

Orlando Ski and Travel Club presents ...



Cruise in a group of 38-45 aboard our privately owned 140- to 162-passenger ships

The Great Rivers of Europe

Austria: Vienna, Melk | **Germany:** Passau, Regensburg, Nuremberg, Bamberg, Wurzburg, Wertheim, Heidelberg, Rudesheim, Koblenz, Cologne | **The Netherlands:** Amsterdam

16 days from m **\$6216**

with international airfare
from Orlando

15 days from m **\$5016**
River Cruise only



IT'S INCLUDED

International airfare, airport transfers, government taxes, fees, and airline fuel surcharges, unless you choose to make your own air arrangements

Accommodations for 14 nights aboard a private river ship with wireless Internet access in all common areas and cabins

ALL meals: 14 breakfasts, 14 lunches, 14 dinners—including 2 meals in local restaurants—plus all onboard house beer, wine, and soft drinks

12 included tours with personal headsets and **5 Exclusive Discovery Series events**—German Politics discussion • German language lesson • Home-Hosted *Kaffeeklatsch* • Rhine-Main-Danube Canal transit & discussion • Glassblowing demonstration

Local Program Directors, a Grand Circle Cruise Line exclusive: These dedicated experts are with you and your group of 38-45 travelers from beginning to end to provide insider's knowledge and the perspective that will enrich your experience

Gratuities for local guides and motorcoach drivers

All port charges

Baggage handling for 1 piece of luggage per person, including tips

5% Frequent Traveler Credit toward your next trip—an average of \$297



Reserve your space on www.orlandoskiandtravelclub.com
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ITINERARY OVERVIEW MAY 4, 2024 - May 19, 2024

Day 1 • Depart U.S.

Day 2-3 • Vienna, Austria Embark ship

Included Tour Vienna

Day 4 • Melk

Included Tour Melk Abbey

Day 5 • Passau, Germany

Included Tour Passau

Day 6-7 • Regensburg • Kelheim

Included Tour Regensburg

Day 8 • Nuremberg

Included Tour Nuremberg

Day 9 • Bamberg

Included Tour Bamberg

Day 10 • Wurzburg

Optional Tour Rothenburg

Day 11 • Wertheim

Included Tour Wertheim

Day 12 • Frankfurt • Heidelberg • Rudesheim

Included Tour Heidelberg

Day 13 • Rudesheim • Koblenz

Included Tour Koblenz

Day 14 • Cologne

Included Tour Cologne

Day 15 • Amsterdam, the Netherlands

Included Tour Amsterdam

Day 16 • Return to U.S.

Disembark ship

MAXIMIZE YOUR DISCOVERIES & VALUE

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

all with FREE Single Supplements

Prague, Czech Republic Departs 4/30/24

4 nights pre-trip from \$945

Vienna, Austria Departs 5/1/24

3 nights pre-trip from \$795

Bruges, Belgium Returns 5/22/24

3 nights post-trip from \$895

WHAT TO EXPECT

Group Size

- This trip has a group size of 38-45 travelers with a local Program Director exclusive to Grand Circle

Pacing

- 15 days, with 14 nights aboard a river ship
- Return flights often require departing in early morning hours

Physical Requirements

- Walk 1-3 miles unassisted within a time period of 1-2 hours, and participate in 3-4 hours of physical activities each day, including stairs and cobblestones

- Optional activities and elective walks may be offered in addition to the above-mentioned activity levels
- Agility and balance needed for boarding small canal boats and navigating steep, slippery stairs
- Not accessible for travelers using wheelchairs or scooters
- Travelers using walkers, crutches, or other mobility aids must travel with a companion who can assist them throughout the trip
- We reserve the right for Program Directors to restrict participation, or in some circumstances send travelers home, if their limitations impact the group's experience

Terrain & Transportation

- Diverse terrain and uneven walking surfaces, including steep and unpaved paths, hills, riverbanks, 25-50 stairs without handrails, and cobblestones
- Travel by 162-passenger river ship and 49-seat coach
- Changes in water-level depths may require adjustments to your itinerary

Climate

- Daytime temperatures range from 40-73°F during cruising season
- June-August are the warmest months
- March and November weather can be unpredictable and change quickly

YOUR ITINERARY

DAY 1 • Depart U.S.

