

## Multi-day Tours

**Price per Person (CA\$)**  
(based on double occupancy)

### Christmas Markets Cruise

Enjoy two nights in Prague, then visit the fascinating Christmas markets between Nuremberg and Budapest on board the new *ms Amadeus Amalegro*.

11-day Tour

November 29 – December 9, 2007



Discover the quaint Bavarian towns and medieval cities along the Danube. From Prague, the “City of a Hundred Spires”, to Vienna, the “City of Music”, and Salzburg, the “Birthplace of Mozart”, to Budapest, the “Paris of the East”, see how these towns have been celebrating the holidays for hundreds of years. Marvel at the beautiful vistas of enchanting Bavaria and the charming Wachau Valley. Visit colourful Christmas markets and indulge in hot mulled wine and freshly made gingerbread as you shop for unique holiday gifts. Explore these Christmas wonderlands while traveling in comfort and style on a deluxe floating hotel. The brand new *ms Amadeus Amalegro* sets new standards in European river cruising and offers a number of features no other European river cruise ship can match. The ship was designed and built in Holland by Europe’s best ship builders, under the watchful eyes of Europe’s top caterers, and will be completed this month. This new ship will be launched in February of 2007.

#### Ship Features:

Tastefully decorated cabins with fine hotel-like amenities including white-on-white plush bedding with down pillows and down duvet, a cozy sitting area, direct-dial telephone, flat-screen TV with local and satellite channels, Internet access, safe, individually controlled air-conditioning and ample closets.

All 75 staterooms (170 sq. ft.) are outside; 82% feature French balconies Jr. Suites are extra spacious (255 sq. ft.) featuring a sitting area with a sofa and two chairs, floor-to-ceiling windows with French balcony and luxurious, extra spacious bathroom.

Restaurant accommodates all guests in one seating without fixed seating arrangements. Enjoy gourmet cuisine with selected European specialties and complimentary free-flowing wines with dinner.

2 lounges located on the upper deck with panoramic river views.

Glassed-in wellness area featuring a Fitness Center & Sauna, Massage and Beauty Salon.

Bicycles are available for you to enjoy some exploring on your own.

Sun deck with walking track; whirlpool; giant chess game & shuffleboard.

#### Day 1: Toronto - Prague

Our group will meet at Pearson International Airport for our flight with Air Canada to Prague. Meals will be served in flight.

#### Day 2: Prague

History, art, culture and shopping converge in this truly magnificent city. From the

Cabin Category	
Category E	\$3379.00
Category D	\$3494.00
Category C	\$3849.00
Category B	\$3964.00
Category A	\$4084.00

Plus airport departure tax of \$292 per person, subject to change before final payment is due.

#### Included in tour cost:

- 2 nights hotel accommodation in Prague including buffet breakfast daily
- Transfer from Prague to Nuremberg
- 7-night deluxe cruise accommodation in an outside cabin with hotel-style beds
- Superb dining with all meals included while cruising.
- Quality wines from Europe's most famous wine regions with every dinner
- Cocktail Reception & Welcome Dinner
- Captain's Gala Dinner
- Daily sightseeing programs as detailed in the itinerary including: Prague city tour, Nuremberg city tour, Passau city walk, Melk tour of Benedictine Abbey, Vienna city tour and Budapest city tour
- Visit the Christmas Markets in Prague, Nuremberg, Regensburg, Salzburg, Linz and Vienna
- Highlights including lectures, theme dinners & onboard music performances
- Services of a professional Cruise Director
- Nightly entertainment and piano music
- All English language on board in a nonsmoking environment (except Sun Deck)
- Airport transfers
- All local taxes
- Port charges of \$99 per person
- Gratuities of \$110 per person

#### Terms & Conditions

- Deposit of \$500.00 per person is due at time of booking.
- RBC Insurance must be taken out at time of deposit. It is based on value of tour and age of participant. Please call the office toll free at 1-888-923-9183 for quotation or email Fran at [fran@tourdesign.ca](mailto:fran@tourdesign.ca) or Doris at [dto@glpworldwide.com](mailto:dto@glpworldwide.com).

imposing castle overlooking the city to the cobblestone streets and squares of the Old Town, Prague offers attractions and over 4,000 monuments to appreciate at leisure. The Christmas markets and fairytale atmosphere welcome you tonight as we explore Prague's Christmas scene. Dinner on your own this evening.

