

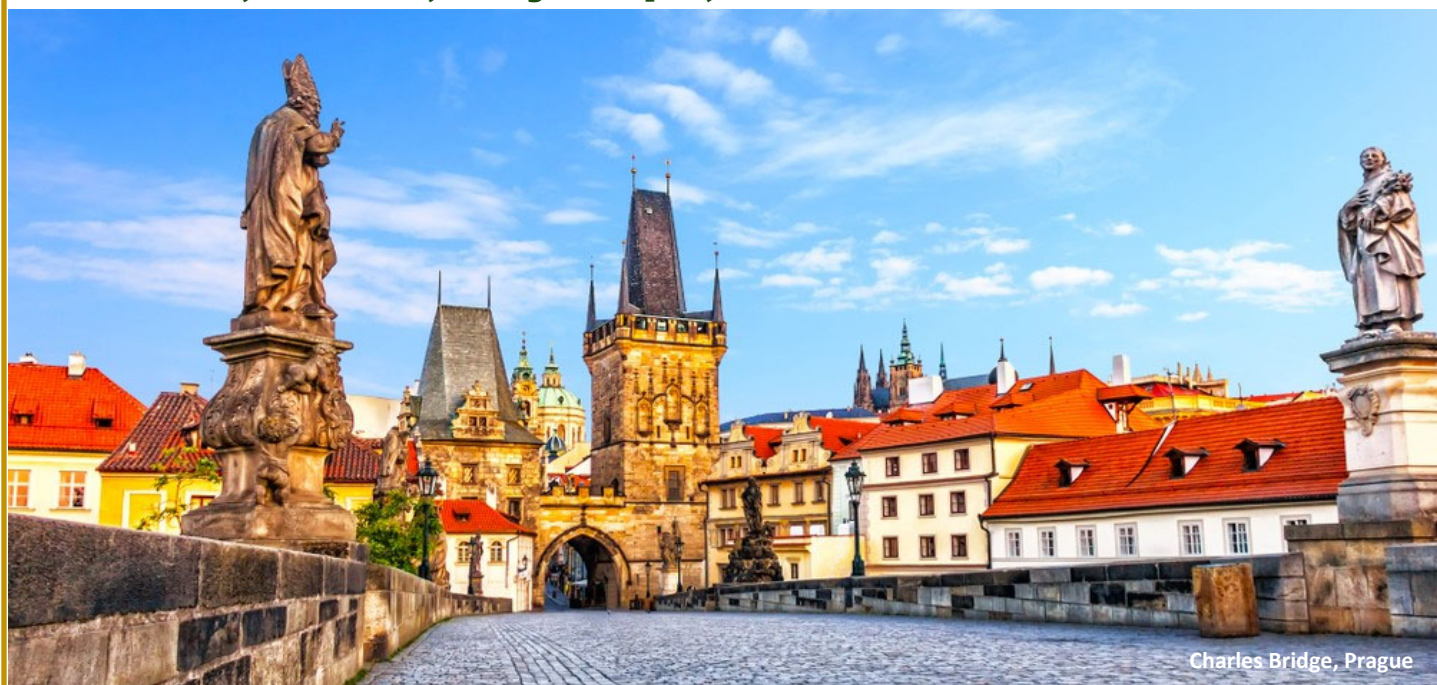
# The Imperial Cities

**Budapest, Vienna & Prague**

**November 4 - 12, 2024**

**Optional 2-Night Berlin Extension**

**From \$3,499 Air & Land 9 Days, 8 Nights Including  
Hotels, Meals, Day Trips, & Airfare From New York**



Charles Bridge, Prague

On this program, you will discover the region's best-kept secrets, the must-see Imperial cities of Budapest, Vienna, & Prague, spectacular mountain vistas, breathtaking landscapes, & a wealth of history & art. Explore the stunning city of Budapest & its storied history along the banks of the Danube. Revel in Vienna's baroque architecture, musical history, & romantic atmosphere. Delve into Prague's 11-century past & take in its current allure as the capital of the Czech Republic. Extend your trip & visit world-famous Berlin with landmarks such as the Brandenburg Gate & Checkpoint Charlie & explore the city's rich & diverse past. All this & more await you as you uncover Europe's rich cultural life, history, friendly people, charming medieval towns, & age-old gastronomic delights. Take advantage of this incredible journey & travel with Quest Voyager through the European gems of Budapest, Vienna, Prague, & Berlin!

