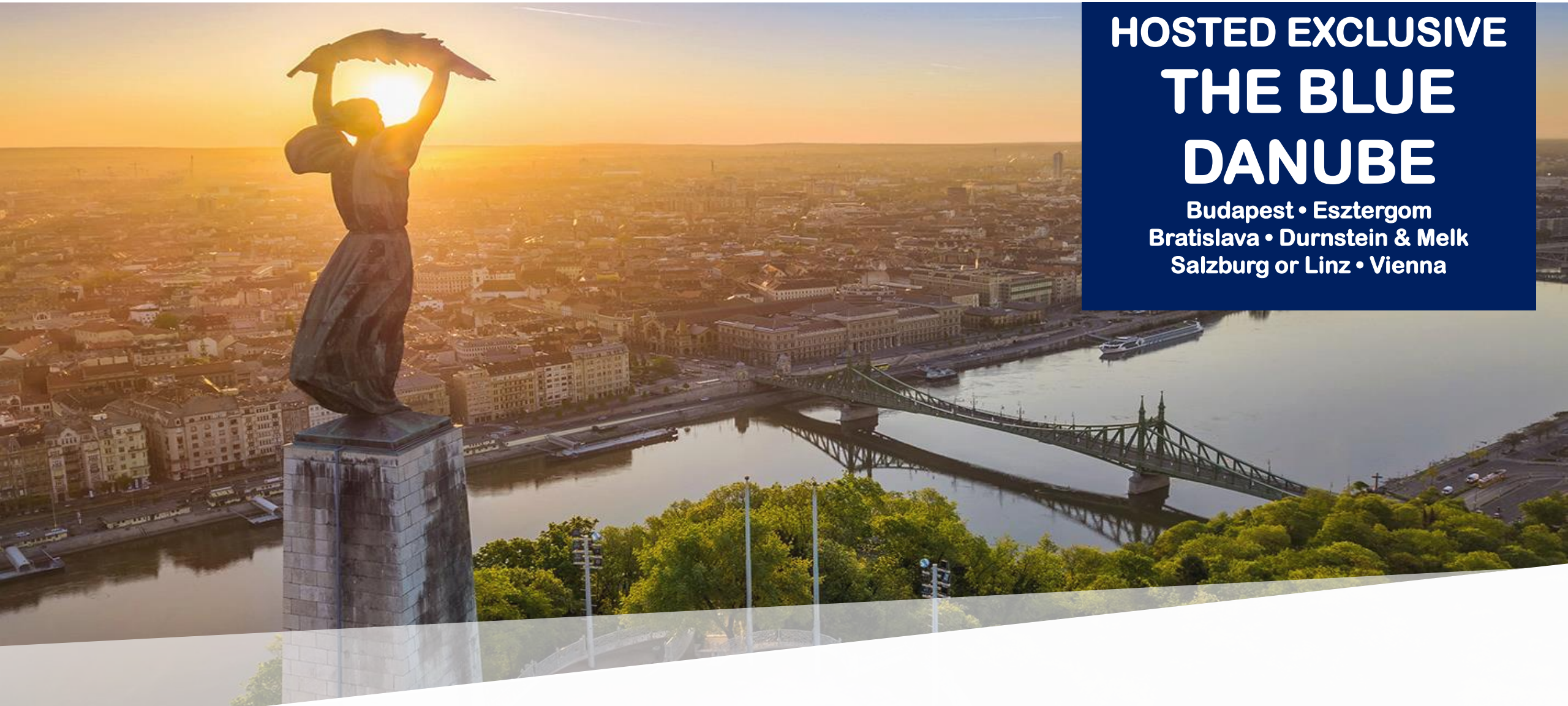




**HEATHROW • MANCHESTER
BRISTOL • BIRMINGHAM • LEEDS
EXCLUSIVE HOSTED EXCLUSIVE
FULLY CHARTERED SHIP**

**HOSTED EXCLUSIVE
THE BLUE
DANUBE**

**Budapest • Esztergom
Bratislava • Durnstein & Melk
Salzburg or Linz • Vienna**





• VOYAGES BEYOND EXPECTATIONS •

FULLY CHARTERED SHIP • EXCLUSIVE HOSTED GROUP
DIRECT FLIGHTS TO BUDAPEST + FIVE DEPARTURE AIRPORTS
FIVE-STAR SHIP • EXCLUSIVE BENEFITS

A scenic view of the Danube river in Budapest at sunset. The Hungarian Parliament Building is illuminated and reflected in the water. A multi-deck cruise ship is visible on the left side of the river.

