



Day 1, Friday

Arrival in Prague, Czech Republic

Welcome to Prague, Czech Republic! After clearing customs you will be met by our local representative at the first exit outside the customs area. Any claims for lost/stolen baggage should be made to the airline representative at the airport. Our representative will show you to your transportation. You will be transferred to your hotel. The balance of the day is free to begin exploring on your own. Tonight, meet your fellow travelers for a Welcome Dinner in a local restaurant and a folklore performance. **(D)**

Day 2, Saturday

Prague

Prague has a long and colorful history, from its early days as a bishopric, to becoming the residence of the Bohemian kings, and later the capital of both Bohemia and the Holy Roman Empire. The city today is a wonder to behold, with beautiful architecture, lush green hills, and graceful bridges spanning the Vltava River. Sightseeing in the "Golden City" reveals why Prague is considered one of the most beautiful cities in Europe. Today, visit the old part of the city to view the Old Town Square, the famous Astronomical Clock, the Jewish Quarter, St. Nicholas Church, Charles Bridge and more. The afternoon is free to relax, shop or explore on your own. Tonight, enjoy an opera performance. **(B)**

Day 3, Sunday

Prague

Cross the Vltava River to visit Royal Castle of Hradcany. With a history dating back to the 9th century, having survived fires and wars, and after many additions and reconstructions, this is considered to be the largest inhabited fortress in the world. Within the castle grounds stands gothic St. Vitus Cathedral. It took almost six centuries to build this magnificent edifice, the largest church in Prague and its spiritual heart. The cathedral holds the tombs of St. Wenceslas, St. Vitus, and St. Adalbert, the country's patron saints, as well as Czech kings, princes and noblemen. After sightseeing here, your afternoon and evening are at leisure to shop or relax. **(B)**

Day 4, Monday

Prague – Vienna, Austria

Travel by motorcoach or first class train to Vienna, the romantic "City of Music." The balance of the day is free. Dinner tonight is in a typical Heurigen restaurant – a "pub" where local wine-growers sell their wares. **(B, D)**

Day 5, Tuesday

Vienna

See the city on a sightseeing tour featuring Hofburg Palace, once the seat of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, and view the Belvedere Palace, Prater amusement park, the UN buildings, St. Stephen's Cathedral and more. After a free afternoon, enjoy an evening concert of Strauss and Mozart's music. **(B)**

Day 6, Wednesday

Vienna

Take a guided visit to the Kunsthistorische Museum this morning. This museum houses one of the world's greatest collections of the old masters. The balance of the day is free to explore delightful Vienna on your own. **(B)**

Day 7, Thursday

Vienna – Budapest, Hungary

Journey eastward by motorcoach or first class train to Budapest, often called "the Paris of the East." This afternoon is free for independent activities or optional excursions. Your Tour Director will have suggestions to help you plan your time. **(B)**

Day 8, Friday

Budapest

In 1873, the twin cities of Buda and Pest joined with ancient Óbuda to form a new, unified city, Budapest. Charming and beautiful, the city was declared a UNESCO World Heritage site in 1987. Morning sightseeing includes views of the decorative Parliament building, seat of the National Assembly; Váci Utca, a pedestrian street lined with shops and restaurants; Hero's Square with the millennial monument, 118 foot high Corinthian column dedicated to the Roman Catholic Church, and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. The balance of the day is at leisure. **(B)**

Day 9, Saturday

Budapest

Sightseeing this morning focuses on the Castle Hill area, the 13th century Matthias Coronation Church, Fisherman's Bastion and Royal Palace; Gellért Hill with the imposing Citadel at its peak. Your afternoon is free for last minute shopping and exploration. Enjoy dinner in a typical "Csarda" restaurant – Hungarian for a village pub or tavern – with entertainment. **(B, D)**

Day 10, Sunday

Depart Budapest

After breakfast, transfer to the airport. Your homebound flight arrives the same day. **(B)**

(B) Breakfast (L) Lunch (D) Dinner

The exact order of sightseeing each day is subject to change due to weather and operational conditions.

IMPERIAL CITIES TOUR 2017

Prague – Vienna – Budapest

10 days / 9 nights

DATES: April - Oct 2017

Friday Arrivals and Sunday Returns	
Apr 21 – 30	Aug 11 – 20
May 5 – 14	Sep 1 – 10
May 19 – 28	Sep 8 – 17
Jun 2 – 11	Sep 29 – Oct 8
Jun 23 – Jul 2	Oct 13 - 22
Jul 14– 23	

HOTELS: Hotels are subject to availability, if the hotels below are not available, comparable hotels will be confirmed. Additional cost may apply.

CITY	HOTEL	NIGHTS
PRAGUE	MAJESTIC PLAZA	3
VIENNA	HILTON STADTPARK	3
BUDAPEST	INTERCONTINENTAL	3

LAND ONLY RATES: Please inquire about airfare for this tour

Twin/Double Occupancy Rate: \$2,065 (price per person)

Single Occupancy Rate: \$2,860 (price per person)

Transfers are included if arrival and departure dates match the tour dates. Tour is by motor coach and has a local escort with a minimum of 10 participants. With less than 10 participants, local guides and driver/escort will be provided and inter-city transportation will be by train instead of motor coach. Please inquire about special airfares in conjunction with this tour.

INCLUDED FEATURES:

- 9 nights hotel accommodation
- Inclusive Dining: 9 breakfasts (B) and 3 dinners (D) at local restaurants, including a special Welcome Dinner with folklore performance in Prague
- Special features: Opera performance, Hradcany Royal Castle, Hofburg Palace, Strauss and Mozart concert, Kunsthistorische Museum, Fisherman’s Bastion
- Professional Tour Director
- Expert local guides in each city
- Entrance Fees and Transfers per Itinerary
- Hotel Taxes & Service Charges