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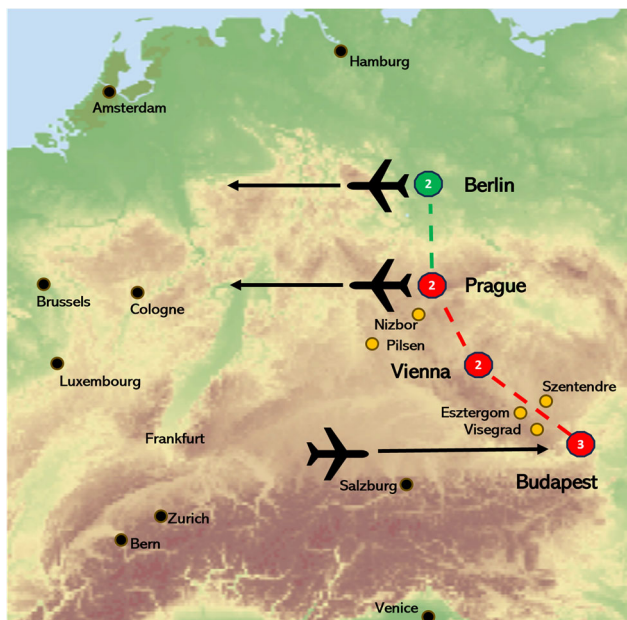
### Included Features:

- **ROUND TRIP AIR** - Air transportation from New York.
- **FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATIONS** - 7 nights first class hotels.
- **MEALS** - 12 included meals consisting of 7 buffet breakfasts, 1 lunch & 4 dinners.
- **THE PROGRAM** - Sightseeing, including local guide & all entrance fees as follows: Half day tour of Budapest, Full day Danube Bend tour, Full day tour including a city tour of Vienna, Half day tour of Schönbrunn Palace, Full day tour including a city tour of Prague. Optional tours available.
- **JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY** - Our program encompasses cultural connections, in-depth learning on the local economy & social systems, & interaction with locals such as learning about the art of making traditional Czech beer in Prague & a visit for a coffee to a traditional café in Vienna.
- **PROFESSIONAL TOUR DIRECTOR** - Assistance of a professional Tour Director during tours & transfers
- **FIRST-CLASS MOTORCOACHES** - Touring by private first-class airconditioned motorcoach
- **BAGGAGE HANDLING & TRANSFERS** – Baggage handling for one piece of checked luggage outside of the airport.

### Optional Extension to Berlin:

- **FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATIONS** - 2 nights first class hotels.
- **MEALS** - 2 included meals consisting of 2 buffet breakfasts.
- **THE PROGRAM** - Sightseeing, including local guide & all entrance fees as follows: A half day city tour of Berlin.
- **PROFESSIONAL TOUR DIRECTOR** - Assistance of a professional Tour Director for the entire length of the tour.
- **FIRST-CLASS MOTORCOACHES** - Touring by private first-class airconditioned motorcoach.

**Tour Activity Level 2:** There is easy walking throughout the day. Plan to get on and off the coach/boat, with light walking tours, some stairs and uneven surfaces, through cities and sights such as museums.



**Destination Highlights:** Relaxed three destination stay • Europe's culture, arts, music, architecture, history, & cuisine • Budapest • Vienna • Prague • Berlin • Heroes Square • Modern city of Pest • Castle District in Buda • Baroque-style architecture • Danube River • Visegrad, the former Royal Residence • medieval Szentendre • Coffee in a Viennese cafe • Vienna's Ringstrasse & its magnificent buildings • Schönbrunn Palace • Strahov Monastery Prague • St. Vitus Cathedral • Gothic to Art Nouveau architecture • Pilsen & Nizbor • Pilsner Urquell brewery • Glass factory in Nizbor • Checkpoint Charlie in Berlin • Brandenburg Gate • Berlin Wall Memorial • & more.

**The Tour Price:** is \$3,499 per person, double occupancy. For single occupancy, add \$699 (limited availability).

Fuel surcharges of \$350 & land taxes & other fees of \$150 per person are included. Fuel surcharges & taxes are valid at the time of printing but are subject to change.

