GRAND DANUBE PASSAGE
featuring PRAGUE & SOFIA

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VAT is an additional $395 per person. All cabins have remote-controlled TV & DVD, refrigerator and security safe.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air program costs (unless otherwise stated) and valid until October 1, 2014. Please contact us for current pricing and information. Single supplement waived for solo travelers! (Limited availability.)
Described by Napoleon as “the king of Europe’s rivers,” the Danube is steeped in legend and epic lore. Discover the scenic banks that have witnessed centuries of human history and the rise and fall of civilizations. Natural wonders abound in the vineyard-clad Wachau Valley, the narrow, twisting Danube Bend and the formidable Iron Gate Gorge. Begin your experience by delving into the rich culture of Prague, and explore its Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Embark on an eight-night cruise of the Danube, offering a feast of ancient capitals, picturesque villages, Roman ruins, magnificent churches, palaces and medieval castles. Continue to Sofia, the historic capital of Bulgaria, where ancient ruins and chic boutiques coexist among tree-shaded boulevards.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS
- Enjoy a eight-night Danube River cruise aboard the exclusively chartered MS Amadeus Silver.
- Luxurious hotel accommodations, renowned for every modern convenience and service, in Prague, capital of the Czech Republic and in Sofia, capital of Bulgaria.
- Discover beguiling scenery in eight countries and 13 cities and towns.
- Experience Eastern European culture and cuisine. See marvelous old-world capitals, medieval castles, beautiful churches, monumental cathedrals, picturesque villages and incomparable Danube River landscapes.
- Cruise through some of the most historic and beautiful stretches of the storied Danube — the incredible Iron Gate Gorge, the twisting Danube Bend and the breathtaking Wachau Valley.
- Four educational lectures offer insight into local history and culture.

INCLUDED FEATURES
Accommodations
- Three nights in Prague, Czech Republic, at the deluxe Art Deco Imperial Hotel.
- Eight nights aboard the first-class MS Amadeus Silver.
- Two nights in Sofia, Bulgaria, at the deluxe Sofia Hotel Balkan.

Transportation
- All deluxe motor coach transfers in the Land/Cruise Program itinerary and baggage handling on these transfers are included.

Activities and Events
- Informative educational programs presented by local experts will enhance your insight into the region.
- All excursions as outlined in your program itinerary.
- Personal VOX listening device to hear every word from your expert English-speaking guides.
- Attend two Welcome Receptions.
- Gather for a Farewell Reception and Dinner.

Extensive Meal Program
- Enjoy 13 breakfasts, eight lunches and nine dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.
- Sample authentic regional specialties during select meals at featured local restaurants.
- Take advantage of leisure time to try the local cuisine independently.

MANY INCLUDED EXTRAS
- Consultation services of a dedicated Passenger Service Representative prior to departure.
- Services of an experienced Travel Director throughout your stay.
- Tipping of excursion guides and drivers.
- Detailed travel and destination information to assist in planning.
- Complimentary travel wallet.
DAY 1 ~ IN TRANSIT
Depart for Prague, Czech Republic.*
* Provided for AHI FlexAir participants.

DAY 2 ~ PRAGUE
Upon arrival, transfer to the Art Deco Imperial Hotel. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure to explore or relax. Attend a Welcome Reception tonight.

DAY 3 ~ PRAGUE
Excursion: Prague Castle and Old Town. Visit Prague Castle and the Old Town. See the Royal Palace, St. Vitus Cathedral, St. George Basilica and Charles Bridge.

DAY 4 ~ PRAGUE
Excursion: Prague’s Historic Jewish Quarter. Explore Josefov, Prague’s historic Jewish Quarter, and visit the National Jewish Museum.

DAY 5 ~ PASSAU
Transfer to Passau, and embark the MS Amadeus Silver. Excursion: Picturesque Passau. See the old town hall, St. Stephen’s Cathedral and royal residences. Attend a Welcome Aboard Reception.

DAY 6 ~ MELK/DÜRNSTEIN

DAY 7 ~ VIENNA
Educational Focus: Vienna. Excursion: Imperial Vienna. See the historic sights of Vienna, including the Imperial Apartments of Hofburg Palace, the Houses of Parliament and the Vienna State Opera House.

