

# A River Cruise in the Czech Republic

## **Inspiring Moments**



- Enjoy two nights in historic Prague, exploring its stunning architecture, royal history and vibrant cultural scene.
- Cruise the scenic VItava and Elbe rivers, gliding by romantic Bohemian landscapes, castles and quaint villages.
- Linger inside noble Bohemian castles, filled with riches and famous works of art.
- Admire Franz Ferdinand's medieval weapons and armor at Konopiště Castle.
- Witness Dresden's beloved treasures during a panoramic and walking tour.
- Uncover architectural gems in Litoměřice, one of Bohemia's oldest cities.
- Experience three UNESCO World Heritage sites.



Top: Charles Bridge, Prague | Above: Czech beer



#### **Itinerary**

Day 1	Depart gateway city

Day 2 Arrive in Prague | Transfer 🔾 to hotel

Day 3 Pragu

Day 4 Prague | Karlovy Vary or Český
Krumlov | Transfer 3 and
embark ship

Day 5 Vltava River | Štěchovice | Benešov

**Day 6** Prague | Prague Castle or Historic Jewish Quarter

Day 7 Prague | Elbe River | Kralupy

Day 8 Mělník | Dresden, Germany

Day 9 Litoměřice | Prague

Day 10 Transfer To Prague airport and depart for gateway city

Flights and transfers provided for AHI FlexAir participants.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

#### Included Features



#### Accommodations (with baggage handling)

- -2 nights in Prague, Czech Republic, at the first-class Art Deco Imperial Hotel.
- 6 nights aboard the exclusively chartered, first-class Elbe Princesse.

## Transfers (with baggage handling)

 Deluxe motor coach transfers during the Land Program.

## **Extensive Meal Program**

- 8 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 6 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; and all drinks included aboard the ship, except special wines and spirits.

#### Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- Enrichment by expert speakers enhances your insight into the region.
- Engaging excursions and PYJ |
   Personalize Your Journey showcase
   the local culture, heritage and history.
- AHI Connects | Local immersion.
- Free time to pursue your individual interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- -Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.
- AHI Sustainability Promise | Striving to make a positive impact wherever we travel.

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## Bohemian Wonders | A River Cruise in the Czech Republic

## A World of Discovery

\*\*AHI Connects | Czech Brewery Tour \*\* Tasting. Visit a local brewery to learn about the Czech Republic's distinctive strong beers and lagers, followed by a tasting.

Prague's Old Town. Set out on a guided walk in this historic capital known as the City of a Thousand Spires. Stroll the heart of the old town with its colorful buildings, Gothic cathedrals and famed Astronomical Clock, installed in 1410, where you'll stop to witness the hourly "Walk of the Apostles." Pass by St. Vitus Cathedral, the Old Royal Palace and the16th-century Golden Lane, located within th palace grounds, where Czech writer Franz Kafka once lived.

Cruise the VItava River. Embark on the riverboat and depart Prague. Begin your cruise by passing under the iconic Charles Bridge, admiring the spectacular skyline, dotted with medieval towers, church spires and the majestic Prague Castle. Relax on board and admire Bohemia's scenic rolling hills, lush forests and serene countryside.

Konopiště Castle. Cruise to Štěchovice to visit this 13th-century fortress, once the House of Habsburg's hunting lodge, and an example of French-influenced fortification architecture. Marvel at the large collection of medieval armor and weapons that belonged to the late Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria, and stroll the surrounding gardens.

Cruise the Elbe River. Note the changing landscape as you cruise this scenic river from Bohemia toward Germany. Admire charming villages, lush vineyards and Mělník Castle before reaching the steep hills and cliffs near the Czech-German border.

Nelahozeves Castle. Stop in Kralupy to visit one of Bohemia's finest Renaissance castles and home to 23 Bohemian princesses and queens. Inside, marvel at the rich collection of furniture and paintings by Dutch masters, belonging to the House of Lobkowicz. Gain a sense of the Baroque-period luxurious lifestyle of the oldest, most eminent, noble Bohemian family nobility. Then, enjoy a tour and tasting of fine wines a nearby winery.

Dresden City Tour. Cruise to Mělník and take a pangramic motor coach and walking.

take a panoramic motor coach and walking tour of Dresden's treasures. View historic castles across the Elbe River; the landmark Blue Wonder cantilever truss bridge, and the posh residential area of Weisser Hirsch. Then, on a guided walk in the heart of this

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## **EXTEND YOUR STAY**

Berlin | 3 Nights | Post-Trip

{At an additional cost. See website for details.}

royal capital, see the Church of Our Lady, Royal Catholic Cathedral and Royal Castle. Marvel at the baroque Dresden Zwinger complex and the historic Taschenbergpalais Hotel, followed by an inside visit to the Green Vault museum or the Old Master's Gallery.

Litoměřice Tour. Visit one Bohemia's oldest cities, established in the 10th century on the site of a Slavic fortress near the confluence of the Elbe and Ohře rivers. See architectural gems, such as the Gothic Old Town Hall, the Baroque Bishop's Palace and the elegant, Romanesque St. Stephen's Cathedral.

PYJ | A choice of unique excursions:

## **Prague**

- Spa Town of Karlovy Vary Walking Tour and Scenic Cable Car Ride
- Historic Český Krumlov Walking Tour

#### **Prague**

- Visit Prague Castle & St. Vitus Cathedral
- Prague Jewish Quarter Tour and Visit to the Prague National Jewish Museum

#### **Enrichment**

- The Velvet Revolution

#### **UNESCO World Heritage**

- Historic Centre of Prague, Czech Republic
- 2. **Historic Centre of Český Krumlov** Czech Republic
- 3. The Great Spa Towns of Europe: Karlovy Vary, Czech Republic

#### Accommodations

## Art Deco Imperial Hotel |

Prague, Czech Republic

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## **Elbe Princesse**

39-cabin River Cruise Ship Ship's registry: France

Tripadvisor

**Activity Level:** We have rated all of our excursions with activity levels to help you assess this program's physical expectations. Please call or visit our website for full details.



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