# MAGICAL CHRISTMAS MARKETS NUREMBERG - VIENNA



Throughout this dreamlike journey, an overflowing of good tidings and magical Christmas Markets come alive. Be spellbound by the medieval atmosphere of Nuremberg's main Christmas Market, and sample its renowned gingerbread. Stroll through Regensburg's romantic Christmas Market at the Thurn and Taxis Castle, savoring fresh dumplings with vanilla sauce. Get caught up in the magic of Salzburg's Christmas Markets at both Hellbrunn Palace and at Christkindlmarkt. And while in Vienna, visit four of the city's most enchanting Christmas Markets from the regal Schönbrunn Palace to Vienna's largest, Rathaus Christmas Markets, with its carousel rides and light-bedecked trees and pavilions.



### **DATES - 2019:**

**AMA CERTO** – Nov 24(N); Dec 01(V); Dec 08(N); Dec 15(V); Dec 22(N); Dec 29(V) **AMA SONATA** – Dec 06(N); Dec 13(V)

**DURATION:** 8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS

**EMBARK:** Nuremberg (N) or Vienna (V)

**DISEMBARK:** Vienna (V) or Nuremberg (N)

SHIPS: AMA CERTO, AMA SONATA

FROM: \$2,599 + Port Charges

**COUNTRIES: AUSTRIA, GERMANY** 

**RIVERS: DANUBE** 

# ITINERARY – (or reverse from Vienna) DAY 1- EMBARKATION – NUREMBERG, GERMANY

Board your cruise in Nuremberg. Tonight, gather on board your ship and meet your fellow passengers. The ship will moor overnight in Nuremberg. (D)



### **DAY 2 - NUREMBERG**

Join a city tour of WWII highlights and then walk through Nuremberg's cobblestone streets to the Imperial Castle and 900-year-old city ramparts. Visit Nuremberg's Christkindlesmarkt, one of the world's largest and most famous Christmas Markets. Later in the day, cruise through the Main-Danube Canal. (B,L,D)

### **DAY 3 - REGENSBURG**

Regensburg is one of Germany's best preserved medieval cities, as well as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Join a guided walking tour showcasing the city's architectural highlights, including the Old Town Hall and the Porta Praetoria, before visiting the Old Town Christmas Market. As an alternate option, sample some of Bavaria's specialties—beer, sausage and pretzels. Or bike to the base of Walhalla where you will see the neoclassical white marble temple inspired by the Parthenon in Athens. Later in the day,



you'll be treated to one of Bavaria's most beautiful and romantic Christmas Markets at Thurn and Taxis, where you can watch craftsmen make their unique arts and crafts. (B,L,D)

### **DAY 4 - PASSAU**

Picturesque Passau, a fairytale city founded more than 2,000 years ago, is noted for its Gothic and Italian Baroque architecture. During the season of Advent, the city dresses in her Bavarian holiday splendor, which you will discover on your walking tour through the city and at its Christmas Market at St. Stephen's Square—also home to its stunning cathedral. Go in search of unique crafts, including Bavarian-style houses and glass ornaments. If you prefer a more active adventure, join a guided bike ride along the Danube. (B,L,D)



### **DAY 5 - LINZ, AUSTRIA**

Linz is known for being the city of Christmas creches and its ever-popular Linzer torte. While here, you have a choice of three excursions. The first is a fullday visit to magnificent Salzburg dressed in her holiday best. Enjoy a walking tour of its UNESCO-



designated Old Town, its grand cathedral, inspired by St. Peter's Cathedral at the Vatican, and its Christmas Market at Hellbrunn Palace. Alternatively, you can choose a morning walking tour through Linz's old city center and by the Mozart House, where he composed the Linz Symphony in only three days, as well as visit Linz's Christmas Markets. Or you can go on a guided bike tour through Linz and along the city's famed "Cultural Mile" and the Danube. During the afternoon, you can join a half-day excursion to Salzburg or visit the charming mountain town, Česky Krumlov, located just over the Czech-Austrian border. (B,L,D)

### DAY 6 - MELK - DÜRNSTEIN - KREMS

The awe-inspiring Benedictine Abbey, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is on full display for your enjoyment on your tour. Later in the day, set sail through the breathtaking Wachau Valley. Or for those seeking a more active adventure, bike through the Wachau Valley to Durnstein. Once in Durnstein, join a walking tour and wine tasting, or an apricots and sweets tasting. Later in the day, set sail to

Krems, where you can enjoy a wine tasting or walking tour. (B,L,D)



### **DAY 7 - VIENNA**

The "City of Waltzes" offers a treasure trove of gems just waiting to be discovered. Join a tour showcasing its regal splendors, such as the majestic Opera House and the former Imperial Palace of the Habsburgs before concluding in Vienna's historic city center. Afterwards, you'll visit the Rathaus (Town Hall) Christmas Market. If you prefer a more active adventure, then join a guided bike ride to Klosterneuburg Abbey. During the afternoon, visit the Schonbrunn Palace Christmas Market with a giant sparkling Christmas tree. (B,L,D)



**DAY 8 - VIENNA – DISEMBARKATION**Disembark after breakfast. (B)



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BASE RATE – CAT E	\$3,099	\$3,099				
Early Booking Rate	\$2,599					

## Plus \$182 per person Port Charges

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### Piano Deck







