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Christmas Markets of Europe

Departure Date: December 5, 2025

Return Date: December 13, 2025



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Christmas market on Budapest's main square



Stroll through the charming Christmas market in Bratislava

DAY 1 Depart the USA: Depart the USA on your overnight flight to Budapest, Hungary.

DAY 2 Budapest, Hungary: Welcome to Budapest, one of the most cosmopolitan cities in Eastern Europe. Here, you'll be met at the airport and transferred to your luxurious Emerald Cruises Star-Ship, where your friendly captain and crew will be waiting to greet you. This evening, relax on board as you enjoy an authentic Hungarian folklore show. Please book your flight to arrive into Budapest prior to 5:00 PM. **Meal: D**

EmeraldPLUS: Traditional Hungarian Folklore Show

DAY 3 Budapest: Budapest is a place of striking contrasts, with Buda on one side housing a generous scattering of the city's elegant landmarks, and Pest on the other encapsulating its fascinating past. Separated by the mighty Danube, you can explore them both by crossing the Chain Bridge, one of the most symbolic structures in the capital. Today, you will have the opportunity to discover the city's history during a guided tour covering some of the highlights of Budapest and learn more about its stunning landscape and architecture. The history of the Hungarian capital shows a unique blend of cultures, cuisine and vibrant lifestyle. There is so much to take in while you pass through the bustling city, which is an attractive destination for visitors from all over the world. Enjoy, some free to continue exploring some of beautiful Christmas Market in Budapest. **Meals: B, L, D**

EmeraldPLUS: Christmas traditions in Europe (lecture on board)

DAY 4 Bratislava, Slovakia: Bordering Austria and Hungary, the Slovakian capital is yours to discover today. Wander down cobblestone streets and witness the sheer majesty of ornate Baroque palaces as you explore with a local guide, passing the Renaissance courtyard of the Old Town Hall and the picturesque gardens of the Episcopal Summer Palace. Afterwards, enjoy

free time to explore at leisure, perhaps perusing some of the quaint boutiques that line the streets. This afternoon, you will be welcomed into the home of a local family to learn about their culture over traditional sweet treats and coffee. **Meals: B, L, D**
EmeraldPLUS: Home-hosted coffee and cake with a Slovakian family
DiscoverMORE: Carpathian wine route (additional expense)

DAY 5 Vienna, Austria: A wave of culture paves the way for life in the Austrian capital, where some of history's most prestigious composers once walked the streets and found their inspiration. Today, by coach and on foot, you will have the opportunity to pass the iconic imperial palaces and noteworthy buildings adorning the Ringstrasse, including the Vienna State Opera. **Meals: B, L, D**
DiscoverMORE: Visit to Schönbrunn Palace (additional expense)
DiscoverMORE: Viennese evening concert (additional expense)

DAY 6 Dürnstein – Melk: This morning, you will have the opportunity to hike to explore the picturesque town of Dürnstein on your own. Afterwards, relax on the Sun Deck as you sail through the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Wachau Valley and on to Melk, nestled in the heart of the Wachau wine region. Your local guide will take you on a tour of the spectacular 900-year-old Benedictine abbey, including its ancient monastic library and medieval manuscripts saved from fires by the monks in the 13th century. **Meals: B, L, D**

DAY 7 Passau, Germany: Sit on the confluence of the Danube, Inn and Ilz rivers, Passau is a postcard-worthy destination that has been shaped by the surrounding waterways. Maze-like romantic lanes weave through the city, opening up into large squares and magical promenades adorned with classical boutiques. This afternoon, join your local guide for a tour of Passau and discover a peppering of delightful Baroque buildings, some of which date back to the 17th century. Stop to admire the silhouette of the hilltop



Enjoy the Christmas Market in Regensburg, Germany

Oberhaus Fortress and witness St. Stephen's Cathedral, home of the largest church organ in Europe. Later, return for an afternoon spent peacefully cruising through the heart of Europe. **Meals: B, L, D**

DiscoverMORE: Excursion to Salzburg (additional expense)

DiscoverMORE: Excursion to Český Krumlov (additional expense)

DAY 8 Regensburg – Kelheim: After breakfast, set out on an exploration of one of the best-preserved medieval cities in Germany, where more than two millennia of history is yours to discover. Your local guide will lead you through the heart of Regensburg's UNESCO World Heritage-listed Old Town, once home to the seat of parliament. Delightful historic patrician houses line the streets, a visible testament to the area's importance as a trading center hundreds of years ago. As part of one of your EmeraldPLUS features, you will also have a chance to visit the wonderful Christmas Market inside the Thurn & Taxis Palace grounds. Later, return to your Star-Ship to sail through the picturesque surrounds of the Main-Danube Canal, passing Kelheim as you make your way to Nuremberg. **Meals: B, L, D**

