



# THE HISTORIC DANUBE: GOLF & CULTURE

Budapest – Bratislava – Vienna – Wachau Valley – Dürnstein –  
Linz – Salzburg – Passau – Vilshofen – Prague  
September 27–October 10, 2022 (14 days)



*Fisherman's Bastion, Budapest*



*Pannónia Golf & Country Club*



*Cruising the Danube © AmaWaterways*

## Highlights:

- Experience the rich culture and history of the Danube with 2 nights in Budapest, a 7-night cruise aboard AmaWaterways' luxurious AmaSonata and 3 nights in Prague.
- Play six rounds of golf on world-renowned courses in Hungary, Slovakia, Austria and the Czech Republic; some of these host International and National Championships and are part of the European PGA schedule.
- Opportunity to attend chamber music concerts by our guest artists, the Juno-Award winning Gryphon Trio, and classical music performances in leading concert halls in Budapest and Vienna.



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## A WORD FROM SPECIAL TRAVEL



Dear Traveller(s),

As international travel came to a halt in 2020-21, we are delighted to be able to reposition this wonderful tour to 2022.

Join us for an extraordinary journey through a fabled landscape dotted with world-class golf courses.

Cruising from Budapest through Hungary, Slovakia, Austria and Germany, we will discover scenic

towns and majestic cities, some previously shrouded by the Iron Curtain.

We are delighted to join **AmaWaterways** again for the superb cruising experience they consistently provide. The AmaSonata will be our stage for a glorious cruise upon the Blue Danube. This graciously appointed vessel, paired with exceptional service and fine dining, ensures a thoroughly enjoyable and effortless holiday.

We'll enjoy **six rounds of golf** on courses that host International and National Championships and are part of the European PGA schedule.

Our guests will have the chance to travel with – and attend chamber music concerts – by the Juno-Award winning **Gryphon Trio**. They have impressed international audiences for more than 25 years and will perform some of the finest classical compositions on board and ashore.

This is what makes our golf programmes so special and unique – handcrafted itineraries combining memorable games with beautiful music and the joy of experiencing other cultures and countries. We do it in comfort and style, with engaging travel companions who share your passion for both golf and travel.

We look forward to having you join us!

**Gery Valtiner**, Program Director

## RYAN ANDERSON: Golf Pro



Ryan Anderson is the Head Teaching Professional of The Glencoe Golf & Country Club. Ryan is devoted to sharing his passion for the game with everyone. He loves helping players learn the game and bestowing upon his students golfing ability that exceeds their goals and desires. Ryan is committed to continual education and has attended many seminars and lessons with some of the best

instructors in golf, with the goal of honing his teaching skills to provide the best possible instruction.

Currently he is one of the Top 50 US Kids Instructors, and the 2016 PGA of Alberta Teacher of the Year. He has been twice honoured with the PGA of Alberta Junior Leader of the Year Award and has additionally been a PGA of Canada finalist for Teacher and Junior Leader of the Year. He is also a certified AimPoint Instructor, a method that specializes in green reading using your feet.

In his career as a golfer, Ryan has competed in the World Junior Championships, won tournaments, and participated at a national level as a Junior, Amateur and Professional. As a coach, Ryan has successfully coached the University Of Calgary Golf Team for six years, garnering four Mens and two Ladies provincial titles along the way.

Over the course of his career he has coached over 20 juniors to university scholarships.

Ryan brings a wealth of knowledge and experience and is really excited to help make the Danube Golf Cruise a reality and a success.



Gery Valtiner



Karlštejn Golf Club

## ATTENTION CLASSICAL MUSIC LOVERS

In addition to golf, this cruise will host the Juno-Award winning **Gryphon Trio**. You are welcome to attend their three private performances on board, and make the most of having these celebrated musicians accompanying your journey. Our Classical Music contingent will also enjoy operas and concerts in some of Vienna's world renowned venues. If you are interested in attending these, you will have the opportunity to purchase tickets and accompany the group.

### PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Fri, Sep 30	Gryphon Trio at a local venue in Budapest
Sun, Oct 2	Optional concert at the Musikverein, Vienna
Mon, Oct 3	Optional opera at Vienna State Opera
Tue, Oct 4	Gryphon Trio at a local venue in Dürnstein
Thu, Oct 6	Gryphon Trio at a local venue in Passau



Gryphon Trio © Bo Huang

## THE GRYPHON TRIO

The Gryphon Trio has firmly established itself as one of the world's preeminent piano trios, garnering acclaim and impressing international audiences with its highly refined, dynamic and memorable performances.