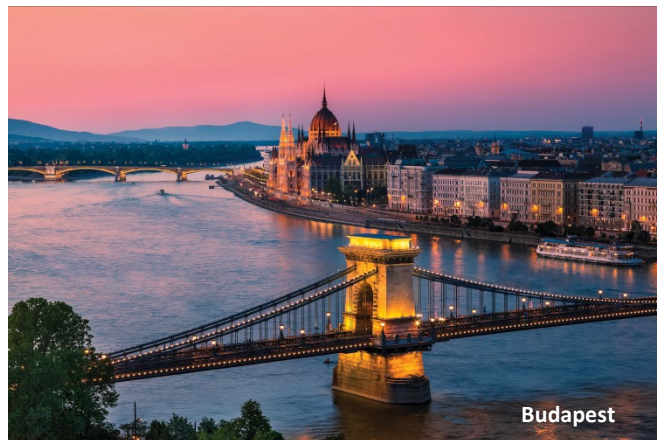
**The price of \$3,499 includes the Pilsen Tour (\$109) if reserved with a deposit by March 22, 2024.** After this date the price increases to \$3599 per person, plus the cost of the Pilsen Tour.

**Optional Berlin Extension:** \$699 double occupancy, \$299 Single supplement is additional. (limited availability).



**Day 1 Leave the USA** Set off on your overnight international trip to Budapest. Meals & beverages are served on board.

**Day 2 Arrive in Budapest** Upon arrival, you'll be met by your tour director & transferred to your hotel. Welcome to Budapest & the splendor of this remarkable city! Budapest is two cities in one – Buda & Pest, separated by the mighty Danube River. This evening enjoy dinner at the hotel. Maybe afterward, take a walk to see the ancient city of Buda & the modern city of Pest, connected by several bridges, including the famous Chain Bridge. (D)

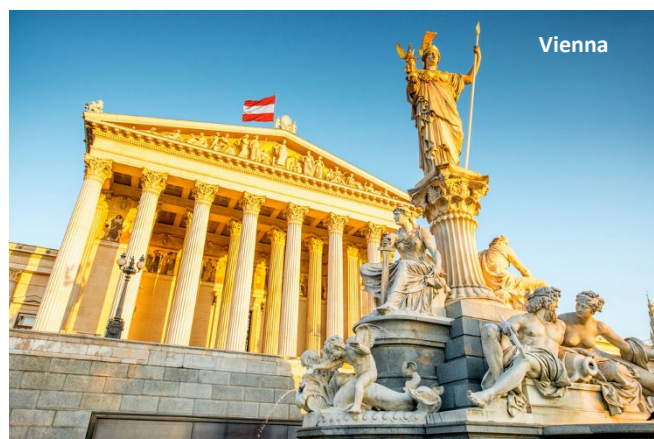


**Day 3 Budapest - City Tour** After breakfast, take a guided tour aboard your private motor coach & explore the main attractions of Budapest. See the Heroes Square (Heroes Square), the Opera House, & the Parliament. Walk through the Castle District in Buda & marvel at the Baroque-style architecture. End the tour at Gellert Hill for a stunning view of the city. Spend the afternoon leisurely, enjoying the stunning views of the Danube River & the bustling city center, with its many cafes, shops, bars, & restaurants. This evening dinner will be served at the hotel. (B,D)

**Day 4 Budapest - Danube Bend** Today discover the River Danube Bend & its enchanting towns. Explore three significant settlements along the scenic bend of the Danube River. First, visit Visegrad, the former Royal Residence, & enjoy its fascinating views. Continue to Esztergom to explore its famous cathedral. Afterward, take a guided walking tour of Szentendre, the medieval artists' town. Along the way, enjoy some free time for lunch in a local restaurant. Don't miss out on this incredible journey through the River Danube Bend & its enchanting towns! (B)

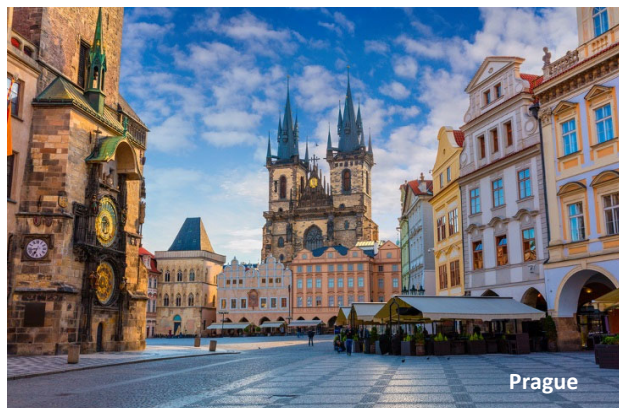
**Day 5 Budapest – Vienna – City Tour** After breakfast, depart Budapest & head to Vienna for a full day of touring, including a half-day city tour. Along the way, you'll stop for lunch. Vienna combines beauty & charm with culture, style, & sophistication as a European city. See the Ringstrasse & its magnificent buildings, the Hofburg, the Parliament building, the City Hall, the Burgtheater, & the Belvedere Palace. Then join locals for coffee & dessert at one of Vienna's most famous coffeehouse. Afterward, check into the hotel & enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure by visiting the bustling city center, with its many cafes, shops, bars, & restaurants. (B,L)