DAY 8 ~ BRATISLAVA
Educational Focus: The Velvet Revolution. Excursion: Bratislava. Tour this medieval capital of the Slovak Republic. See St. Martin’s Cathedral, St. Michael’s Gate and the Primates’ Palace.

DAY 9 ~ BUDAPEST
Educational Focus: The Velvet Revolution. Excursion: Budapest. Tour both banks of this striking capital city. See Heroes’ Square, the Castle District, Parliament Building, the Opera House and Fisherman’s Bastion.

DAY 10 ~ PÉCS
Excursion: Pécs. The ship arrives in Kalocsa. Transfer to the historic city of Pécs. Founded by the Romans, this pretty Hungarian city has an excellent collection of Roman ruins. The city grew in importance during the Middle Ages, and it fell under Ottoman rule in the mid-16th century.

DAY 11 ~ BELGRADE
Educational Focus: Modern Serbia. Excursion: Belgrade. Discover one of Eastern Europe’s oldest capitals. Explore the Cathedral of St. Sava, the Orthodox cathedral and the Old Town. Enjoy a folk show onboard the ship.

DAY 12 ~ IRON GATE
GORGÉ/DROBETA-TURNU SEVERIN/ORSOVA
This afternoon, cruise by the dramatic cliffs of the stunning Iron Gate Gorge. Excursion: Drobeta-Turnu Severin and Orsova. The three hamlets — Drobeta, Turnu and Severin — that compose this village date from Roman times. Tour the city center, then drive through the scenic Iron Gate region to Orsova for an organ concert at the Catholic cathedral.

DAY 13 ~ VIDIN/SOFIA
Excursion: Vidin. Explore one of the oldest towns along the Danube’s Bulgarian banks. Visit the Baba Vida fortress and St. Pantaleimon Church. Disembark the ship and transfer to the Sofia Hotel Balkan in Sofia.

DAY 14 ~ SOFIA
Educational Focus: A Prologue to the Bulgarian Revival. Excursion: Sofia. Tour the highlights of Bulgaria’s capital, including the ruins of Serdica, Alexander Batenberg Square, St. Alexander of Neva Cathedral and chic Vitosha Boulevard. Tonight, attend a Farewell Reception and Dinner, featuring a lively folk show.

DAY 15 ~ IN TRANSIT
Transfer to the Sofia airport for the return flight to your gateway city.*

NOTE: The information presented is preliminary. Itineraries, included features and schedules are subject to change. Many excursions in this program involve an element of walking.

ACCOMMODATIONS

ART DECO IMPERIAL HOTEL
Combining modern technology and luxury, this hotel is located in the heart of Prague’s historic city center, making it the perfect starting point for an exciting day of sightseeing, browsing the fashionable shops or exploring the city’s nightlife. The hotel features a fitness center, spa, steam bath, sauna and whirlpool, as well as the swank Prime Bar and the famous Café Imperial restaurant. Each guest room features a marble bathroom with heated mirrors and floors.

MS AMADEUS SILVER
The state-of-the-art MS Amadeus Silver debuted in 2013 as a flagship of the innovative Lüftner cruise line. This stylish ship, named Kreuzfahrt Guide’s 2013 River Boat of the Year, offers the utmost in service and comfort. Step into the elegant reception area and immerse yourself in an ambience reminiscent of a high-end hotel. Relax on the sun deck, challenge a friend to a game of chess or shuffleboard, browse in the boutique or connect with family at the Internet station. Practice your golf game on the putting green, exercise in the fitness room or treat yourself to a massage. Savor international cuisine at the restaurant’s breakfast and lunch buffets, and enjoy regional specialties served with wine at dinner. At the end of each day, return to your cabin, featuring a river view, a satellite TV and a bathroom with a shower.

SOFIA HOTEL BALKAN
This elegant hotel offers luxury and the finest amenities within walking distance of Sofia’s historic town center. Dine on international selections at Stardust Restaurant, or enjoy a piano bar atmosphere at Lobby Bar Pliska. The hotel also has a fitness center, sauna, salon, casino, gift shop and laundry service.
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