With a repertoire that ranges from traditional to contemporary and from European classicism to modern-day multimedia, the Gryphons are committed to redefining chamber music for the 21st century.

Creative innovators with an appetite for discovery and new directions, the Gryphon Trio has commissioned over 85 new works, and frequently collaborates on projects that push the boundaries of chamber music. The trio tours regularly throughout North America and Europe, and their 22 recordings are an encyclopedia of works for the genre. Honours include three Juno Awards for Classical Album of the Year – most recently, that of 2019 – and the prestigious 2013 Walter Carsen Prize for Excellence in the Performing Arts from the Canada Council.

Deeply committed to music education and audience development, the Gryphons conduct master classes and workshops at universities and conservatories, and are artists-in-residence at the University of Toronto's Faculty of Music and Trinity College. Dr. Jamie Parker is the Rupert E. Edwards Chair in Piano Performance and Annalee Patipatanakoon is Associate Professor of Violin and Head of Strings at the University of Toronto's Faculty of Music.

Since 2010, the trio's multi-faceted arts creation program *Listen Up!* has engaged elementary school students, teachers and parents in 16 Canadian communities and provided them with the experience and knowledge required to participate actively in the arts.

The Gryphon Trio has had a long association with Ottawa Chamberfest, one of the world's largest chamber music festivals. Cellist Roman Borys served as Artistic and Executive Director from 2007 to 2020 while Ms. Patipatanakoon and Dr. Parker served as Artistic Advisors.

### GOLF SCHEDULE (golf course line-up subject to change)

Fri, Sep 30	Pannónia Golf & Country Club	Budapest, Hungary
Sat, Oct 1	Penati Golf Course (or similar)	Senica, Slovakia
Mon, Oct 3	Fontana Golf Course	Vienna, Austria
Wed, Oct 5	Golf Club Linz St. Florian	Linz, Austria
Sat, Oct 8	Karlštejn Golf Course	Karlštejn, Czech Republic
Sun, Oct 9	Albatross Golf Course	Prague, Czech Republic

# ITINERARY

## Day 1 / Tue, Sep 27: DEPART CANADA

Depart for Hungary.

## Day 2 / Wed, Sep 28: ARRIVE BUDAPEST

After arrival in **Budapest**, transfer to your hotel. Join Golf Pro Ryan Anderson for a **welcome drink** and overview of your **Danube Golf Tour**. (D)

## Day 3 / Thu, Sep 29: BUDAPEST

This ancient and artistic capital offers tremendous culture, tradition, and an air of myth and mystery. Take a **panoramic tour** of both the Buda (hill) and the Pest (flat) sides of the river, beginning with the Great Market Hall and Heroes Square. Then proceed to Castle Hill, home to the Royal Palace. See the Fisherman's Bastion, which enjoys a splendid view of the twin cities of Buda and Pest, as well as Matthias Church and its richly painted interior. (B,L,D)

## Day 4 / Fri, Sep 30: BUDAPEST EMBARKATION

Enjoy your first round of golf at one of the country's best golf courses. This afternoon embark on the luxurious **AmaSonata** for your **7-night Danube journey** from Budapest to Vilshofen. The **Gryphon Trio** will be accompanying the tour as musical hosts, performing as part of the Danube Concert Series arranged in cooperation with Artistic Director George Zukerman, OC, OBC.

Tonight, enjoy a chamber music concert by the **Gryphon Trio** at a local venue. (B,D)

— GOLF —

Pannónia Golf & Country Club

## Day 5 / Sat, Oct 1: BRATISLAVA

The "Coronation City of Kings" saw 11 Hungarian kings and queens crowned between 1536 and 1830. Discover the history of **Bratislava**, the Slovakian capital, during a brief walking tour, en route to the Penati Golf Course. (B,L,D)



Parliament, Budapest © AngMoKio

— GOLF —

Penati Golf Course (or similar)

## Day 6 / Sun, Oct 2: VIENNA

Experience the regal elegance of **Vienna** on a city tour which will take you by the majestic Opera House and the former Imperial Palace of the Habsburgs, concluding in Vienna's UNESCO-listed historic centre. Afternoon at leisure to further explore the iconic Austrian capital.

Optional concert at the **Musikverein** (subject to confirmation). (B,L,D)

## Day 7 / Mon, Oct 3: VIENNA

While the golfers face the challenge of the exceptional course nearby, the non-golfers can enjoy a day at leisure in the "City of Waltzes".

Numerous options await those wishing to explore **Vienna**. Visit one of the renowned museums in the Museum Quarter, an art exhibition at the Belvedere, or the Spanish Riding School at the Hofburg.

