

HOLIDAZE SKI TOURS

PRESENTS

2024 Christmas Market Tour

featuring Prague, Vienna & Budapest



9 Days • 11 Meals: 7 Breakfasts • 4 Dinners

Prices From: \$3,499.00 p.p. Double

PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- Air transportation from NYC to Prague and home from Budapest
- 7 nights lodging
- 1st Class and Deluxe Hotel Accommodations
- 11 Meals:
 - Breakfast daily
 - Dinner for 4 evenings
- All tours included as per itinerary
- All baggage handling (1 bag per person)
- Services of a professional Tour Manager throughout the tour
- Transportation via deluxe air-conditioned/heated motorcoach
- All taxes and service charges
- **1 Free for every 15 paid!!**

NOT INCLUDED:

- Tips

Highlights...

Prague's Christmas Markets •
Prague Castle • Choice on
Tour: Vltava Boat Tour or
Jewish Heritage Tour •
Dresden's Christmas Markets •
Vienna's Christmas Markets •
Schönbrunn Palace • Viennese
Candy Workshop • Bratislava
• Budapest's Christmas
Markets • Matthias Church •
Fisherman's Bastion

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DAY BY DAY ITINERARY:

Day 1: Overnight Flight

Set out on a grand holiday adventure through the winter wonderland of the Imperial Cities of Central Europe – Prague, Vienna and Budapest. Along the way, immerse yourself in festive Christmas markets, enjoy traditional entertainment, sample local cuisine, and glimpse this region's rich history.

Day 2: Prague, Czech Republic - Tour Begins

Arrive in Prague, the "City of 100 Spires." Behold ancient landmarks and medieval architecture. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. *Today dinner will be included.*

Day 3: Prague

Feel the magic and wonder of Prague dressed up for the holiday season. Your introduction to this fairy-tale city begins with a panoramic tour. Explore the "Castle District," including the gothic St. Vitus Cathedral and the majestic Prague Castle. Next, take in the iconic, statue-lined Charles Bridge, a picturesque structure stretching over the Vltava River. You decide how to further explore Prague because **it's your choice!** Learn more about the city's Jewish heritage and visit Europe's oldest active Synagogue* on a heritage tour **-OR-** let a boat reveal a different side of Prague on a Vltava river cruise. The remainder of your afternoon and evening is at leisure for you to take in the best Prague has to offer independently – don't miss the famous Christmas market in Prague's Old Town Square where brightly decorated wooden huts are filled with the work of local artisans, and traditional food and drink is prepared right in front of you. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 4: Prague - Dresden, Germany - Prague, Czech Republic

After breakfast, head off for Dresden, Germany, known as "Florence on the Elbe." Meet a local guide for a tour highlighting its' baroque splendor and architectural treasures such as Frauenkirche, the Cathedral of our Lady and the Royal Palace. Visit the world's oldest Christmas market – the Striezelmarkt – which has been delighting travelers and locals alike since 1434. Take time to explore the stalls overflowing with ornaments, sample local sweets and have time for lunch on your own before returning to Prague. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 5: Prague - Cesky Krumlov - Vienna, Austria

Depart Prague and travel through the scenic countryside on your way to Vienna, Austria. En route, make a stop in the medieval town of Cesky-Krumlov. Lined with towering Baroque architecture, explore the quaint-preserved streets independently and have time for lunch on your own. Continue to the one-of-a-kind Marchfelderhof Restaurant, a favorite since the 1800s of locals, visitors and the famous alike. Indulge in dinner at this iconic spot rich with Viennese tradition. Arrive in the grand city of Vienna, capital of Austria, aglow with holiday lights. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

Day 6: Vienna

This morning, meet your local guide and visit the magnificent Schönbrunn Palace, the summer retreat of the Habsburg dynasty for more than 200 years. Continue on to Vienna's city center and behold the beautiful architecture, scenic parks, and gothic spires that fill the city. Learn more about Vienna's sweet confectionary history when you visit a candy workshop where candies are still being made according to traditional recipes dating back over 150 years. An afternoon at leisure allows time to visit the Christkindlmarkt, perhaps the biggest and most famous in the city, at the neo-gothic Rathaus City Hall. Tonight, you may choose an option to hear Vienna's past come alive and experience a classical music performance featuring the works of Mozart and Strauss. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 7: Vienna - Bratislava, Slovakia - Budapest, Hungary

Hop aboard a train to Bratislava, the former Imperial capital of the Habsburg Empire. Enjoy free time to have lunch and explore some of the city's 4,000-year-old history independently - don't miss the charming Christmas markets! Continue to the most famous Neszme'ly wine region. Spend the afternoon in one of the most beautiful Hungarian wineries. Located on the top of the hill, it offers the most beautiful views over the Danube. Learn how to make traditional strudel before enjoying dinner. Later this evening, arrive in Budapest, the "Queen of the Danube" and your home for the next 2 nights. Enjoy the evening on your own. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

Day 8: Budapest

Join a local expert for a panoramic tour of the city, where you'll discover the incredible neo-gothic marvel of Matthias Church atop Buda Castle Hill, the Fisherman's Bastion, the historic Old Buda and Gellert Hill, and the Parliament House. This afternoon, enjoy some free time to explore Budapest on your own. Perhaps you will visit the cozy Christmas market at St. Stephen's Basilica with its ice rink and gorgeous tree, or head to the city's largest market at Vörösmarty Square brimming with food and crafts stalls where local musicians often perform. This evening join your fellow travelers to toast the end of a festive trip at a farewell dinner. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

Day 9: Budapest - Tour Ends

Say goodbye to these regal cities as your tour comes to a close today. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Notes on Rates:

* All rates are based on a minimum of **20pax**.

* All rates are based on **2024** land rates & subject to change.

* Rates are valid for November-December 15th & are subject to availability

* Program can be changed to accommodate your needs

* RT Airfare is included from NYC and based on 2024 pricing. Contact us for your specific airport.