upon capacity), about 4.5 km from the mooring place (booking via internet <https://www.mrparakit.com/en>). From there, take the metro from the station Muzeum to the station Staroměstská, or take a taxi (only with licensed companies) to the mooring place (ca. € 19,-). Another option would be the car park of Rudolfinum near the mooring place, about € 26, - per day, about 15 minutes' walk away.

Minimum number of participants: 70 guests (must have been reached within 21 days prior to departure). You may cancel the booking at any time. For cancellation fees, please refer to the booking conditions of SE-Tours. The tour operator's terms and conditions apply: SE-Tours GmbH, Am Grollhamm 12 a, 27574 Bremerhaven. We recommend that you take out a travel health insurance with repatriation coverage as well as baggage, accident and travel cancellation insurances.

### Reservations:

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