Stroll cosmopolitan Kärntnerstrasse and enjoy a slice of Sachertorte, or explore the Ringstrasse, Vienna's ring road lined with majestic buildings, monuments and parks. You might wish to make a trip to Schönbrunn Palace, where a six year-old prodigy named Mozart gave his first concert for the indomitable Holy Roman Empress Maria Theresa in 1762.

Optional opera at **Vienna State Opera** (subject to confirmation). (B,L,D)

— GOLF —

Fontana Golf Course

## Day 8 / Tue, Oct 4: WEISSENKIRCHEN – DÜRNSTEIN – GREIN

**Weissenkirchen** is the gateway to historic **Dürnstein** in the heart of the famously beautiful **Wachau Valley**. Upon arrival explore this quaint 16th-century town on a walking tour. Its cobblestone streets are overlooked by ruins of a castle where, according to legend, Richard I "The Lionheart" was imprisoned and held for ransom on his return from the Crusades. Visit a local vintner to taste the wine for



Fontana Golf Club © Carrick Design

which the region is known and sample local apricot treats. Later in the day, sail through the Strudengau Valley to medieval **Grein**, above which Greinburg Castle has been imperially perched for over half a millennium.

Chamber music performance by the **Gryphon Trio** at a local venue. (B,L,D)

#### Day 9 / Wed, Oct 5: LINZ – SALZBURG – LINZ

Enjoy a brief orientation tour of **Linz** en route to the Golf Club Linz St. Florian. Non-golfers can explore the historic town or join a full day excursion to **Salzburg**, birthplace of Mozart and setting for *The Sound of Music*. Enjoy a tour of Salzburg's charming historic centre, Mirabell Gardens, Residenz Square and the Old Market. Those wishing a more active outing can opt for a bike tour of Linz' famed "Cultural Mile" and the Danube. (B,L,D)

— GOLF —  
Golf Club Linz St. Florian

#### Day 10 / Thu, Oct 6: PASSAU – VILSHOFEN

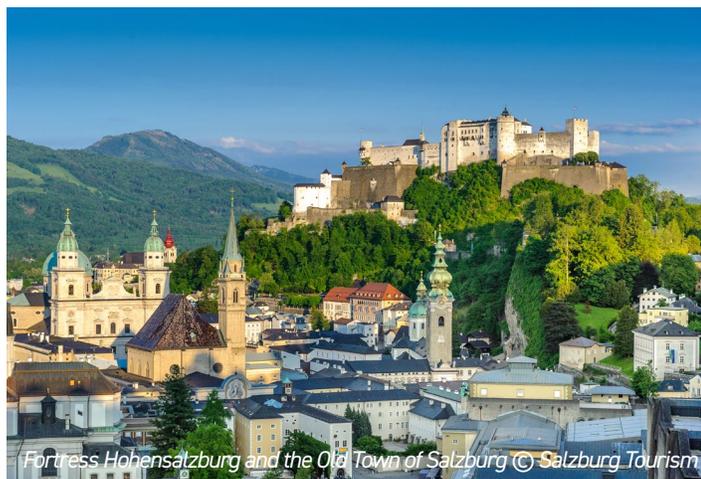
The fairytale "City of Three Rivers" was founded more than 2,000 years ago at a strategic junction of three waterways – the Danube, Ilz and Inn rivers. On a walking tour of **Passau**, see the city fortifications and marvel at Gothic and Italian Baroque architecture and St. Stephan's Cathedral, home to Europe's largest pipe organ.

Chamber music concert by the **Gryphon Trio** at a local venue.

Later, cruise to the charming 1,200-year old town of **Vilshofen**, on the confluence of the rivers Vils and Danube. When seen from the river, Vilshofen's beautiful old town resembles a floating peninsula. Above the town, the imposing double towers of the Benedictine Abbey Schweiklberg dominate the landscape. (B,L,D)

#### Day 11 / Fri, Oct 7: DISEMBARKATION – PRAGUE

Disembark at **Vilshofen** this morning. Proceed to **Pilsen** for a brief tour followed by lunch at its famous brewery, opened in 1839. Once in Prague, discover the lively pedestrian-only Charles Bridge, which draws visitors, musicians and artists. Continue your walking



tour of the old town with the UNESCO-listed Market Square, instantly recognizable for its famous astronomical clock and distinctive spiky towers. The artisan traditions of Bohemia are evident in Prague's colourful architecture, theatre, arts and gastronomy. (B,L,D)

#### Day 12 / Sat, Oct 8: PRAGUE – KARLŠTEJN – PRAGUE

Full day trip to **Karlštejn** for a tour of its castle, one of the most beautiful in the Czech Republic. Enjoy a round of golf at the notable course, which offers splendid views of the castle. (B,D)

— GOLF —  
Karlštejn Golf Course

#### Day 13 / Sun, Oct 9: PRAGUE

Today visit the 1,000-year-old Prague Castle, residence of the head of state, and St. Vitus Cathedral, in all its Gothic glory. From the castle's hilltop situation, enjoy a panoramic view of the city's domes, spires and red roofs. Both Kafka and Neruda lived in the picturesque lanes which lead down to the town below.