### **Day 3: Prague**

This morning our local guide shows us the highlights of "Golden Prague", spreading either side of the Vltava River. From the lofty heights of Prague Castle, dominated by the spires of St. Vitus' Cathedral, we look down on the Old Town, the origins of one of the best preserved medieval cities in the world. See Wenceslas Square, picturesque Mala Strana and stroll across the romantic Charles Bridge. Time this afternoon to shop for renowned Czech crystal and beautiful handcrafted goods. Now is the time to grab a sausage and sample some of the world's best beers from the many local taverns at the brightly decorated Christmas markets! If we're lucky, we might even see school children in traditional dress, who come to dance and sing for the crowd. (B)

### **Day 4: Nuremberg**

Drive from Prague through the pastoral countryside to Nuremberg, home of Europe's oldest and largest Christmas market. There is time to visit the Christmas market, where over 100 red and white canvas-topped booths offer an assortment of toys, tinsel angels, dolls, dollhouses and gingerbread, before boarding our ship. The crew of the *ms Amadeus Amalegro* is waiting to welcome you on board. Join your fellow travelers and crew on the ship tonight for welcome cocktails. (B, D)

### **Day 5: Nuremberg - Hipoltstein**

Enjoy a guided morning tour of historic Nuremberg with its fabulous Gothic churches and elegant patrician houses telling the tale of a wealthy and educated populace. This is one of Europe's oldest and largest cities. See the storybook 900-year-old ramparts that surround the city, the Imperial Castle and the Justice Place where the War Crimes Tribunal sat in 1946. At lunchtime, set sail along the Main-Danube Canal, crossing the Continental Divide at Hipoltstein. Informative lectures this afternoon on the canal project. This evening, relax and enjoy on board entertainment. (B, L, D)

### **Day 6: Regensburg**

This morning takes you through the final stretch of the Main-Danube Canal. We stop in Regensburg. This ancient Roman town is one of the best-preserved medieval cities in Germany – a true living museum. Regensburg's historic city centre contains many architectural highlights including the Cathedral of St. Peter, churches, cloisters, the Old Town Hall and the 12th century stone bridge – the first to be built over the Danube. During free time you can visit the festive Christmas market. Folklore performance this evening. (B, L, D)

### **Day 7: Passau - Linz (optional visit to Salzburg)**

Early this morning the ship takes you through scenic valleys and past charming riverside towns. After breakfast, arrive in Passau, where the rivers Inn and Ilz join the Danube. During your walking tour, gaze at this fairy-tale city founded more than 2,000 years ago. Optionally, board a motor coach for an exciting full-day tour to Salzburg and its most popular Sound of Music sights. Salzburg is architecturally and scenically one of the most beautiful cities in Europe, with possibly more masterpieces of Baroque architecture per square mile than any other city in the world. For those staying on board, enjoy a relaxing day of cruising. On arrival in Linz, there is time to visit the jolly Christmas market. (B, L, D)

### **Day 8: Linz - Melk - Vienna**

Cruise through the narrow strudengau and reach the Wachau Valley early this morning. A guided tour takes you to Melk's magnificent Benedictine Abbey, one of Europe's largest Baroque monasteries. Continue cruising through the romantic Wachau Valley, dotted with magnificent castles and charming riverside towns. Arrive in Vienna, the "City of Music". Tonight explore the vibrant Austrian capital

- Final payment is due not later than August 25, 2007.

### **Cancellation Penalties**

- 180 to 95 days prior to departure: \$500.
- 94 to date of departure: 100% of tour cost.

on your own or come along for an optional concert. (B, L, D)

### Day 9: Vienna

A wonderful day to savour the Baroque elegance of Vienna. A centre of classical music, art, theatre and history, Vienna is the city of the waltz, the Spanish Riding School and the sacher torte. The Imperial capital of the Hapsburg Empire for centuries, Vienna is graced with a spectacular array of Gothic, Baroque, and Neoclassical monuments. Our guided tour includes lavish Hofburg Palace, the impressive Vienna Opera House, majestic Ringstrasse and awe-inspiring St. Stephen's Cathedral. Afterward, there is plenty of time to shop in the festive Christmas markets throughout the city. (B, L, D)

### Day 10: Vienna - Budapest

We continue our cruise along the river with our destination being elegant Budapest, the "Queen of the Danube". Budapest straddles the banks of the majestic Danube River and is one of the finest capital cities in Europe. The city has two personalities which contrast beautifully in architecture, style and geography. Buda is built upon hills, two of the most famous being Castle Hill and Gellért Hill, standing firmly to the water. Facing it is Pest, which is as flat as a pancake. Several areas of the city have been afforded the UNESCO World Heritage Site classification. A local guide acquaints us with this grand metropolis. We admire the view from the Fisherman's Bastion, and visit Matthias Church, with its incredible interior decoration. Now another fine view from the old citadel on Gellert Hill, before we cross the Danube into the commercial Pest district to see the grandiose Parliament building and imposing statues of the ancestors of the Hungarian people in Heroes' Square. The Christmas market is situated on Vörösmarty Square in the heart of Pest and is awash with colourful market stalls and an outdoor stage with festive-themed shows. The Christmas market itself displays a whole range of traditional arts and crafts ideal as Christmas gifts. Tonight gather on board for a Gala Farewell Dinner with gypsy violin music. (B, L, D)

### Day 11: Toronto

Say farewell to our gorgeous ship and crew as we depart for the airport and our flight home to Toronto. Meals will be served in flight.



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