

2024

The “Golden City” and the Rivers Vltava and Elbe



With Bike & Barge from/to Prague

MS FLORENTINA

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- Trip length: 8 days / 7 nights
- Departure and arrival day: Saturday
- Length of cycle tours: approx. 216 km
- Character of cycle tours: individual, unguided
- Difficulty: ●●○○
- Profile: You will cycle on paved or asphalted cycle ways, on agricultural roads with little traffic as well as on unpaved trails leading through forests or fields. There will also be short legs along heavy-trafficked roads. The terrain is mostly flat, though there are some slopes to cope with.
- Languages on board: German / English
- Travel documents: German / English
- Booking code: CZ-MLSME-08I



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Tour Details

The Czech Republic, the small country in the heart of Europe, impresses with its original river landscapes, picturesque villages and romantic castles, whose history and architecture can often be traced back to the Middle Ages. Prague, known also as „the Golden City“ and „the City of a Hundred Spires“, is both point of departure and final destination for this beautiful bike and barge tour along the Upper Moldova, in Czech called Vltava, and the huge Elbe River – when the bridges of the Vltava River are ablaze with sunlight and the spires of the castle sparkle in the light, then it becomes obvious that Prague has its nickname “Golden City” with good reason! Multifaceted and unique, modern and at the same time aware of tradition – discover one of Europe’s most beautiful metropolises with its Old Town listed as UNESCO World Heritage Site and cycle through unspoilt and sometimes gently hilly landscapes. And of course - the Czech Republic is well known for its world-famous beers but also for its good wines.

(All times are subject to change)

Day	Port	Arrival	Dept
Day 1	Prague, Embarkation 4 p.m.		
Day 2	Prague		10:30
Day 2	Kralupy nad Vltavou	15:30	
Day 3	Kralupy nad Vltavou		09:00
Day 3	Mělník	13:00	14:30
Day 3	Litoměřice	19:30	
Day 4	Litoměřice		
Day 5	Litoměřice		05:30
Day 5	Roudnice	08:30	09:30
Day 5	Mlčechvosty	17:00	
Day 6	Mlčechvosty		09:00
Day 6	Prague	15:30	
Day 7	Prague		
Day 8	Prague, Disembarkation until 9 a.m.		

Day 1: Arrival in Prague

Individual arrival in Prague. Embarkation from 4 p.m. After dinner, you should take a little walk, particularly beautiful in the dark, and enjoy the stunning view of the illuminated Prague Castel.

Day 2: Prague – Kralupy, Cycle tour approx. 28 km

You will be handed out your bike and start for your first cycle tour. You will cycle along the Vltava River via Troja (Baroque castle – National Art Gallery) to the village of Klecánky and then over the tread of the Vltava via Drasty, Vodochody back to the river bank to today’s destination Kralupy.

Day 3: Kralupy – Mělník, Cycle tour approx. 25 km / Boat trip to Litoměřice

After breakfast, around 9 a.m., we will take out the bike again. You will cycle – almost always along the Vltava River – to Nelahozeves, one of the most famous Renaissance castles of Bohemia, also known as the “little Louvre of Czechia”. Then continue through the Veltrusý Park, with numerous sculptures and gazebos in an extensive terrain, up to the royal town of Mělník. In the early afternoon return to the ship

and enjoy the boat trip on the Elbe River to Litoměřice.

Day 4: Litoměřice, Day of rest or cycle tour to Střekov Castle and back, approx. 47 km

A Day at leisure. Discover one of the most beautiful Czech towns, the royal town of Litoměřice. The colourful Renaissance and Baroque buildings in the town centre, which for the most part is encircled by well-preserved Gothic fortifications, will enchant you. Well-worth seeing: Baroque Cathedral of St Stephen atop the dome hill or the bishop’s residence. You might also be interested in an individual visit to the Terezín Memorial in the village of Terezín. The concentration camp memorial is located only 5 km away. For more advanced cyclists, we recommend the scenic bike tour to the castle Střekov with appealing café, idyllically situated in the narrow valley of the Elbe River. Your route will take you through the small town of Velké Žernoseky (famous Czech wine-growing region), past the Bohemian Gate - the transition from the Elbe Sandstone Mountains to the Bohemian Uplands - to Střekov Castle. From here you will have a magnificent view of the Elbe River and the surrounding mountains. Afterwards you will cycle back to Litoměřice, where your ship will anchor for the night.