Depart today on your flight to Vienna, Austria.

DAY 2 • Vienna, Austria • Embark ship

Arrive in Vienna, where you'll be greeted at the airport by a Grand Circle representative who will assist you with the transfer to your private river ship. Later, you'll meet your Program Director and those travelers who took the pre-trip extension to *Prague, Czech Republic* or *Vienna, Austria*.

D—M/S *River Aria* or M/S *River Adagio*

DAY 3 • Vienna • Captain's Welcome Dinner

Join your Program Director for an included half-day city tour of Vienna, featuring the *Ringstrasse*, the wide boulevard that circles the city center, and St. Stephen's Cathedral. You'll also see the Spanish Riding School, home of the famous Lipizzaner stallions, and the well-known Hofburg Palace. Tonight, celebrate your voyage at a festive Welcome Dinner.

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DAY 4 • Melk

Spend the morning cruising through the lovely landscape of the Wachau Valley—a UNESCO World Heritage Site—on our way to Melk. This afternoon, enjoy a guided tour of the 900-year-old Melk Abbey.

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DAY 5 • Passau, Germany • German lesson

Preview what awaits you in Germany this morning, as you learn helpful German words and phrases during an **Exclusive Discovery Series** language lesson led by your Program Director. Then, enjoy a walking tour of Passau, an elegant town that has served as a German cultural and intellectual hub for centuries. You'll also have free time this afternoon, perhaps to visit St. Stephen's Cathedral, home to the world's largest church organ outside of the U.S.

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DAY 6 • Regensburg

Step ashore this morning for a walking tour of Regensburg, one of Germany's largest and best preserved medieval cities. You'll see the twelfth-century Stone Bridge (*Steinerne Brücke*) and the towering St. Peter's Cathedral—Bavaria's most impressive Gothic wonder and home to a famous boys' choir.

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DAY 7 • Kelheim • Rhine-Main-Danube Canal discussion

Your ship pulls in to Kelheim, and the morning is yours to explore this quaint Bavarian hamlet as you please. Later, return to the ship and begin cruising to Nuremberg—entering the Rhine-Main-Danube Canal en route, and learn about the history and construction of this engineering marvel during an **Exclusive Discovery Series** discussion.

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DAY 8 • Nuremberg

This morning, arrive in Nuremberg—its name evoking the post-World War II Nazi war trials. Here, you'll join a city tour with a local guide, which includes a visit to the Zeppelin Field rally grounds where the Nazi party held rallies for up to 100,000 spectators. Then, enjoy lunch in a local restaurant followed by an afternoon to make your own discoveries.

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DAY 9 • Bamberg

Set out on a morning walking tour of Bamberg, which was founded in AD 902, began to prosper in the twelfth century, and was the center of southern Germany's Enlightenment in the late 18th century.

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DAY 10 • Würzburg • Optional Rothenburg tour

Today, your ship docks in Würzburg, a charming Bavarian port along the Main River. Spend the morning at leisure here, or you can disembark and join our optional full-day excursion to Rothenburg, where you'll step into medieval times. This afternoon, enjoy an included walking tour of Würzburg.

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DAY 11 • Wertheim • Home-Hosted Kaffeeklatsch • Glassblowing demonstration

This morning, enjoy a fitting introduction to your next port of call, Wertheim, with an **Exclusive Discovery Series** glassblowing demonstration. Upon arrival, step ashore for a walking tour of this fairy-tale town, located at the confluence of the Main and Tauber rivers and home to a proud glass production tradition. Then, head to the home of a local family for a traditional *Kaffeeklatsch*. Share coffee and cake with your host during an **Exclusive Discovery Series** Home-Hosted Visit.

