



# DANUBE CYCLE/CRUISE

8 days | Aug 2025

Passau - Vienna – Bratislava – Budapest - Passau

**Fri 15 Aug 2025**

**Passau – Engelhartszell**

Welcome to Passau, a city located close to the Bavarian/Austrian border and known as the "City of Three Rivers." It attracts many visitors with its world's greatest church organ at the Stephandom and its charming Old Town. Embarkation is planned for 4 pm, with departure around 7.00 pm. Once settled into our cabins, we'll get together in the bar for a drink before enjoying our first dinner on board and an evening sail to Engelhartszell.

**Sat 16 Aug 2025**

**Engelhartszell – Great Loop – Brandstatt**

**Cycle 44-47 km**

The day starts in Engelhartszell, known for its Trappist monastery – the only one in Austria. This morning we'll take a quick look around the town, before embarking on our first cycling journey through the "Great Loop," renowned as one of the Danube's most picturesque and distinctive stretches. Along the route, you'll pass charming villages and inviting taverns where you can pop in and quench your thirst. The ship meets us in Brandstatt and we continue cruising through the evening towards Bratislava.

**Sun 16 Aug 2025**

**Bratislava**

**Cycle 53 km**

Morning arrival in Devin to begin our cycle tour to the imposing Imperial Palace of Hof. The next section of the ride takes cyclists along the former "Iron Curtain" to the Slovakian capital of Bratislava, which is stunningly located at the foot of the Carpathian Mountains. In the evening, there is an optional rail tour and walkabout in Bratislava or alternatively you can relax in the comforts of your floating hotel. The boat will sail overnight to Budapest.

## **Mon 17 Aug 2025**      **Budapest**

Enjoy a panoramic view of the Danube's beautiful landscape from the ship's sundeck. The gateway to Budapest is stunning, as many of the famous landmarks such as the Chain Bridge and imposing parliament buildings are located along the riverbank.

Optional tours today:

- \* City tour by coach and on foot
- \* Cycle around Margaretheninsel (Margaret Island)
- \* Cycle to the charming town of Szentendre
- \* Evening Budapest by Night tour

The ship will cruise to Vac overnight.

## **Tue 18 Aug 2025**      **Danube Bend – Vac – Esztergom**      **Cycle 49 km**

The wooded hills of Visegrád and Börzsöny together with the meandering Danube create a wonderful landscape that has become a nature lovers' paradise. Cycle from the Baroque village of Vac to the bishop town of Esztergom with its gorgeous basilica – Hungary's largest Catholic Church. Cruise overnight to Vienna.

## **Wed 19 Aug 2025**      **Vienna – Nussdorf**

Optional tours today:

- \* City tour
- \* Waltz & Operetta concert

Today you are free to explore at leisure. Be sure to visit the most famous places of interest like the Prater, the St. Stephens Cathedral and the Hofburg. The gorgeous boulevard "Ringstraße" with the Burgtheater, the State Opera House and the town hall takes you back to the past. At the gateway to Vienna see the monastery of Klosterneuburg with its Baroque cupola over 900 years old. Take a seat and sip a Viennese coffee as you people-watch.

Later this evening, the ship will cruise to Rossatz or Durnstein in the Wachau Valley.

## **Thu 20 Aug 2025**      **Wachau - Melk – Pochlarn**      **Cycle 40-50km**

Your last biking day is special! Amidst small villages, apricot trees, vineyards, castles, monasteries and ruins, this gentle rolling landscape enchants everybody. A mighty ruin looms above the small Baroque town of Dürnstein, while the blue tower of the monastery church is a landmark of the Wachau. In Spitz you might like to partake in an optional wine-tasting, or stop at one of the many wine taverns right on the bike path. In the evening enjoy a farewell gala dinner on board.

## **Fri 21 Aug 2025**      **Tour ends in Passau**

Take a last look at the Schlägener Schlinge (Great Loop) before arriving at Passau. Arrival is about 10.00 am. We recommend you arrange connecting travel from noon onwards.

## PRICE:

NZ\$2400 per person twin share – Main Deck Cabin

NZ\$2900 per person twin share – Middle Deck Cabin

NZ\$3200 per person twin share – Upper Deck Cabin

*Single cabin +40%. If you are travelling solo and would like a roommate let us know – subject to availability.*

## INCLUDES:

- 7 nights accommodation - all cabins with private facilities and air conditioning
- Captain's greeting and Welcome drink
- On board musician
- Daily cabin servicing
- Towels and bed linen
- All meals: daily breakfast, lunch on board for non-cyclists or packed lunch for cyclists, dinner (3 course + farewell dinner)
- Daily briefing meeting
- Information pack with cycle route book (one per cabin)
- Tour guide on board (does not cycle with group)
- Port fees included
- GPS Tracks

## EXCLUDES:

- Journey to and from Passau
- Shuttles, entrance fees and optional excursion fees
- Bike rental (EUR90 standard bike, EUR200 Ebike)
- Bike helmet
- City maps
- Ferry fees
- Drinks on board
- Travel Insurance
- Tips and gratuities

## IMPORTANT

### **This tour is not escorted and is not women-only**

The idea is to get as many solo women as possible on to the same sailing so that you have a like-minded person to cycle with during the day and someone to dine with at night.

### **Bicycles on board:**

**Standard Unisex trekking bicycles** with normal mount (ladies model), 7 gears with coaster breaking hubs **or** 7 speed freewheel hubs and pannier bag.

**E-Bikes** are available however availability is limited.

*Please indicate your preference at time of booking*

### **Self-Guided Cycling:**

Distances are approximate. If you don't feel like cycling you can relax on board while cruising to the next harbour. The bike tours are individual, at your own pace. You will not be with a tour guide, but will be provided with daily briefings on board and detailed cycling maps and directions. All cycle tours can be classified as easy.

### Optional Tours:

The excursions mentioned in the programme are not included in the tour price and can be booked directly on board with the cruise director.

**Routing/Programme:** 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 transport 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. (Water level is force majeure). The same applies for officially ordered - previously not announced - repair work on locks or bridges or in case of undeserved breakdown of engine or power unit. 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 have sensitive hearing, please bring your own ear plugs.



Day	Port	Arrival	Dept.
Day 1	Passau, Embarkation 16:00 h		19:00
Day 1	Engelhartzell	22:00	
Day 2	Engelhartzell		10:00
Day 2	Brandstatt	13:30	15:00
Day 3	Bratislava	09:00	20:30
Day 4	Budapest	09:00	
Day 5	Budapest		04:30
Day 5	Vac	08:00	10:00
Day 5	Esztergom	13:30	16:00
Day 6	Vienna Nussdorf	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	



## YOUR SHIP - MS SE-MANON



The comfortable premium ship MS SE-Manon has a relaxed and cosy atmosphere. After a day's biking, unwind in the small inviting wellness area with sauna and whirlpool or the outdoor pool. Relax in the library, or in the panorama salon, or sit in deck chairs on the sun deck. The restaurant also has panoramic windows. All 75 outside cabins are approx 14 sq. m in size with hotel beds and ensuite facilities. They feature a hairdryer, TV, small refrigerator and individually controlled air conditioning.

The Upper Deck cabins have panoramic floor to ceiling windows which can be opened. Middle Deck cabins also have large panorama windows that can be opened. The Main Deck cabins have small windows, 40cm high, which cannot be opened. Twin bed options.

Year Built: 1999 | Year Refurbished: 2019

Length: 110m

Width: 11.40 m

Draft: 1.50 m

Passengers: Max. 150

Crew: 30

**Upper Deck Cabin**



**Middle Deck Cabin**



**Main Deck Cabin**