VOYAGES BEYOND EXPECTATIONS

EXCLUSIVES + HOSTED GROUPS

HELLÓ, HALLO & AHOJ!!

(Hungarian, Slovak & Austrian for Hello)

We are happy to announce our new & exciting edition to the 'Voyages Beyond Expectations' portfolio with an unforgettable experience exploring a wealth of grand baroque architecture, medieval cities, picture perfect towns and the sights that inspired Strauss and Mozart all awhile sailing in 5-star comfort with Riviera Travel sailing one of Europe's most popular rivers, the Danube!

Our presentation guide will help navigate you to everything you need to know to confidently sell this fantastic experience to your customers.

INFORMATION

GUIDE

Exclusive Hosted Charter

The Blue Danube

10 October 2025 • 7 nights

Direct flights from
**London Heathrow, Bristol,
Birmingham, Manchester & Leeds**

7-nights onboard
fully chartered ship -
MS William Wordsworth
All overseas group transfers included
FREE Superior Drinks Package

Prices starting from
£2,099pp

**QUICK PACKAGE
OVERVIEW**

What's included with your Riviera Travel package?

- ✓ Return direct flights
- ✓ 20kg+ luggage allowance
- ✓ All overseas airport transfers

- ✓ 7-night cruise on five-star ship, MS William Wordsworth
- ✓ Free Superior drinks package worth £400 per person
- ✓ Full board dining
- ✓ Free on-board Wi-Fi
- ✓ 7 visits & tours
- ✓ Complimentary on-board tea & coffee
- ✓ All port charges & airport taxes

Exclusive benefits...

- ✓ Hosted on each flight departure
- ✓ Fully-chartered ship – complete takeover!

- ✓ Meet & Greet staff at each departure airport

- ✓ Hosted staff members throughout

- ✓ FREE enhanced Vienna excursion see page 6

- ✓ Onboard cocktail reception with your captain

- ✓ Onboard Travel Hospitality Desk

**PACKAGE
INCLUSIONS**

What's included in the Superior drinks package?

'Perfect for travellers looking to enjoy a luxurious river cruise hassle-free'

Over lunch in restaurants you can enjoy unlimited drinks from a choice of:

- Red, white, rosé and sparkling house wine, including non-alcoholic
- Draught beer, including non-alcoholic
- A selection of soft drinks and juices

Then from 6 pm until midnight in their bar and restaurants, enjoy all of the above, plus unlimited drinks from a choice of:

- Our cocktail and mocktail of the day
- House spirits and mixers (including gin, vodka, rum and whisky)
- A recommended regional wine during dinner
- Martini & Sherry pre-dinner
- Port & Brandy after dinner

Exclusive enhanced city experience....

Vienna & Schönbrunn Palace

This morning we'll tour the city with a local guide who'll offer insights into why Vienna is one of Europe's great capitals – it was the seat of the Habsburg emperors and played host to some of the world's finest classical composers, including Beethoven, Brahms, Mozart and, of course, a whole family of Strausses.

Later, after lunch on board, we'll take the short drive to explore Schönbrunn Palace - one of the most popular sights in Vienna. We'll experience the opulence of the Habsburg dynasty and explore the stunning architecture, richly furnished rooms and expansive garden of this UNESCO World Heritage site.

While the palace was commissioned in the 17th century by Emperor Leopold I, it was Empress Marie Theresa who transformed it into the Palace we see today. On the imperial tour, we'll see the grandeur of Austria's imperial history, walking in the footsteps of Empress Maria Theresa and Emperor Franz Joseph. Adorned with exquisite furniture, elaborate chandeliers, and intricate wall hangings, these rooms offer a glimpse into the extravagant lifestyle of the Habsburg dynasty. Don't miss the portraits in the Great Gallery, the exotic influences of the 'Chinese Cabinets', and the impressive Hall of Ceremonies.