Day 5: Boat trip Litoměřice – Roudnice / Roudnice – Mělník – Mlčechvosty, Cycle tour approx. 43 km

Early in the morning, the ship will take you to Roudnice. Your cycle tour starts at around 9 a.m. Almost always alongside the Elbe, via Dobříň, Račice and Vliněves, you cycle back again to the lovely village of Mělník. Enjoy the splendid panoramic view of the confluence of the Vltava and Elbe River from the top of the castle hill. You continue cycling to today’s destination Mlčechvosty. Arrival of the ship at around 5 p.m.

Day 6: Mlčechvosty – Prague, Cycle tour approx. 42 km

Today you can go for a last bike tour via Nelahozeves, Kralupy, Vodochody, Drasty and Klecánky to Prague or you relax on the sun deck. You will arrive at Prague at around 3:30 p.m. The rest of the day is reserved for Prague.

Day 7: Prague, Cycle tour Prague – Zbraslav und back, approx. 31 km

Today you have enough time to discover the right bank of the Vltava River, the highlights of the Old Town, the New Town and the Jewish Quarter. Or just meander along the streets or watch the lively goings-on sitting in one of the cafes on the Old Town Square. There are countless possibilities! In case you feel like cycling, make a tour upstream along Vltava River to Zbraslav and back. A trip to Vyšehrad Castle is worthwhile. It was built, probably in the 10th century, on a hill over the Vltava River. Local legend holds that Vyšehrad was the location of the first settlement which later became Prague.

Day 8: Departure from Prague

After breakfast, till 9 a.m. disembarkation and individual departure.

Travel Dates | Prices | Services

Travel Dates 2024 / From Saturday to Saturday

29th June – 06th July | 06th July – 13th July | 13th July – 20th July | 20th July – 27th July | 27th July – 03rd Aug | 03rd Aug – 10th Aug

Prices per person in Euro

2-bed-cabin at the front/back*	Main deck		Upper deck	
	2-bed-cabin	1-bed-cabin	2-bed-cabin French balcony	1-bed-cabin French balcony
999,-	1,099.-	1,399.-	1,349.-	1,649.-

* Cabins at the front and on the back of the ship. Engine and generator noise perceptible when ship is moving or at berth.

Supplements

2-bed cabin for single use:	50% (limited quantity)
Rental bike fee 7-gear-Unisex:	€ 89.-
Rental bike fee 8-gear-E-Bike:	€ 199.-
Bring your own bike / own E-bike:	€ 29.- (on request only, limited number)

Bikes:

- 7-gear-Unisex-trekking bikes und 8-gear-E-Bikes (brand: Velo de Ville - special SE-Tours edition)
- With hand brake and pedal brake or hand brakes only (subject to availability, please indicate as a non-binding customer request by the booking)
- Pannier bag and rental bike insurance included.
- E-Bikes on a limited number only
- Please indicate your body height by the booking

Travel safe and secure with SE-Tours: We recommend to wear a bike helmet. Please bring your own bike helmet (no onboard selling).

Please note: In the Czech Republic, bicycle helmet compulsory up to 18 years.

Services included

- Seven nights in outside cabins with private facilities in the booked cabin category
- Program according to routing from/to Prague
- All charges for harbours, bridges and locks
- Welcome-Drink
- Room cleaning every day, changing of towels and bed cloths as necessary
- Full board consisting of 7x breakfast, 6x lunch snack on board (non-cyclists) or lunch package for cycle tours, 6x coffee or tea in the afternoon, 7x 3-course-dinner
- Daily meeting for the cycle tours
- Printed instructions and detailed maps for daily individual bike tours (1 per cabin)
- GPS tracks
- Onboard tour guide

Not included

Journey to and from Prague, shuttles, bike rentals, entrance fees and excursions, city maps, ferry fees, parking fees, tips, drinks on board, travel insurances

Parking Facilities in Prague (as of May 2023):

One option could be Garage Spanelska, near Wenceslas Square, CZK 600.- (approx. € 25.- per day onwards - price is based upon capacity, about 4 km from the mooring place (booking via internet <https://www.mrparkit.com/en>): Approx. 500 m walk to the metro station Muzeum; then take line C Letňany to the station Vltavská; continue by foot about 1 km to the berth.