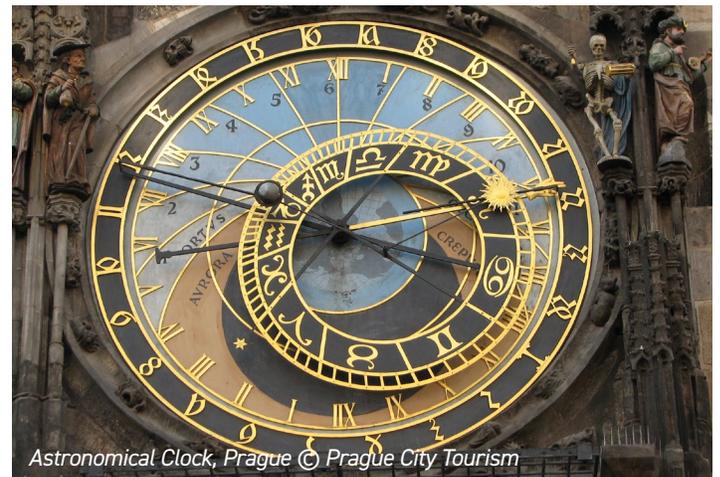
Final round of golf, followed by a farewell dinner. (B,D)

— GOLF —  
Albatross Golf Course

#### Day 14 / Mon, Oct 10: DEPART PRAGUE – ARRIVE CANADA

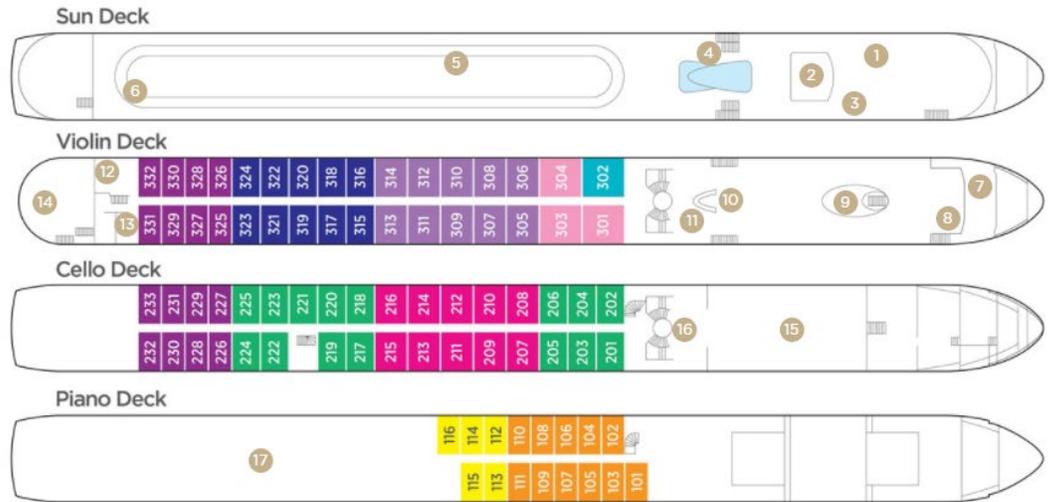
Transfer to Prague Airport for your flight(s) home. (B)

Golf schedule and performance details are preliminary and subject to change; slight adjustments to our sightseeing programme may have to be made.



