



# DANUBE RIVER & HABSBERG EMPIRE

June 9 to 19, 17 to 27, August 20 to 30, and August 28 to September 7, 2006

From the palaces of Budapest and cathedrals of Vienna to the spires of Prague and the castles of Kraków, explore the legendary landmarks of the Habsburg Empire and Central Europe on this exclusive new travel program. Experience these magnificent cities and explore the historic castles and spectacular natural landscapes of the Wachau Valley. Participants will enjoy accommodations at some of central Europe's finest hotels and aboard the deluxe M.S. AMADEUS PRINCESS while cruising the Danube River. In addition, travel between Prague and Kraków aboard the elegant MAJESTIC IMPERATOR TRAIN DE LUXE, a detailed faithful reproduction of Emperor Franz Joseph's imperial train. Throughout the program, expert guides will lead excursions and tours of central Europe's most famous palaces, castles, cathedrals and museums. We also invite you to join a special optional pre-tour program in Budapest, Hungary and an optional two-day extension in Poland's historic capital of Warsaw. Both options include deluxe accommodations for two nights at a centrally located deluxe hotel and specially arranged city tours led by expert guides.



## INCLUDED FEATURES

### ABOARD THE M.S. AMADEUS PRINCESS

- ◆ Four-night cruise on the scenic Danube River from Budapest, Hungary, to Passau, Germany, with calls at Vienna and Melk, Austria.
- ◆ Comfortable accommodations in a tastefully appointed outside cabin with private bathroom facilities.
- ◆ All meals each day, featuring fine Continental cuisine – early risers' coffee, American breakfast buffet, lunch, dinner and midnight snack – served at a single, unassigned seating.
- ◆ Welcome and farewell receptions aboard ship.
- ◆ **Cruise through the scenic Wachau Valley, a UNESCO World Heritage site.**
- ◆ **All shore excursions:**
  - Half-day tour of **Budapest**, a UNESCO World Heritage site, including visits to the Matthias Church and the Fishermen's Bastion;
  - Half-day **city tour of Vienna**, a UNESCO World Heritage site featuring the Stephansdom;
  - Tour of the magnificent Benedictine Abbey of Melk, a Baroque masterpiece.

**Motorcoach transfer from Passau to Prague. Visit Český Krumlov, a UNESCO World Heritage site, for lunch en route.**



### MAJESTIC IMPERATOR TRAIN DE LUXE

Based on the original designs of Emperor Franz Joseph's personal railroad, this elegant train recalls the golden era of the belle époque when the Habsburg monarchs traveled in unparalleled luxury to the far-flung provinces of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. Reconstructed in the 1990s by a group of Austrian train enthusiasts, this fascinating historic symbol now allows passengers to relive the glory of the Habsburgs while gliding past medieval cities, untouched hamlets and beautiful natural scenery in unsurpassed luxury and comfort.

### IN PRAGUE

- ◆ Three nights in the deluxe *Hotel Le Palais*, an intimate, *belle-époque* property. Breakfast is included each morning.
- ◆ Half-day **walking tour of Prague** through its UNESCO World Heritage site, *Staré Město* (Old Town), to *Josefov* (old Jewish quarter) and to the historic Charles Bridge.
- ◆ Half-day city tour, including Hradčany Castle, and featuring a guided tour of the Royal Palace and a visit to St. Vitus' Cathedral.

### ABOARD THE MAJESTIC IMPERATOR TRAIN DE LUXE

- ◆ A splendid journey during daylight hours while traveling aboard this luxury train through scenic countryside from Prague, Czech Republic to Kraków, Poland, including a welcome drink.
- ◆ A three-course lunch in historical and ornate vintage dining cars.

### IN KRAKÓW

- ◆ Two nights in the Sheraton Hotel, centrally located in the Old Town. Breakfast is included each morning.
- ◆ **Walking tour of historic Kraków**, a UNESCO World Heritage site featuring the *Kazimierz* district, the Wáwel Hill complex, the *Rynek Główny* and the 14th-century *Mariacki Church*.
- ◆ Farewell reception and dinner.

### ENHANCED TRAVEL SERVICES

- ◆ All transfers and luggage handling abroad for all participants who have purchased their air tickets through Gohagan & Company and whose arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
- ◆ All excursions and visits, as outlined in the itinerary, with experienced local guides.
- ◆ Gratuities to local guides, drivers and train personnel.
- ◆ A hospitality desk aboard ship and in hotels.
- ◆ Experienced Travel Directors to accompany you throughout the program.
- ◆ Travel document wallet, name badge, and predeparture material for each participant.
- ◆ Automatic \$250,000 flight insurance for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.



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