EmeraldPLUS: Visit to the Christmas market in the Thurn und Taxis Palace grounds

EmeraldPLUS: Bavarian band performance onboard

DiscoverMORE: Sausage-making workshop (additional expense)

DAY 9 Nuremberg / USA: This morning, disembark your Star-Ship and say farewell to your fellow guests and depart for your transfer to the airport, taking memories of Christmastime in Europe with you. **Meal: B**

Itinerary is subject to change.

CRUISE ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 2 through 8 – Aboard an Emerald Cruises Star-Ship



Exceptional Inclusions

- **20 Meals:** 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 7 dinners
- **Airport transfers** on tour dates when air is provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours
- **Visit Christmas Markets in four different countries** – Hungary, Slovakia, Austria and Germany
- **Seven night cruise** on an Emerald Cruises Star-Ship
- **First-class service** by an English-speaking crew
- **Onboard Activity Manager** will host daily onboard wellness activities, games, classes and evening entertainment
- **Shore excursions** with English-speaking local guides
- **Personal listening device** for shore excursions
- All meals included onboard with a **variety of international cuisine**
- Complimentary **regional wines, beer and soft drinks** accompany onboard lunches and dinners
- Complimentary **bottled water** in your stateroom
- Complimentary **bicycles onboard** for use ashore
- Variety of **onboard entertainment**
- All **gratuities included**

Emerald Cruises Star-Ships

Built: 2014-20 **Speed:** 15.5 mph **Staterooms:** 19 **Suites:** 72 **Length:** 443 ft. **Crew:** 47

SUN DECK



HORIZON DECK



VISTA DECK



RIVIERA DECK



Public Areas and Ship Amenities

- 1 Sun Deck with Deck Chairs
- 2 Navigation Bridge
- 3 Sky Barbeque
- 4 Golf Putting Green
- 5 Games Area
- 6 Retractable Glass Roof
- 7 Walking Track
- 8 Daytime Pool / Evening Cinema
- 9 The Terrace
- 10 Horizon Bar and Lounge
- 11 Elevator
- 12 Reception
- 13 Wellness Area
- 14 Fitness Area
- 15 Reflections Restaurant



Owner's One-Bedroom Suite

315ft²

CAT SA



Grand Balcony Suite

210ft²

CAT S



Panorama Balcony Suite

180ft²

CAT A CAT B CAT C



Emerald Stateroom

162ft²

CAT D CAT E

Christmas Market Cruise on the Danube River

		DECEMBER 5, 2025	
CAT	STATEROOM / SUITE	DECK	
C	Panorama Balcony Suite	Vista	PER PERSON TWIN: \$4,745 SINGLE ROOM ADD: + \$3,325
B	Panorama Balcony Suite	Vista	PER PERSON TWIN: \$4,935 SINGLE ROOM ADD: + \$3,455
A	Panorama Balcony Suite	Horizon	PER PERSON TWIN: \$5,079 SINGLE ROOM ADD: + \$3,549

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Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) for River Cruises - \$569 per person and up

This nonrefundable fee will provide a refund to you during the instance that you have to cancel your trip. The cancellation has to be for a covered reason (see Plan for details on coverage) and we have to be notified at least one day prior to departure. If you must leave the tour early due to personal illness or the illness or death of an immediate family member, TPP will provide a refund for any unused services after the departure of the tour. Other benefits include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, 24 hour hot line and lost or stolen baggage assistance. Return air transportation is included ONLY if your air tickets are purchased through Mayflower Cruises & Tours. Please review the Plan for details on coverage. Should you choose not to purchase our TPP, the following per person cancellation charges will be assessed for all tours and optional excursion costs:

- 91 days or more prior to departure: Deposit Amount
- 90 days to day of departure: 100% of total tour
- No refund on unused portions of the tour

Exclusions: Mayflower Cruises & Tours reserves the right to alter its Refund and Cancellation Policy when a substantial amount of cancellation or postponement of travel is attributable to: conditions resulting from an act of God, natural or man-made disaster, fire, government action, civil disorder, war, hostilities between nations, or unavailability of transportation through no fault of Mayflower Cruises & Tours. Plan and benefits offered and administered by Trip Mate, Inc.



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