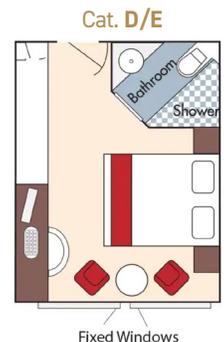
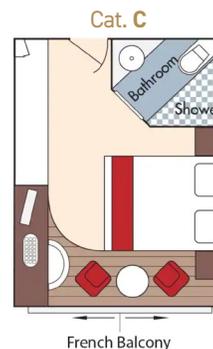
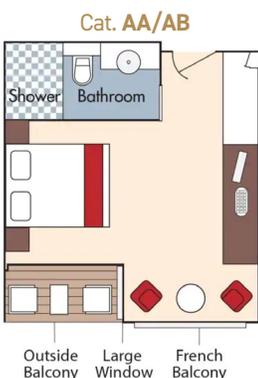
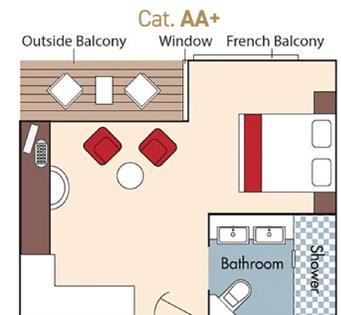
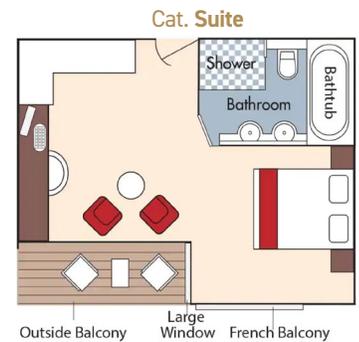
## AMASONATA DECK PLAN

1	Lower Sun Deck
2	Navigation Bridge
3	Bicycles
4	Heated Pool
5	Sun Deck
6	Walking Track
7	Al Fresco Dining Terrace
8	Observation Lounge
9	Main Lounge & Bar
10	Gift Shop
11	Reception
12	Fitness Room
13	Massage & Hair Salon
14	The Chef's Table Restaurant
15	Main Restaurant
16	Elevator
17	Crew Cabins



Note: Elevator reaches the Violin and Cello Deck (does not reach Piano Deck or Sun Deck).

COSTS		in CAD per person, based on double occupancy	
Cabin cat.	See AmaWaterways' website for full cabin descriptions	Twin / double	Single suppl.
Suite	Violin Deck, Forward – 300 sq. ft with twin balconies	\$12,200	+\$8,500
AA+	Violin Deck, Forward – 290 sq. ft with twin balconies	\$11,700	+\$8,000
AA	Violin Deck, Midship – 235 sq. ft with twin balconies	\$10,300	+\$6,900
AB	Cello Deck, Midship – 235 sq. ft with twin balconies	\$10,000	+\$6,700
BA	Violin Deck, Midship – 210 sq. ft with twin balconies	\$9,500	+\$6,300
BB	Cello Deck, Midship & Forward – 210 sq. ft with twin balconies	\$9,200	+\$6,100
C	Violin & Cello Decks, Aft – 170 sq. ft with French balcony	\$8,200	+\$5,400
D	Piano Deck, Forward – 160 sq. ft with fixed windows	\$7,500	+\$5,000
E	Piano Deck, Midship – 160 sq. ft with fixed windows	\$7,200	+\$4,800
Without Golf Package		-\$600	



When you sail with **AmaWaterways**, you will experience the **luxury of more** – more ways to discover, more ways to indulge and more onboard amenities. With an award-winning fleet, critically acclaimed dining and unique tour options, you will have the trip of a lifetime.

**MORE VIEWS:** Most staterooms feature both a French balcony and an outside balcony, maximizing the natural light and panoramas.

**MORE LUXURY:** **81 spacious staterooms**, with Category BB and higher an exceptionally spacious 210-290 sq. ft., and 300 sq. ft. suites. All feature in-room temperature control, deluxe hotel-style bedding with Egyptian linen, down pillows and duvet, spacious bathroom with multi-jet showerhead, large wardrobe, full-length mirror, hair dryer, safe, direct-dial telephone, flat screen TV that also serves as a computer, entertainment on demand system with complimentary TV, movies and music, free Internet and WiFi, complimentary bottled water replenished daily, desk and chair.

**MORE SPACE:** AmaWaterways carry **fewer guests**, so public spaces like restaurants and lounges are never crowded.

**MORE SERVICE:** with a high staff-to-guest ratio (1 to every 3 guests) the professionally-trained team can fully dedicate themselves to providing each guest with the highest level of service. A proactive, personalized approach to exceeding expectations is AmaWaterways' hallmark.

**MORE DINING:** AmaWaterways is a member of the prestigious international gastronomic society, **La Chaîne des Rôtisseurs**. Their expert chefs craft exquisite, locally-sourced cuisine as well as traditional Western offerings for both the Main and Chef's Table specialty restaurant. Each meal is specially paired with a changing selection of premium local reds and whites from Europe's renowned wine regions. Sparkling wine and fresh juice accompany breakfast, and unlimited wine and beer are available with the menu service at lunch and dinner. Delicious tapas and snacks can also be ordered in the Main Lounge between meals.

