LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

Splendors of Budapest, Vienna & Prague 2020
10 days from $7,995
Limited to 18 guests

Explore the great cities of Central Europe, enjoying a private evening cruise on the Danube through Budapest, a Chef's Table experience in Bratislava, a tour of Vienna's Schönbrunn Palace and a visit to the Jewish Quarter in Prague.

A&K Advantages
Discover the three most radiant cities in Central Europe, experiencing their architectural, artistic and cultural heritage firsthand, alongside the finest local experts
Privately visit Budapest's State Opera House, as well as the library of the Strahov Monastery in Prague
Enjoy a private evening cruise on the Danube
Stop at the lively Central Market Hall in Budapest on an engaging market visit and enjoy a tasting experience
Share lunch with a local chef, who offers insights into seasonal dishes, on a Chef's Table culinary experience
Itinerary

**DAY 1 ARRIVE BUDAPEST, HUNGARY**
Arrive in Budapest, a city occupying both sides of the Danube River and founded in 1873, when right-bank Buda and Óbuda joined left-bank Pest. Budapest’s broad avenues and turn-of-the-century architecture have earned it the name, “the Paris of Eastern Europe.” Like Paris, it is a cultural mecca for writers, artists and musicians. Transfer to your hotel, where you join your A&K Resident Tour Director and fellow guests for a welcome dinner.

Four Seasons Hotel Gresham Palace Budapest | Meals: Dinner

**DAY 2 BUDAPEST | MATTHIAS CHURCH & FISHERMAN’S BASTION**
This morning, cross the Danube River to explore the Buda side of the city. Visit Matthias Church, the 13th-century coronation cathedral of Hungarian kings, and Fisherman’s Bastion, offering spectacular views of the city. Built in neo-Gothic and neo-Romanesque styles, the bastion is named for the guild of fishermen who defended this part of the city during the Middle Ages. Then, meet a Buda resident for lunch in the gardens of her villa — an experience specially planned for A&K guests. Enjoy your afternoon at leisure, relaxing in your luxurious accommodations or exploring this romantic city on your own, perhaps dining at one of Budapest’s fine restaurants. Choose one on your own or ask your Resident Tour Director for a list of recommendations by A&K.

Four Seasons Hotel Gresham Palace Budapest | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

**DAY 3 BUDAPEST | ACROSS THE BRIDGE IN PEST**
Today, explore Pest, starting with a private visit to the beautiful, neo-Renaissance Hungarian State Opera House, which was commissioned by Emperor Franz Joseph and opened in 1884. Continue your city tour as you view Heroes’ Square and stop to see the Great Synagogue as well as St. Stephen’s Basilica, whose south tower houses the largest bell in Hungary. Then, visit the Central Market Hall, to view the vast array of food and crafts on sale throughout its three floors, including cheeses, sausage and other local specialties, and enjoy time at leisure for lunch on your own. Later, visit the Parliament Building before spending the remainder of your afternoon at leisure. This evening, after dinner, embark on a private cruise of the romantic Danube, to watch the glittering lights of Budapest drift by in the night.

Four Seasons Hotel Gresham Palace Budapest | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

**DAY 4 BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA & VIENNA, AUSTRIA | CHEF’S TABLE**
Journey overland to Bratislava, capital of Slovakia, for a guided walking tour of its old town, once a jewel of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. Stop at a local restaurant, where you enjoy a Chef’s Table experience, having lunch with its esteemed chef, who shares insights into seasonal dishes and his life as a restaurateur. Embark on a high-speed catamaran for a quick cruise along the Danube River to Vienna, Austria.

Hotel Sacher Wien | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

**DAY 5 VIENNA | AUSTRIAN TREASURES**
Join your local guide for a walking tour of marvelous Vienna. At the Hofburg Palace — former seat of emperors and current residence of the president of Austria — visit the Treasury to admire its glittering collection of imperial regalia. Then, continue to the Gothic St. Stephen’s Cathedral. Spend your afternoon at leisure. Dine at a local restaurant before attending a concert at the Mozarthaus Vienna, set in the historic house where Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart lived in the late 18th century.

Hotel Sacher Wien | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

**DAY 6 VIENNA | VISIONS OF THE IMPERIAL CITY**
This morning, enjoy a panoramic tour of Vienna, viewing the Prater and its Giant Ferris Wheel. See the Secession Building and the famous Hundertwasser House, and then visit the Belvedere Gallery, where you find many works by the brilliant and controversial symbolist artist Gustav Klimt, including The Kiss. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant, and then tour Schönbrunn Palace, the former residence of Habsburg monarchs. Spend your evening at leisure.

