

15 Day Cruise Amsterdam > Budapest Itinerary - ITINERARY DETAILS - STC

1. Day 1 - Welcome to Amsterdam

Your journey into wonder begins here. Relax and raise your glass to the days ahead at this evening's welcome reception.

Meals Included: Dinner

2. Day 2 - Amsterdam

Explore wonderful Amsterdam – with its wealth of canals, museums and bicycles.

Freechoice

Hop aboard one of our e-bikes and take a guided bicycle tour outside the city or walk the streets of Amsterdam with a local guide and taste the Dutch favourite, herring. You also have the opportunity to experience an iconic canal cruise and see the city from a different angle or enjoy a slice of quintessential Holland at Zaanse Schans, with its windmills and open-air conservation area.

Alternatively, you can make the most of your free time by letting Scenic Tailormade open your eyes to Amsterdam's many key attractions.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

3. Day 3 - Cologne > Marksburg

Freechoice

Take a stroll through Cologne and get up close to the filigree twin towers of the famous cathedral, or explore the city's Jewish heritage. Alternatively, if you are feeling more active, cycle to Cologne from the charming medieval village of Zons or learn about Beethoven during a walking tour in the city of Bonn, the location of the composer's birth 250 years ago.

Enrich

Delight in the medieval ambience of Marksburg Castle, which has remained virtually unchanged since the Middle Ages. Partake in a magnificent medieval feast, with an abundance of fine fare and free-flowing local red wine. You can also look forward to being entertained in the grand tradition of Europe's great royal houses, with minstrels and colourful court jesters, there for your exclusive pleasure.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

4. Day 4 - Rhine Gorge > Rudesheim

Enjoy the unrivalled views of the spectacular World Heritage-listed Rhine Gorge. Then alight in Rudesheim and board the Winzerexpress mini train for a guided visit of Siegfried's Mechanical Musical Instrument Museum before enjoying a cable car ride to the Niederwald Monument for spectacular views of the river.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

5. Day 5 - Miltenberg

Today a unique experience awaits you. Meet the locals of the quaint German town of Miltenberg.

Freechoice

Meet the monks in a local monastery for a tour and insight into regional beer production or meet a local winemaker and join him for a taste of his fine wines. Alternatively, join a Baron and Baroness and learn what it is like to be a royal in the modern day, or opt to visit a local Schnapps producer and taste the many flavours available. You also have the opportunity to meet a local farming family and taste some of their homemade produce.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

6. Day 6 - Würzburg

Freechoice

Explore the famous Romantic Road, an important trade route during the Middle Ages, then take in the beautiful walled town of Rothenburg, a medieval gem that overlooks the Tauber river. Or stay in Würzburg and visit the Bishop's Residenz Palace and sample some exquisite local wine.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

7. Day 7 - Bamberg

Immerse yourself in the Old Town of Bamberg, a World Heritage-listed Site alive with history. With your knowledgeable local guide, walk the same cobbled streets as medieval traders once did. This afternoon sample a variety of delicious German sausage on board.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

8. Day 8 - Nuremberg

Enjoy this fascinating and ancient Bavarian city, dating back to the 11th century.

Freechoice

Explore Nuremberg by foot on a guided walking tour or visit moving WWII sites. Alternatively, stay on board for a beer tasting experience.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

9. Day 9 - Regensburg

There is much to explore in the 2,000-year-old town of Regensburg, situated at the confluence of three rivers.

Freechoice

Enjoy a walking tour of Regensburg or hop on board a local ferry and sail the Danube Gorge to Weltenburg Abbey, and sample beer from one of the world's oldest monastic breweries. Alternatively, cycle to the Walhalla monument, a memorial dedicated to Germany's elite, or take an active walking tour to Thurn und Taxis Palace.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

10. Day 10 - Passau > Salzburg

Enrich

Based on the timeless movie of the same name, the exclusive 'Best of The Sound of Music and Salzburg Show' will wow you with its stage sets. Enjoy an authentic Austrian lunch before an afternoon of humming along to some of the catchy classics.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

11. Day 11 - Melk > Dürnstein

Freechoice

Experience Melk's magnificent 18th century Benedictine Abbey on a guided tour. Or, the more active can embark on an enjoyable guided bike ride along the river from Melk to Dürnstein, one of the most enchanting villages in the region. Alternatively, visit the fairytale castle of Burg Aggstein. Built in the 12th century, the castle ruins offers spectacular views across the Danube.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

12. Day 12 - Vienna

Acquaint yourself with this opulent city by taking a fascinating guided tour of its most famous sights, including the Ringstrasse.

Enrich

Breathe in the opulence and luxury of Palais Liechtenstein while enjoying a glass of fine Austrian Sekt. Then be enthralled by an enchanting private classical evening concert featuring the timeless music of Strauss and Mozart. With a special dedication to Beethoven, we celebrate the 250th anniversary of his birth as we pay tribute to his talent and world-renowned compositions.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

13. Day 13 - Vienna

Freechoice

Take a guided tour of Bratislava or visit Schönbrunn Palace, and witness the sheer opulence of the Habsburg Empire. Alternatively, learn about the Viennese coffee culture during a guided tour. Or explore a different side of Vienna on a cycling tour.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

14. Day 14 - Budapest

We find ourselves in Budapest, one of Europe's oldest and prettiest cities.

Freechoice

Make the most of a guided tour of Budapest including a piano concert, or relax and unwind at the Thermal Baths and Spa. Or, choose to experience the labyrinths of the Hospital in the Rock or take a hike to Buda Hill for breathtaking views over the Danube.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

15. Day 15 - Budapest

Depart after breakfast, with a lifetime of wonderful memories.

Meals Included: Breakfast