**MORE WAYS TO RELAX:** enjoy a massage after a day of exploring, stay in shape with a small group wellness activity, work out in the **fitness room**, or enjoy a cocktail at the **Sun Deck pool's swim-up bar** while you watch castles glide by. A fleet of bicycles is available onboard for passengers to enjoy on their own or on guided bike tours.

**MORE IN TOUCH:** free Internet access, ship-wide WiFi and a computer in your stateroom if you wish to leave your mobile device at home.



AmaSonata © AmaWaterways



Breakfast on the top deck



Suite



Chef's Table



Pool & swim-up bar



Seafood lunch



Cabin Cat. AA/AB



Charles Bridge, Prague © Dagmar Veselková

## INCLUDED

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- Accommodation in superior 4-star hotels in Budapest and Prague
- 7 nights aboard the luxurious AmaSonata
- Private coach for all transfers and land tours
- **6 rounds of golf and cart rentals at world-class courses**
- Excursions, special events, city tours and visits
- Meals as per itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner) incl. gourmet meals aboard the ship (full breakfast daily; menu service for Lunch and Dinner; cocktail receptions and gala dinners)  
*NB: Lunch may not be included when opting for full day excursions*
- Tapas, sandwiches, snacks and refreshments can be ordered in the Main Lounge between meals
- Complimentary wine, beer, soft drinks and specialty coffee with lunch and dinner on board; gourmet coffee, tea and bottled water 24/7
- Porterage
- Gratuities for ship's crew
- Port charges and harbour taxes, local taxes and service charges

## NOT INCLUDED

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- International airfare
- Travel insurance (please contact us for a quote)
- Gratuities for excursion drivers and guides
- Drinks with meals in Budapest and Prague
- Optional performances in Vienna
- Items of a personal nature

## AIR OPTIONS

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Please contact our office for a quote.  
You may also purchase your own flights (book on points etc.) and meet the group at the hotel.

## TOUR PACE and FITNESS TO PARTICIPATE

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This itinerary includes some walking through historic city centres and to/from the venues – easily accomplished if you are comfortable walking a few kilometres at a standard pace.

Travellers with restricted mobility are welcome but may be unable to enjoy all of the walking tour portions or may require taxis.



Chain Bridge, Budapest © Amadeus

## GOLF COURSE LINE-UP

### PANNÓNIA GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB Budapest, Hungary

18 holes      Par 72      Length: 6,411 metres  
Slope: 125      Rating: 74.1

Pannónia is situated in beautiful surroundings bounded by the Etyek wine region and on the outskirts of Alcsútdoboz village. In this rural idyll, Hans G. Erhardt collaborated with Doug Carrick to design one of the best golf courses in either architect's portfolio. Opened in 1996, it has staged many international and national events including European Golf Association sanctioned events.

Pannónia is laid out in the style of an old country estate that winds its way through a sweeping valley landscape blessed with defined elevation changes where the often-present wind can dent the scorecard. Pannonia's green sites are striking and invariably raised, strategically bunkered, large and well contoured, placing a premium on accurate approach play. The grounds of Pannónia once belonged to the Hungarian branch of the Habsburgs.



### PENATI GOLF COURSE (Legend Course) Senica, Slovakia

18 holes      Par 73      Length: 6,539 metres  
Slope: 154      Rating: 76.4

Opened in 2012, the Penati Golf Resort, located about an hour's drive north from Bratislava, is now Slovakia's largest golfing facility and is blessed with sandy ground and fragrant pine trees.

The first 18-hole Legend Course was built in 2012 according to plans authored by Nicklaus Design and complies with USGA standards at the world PGA level. A year later, it was joined by a second 18-holer, the Heritage, fashioned as a Golden Age design. It offers memorable challenges even for the most experienced golfers.

Unique moments such as the 716-metres long par-6 with 11 tees – the longest hole in Europe – awaits golf enthusiasts, while enjoying the magnificent surroundings amidst fragrant pine forests and sparkling sand dunes.

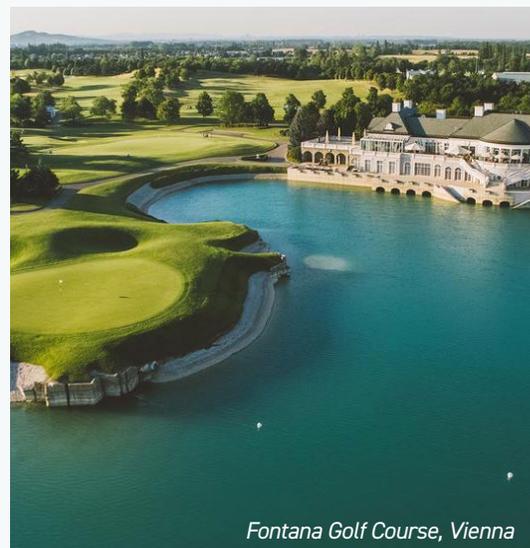
### FONTANA GOLF COURSE Vienna, Austria

18 holes      Par 72      Length: 6,490 metres  
Slope: 136      Rating: 75.0

Located to the south of Vienna on the edge of the spa town of Baden, the 18-hole championship golf course was designed by the well known Canadian golf course architect Doug Carrick. It is set at the heart of an American-styled luxurious residential development.

