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Full Itinerary and Tour details for

## Prague, Moldova & Elbe 8-day Bike & Barge Tour (FL)



Prices starting from.

**1099 €**

Trip Duration.

**8 days**

Max Passengers.

**94**

Start and Finish.

**To/from Prague**

Activity Level.

**2**

Experience.

**Bike & Barge Tours Europe**

Tour Code.

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## Tour Details and Description

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 a 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 metropolis with its Old Town listed as UNESCO World Heritage Site. Your barge moors close to the Charles Bridge and is therefore an ideal springboard for exploring this gorgeous city – the marvelously restored Market Place, the busy Wenceslas Square or the Jewish quarter are waiting for you. And you will not be missing out on good food – beer and roast pork with dumplings, just to name one of the many specialties – when you are on the move with your bike do not miss quenching your thirst with an original Czech amber nectar.

**Ship:**

Built in 1980 and completely refurbished between 2008 and in 2014 your barge 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 with bar. Both the little lounge next to the reception and the observation saloon with its panoramic windows on the upper deck offer comfortable seating areas. Rest and relax 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 conditioner with individually adjustable ventilation, hairdryers, TV's and safes. There is W-LAN on board (please note that the signal is not always available).

### Tour character: Level 1-2

You will cycle between 25 and 50km each day. All of the distances are approximations for the indicated cycle tours. The cycle tour is suitable for people with an average level of fitness. You will cycle on paved or asphalted cycle paths, on very quiet agricultural roads as well as on tracks leading through forests or fields. There will also be short sections along busier roads. The terrain is mostly flat, though there are some slopes to cope with.

## Included in the Bike and Barge Tour:

- Seven nights in outside cabins, shower/WC in the booked cabin category
- Programme according to itinerary from/to Prague
- Welcome drink
- Daily cabin cleaning, change of bedding and towels
- Full board consisting of 7x breakfast buffet, 6x lunch snack on board (non cyclists) or lunch package for cycle tours, 6x coffee or tea in the afternoon, 7x 3-course dinner)
- All port, bridge and lock fees
- Daily briefing for the cycling tours
- Printed instructions and detailed maps for daily individual bike tours (1 per cabin)
- GPS tracks
- Tour guide

### Not included in the tour:

- Journey to and from Prague
- Parking fees, shuttles
- Bike rental
- Entrance fees and excursions
- Ferry tickets
- Helmet
- Drinks on board
- Tips
- Travel insurances

**If you would like to hire a bike (89 EUR) or e-bike (199 EUR) please contact our office when booking: [sales@slowtours.com](mailto:sales@slowtours.com)**

### Arrival/Parking/Departure:

- One option could be Garage Spanelska, near Wenceslas Square, CZK 600, - (approx 25 EUR,- per day) onwards (price is based upon capacity), about 4.5 km from the mooring place. From there, take the metro from the station Muzeum to the station Staroměstská, or take a taxi (only with licensed companies) to the mooring place (ca. 25 EUR,-).
- Another option would be the car park of Rudolfinum near the mooring place, about 29 EUR, - per day, about 15mins walk away

### Notes:

- **Upper deck cabins available from 1349 EUR (twin) or 2023 EUR (single)**
- Alterations of schedule or programme: subject to change. In the event that because of low or high water levels or adverse weather conditions a route cannot be taken, the captain reserves the right to change the route for your safety (this would not be a reason for fee-free cancellation).
- For safety reasons, sun deck access may be limited in times of high water levels/low bridge



clearance.

- Bicycles may sometimes be stored ashore overnight as a transport on the ship would not be possible due to low bridge clearance.
- Please note for your tour planning that due to numerous locks, the ship will always be slower than a cyclist.
- Special dietary needs: (e.g. lactose-free and gluten-free diet) on request and there will be an extra fee. Please inform us at least 14 days prior to departure. If necessary, some special dietary product must be brought along.
- Minimum of 45 persons (maximum 94)
- Please bring your own helmet as there is no onboard selling

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## Itinerary

### Day 1

Arrival in Prague Individual arrival in Prague.

Embarkation from 4pm. After dinner, you should take a stroll over the Charles Bridge, particularly beautiful in the dark, and enjoy the stunning view of the illuminated Prague Castel.

### Day 2

Prague – Kralupy, Cycle Tour approx 27km The morning is at your disposal and you have enough time for a nice little walk through Prague. Then 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. Arrival of the ship at around 5pm.

### Day 3

Kralupy – Mělník, Cycle Tour approx 28km, Boat Trip to Litoměřice After breakfast, around 9am, we will take out the bike again. You will cycle – almost always along the Vltava River – to Nelahozeves. Tip: visit the birth house of Antonin Dvořák and one of the most famous Renaissance castles of Bohemia, also known as the "little Louvre of Czechia". The tour takes you past the Veltrusý Park, with numerous sculptures and gazebos in an extensive terrain, up to the royal town of Mělník. Around about 1.30pm, return back to the ship and enjoy the boat trip on the Elbe River to Litoměřice.

### Day 4

Litoměřice – Day of rest or cycle tour to Ustí and back approx 53km A day at leisure. Discover one of the most beautiful Czech towns, the royal town of Litoměřice. The colourful Gothic, Renaissance and

Baroque buildings in the town centre, which for the most part is encircled by wellpreserved Gothic fortifications, will enchant you. Well-worth seeing: Baroque Cathedral of St Stephen atop the dome hill, the historic underground (extensive tunnel system) or the Bishop's residence. You might also be interested in an individual visit to the Terezín Memorial (Theresienstadt) in the village of Terezín. The concentration camp memorial is located only 5km away. The more advanced cyclists may feel to cycle to Ustí - idyllically situated in the narrow valley of the Elbe river – You will come by the Bohemian Gate and by the old castle ruin Schreckenstein. The barge will moor overnight in Litoměřice.

#### Day 5

Litoměřice – Roudnice – Mělník, Cycle Tour  
Roudnice – Mělník – Mělník, approx 40km  
Early in the morning, the ship will take you to Roudnice. Your cycle tour starts at around 9am. Almost always alongside the Elbe, via Dobruška, Račice and Vlnetice, 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 Mělník. Arrival of the ship at around 4:30pm.

#### Day 6

Mělník – Prague, ca. 40km Today you can go for a last bike tour via Nelahozeves, Kralupy, Vodochody, Drásky and Klecánky to Prague or you relax on the sun deck. You will arrive at Prague at ca. 3:30pm. The rest of the day is reserved for Prague.

#### Day 7

Prague, Cycle tour Prague – Zbraslav and back, ca. 30km 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 9:30am disembarkation and individual departure.

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