This evening we've arranged what is truly the 'icing on the cake': After a spectacular Captains dinner, we'll enjoy a classical recital. No visit to Vienna is complete without a live musical experience, to hear this exquisite music played in the city of its creation makes a wonderful finale to the day. Later this evening, we'll begin the final journey to Budapest.

**CRUISE
OVERVIEW**

Please note airlines reserve the right to make any necessary essential changes to the flight times.

HEATHROW



10 Oct 2025
LHR to BUD
08:25 > 11:55

17 Oct 2025
BUD to LHR
12:55 > 14:40

BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE
20+ KG PP

MANCHESTER



10 Oct 2025
MAN to BUD
16:30 > 20:15

17 Oct 2025
BUD to MAN
21:00 > 22:55

BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE
20+ KG PP

BRISTOL



10 Oct 2025
BRS to BUD
11:50 > 15:20

17 Oct 2025
BUD to BRS
09:40 > 11:25

BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE
20+ KG PP

BIRMINGHAM



10 Oct 2025
BHX to BUD
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17 Oct 2025
BUD to BHX
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BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE
20+ KG PP

LEEDS

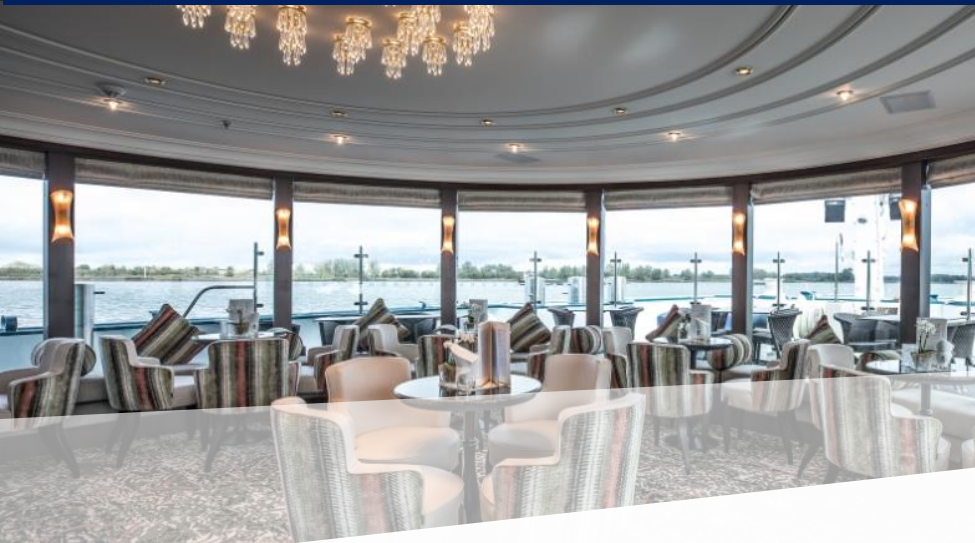


10 Oct 2025
LBA to BUD
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17 Oct 2025
BUD to LBA
20:40 > 22:30

BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE
20+ KG PP

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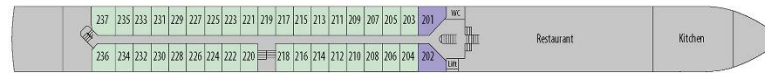


MS WILLIAM WORDSWORTH

DIAMOND DECK (UPPER DECK)



RUBY DECK (MIDDLE DECK)



EMERALD DECK (LOWERDECK)



- DELUXE BALCONY SUITE
25sq.m/269sq.ft
- SUPERIOR SUITE
2.3sq.m/247sq.ft
- SUPERIOR STERN SUITE
2.3sq.m/247sq.ft
- DIAMOND DECK SUITE
1.7sq.m/183sq.ft
- RUBY DECK SUITE
1.7sq.m/183sq.ft
- EMERALD DECK SUITE
1.6sq.m/172sq.ft

EXAMPLE OF A SUPERIOR SUITE



MS William Wordsworth Riviera Travel

Year Built: 2018
Cabins: 88
Total Crew: 44
Passenger Capacity: 167
On board currency: Euro

Facilities:

- Air Conditioning
- Spa & Wellness
- Restaurant
- Laundry Service
- Small Splash Pool
- Lounge & Bar
- 24-hour Front Desk
- Bistro with Open Kitchen
- Boutique Gift Shop
- Lifts between Upper, Middle & Lower Decks

[CLICK HERE](#) for a full 360 degree ship tour

Fun fact...