The quality of the fairways and greens, the perfectly placed bunkers, water hazards and the 19-ha large lake at the 17th and the 18th give the course its own character.

The challenging golf course with numerous bunker and water hazards hosted the European Tour's Austrian Open from 2006 to 2009 and in 2015, and is a venue candidate for the 2022 Ryder Cup. It has been ranked as Austria's Best Golf course since opening in 1997.



## GOLF CLUB LINZ ST. FLORIAN Linz, Austria

18 holes      Par 72      Length: 6,096 metres  
Slope: 137      Rating: 72.1

One of the most traditional golf clubs in Austria – and one of the best – is the 1960-founded Golf-Club Linz St. Florian. Situated on the grounds of the Baroque palace Tillysburg since 1974, the 18-hole system blends harmoniously into the rolling hills of the foothills of the Alps. Surrounded by an unspoilt rural culture landscape, the sprawling complex of manicured roughs, fairways and greens, with ancient trees and beautiful views extends. While the area around the castle is relatively flat and dominated by fields, the castle itself is tucked away on a hill in a park.

Numerous national and international tournaments have taken place at St. Florian Golf Club. It played host to the Austrian Open in 1992, which resulted in a victory for Englishman Peter Mitchell.



## KARLŠTEJN GOLF COURSE Karlštejn, Czech Republic

18 holes      Par 72      Length: 6,324 metres  
Slope: 143      Rating: 74.8

Designed by Canadian golf architects Les Furber and Jim Eremko, the first 18 holes of the Golf Resort Karlštejn were opened in 1993. In 2008 the course was enlarged on the south slope of the Voskov hill by 9 new holes. The course is amid beautiful scenery with the majestic Karlštejn Castle, residence of many Czech kings, forming a romantic backdrop. The surrounding countryside is very picturesque, with wooded hilly landscape containing limestone outcrops, rich fauna and flora.

With narrow fairways, three ponds and numerous sand bunkers, it is a quite difficult and technical course where the planning of the shots is important. "Easy bogey, difficult birdie" was the designers' strategy while building the course, enabling golfers of different levels to play together.

## ALBATROSS GOLF COURSE Prague, Czech Republic

18 holes      Par 72      Length: 6,858 metres  
Slope: 151      Rating: 76.3

The 18-hole Albatross Golf Resort was designed by leading golf architect Keith Preston in 2009 and was built with a vision to create the best course in the Czech Republic. It is located near the village of Vysoky Ujezd, 20 minutes from Prague.

The course, presenting a mighty challenge at 6,858 metres when played from the championship tees, is laid out in two returning nines, each of which conclude with water-laden holes close to the clubhouse. The fairways run through moderately hilly terrain. There are seven lakes on the course covering more than 20,000 square metres, 65 sand traps and more than 1,200 mature trees adorning the landscape. Thanks to the favourable climate, the outdoor golf season here may in fact be one of the longest in Central Europe. Every August, it is a venue of the Czech Masters' European Tour.



# RESERVATION FORM

**THE HISTORIC DANUBE: GOLF & CULTURE**

**September 27-October 10, 2022**

**Please complete this form and return it to us with your deposit of \$800.00 per person. Please write name(s) exactly as listed in passport (e.g.: William, not 'Bill'). Travel insurance is optional but strongly recommended.**

	TRAVELLER #1	TRAVELLER #2 <small>(if different address/payment method than Traveller #1, please fill out a separate booking form)</small>
Title (Mr / Mrs / Ms etc.)		
First name		
Middle name(s)		
Last name		
Date of birth (dd/mmm/yyyy)		
City + country of birth		
Passport #		
Passport expiry (dd/mmm/yyyy)		
Passport issuing country		
Preferred first name (for name tag)		
Dietary restrictions		

## ADDRESS

Street:	
City:	Province/State:
Postal code:	Country:
Cell #:	Home #:
Email:	

## TRAVEL PREFERENCES

Cabin category:  E  D  C  BB  BA  AB  AA  AA+  Suite

Accommodation:  Single\*  Double  Twin  Sharing with:

\*Please contact us if you would like to be paired up with another traveller and we will do our best to assist.  
If we are unable to arrange a twin-share, you will be accommodated in a single room and invoiced accordingly.

