



Join us for a fun packed cruise on the famous Blue Danube visiting a new destination each day and with great entertainment at night featuring a guest UK singers Chris Nott and Glen Leon - all popular and versatile artistes and regular performers at our legendary UK party breaks. With a tremendous variety of scenery, historic cities and romantic towns, Europe's second longest river offers an incomparable river cruising experience. Ports of call include magnificent Vienna, Bratislava, Durnstein, Melk, Budapest and Linz as well as an opportunity to visit to Salzburg.

Itinerary:

Day 1: UK to Budapest

Join at your chosen airport for the flight to Budapest – flight duration around 2½ hours. Transfer to the MS Verdi and check in to our cabin for our seven night cruise. Overnight in Budapest. Free drinks, dinner and entertainment on board.

Day 2: Budapest

Today we have a full day in Budapest, one of the most beautiful cities in the world. Here you can explore both sides of Hungary's capital – traditional 'Buda' and the more cosmopolitan 'Pest', known as the Pearl of the Danube. Early evening we set sail for Bratislava. Free drinks, dinner and entertainment on board.

Day 3: Bratislava

Bratislava is described as 'The Beauty on the Danube', situated at the foothills of the Carpathian Mountains and on the banks of this stunning river, on the border with Austria. The Slovakian Capital is one of the youngest in the world and quickly developing with a mix of both old and new highlights including stunning 18th



Century Squares and spires, the old town and the castle of Bratislava which dominates the skyline. This evening we sail into lower Austria as the captain skilfully navigates the winding river and several locks as we enjoy free drinks, dinner and entertainment on board.

Day 4: Durnstein

The town of Durnstein is crowned by the ruins of the castle that once imprisoned Richard the Lionheart. Enjoy wandering around the cobbled streets and admiring the pretty courtyards and buildings. In the afternoon we set sail for Linz. Free drinks, dinner and entertainment on board.

Day 5: Linz & Salzburg

Today is at leisure in Linz or you can join the excursion to Salzburg, a city famous for Mozart and the Sound of Music. Here you can visit the sites associated to the composer or join a tour visiting the settings for the musical. Afterwards you will have time for strolling around this amazing city. Return to the ship for our overnight sailing to Melk. Free drinks, dinner and entertainment on board.

Day 6: Melk

This morning we visit the small town of Melk which lies in the beautiful Wachau Valley. Here you can visit the Benedictine Abbey, one of the most famous monastic houses in Austria which has been occupied by monks for over 900 years. Rejoin the ship and continue our cruise towards Vienna arriving in the evening. Free drinks, dinner and entertainment on board.

Day 7: Vienna

We spend today experiencing the delights of Vienna. Grand palaces, baroque castles, magnificent squares and grand monuments are just some of the key features of this beautiful city, which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. In the early evening we cast off and cruise towards Budapest. Free drinks, dinner and entertainment on board.

Day 8: Budapest to UK

Today we disembark the ship and transfer to Budapest airport for our return flight to the UK.

Note: Order of itinerary subject to change depending on local conditions.

DATE - PRICES - CODE

2022		
6 June	from £1599pp	DB6
30 Sept	from £1599pp	DB9
DEPOSIT: £200pp		

ENTERTAINMENT:

6th June 2022	Glen Leon
30th Sept 2022	Chris Nott

INCLUDED:

- Return flights with luggage to Budapest - see below
- 7 nights full board plus cruise on the MS Verdi in a single lower deck cabin or sharing a front mid-deck double/twin-bed cabin - upgrades available for twin/double cabins
- Welcome drink on arrival
- Beer, wine & soft drinks served at lunch and dinner and from 6pm to 11pm at the bar
- Afternoon coffee/tea and pastries
- Breakfasts
- Lunches - 4 courses
- Dinners - 4 courses
- Late night snacks
- Captain's dinner - 5 courses
- Entertainment
- Transfers abroad
- Services of our Cruise Director and Host on Board

MS Verdi Deck Plan & Cabin Prices

A Upper Deck french balcony twin or double	Price £1899pp
B Mid Deck ½ French Balcony	£1799pp
C Mid Deck ½ French Balcony Rear	£1699pp
D Mid Deck Standard Front	£1599pp
E Lower Deck Single Cabins	£1599pp

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

• Budapest City tour	£24pp
• Bratislava Guided tour	£18pp
• Melk Abbey	£25pp
• Salzburg Sound of Music Tour	£35pp
• Vienna City Tour	£24pp

Excursions must be booked prior to departure. Claim 10% excursion discount when you pre-book all of the above. All operate subject to minimum numbers.

