



**NEW** CONNECTIONS EUROPEAN RIVER CRUISE JOURNEYS

## Christmas Along the Danube 2020

9 days from \$6,195 per person

Limited to 24 guests

A boutique hotel in charming Munich begins and ends your perfect six-night Christmas cruise along the beautiful Danube. Experience exclusive activities on shore, including holiday market visits, an organ concert at the Abbey of St. Florian and a festive Christmas performance in Vienna.

### Included With Every Connections European River Cruise Journey

- The Finest Small-Group River Cruise Experience in Europe
- English-Speaking Resident Tour Director<sup>®</sup> and Local Guides
- Hand-Selected Boutique Accommodations with City Stays Included Before and After Your Cruise
- Exclusive Onshore Excursions with Dedicated Vehicles
- Airport Meet and Greet with Private Transfers
- Full Breakfast Daily; Select Lunches and Dinners
- Private Shipboard and Onshore Dining
- House Wine, Beer and Soft Drinks with Meals
- Internet Access
- Entrance Fees, Taxes and All Gratuities Except Resident Tour Director
- 24/7 A&K On-Call Support
- Guaranteed Departures with Just Two Guests

### A&K Advantages

- Celebrate Christmas on the Danube River, experiencing nine days of exclusive Connections sightseeing in your private small-group vehicle, escorted by your own Resident Tour Director
- Explore Munich from your centrally located, family-owned boutique hotel
- Travel in intimate company on Connections-exclusive shore excursions, including visits to local Christmas markets and an organ concert at the Abbey of St. Florian
- Sit down to five meals ashore, just for Connections guests, coupled with the chance to bake a Linzer torte in Austria
- Awaken Christmas morning in magical Vienna for a small-group tour of the city bedecked in its Christmas finery

# Itinerary

## DAY 1 ARRIVE MUNICH, GERMANY

Arrive in Munich, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. This evening, join your Resident Tour Director for a welcome dinner.

Platzl Hotel | Meals: Dinner

## DAY 2 MUNICH | CHRISTMAS CRAFTS

Tour Munich's Old Town, and visit the Frauenkirche with your small group. Shop for crafts in the Christmas market. Then, transfer to your riverboat in Passau for priority embarkation. After time to settle into your premium cabin or suite with an open-air French or walk-out balcony, enjoy a welcome cocktail, followed by dinner.

'Amadeus Star' | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

## DAY 3 SALZBURG & LINZ, AUSTRIA | MOZART'S HOME

Join your Resident Tour Director for a full-day excursion to Salzburg, birthplace of Mozart. Stroll the city's historic center, enjoy lunch and visit the Christmas market in Domplatz (Cathedral Square). Pay a visit to the church of Mondsee and attend an exclusive Chef's Highlights dinner aboard.

'Amadeus Star' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 4 MELK & DÜRNSTEIN | CHARMING CHRISTMAS EVE

Disembark by small group to visit the Wachau Valley, with a guided visit to the Benedictine Abbey of Melk and a tasting of *glühwein* (mulled wine) in Dürnstein. A special holiday celebration aboard your ship ends this festive day. Later, you may choose to attend mass in the village.

'Amadeus Star' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 5 VIENNA | ENCHANTED CHRISTMAS MORNING

Disembark to visit Schönbrunn Palace with your small group. Enjoy a strudel-baking demonstration and stroll the palace market. After lunch aboard, drive by Connections vehicle along the Ringstrasse. See the Vienna State Opera and Hundertwasser House. Visit the Imperial Treasury at Hofburg Palace, and stroll through Vienna's Christmas market. This evening, mark Christmas with a special A&K-exclusive dinner and concert ashore at the famous Kursalon.

'Amadeus Star' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 6 BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA | HISTORIC OLD TOWN

See Bratislava's castle district and Old Town. Visit the Church of St. Elisabeth, and view the historic fortress from the Castle District. Enjoy a private cocktail party in the ship's Amadeus Club hosted by your Resident Tour Director, followed by a gala dinner.

'Amadeus Star' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 7 LINZ, AUSTRIA | HALF-TIMBERED HOUSES

In Linz, take a guided tour of the Abbey of St. Florian, with an organ concert. A sweet treat awaits this afternoon as you indulge in an exclusive Linzer torte baking class at a top *patisserie*.

'Amadeus Star' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 8 MUNICH, GERMANY | BAVARIAN PANORAMA

Disembark and drive to Munich, visiting the historic town of Landshut en route. Check in to your boutique hotel, with time to unwind. Gather for a farewell dinner.

Platzl Hotel | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 9 DEPART MUNICH

After breakfast, transfer to the airport and depart.

NOTE: High or low water levels may impact sailing and require changes to the itinerary.



# Dates & Prices

Prices are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy.

Dates	Prices	Single Supplement	Availability
<b>Dec 21 - Dec 29, 2020</b>			
B-4 Strauss-Deck	\$5,895	\$1,295	Waitlist - Call A&K
B-1 Strauss-Deck	\$6,195	\$1,795	Call for Availability
A-1 Mozart-Deck	\$6,395	\$2,095	Limited Availability
Amadeus Suite Mozart-Deck	\$6,895	\$3,595	Waitlist - Call A&K

## Journey Details

Minimum age is 12 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 6:00 p.m. on Day 1.

Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 8.

Prices are per person based on double occupancy. Internal and international air not included. See complete terms and conditions [here](#).