Or take a taxi (only with licensed companies) to the mooring place (ca. € 25.-). Another option would be the car park of Rudolfinum about 30 minutes walk from the pier (about 1.5 km), not bookable in advance, from about CZK 700,- / € 29,00 per day.

Ship's description | Remarks

MS FLORENTINA

Renovation 2014 | **Registry** Tschechien | **Length** 80 m | **Width** 9,60 m | **Draft** 1,50 m | **Number of Crew** ca. 20 | **Passengers** max. 88

Built in 1980 and completely refurbished between 2008 and in 2014 the MS FLORENTINA is a cosy and comfortable middle-class ship. The Czech chef prepares national good home cooking and international dishes which will be served in the bright, friendly restaurant. Both the little lounge next to the reception and the small observation saloon with its panoramic windows on the upper deck offer comfortable seating areas. Rest and relax you find on the deck chairs on the large sun deck. The ship features 16 twin cabins (approx. 10 sq m) and 4 single cabins (approx. 8 sq m) with French balcony (opening windows) on the upper deck, and 25 twin cabins (ca. 10 sq m) and 2 single cabins (ca. 8 sq m) on the main deck (windows cannot be opened). All 47 cabins are outside cabins and have en-suite shower facilities. They all also include a central air condition with individually adjustable ventilation, hairdryers, TV's and safes.

There is W-LAN on board (please note that the signal is not always available).



Important remarks

Embarkation from 4 pm | **Disembarkation** until 9 a.m.

Minimum number of participants 70 guests (must have been reached within 21 days prior to departure).

To bring your own bike On request only – due to lack of space on sun deck. We exclude any liability for loss, theft and damage - this also applies to damage caused by transportation from shore to ship or vice versa.

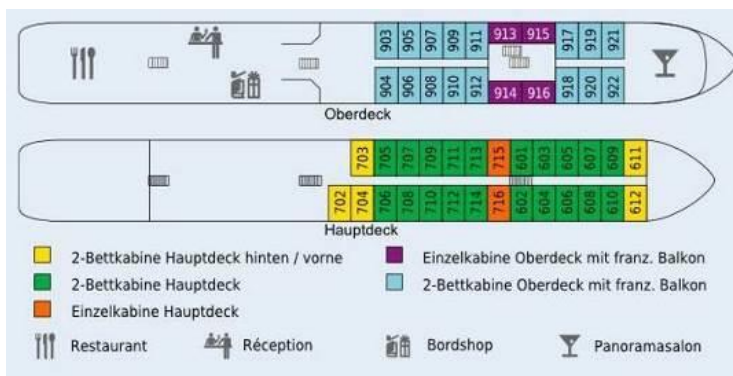
Excursions We offer a small excursion program, that can be booked directly on board at the cruise director only. You will get a brief description together with your travel documents. Depending on the number of participants some excursions could be carried out in 2 languages (German/ English).

Luggage We recommend: rainwear, bicycle helmet, sunhat and sneakers.

Schedule and program changes Basically, we reserve the right to make changes of routing and program. If there is low or high water and a route cannot be shipped, the captain reserves the right to change the route in view of your safety (this cannot be accepted as a reason for free withdrawal). Same applies to previously unknown administrative orders of lock or bridge repairs.

Travel documents EU-citizens (without special situations like dual citizenship, main residence abroad or a limited-validity passport) are required to have a valid passport or ID-card, not expiring within six (6) months of the return of your cruise. We kindly ask non-EU citizens, EU-nationals with multiple citizenship or anybody who has to respect special legal entry requirements for the country to visit, to inform about visa and entry documents at the competent embassy.

This trip is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility.



We recommend that you take out a **travel health insurance with repatriation coverage as well as baggage, accident and travel cancellation insurances.**