



## Budapest, Vienna, and Prague (Group Tour)

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*August 10<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022 (tentative)*

*11 Days*

*Cost: \$2795 total (based on double occupancy)*

***Includes:*** all international flights, nightly 3-star accommodations, shuttle service from West Michigan to Chicago airport, all ground transportation in Central Europe, international trains, full time travel director, & all listed admissions & tours. Other expenses **not included** are: most meals, checked baggage, optional excursions, and travel insurance.

*Travel Insurance available through our affiliate program at World Nomads. More information at <https://percussive.org/insurance>*

Signup Deadline: April 10, 2022 - checks made payable to Percussive Tours, LLC – Cash, Venmo (@percussive), & Credit Card also accepted. 3.5% processing fee added to all credit card transactions

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## **DAY 1, Wednesday, Aug 10 - Fly to Budapest**

Transfer from West Michigan to Chicago for your transatlantic flight this evening to Hungary's historical capital city: Budapest! Your flight will include all meals, beverages, and entertainment.

**Overnight:** Airplane

## **DAY 2, Thursday, Aug 11 – Arrive in Hungary**

Arrive in Budapest this morning and transfer to your centrally located hotel to relax and unwind. Later, join your local Hungarian tour guide as they take you on an in-depth walking tour of this beautiful capital. Visit sights such as:

- Hungarian Parliament Building
- Liberty Square
- Chain Bridge
- Basilica of Saint Stephen
- Sissi's Square
- And much more!

Afterwards, enjoy free time in the area

**Overnight:** Budapest

## **DAY 3, Friday, Aug 12 – Budapest Boat Tour**

This morning, enjoy a scenic boat tour down the Danube river through Buda & Pest, while listening to commentary from your local guide. The boat will also make a stop at Margaret Island for you to walk around and enjoy the park and amazing scenery across the river!

Later, opt for one of our many optional excursions.

*OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS:*

- ***Buda Funicular at Sunset***  
Take in the panoramic views of the city and the Danube in this mountain train to the peak of the Buda Castle District.
- ***Night-time Dark History and Vampire Walking Tour***  
Take a journey into the chilling truth, mystery, and legends that surrounds the Buda Castle district. You will be guided by a historian who will narrate the tales and scandals of Vlad Dracula, "the Impaler", and Elizabeth Báthory, "the blood countess", and other terrifying tales.
- ***Wine Tasting Tour***  
Follow your professional sommelier to the wine cellar and treat your palate to flavors of rich regional Hungarian wine and cheese.

**Overnight:** Budapest

## **DAY 4, Saturday, Aug 13 - Budapest Free Day**

Feel free to sleep in or enjoy the city at your own pace. There are plenty of sights to explore in addition to the amazing excursions that we have planned.

### *OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS:*

- ***The 10 Tastings Gourmet Food Tour***  
"Hungry" for Hungarian cuisine? Look no further! This food tour will fill you with joy as your local guide takes you to the best restaurants and markets in town to enjoy unique dishes and drinks that will fill your belly and your soul.
- ***Dinner Cruise on the Danube***  
This historic city is best seen from its iconic river that cleaves the city in two. Experience the twinkling lights of city on a panoramic boat with live music while enjoying classical

Hungarian food.

- ***Széchenyi Thermal Baths***

Unwind in Budapest's largest naturally medicinal hot springs that include 18 pools and 10 saunas. Enjoy the spa baths in this luxurious palace and feel refreshed.

- ***Buda Castle***

Nestled in the hills of Buda, this UNESCO world heritage site was first built in the 13<sup>th</sup> century and is filled with vaulted ceilings and baroque furnishings. From the frescos to the tapestries, it is grandeur like you have never seen before. It houses an extensive art and artifact collection throughout seven museums in and around the property.

**Overnight:** Budapest

## **DAY 5, Sunday, Aug. 14 – Arrive in Vienna**

This morning, take the train to magnificent Vienna, Austria! Upon arriving, transfer to your centrally-located hotel and later join a local guide for a walking tour of the area. Enjoy visiting sites such as:

- Palace Garden
- Heldenplatz
- Hofburg Palace
- Graben Street
- St. Stephen's Cathedral
- Mozart's Residence
- Vienna State Opera
- And much more!

Later, have some free time in the city at your own leisure.

