



River Cloud II
DANUBE RIVER GOLF CRUISE
JUNE 16–26, 2010



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JUNE 16/17:

HOME • BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Depart your home city on June 16 for an overnight flight to Budapest. Upon arrival you are greeted and transferred to the Budapest Hilton, conveniently located in the heart of the historic Castle Hill District. The afternoon is at your leisure until we gather this evening for our welcome reception in the 13th-century Dominican Churchyard within the hotel.



View from Budapest Hilton

JUNE 18: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

GOLF: PANNONIA GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

We venture into the Hungarian countryside to Pannonia Golf & Country Club. Over 180 years ago, this site was a country home for the Habsburgs. Nestled in the beautiful Máriavölgy Valley, Pannonia has a links feel and fits seamlessly into the natural terrain of the Hungarian countryside. Doug Carrick designed this course, which features generous fairways, deep bunkers and imaginatively shaped greens.

TOUR: SZENTENDRE

Our tour visits the town of Szentendre, an island located in the middle of the Danube Bend. This charming town with dozens of small galleries and cafés is home to Hungary's artist colony.

JUNE 19: BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

TOUR: BUDAPEST

Our day is devoted to exploring Budapest. We discover the city's historic past with visits to the Castle Hill District and Heroes Square. For those seeking a true "local experience," there will be an opportunity to stroll through the City Market before boarding *River Cloud II*. Our voyage along the Danube begins in grand fashion as *River Cloud II* departs from one of the most impressive riverfronts in Europe.



Schönbrunn Palace

JUNE 20: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

TOUR: VIENNA

We arrive in Vienna in the late afternoon, the perfect time of day to visit this remarkable city. Our tour begins with a drive along the Ringstrasse, one of the grandest boulevards in Europe. We see the Hofburg complex, former Emperor's residence and a vivid reminder of the glory of the Habsburg Empire, then continue to the 12th-century St. Stephen's Cathedral, Vienna's most recognized landmark. This evening a private concert is planned to allow you to sample the music of some of Austria's most notable composers.



Fontana Golf Club

JUNE 21: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

GOLF: FONTANA GOLF CLUB

Fontana Golf Club opened in 1997 and quickly established itself as one of the best, if not the best, golf course in Austria. The bent grass greens and fairways are superbly maintained, adding to the enjoyment of playing this fine course, which hosts the European Tour's Austrian Open.

TOUR: SCHÖNBRUNN PALACE

Those touring visit Schönbrunn Palace, residence of the Habsburg emperors from the 18th century until 1918.



Colony Club Gutenhof

JUNE 22: VIENNA, AUSTRIA

GOLF: COLONY CLUB GUTENHOF

Located just south of Vienna is Austria's first 36-hole golf club—Colony Club Gutenhof. The West Course is set among century-old forests and winding streams. Golfers will have to negotiate numerous water hazards and well-placed bunkers to score well at Gutenhof.



Spanish Riding School

TOUR: SPANISH RIDING SCHOOL

We observe unparalleled harmony between rider and horse at a training session of Vienna's Spanish Riding School. This is the only institution in the world to have practiced the Renaissance tradition of Lipizzan horse riding for over 430 years. Here we are treated to the natural beauty of the way a horse moves and the highest levels of haute école.



Bicycling along the Danube

JUNE 23: MELK, AUSTRIA

TOUR: MELK ABBEY

Golfers take a well-deserved rest today as *River Cloud II* cruises through the Wachau Valley, considered one of the most beautiful and historic parts of Austria. We stop at Melk and tour the famous Abbey, built in 1089 on a cliff overlooking the Danube. Still in use today by Benedictine Monks, it is easy to see why Napoleon used the Abbey as a lookout during his campaign against Austria.



Melk Abbey

JUNE 24: PASSAU, GERMANY

GOLF: BRUNNWIES GOLF COURSE

The peaceful hills and farmland of Bavaria provide an ideal setting for golf. Designed by Bernhard Langer, Brunnwies is one of six golf courses that comprise the Hartl Golf Resort. The setting exudes charm with endless views of the forests and farmlands of Lower Bavaria, along with a farm-style clubhouse that serves a beer once brewed by monks from the nearby Aldersbach Monastery.

TOUR: PASSAU

Touring passengers explore the town of Passau, once referred to as the "Venice of Bavaria." We visit the 15th-century St. Stephen's Cathedral, home to the largest church organ in Europe.