Ship name derives from the romantic poet who helped launch the Romantic Age of English literature. One of Wordsworth's famous topics to write about in his poems was the Lake District and its natural beauty.

CRUISE OVERVIEW

THE EXPERIENCE

DAY-BY-DAY



ITINERARY

THE EXPERIENCE

DAY-BY-DAY



**Approximate Departure Times:
10 October 2025**

(Please refer to Slide 6)

Arrive at your chosen airport & be welcomed by our Meet & Greet Team and your Host who will be able to help and assist you.

On arrival into Budapest, a coach will take you to your cruise ship. A dedicated crew are there to welcome you on board, ensuring you settle in and familiarise yourself with Riviera Travel's five-star first-class floating hotel.

There's always a sense of expectancy and excitement on the eve of a cruise and, after an excellent dinner in the stylish restaurant, conversation is sure to revolve around the delights ahead.

ITINERARY

THE EXPERIENCE

DAY-BY-DAY



Included experience
Visit to Esztergom

Overnight we have cruised upstream to Esztergom, one of Hungary's oldest towns, a royal capital during medieval times and today the seat of the country's archbishop. We have a guided tour of the famous neoclassical basilica, standing sentinel over the Danube on the border with Slovakia, and boasting one of the world's largest altarpieces and a wealth of priceless religious artefacts.

The castle is also worth exploring; it was the seat of government until the Ottomans invaded in the 16th century.

Nestling below are myriad atmospheric churches resonating with the enchanting sounds of choir; this is the best of provincial Hungary and is little changed since Habsburg times. As you enjoy your first lunch on board we gently leave Esztergom in our wake, affording a fascinating opportunity to compare the different landscapes, towns and villages of Hungary on one riverbank and of Slovakia on the other.

ITINERARY

THE EXPERIENCE

DAY-BY-DAY



Included experience
Guided tour of Bratislava

This morning we explore Slovakia's fast-emerging capital city, Bratislava, on a guided tour. Until recently swathed in the drab uniformity of Communism, the city has rekindled the splendour of its imperial past in its beautifully restored Old Town. Equally impressive is the imposing 17th-century castle commanding expansive views across the Danube.

This afternoon we cruise into Lower Austria, a peaceful, bucolic region and home to some of the country's best wines. By now the stresses of everyday life seem distant as you absorb the ever-changing scenes, we pass children playing on the riverbanks, young couples strolling arm in arm like generations before them, vigneron carefully pruning their vines, and cobbled quaysides lined by half-timbered buildings.

You'll marvel as the Captain skilfully navigates the ship along the serene river and through locks whose mechanisms never cease to fascinate, as we cruise towards Dürnstein during dinner.

ITINERARY

THE EXPERIENCE

DAY-BY-DAY



Included experience
**Guided tours of Dürnstein
& Melk Abbey**

Dürnstein is known principally for the ice-blue tower of its abbey, which dominates the view, and the castle where Richard the Lionheart was imprisoned in 1192 after being shipwrecked on his return from the crusades. This morning we take a guided walking tour to explore this memorable city further.

After lunch you visit the remarkable Melk Abbey. Nothing quite prepares you for your first sight of this enormous honey-coloured building, standing resplendent above the surrounding countryside. Originally a castle, it was gifted to the Benedictine Order in the 11th-century and, although reconstructed in Baroque style during the 18th century, it has remained a monastic school and monastery ever since.

The Abbey is renowned for its 214-yard-long Emperor's Gallery lined with portraits, many fine rooms and an ornate library. After we re-join the ship, dinner is served during the final part of our cruise upstream through the pretty Nibelungengau, immortalised in the music of Wagner.