**Overnight:** Vienna

## **DAY 6, Monday, Aug 15 - Schönbrunn Palace**

Today, take a tour of the amazing Schönbrunn Palace. With your guide, walk through dozens of lavish staterooms (1441 total rooms!) and learn about the Habsburgs Royal Family. Later explore the ornate palace gardens dating back to the 1600s.

Afterwards, enjoy free time or opt for one of our optional excursions.

- ***Vienna Watercolor Painting Class***  
Paint your own souvenir of your stay in Vienna! The beautiful "Karlskirche", one of the landmarks of Vienna, is just waiting for you to be put on paper. With a pencil, watercolors, and step-by-step instructions from our professional artist, this experience is suited for beginners and advanced painters, or just someone looking for a unique experience!
- ***Vienna Classical Concert***  
Treat yourself to a classical music concert in Vienna's St. Peter's Church. One of the city's baroque beauties, this ornate church is a fitting venue for an evening of music in the heart of the city. Take a seat in the church vaults and immerse yourself in a program of music from renowned classical composers such as Mozart, Vivaldi, Bach, Schubert, and Beethoven.

**Overnight:** Vienna

## **DAY 7, Tuesday, Aug 16 - Vienna Free Day**

Today, enjoy a free day relaxing in Vienna, or opt for one of our fabulous optional excursions!

*OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS:*

- ***Bratislava, Slovakia Day Trip***

On this full-day tour you will wind through the Slovakian countryside in the comfort of an air-conditioned coach. Upon arriving in Bratislava, you will learn hidden secrets from your local guide and visit sites like Grassalkovich Palace and St. Michael's Tower during your walking tour in the heart of this mystical Slovakian capital.

- ***Austrian Wine Tasting***

Lovers of fine wine will savor the chance to taste the varieties that Austria has to offer. You learn to evaluate wine on a deeper level and pair them with locally sourced cheeses and cured meats.

- ***Kunsthistorisches Museum***

This art history museum was completed in 1891 and houses some of the world's most impressive art and antiquities; like Michelangelo, Raphael, and Caravaggio. In addition to ancient Egyptian, Greek, and other treasures.

**Overnight:** Vienna

## **DAY 8, Wednesday, Aug 17 - Arrive in Prague**

This morning, take the train to the beautiful medieval capital of the Czech Republic: Prague! After arriving in the city, transfer to your centrally-located hotel. Later, join your local guide for a walking tour of the city, with visits to sites such as:

- The Rudolfinum
- Old Jewish Quarter
- World-famous Astronomical Clock
- Prague Castle
- Powder Tower
- Church of Our Lady before Tyn
- And much more!

Later, enjoy free time at your own leisure.

**Overnight:** Prague

### **DAY 9, Thursday, Aug 18 - Prague Castle Circuit**

Today, enjoy a skip-the-line ticket that will grant you access to the following attractions to explore at your own pace:

- Prague Castle
- Old Royal Palace
- St. George's Basilica
- Golden Lane
- St. Vitus Cathedral
- Charles Bridge Museum

Later, have some free time or hop on one of our optional excursions.

#### *OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS:*

- ***5-Course Medieval Dinner Theatre***  
Immerse yourself in the romance of medieval times with a 3-hour dining experience in Prague. Leave the modern world behind as you step into a candle-lit tavern, and kick off the evening with a mug of beer or glass of wine. Sit down to five generous courses of medieval food, as jugglers take the stage alongside belly dancers and swordsmen. Lose yourself in the music and fun, and meet vivid characters that range from a frightening executioner to an old fortuneteller with magical powers.

**Overnight:** Prague

### **DAY 10, Friday, Aug 19 – Prague Free Day**

Today, explore Prague at your own pace or join an optional

excursion.

*OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS:*

- ***Prague Bike Tour***

Explore the scenic streets of Prague by bike on this all-ages tour. Strap on a helmet, hop on a bike, and set out with your guide to learn about the historic center of Prague. Enjoy a leisurely ride through Old Town Square, the Jewish Quarter, Prague Castle, and more.

- ***The 10 Tastings Gourmet Food Tour***

Savor a selection of gourmet tastings with your local guide as you embrace the Czech culture through delicious food. Bring your appetite as we scavenge the city for the best treats Prague has to offer.

**DAY 11, Saturday, Aug 20 – Fly Home**

Transfer back to the airport for your flight back to the USA, including meals, beverages, and entertainment.

**\*Percussive Tours reserves the right to modify this itinerary if certain activities become unavailable**