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DAY 12 • Frankfurt • Explore Heidelberg

This morning, you arrive in Frankfurt. Then, disembark for an excursion to



Heidelberg, a vibrant German university town set on the edge of the Odenwald Forest, where you'll visit the 15th-century Heidelberg Castle.

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DAY 13 • Morning sailing • Explore Koblenz

As your ship makes way to Koblenz, enjoy views of the Rhine River's castle corridor, a stretch of valley liberally sprinkled with turreted hilltop structures on both shores. Then, disembark to explore Koblenz, where the Rhine and Mosel rivers meet. After marvelling at the Old Town, rebuilt after World War II, and strolling the famous Rhine promenade, set off for the Winningen wine region where you'll sample a selection of local specialty wines.

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DAY 14 • Cologne

This morning, arrive in Cologne for an included tour. You'll see the Roman Gate, the Hohenzollern Bridge, and the Gothic

Cologne Cathedral, followed by free time. Tonight, cruise into Dutch waters on the Rhine River, heading toward Amsterdam.

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DAY 15 • Amsterdam, the Netherlands • Captain's Farewell Dinner

In the morning, enjoy a city tour by boat—cruising along Amsterdam's lovely canals. Then, spend the afternoon exploring Amsterdam on your own before returning to the ship for the Captain's Farewell Dinner.

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DAY 16 • Disembark ship • Return to U.S.

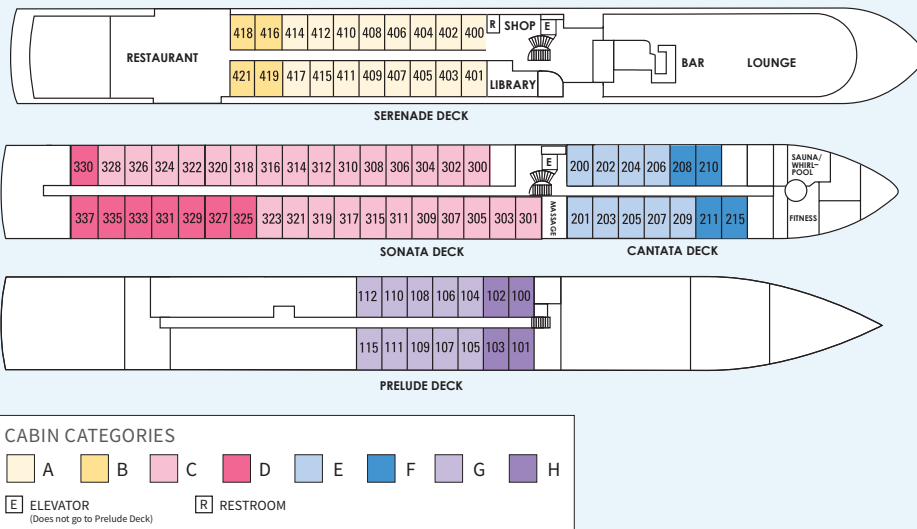
After breakfast, disembark the ship and transfer to the airport for your flight home. Or, continue your trip with an optional extension to Bruges, Belgium.

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Motorcoach excursion meets ship at next port.

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M/S RIVER ADAGIO



Registry: Malta
Width: 38 ft.
Length: 418 ft.
Passenger capacity: 162
International crew: 38
Decks: 4
Number of cabins: 82—
 all outside
Elevator: Yes (no
 elevator access to
 Prelude Deck)

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10% Early Bird Discount! Save 10% off the price of the trip including any pre or post trip extensions when you sign up and pay in full by 6/20/23

DECK

A	Serenada A	\$6516
B	Serenade Deck (Top Deck w/balcony)	\$6316
C	Sonata Deck	\$5916
D	(Middle Deck w/picture window)	\$5816
E	Cantata Deck	\$5716
F	(Middle Deck w/picture window)	\$5616
G	Prelude Deck	\$5416
H	(Lower Deck w/small window)	\$5016

Depart from:

MAY 4, 2024

Orlando \$1200

Additional departure cities are available. Call for details.