ITINERARY

THE EXPERIENCE

DAY-BY-DAY



Included experience
**Guided tour of Linz or
Salzburg**

Reaching Linz, you will have the choice to stay in the city and take a guided walking tour, exploring its charming baroque old town. See one of the finest squares in Austria, lined by grand pastel-coloured facades with an impressive central Trinity Column of white marble, crowned by a gilded sunburst. There's also the fortress-like castle, built high above the city by Emperor Friedrich III.

Alternatively, we drive to Salzburg, once an independent state whose archbishops turned it into one of the most sophisticated cities north of the Alps. Dominating the skyline is one of Europe's largest stone fortresses, the Hohensalzburg, while beneath its walls church domes and spires rise from the delightful Altstadt, or Old Town. Then there's the wonderful Hellbrunn Palace and the splendid formal gardens of the Mirabell Palace – a must for horticulture fans.

Please note lunch is not included on this full day excursion to Salzburg; however, the ship will offer a packed lunch. We return to the ship for another splendid dinner.

ITINERARY

THE EXPERIENCE

DAY-BY-DAY



Included experience

Guided tour of Vienna & live classical recital

This morning we have a tour with a local guide offering insights into why Vienna is one of Europe's great capitals – the seat of the Habsburg emperors and home to some of the world's finest classical composers, including Beethoven, Brahms, Mozart and, of course, a whole family of Strausses.

During the afternoon you're free to explore as you wish. Take a stroll in the Prater, notable for the huge Ferris wheel that features in several Cold War spy thrillers. Or visit the Schönbrunn Palace, a former royal residence now housing a range of world-class museums and galleries. Or take a stroll through Vienna's atmospheric side streets, or enjoy a coffee in one of the lovely coffee houses.

This evening we've arranged truly the 'icing on the cake': no visit to Vienna is complete without a live musical experience, so after dinner hosted by the Captain himself we have a classical recital on board.

ITINERARY

THE EXPERIENCE

DAY-BY-DAY



Included experience
**Guided tour of Budapest &
Hungarian folklore show**

Enjoy a leisurely morning as we cruise majestically through Hungary's peaceful pastoral landscape towards Budapest. After lunch we enjoy a sightseeing tour of this captivating city, which truly lives up to its reputation as the 'Pearl of the Danube'.

The twin cities of Buda, built around the hilltop fortress, and Pest, with its wide boulevards, were fought over through the centuries.

Budapest became an imperial city of the Habsburg Empire, attracting great cultural and commercial wealth. Castle Hill is Budapest in microcosm: two churches, seven museums and a theatre among streets and squares with their own special atmosphere and a dramatic view across the river to the awe-inspiring neo-Gothic Parliament Building.

This evening's Gala Dinner closes with a Hungarian folklore show, giving you time to bid farewell to your travelling companions and reflect on all the inspirational places, sights and sounds you have experienced on a truly 'imperial' cruise.

ITINERARY

THE EXPERIENCE

DAY-BY-DAY



After breakfast, transfers will take you to the airport at the appropriate time for your flight home.

On arrival back into the UK it is time to say good-bye and make your way back home and pass along all the memories with your loved ones.

ITINERARY

**THE
PACKAGE
PRICE**
2 sharing

**Package price based on 2 sharing with
the below cabin type(s):**

Emerald (lower) Suite	from £2,099pp
Ruby (middle) Suite	from £2,729pp
Ruby (middle) Superior Suite	from £3,129pp
Diamond (upper) Suite	from £2,929pp
Diamond (upper) Superior Suite	from £3,379pp
Diamond (upper) Stern Superior Suite	from £3,279pp
Diamond (upper) Dlx Balcony Suite	from £3,679pp

Prices are fluid and can change. Please call 01903 442001 for a live quotation.

PRICING

**THE
PACKAGE
PRICE**
Solo travellers

**Package price based on single travellers with
the below cabin type(s):**

Emerald (lower) Suite from £2,716pp
(sole occupancy)

Ruby (middle) Suite from £4,078pp
(sole occupancy)

Diamond (upper) Suite from £4,378pp
(sole occupancy)

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PRICING



Extras & Upgrades...

Door-to-door service

Opt for a convenient door-to-door service with transport from your home to your choice of regional airport available as an added optional. Terms and conditions apply.

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**CRUISE
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