FLIGHT INFORMATION & OPTIONS

Stansted, Luton, Gatwick, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Leeds Bradford, Manchester, East Midlands

- Flights are currently possible from these airports, subject to availability at time of booking the flights, and a supplement may apply. Alternative UK departure airports may become available, we will look at all options when you book.
- Flights include 1 checked in bag (usually no more than 20kgs) and 1 carry on bag per person - weight and size subject to airline rules.
- Flight duration around 3 hours.
- Transfer time to ship around 50 mins.
- **Please call us on 01895 83 33 33 to discuss your flight requirements.**



MS Carmen ★★★★★
MS Verdi ★★★★★



Lobby



Restaurant



Lounge

GN Holidays & Voyages is

chartering the elegant four-star sister ships, MS Carmen and Ms Verdi for some exclusive cruises in 2021/22. Both ships - identical in everything but name - were fully renovated to a high standard in 2016. They accommodate 136 guests in spacious and comfortable cabins, all freshly renovated with double and twin hotel style beds.

The impressive Reception on Upper deck includes a hotel style lift which goes from the upper deck to the lower deck. At the front of the ship you will enjoy the magnificent lounge with bar, spacious dance floor and easy chairs. There is also a Sun deck with sun loungers, chairs and covered areas with wind protection so suitable for all weathers.

RESTAURANT - The restaurant on the Upper Deck features large picture windows and is light and airy with elegant decor and furnishings engendering a relaxed, informal atmosphere. Diners can enjoy generous breakfasts, plus four course lunches and dinners.

LEISURE FACILITIES - In the centre of the ship there is a stylish library and seating area. Under the large awning on the Sun Deck there are plenty of chairs and deck chairs for guests' comfort.

SHIP'S STATS - Length: 114 metres • Breadth: 11.40 metres • Passenger Capacity: 136 • Passengers decks: 4

DECKS & CABINS

Cabins all have window, TV, safe, hair dryer, individually, controlled heating and cooling system, shower and WC. They have double/twin hotel style beds, except the singles which have a single bed and sofa. Cabins are situated over three decks with a choice of A-grade French Balcony, B&C grade 1/2 French Balcony, D-grade Fixed window or E-grade singles with small window.

Please note: When docking ships can be moored side by side so views from the cabin may be obscured.



UPPER DECK WITH FRENCH BALCONY

- The upper deck is split-level with all A-grade *French Balcony cabins situated in the highest part of the ship. The restaurant, at the rear of the ship, is accessed directly from here down 3 small steps. The reception, bar and lounge at the front of the ship are also accessed directly from here down 8 steps or via elevator.

*French Balconies look and act like a regular balcony, with the only exception being that

there is a railing placed directly behind the glass, meaning you cannot step out onto a separate space. The glass is almost full cabin width and height like a sliding patio door.

MIDDLE DECK 1/2 FRENCH BALCONY

cabins situated between the restaurant and reception are accessed directly from here up 12 steps, or you can take the elevator from reception and enter via the upper deck. The reception, bar and lounge at the front of the ship are also accessed directly from here up 7 steps or via elevator.

** 1/2 French Balconies have a cabin width sliding window from waist height up with an external guard rail at chest height.



MIDDLE DECK STANDARD

D-grade cabins with fixed picture window (does not open) are at the front of the ship below the bar/lounge with access from the reception via 15 steps or elevator.

LOWER DECK SINGLE

- The lower deck has 10 E-grade single cabins (no supplement) situated mid-ship below the reception with access via 15 steps or elevator.