Deposit: \$500 per person.

Single Supplement: \$895. Single accommodations are limited. To avoid the single supplement, ask about our Roommate Matching Service.

GOVERNMENT TAXES AND FEES The following government taxes and fees are now included in your airfare price. **Government and other authority taxes and fees: September 11th Security Fee** of up to \$2.50 USD applies per passenger, per flight segment (maximum charge per trip—\$5.00 USD one-way, \$10.00 USD round trip). A flight segment is defined as one takeoff and one landing. **Passenger Facility Charge (PFC)** of up to \$18 per passenger. **Federal Domestic Flight Segment Fee** of up to \$3.70 USD applies per passenger, per flight segment (defined as a takeoff and a landing). **U.S. or International Departure and Arrival Charges** of up to \$200 USD may apply depending on itinerary. On select itineraries that include the purchase of a pre- and/or post-trip extension, U.S. or international departure and arrival charges of up to \$300 USD may apply. Call for details. Standard Terms & Conditions can be found on the web at www.gct.com/tc.

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***Dates, prices and itinerary may be subject to change.**

RATES DO NOT INCLUDE: Passport fees, travel insurance, personal charges, gratuities for Local Program Director or Ships Crew, flight upgrades or changes or any items not specified above.

EARLYBIRD Rate: 10% discount on entire trip price including pre and post extensions!

***Entire Balance Due Must be Paid in Full via Check or Credit Card by 6/20/23**

If any remaining balance is due after 6/20/23: Invoice will be adjusted to the Full advertised rate for entire registration – no discount

10% discount is calculated after any OAT/GCT future travel credits have been applied

Non-Early Bird Rate Check Payment Schedule:

Initial Deposit	\$500.00 per person
September 1, 2023	\$2,500.00 per person
January 15, 2023	Balance due

RESERVATIONS: OSTC membership, deposit or full payment via credit card at time of registration and a completed trip registration online are required to reserve space on this trip. You must first pay your 2023-2024 club membership dues prior to the website allowing you to register for this trip. Space cannot be held without trip deposit or full CC payment. Parties of 2 or more must register separately with their own email login.

Surf www.orlandoskiandtravelclub.com to register and pay full balance by credit card for this trip at time of registration or mail checks payable to Orlando Ski & Travel Club to:

Steve Clark, 3017 Bay Lake Rd, Orlando, FL 32808.

COVID VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS: You must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 at least 14 days prior to your departure. OAT/GCT considers "fully vaccinated" to be when all required primary doses have been received, as per CDC guidelines. OAT/GCT does not require a Booster shot; however, if a country on your itinerary requires one, you must adhere to their guidelines.

CANCELLATION POLICY: All cancellations must be received by Orlando Ski and Travel Club in writing. A \$100.00 per person non-refundable fee applies if cancellation is received after initial deposit/full payment but before June 20, 2023.



After June 20, 2023 cancellation policy is as follows:

- 90 days or more prior to departure: \$100
- 89-60 days prior to departure: \$100 + 40% of your trip price
- 59-30 days prior to departure: \$100 + 65% of your trip price
- 29 days prior to departure: 100% of your trip price

Wherever and whenever you choose to travel with O.A.T./ G.C.T., reserve at no risk: If you cancel a reservation at least 90 days prior to your departure, you will receive a refund equal to your Trip Price (minus \$100 club fee). Unless otherwise stated next to the program's rate chart, you will receive a refund (which excludes the cost of the non-refundable Travel Protection Plan) less any non-refundable airfare/add-ons, non-refundable services fees, and the above per-person charges. Any applicable refunds will be returned to you in a manner to be determined by O.A.T. or Grand Circle, including, but not limited to credit for future travel. The majority of applicable refunds are processed within 90 days of receipt of your cancellation.

Trip Insurance is HIGHLY recommended.

OSTC does NOT endorse any Insurance provider. Shop carriers & read the small print, encourage a minimum of Medical coverage with BED REST option.