Hotel Sacher Wien | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

**DAY 7 POPICE, CZECH REPUBLIC | WINES OF A UNIQUE TERROIR**
Travel to Prague, stopping en route at the Sonberk winery in the Czech countryside for a tour and tasting of its signature vintages, followed by lunch. Continue to Prague, where you check in to your hotel, and then enjoy dinner at a local restaurant.

Mandarin Oriental, Prague | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**DAY 8 PRAGUE | HISTORY REMEMBERED**
Today, tour the city’s Castle District, starting with a private visit to the Baroque library halls of the Strahov Monastery, to view its incredible frescoes, which reside amid detailed stucco ceiling decorations. Stroll in the peaceful quiet, looking up at the mural devoted to the intellectual progress of mankind, and let yourself contemplate a bygone era. Then, admire the religious artifacts at the Loreto Chapel, a remarkable Baroque monument that remains a place of pilgrimage. Also, view the towering, Gothic St. Vitus Cathedral, which houses the tombs of Bohemian kings and Holy Roman Emperors, including that of Wenceslas I, Duke of Bohemia — legendary subject of the beloved Christmas carol “Good King Wenceslas.” Cross the famous Charles Bridge, an iconic landmark of Prague completed in 1402, to embark on a walking tour of Josefov, the city’s Jewish Quarter, which remained a walled ghetto until 1848. View the birthplace of Franz Kafka (part of the State Jewish Museum complex), best known for his existentialist novel The Metamorphosis. Proceed to visit the Old Jewish Cemetery, site of 12,000 graves, and the Old-New Synagogue, Europe’s oldest active synagogue, completed in 1270. Afterward, enjoy your evening at leisure.

Mandarin Oriental, Prague | Meals: Breakfast
DAY 9 PRAGUE | DESIGN YOUR DAY
This morning, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

Visit Tripartit Gallery for a Glass Painting Workshop, and then explore the collections at the National Gallery.

Set Out on a Foodie Walking Tour, savoring tastes of Czech cuisine, from pastries to goulash to beer.

Relax with a Spa Experience at your hotel, in a haven for the body and spirit, choosing from an array of treatments. Spend your afternoon at leisure. Tonight, gather for a celebratory farewell dinner at a nearby local restaurant.

Mandarin Oriental, Prague | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 10 DEPART PRAGUE
Transfer to the airport to board your flight home, or begin your post-tour extension.
Extensions

Warsaw & Krakow Pre-Tour Extension

Tour Warsaw's highlights, explore Krakow with a local guide, and visit Auschwitz and the former Schindler factory.

6 days from $3,995
Single Supplement from $795
Available to add to all departure dates.
See Dates & Prices For Details

DAYS 1-2
Arrive in Warsaw, Poland, and transfer to your hotel. The next day, enjoy a guided tour of Warsaw highlights.

Mamaison Hotel Le Regina Warsaw | Meals: Dinner (Day 1); Breakfast (Day 2)

DAYS 3-4
Drive to Krakow, stopping en route in Czestochowa to view the Black Madonna at Pauline Monastery of Jasna Góra. The next day, explore beautiful Krakow with your local guide, visiting Market Square and Oskar Schindler’s former factory.

The Bonerowski Palace | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner (Day 3); Breakfast (Day 4)

DAYS 5-6
Arrive at infamous Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp, now a memorial. Return to Krakow. The next day, depart for Budapest.

The Bonerowski Palace | Meals: Breakfast

Berlin & Dresden Post-Tour Extension

Tour Dresden by foot, visit the Reichstag and Checkpoint Charlie, and enjoy a guided tour of Cecilienhof Palace.

5 days from $3,995
Single Supplement from $895
Available to add to all departure dates.
See Dates & Prices For Details

DAY 1
Arrive in Dresden, Germany, for a walking tour, visiting the Historic Green Vault. Continue to Berlin and check in to your hotel, where you enjoy dinner.

Hotel de Rome | Meals: Dinner

DAYS 2-3
Tour Berlin, visiting the Reichstag. Drive through Potsdamer Platz to Checkpoint Charlie. The next day, have lunch with a local resident and hear stories of life in former East Germany.

Hotel de Rome | Meals: Breakfast (Day 2); Breakfast, Lunch (Day 3)

DAY 4
Drive to Potsdam to view the Glienicke Bridge, site of Cold War spy exchanges. Tour Sanssouci Palace, visit a former KGB prison and enjoy a guided tour of Cecilienhof Palace. Tonight, enjoy a farewell dinner.

Hotel de Rome | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 5
Transfer to the airport to depart.
## Dates & Prices

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

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## Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 6:30 p.m. on Day 1.

Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 9.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

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