**Day 6 Vienna** Today prepare to be captivated on this half-day tour by the grandeur of Schönbrunn Palace, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that reigns as Vienna's crowning jewel and the city's most sought-after destination. This magnificent palace, steeped in history and opulence, promises an enchanting journey through time as you wander through its lavish chambers and the intriguing stories within its walls. From the glorious Hall of Mirrors to the meticulously manicured gardens, every facet of Schönbrunn Palace invites you to embrace the imperial elegance of Vienna's past, making it an essential stop for any traveler to explore the city's rich heritage. This afternoon explore the great city of Vienna at your own pace. Visit one of the city's famous museums, relax with Viennese Coffee in a cafe, or shop for souvenirs in its vibrant shopping plazas. Learn about Mozart, one of the most famous composers ever, & visit his house. Enjoy the sights & sounds of Vienna & experience the city like a local. With so much to see & do, Vienna is the perfect destination for an unforgettable day. (B)



### **Day 7 Vienna – Prague – City Tour visiting Prague's magnificent**

**sights** After breakfast, drive to Prague on a full day of touring, including a city tour. Explore Strahov Monastery, founded in the 12th century, & take in its incredible views from the terrace. Continue on foot to Loreto Monastery, Prague Castle, & St. Vitus Cathedral, reflecting various architectural styles from high Gothic to Art Nouveau. Also, visit the Old Royal Palace, St. George's Basilica, Golden Lane, & Daliborka Tower. Take advantage of this incredible journey through Prague's magnificent sights! After the tour, check into the hotel & relax. Enjoy dinner at the hotel this evening. (B,D)



**Day 8 Prague** Discover the hidden gems of Prague & its surrounding areas with a full day at leisure. Consider beginning your day by revisiting the Old Town Square or take an optional tour of Pilsen & Nizbor ( \$109 per person **-FREE with Early Bird Special if booked by March 22'24**). Pilsen is known for the Pilsner Urquell Brewery. Here you learn about Pilsen, where beer has been brewed since 1295. Hear the story of this globally renowned beer & visit the Prazdroj brewery to learn more about its history. It is one of the most popular beers in the world, & a glass of it is on your tasting list today! Enjoy lunch at the brewery's restaurant before heading for more discovery to the country's most famous glass factory in Nizbor. This famous factory was established in the 18th century & is still in operation today. It produces a variety of fine glass products, including crystal & art glass. Finally, cap off your day with a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B,D)

**Day 9 Prague to the USA or extend your stay with an optional Berlin extension** After breakfast, you will be transferred to Prague airport for your return flight home or extend your stay in Berlin. (B)

### **Optional 2-Night Berlin Extension**

**Day 9 Prague – Berlin, City Tour** Experience the rich history of Berlin on an unforgettable journey from Prague to Germany's vibrant capital. Travel through the lush countryside & past medieval towns as you travel to Berlin, where you will have a city tour. See iconic sights like Checkpoint Charlie, Brandenburg Gate, the Berlin Wall Memorial & East Side Gallery, Alexanderplatz, & Museum Island. Learn about Berlin's fascinating past, from the Prussians to the Imperialists, WWII, & the Cold War. Hear the story of the Stasi, the official state security service of old East Germany, & uncover the differences between East & West. After the day of touring, check into your hotel & relax before heading out to explore Berlin's vibrant restaurant & nightlife scene. (B)

**Day 10 Berlin** Today explore Berlin at your own pace & uncover the city's dramatic history. Visit some of the most important historical sites, such as the Berlin State Library, where Albert Einstein once worked, or take an optional tour to Potsdam (\$109 per person), once home to Prussian kings & the German Kaiser. Here you enter the stunning Sanssouci Palace, the summer palace of Frederick the Great, King of Prussia. This tour is perfect for history buffs & novices alike, offering an in-depth look into the past. (B)

**Day 11 Berlin to the USA** Begin your transfer to Berlin Airport for your flight back home with a plethora of memories of your travels to treasure & share. (B)

(B) – Breakfast, (L) – Lunch, (D) – Dinner. Please note: Though rare, it may be necessary to substitute hotels & adjust itineraries/tours at guide's discretion due to local conditions.