## EMERGENCY CONTACT

Next of kin's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Next of kin's phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

## TRAVEL INSURANCE

I/we would like to receive a travel insurance quote.  I/we have arranged my/our own travel insurance.

## PAYMENT

Please make cheques payable to: **SPECIAL TRAVEL INTERNATIONAL**

Visa / MasterCard / American Express Name on card: \_\_\_\_\_

Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry date: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount to be charged: \_\_\_\_\_

**I/we acknowledge that I/we have read and agree to the terms and conditions outlined in the brochure.**

**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

# FACTS YOU SHOULD KNOW

## RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENT:

\$800 pp deposit due at time of booking  
2nd installment of \$800 pp due by February 27, 2022  
3rd installment of \$1,000 pp due by April 27, 2022  
Balance due by July 27, 2022  
Tour documents will be sent to you approximately 14 days prior to your trip departure, provided full payment has been received.

**TOUR PRICES:** All tour prices for land arrangements are based on rates effective at the time of printing and are expected to be in effect at the time of departure. Should these rates change, it may be necessary to surcharge the price of your vacation. Should the tour price increase by more than 10%, the passenger shall have the right to cancel within seven days of notification without penalty.

**CANCELLATION AND REFUNDS:** Notice of cancellation must be made in writing. The effective cancellation date is the date when written notification is received by Special Travel International (hereafter called STI).

**Due to the current COVID-19 crisis, we have put in place a special scale of charges in case of cancellation, to protect the traveller as much as possible:**

Until Feb 26, 2022	\$800
Feb 27 – Apr 26, 2022	\$1,600
Apr 27 – July 26, 2022	\$2,600
From July 27, 2022	100%

(a cancellation/interruption insurance policy should be purchased to cover these cancellation charges)

**We are also offering the following consideration: if you cancel PRIOR to April 27, 2022, YOU may find a traveller to take your place on the tour, and only forfeit \$400 (instead of \$1,600).**

*NB: different payment/cancellation policies apply to airline tickets; you will be advised at time of booking.*

**TRAVEL INSURANCE:** STI strongly recommends that each tour participant has health, cancellation, interruption, accident and baggage insurance for the duration of his/her travels. Travel insurance companies are offering packages that include Cancellation and/or Medical coverage should you fall ill before or during your trip. Premiums are based on the age of the traveller(s). Should you be unable to travel because of contracting COVID-19, or ANY other insurable reason, you will be entitled to compensation by your travel insurance company.

**COVID-19 consideration:** Some insurance companies offer an optional add-on benefit allowing you to cancel for ANY reason. These specific CANCEL FOR ANY REASON (CFAR) policies will reimburse you up to 80% of your monies, depending on when you cancel. Cost of the premium is usually about 25% higher than a standard insurance policy. CFAR policies can only be purchased at the time of booking your trip. Standard policies (All Inclusive / Cancellation / Medical) can be purchased later – at the time the 2nd payment is due, for instance. Please note travel insurance does not cover everything. It is designed to cover losses arising from sudden and unforeseeable circumstances due to emergencies. For further details, please call our office or an insurance company specialized in travel insurance.

**TRAVEL DOCUMENTS, VISAS AND VACCINES:** It is entirely the passenger's responsibility to possess whatever documents, visas and vaccines are required by the law of the countries visited on the tour.

**RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY:** STI acts only as an agent in securing all services related to the tours described in this brochure, including transportation, sightseeing and accommodation. STI shall not be responsible or liable for any loss, cost, damage, injury, delay or expense arising from the use of any conveyance, accommodation or service or from acts of God, strikes, weather, quarantine, accidents, sickness, government regulations, insufficient documents and any loss expense resulting from the above contingencies shall be borne by the tour member. In the event it becomes necessary or advisable for the comfort of the passenger, or for any reason whatsoever, to alter the itinerary or arrangements, such alterations may be made without penalty to the operators. Additional expense, if any, shall be borne by the passenger. The right is reserved to withdraw any or all tours should conditions warrant, and also to decline to accept or retain any passenger as a member of the tour. In such instances, full or equitable amounts will be refunded.

**AIRLINE RESPONSIBILITY:** Any air carrier providing transportation in connection with these tours is not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time the passenger is not on board its planes. The passenger contract in use by the airlines concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the airline and the purchase of these tours and/or passenger. Similar responsibility as noted applies to all types of carriers, including car rental companies.



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