











## Prague and the Elbe

### Set sail from Prague along the Vltava and Elbe

Discover the enchanting Czech Republic, a gem nestled in the heart of Europe, boasting pristine river landscapes and a rich royal and imperial history dating back to the Middle Ages. Delight in the allure of romantic castles and palaces that tell captivating tales of the past.

Embark on a mesmerizing bike & ship adventure aboard MS Florentina, beginning and culminating in Prague, affectionately known as "the Golden City" and "the City of a Hundred Spires." This journey takes you along the Upper Vltava and Great Elbe, presenting breathtaking UNESCO World Heritage-listed Old Towns and serene, gently rolling landscapes to explore by bike.

Immerse yourself in one of Europe's most stunning metropolises, Prague, with its spellbinding charm and historical treasures. Unwind as you cycle through picturesque natural scenery, offering both relaxation and adventure.

Experience the renowned Czech Republic, famed not only for its world-class beers but also its delectable wines, ensuring your gastronomic satisfaction throughout the journey.

Join us on this captivating bike and boat tour to unravel the beauty and cultural splendours of the Czech Republic, where history, nature, and culinary delights converge to create an unforgettable experience.

## Details about the bike cruise along Vltava and Elbe

Begin your adventure in Prague with a delightful evening exploration, as the city comes to life with mesmerising illuminations that enhance its stunning landmarks. But that's just the start; the following days offer a perfect blend of nature and culture that will leave you enthralled.

As you trace the path along the picturesque Vltava River, you'll encounter the charming Troja, a captivating baroque castle housing the national picture gallery. Your journey then leads to the enchanting Nelahozeves Castle, often referred to as the "little Louvre of the Czech Republic" due to its remarkable Renaissance architecture. Pedal through the expansive Veltrusý Park, a tranquil oasis of natural beauty, before arriving at Mělník, where your adventure continues aboard the MS Florentina.

Litoměřice awaits, boasting a breathtaking array of Gothic, Renaissance, and Baroque structures. Among them, the Baroque St. Stephen's Cathedral and the Bishop's Residence are must-see highlights, exuding grandeur and historical significance. For those with a deeper interest in history, a visit to the Terezín concentration camp memorial from Litoměřice is a poignant and meaningful option.

On your return journey to Prague, you'll once again pass through Mělník, providing an opportunity to relish the awe-inspiring panorama of the Vltava and Elbe rivers converging from the vantage point of Castle Hill.

This remarkable bike & ship tour promises unforgettable experiences, from the city's illuminated charms to the allure of fairytale castles, serene parks, and historically significant landmarks. Explore the Czech Republic's natural beauty and cultural treasures as you cycle through its rich tapestry of history and landscapes.

## The highlights of the Czech Republic Bike and Boat holiday

- **Witness the Enchanting Illumination:** As dusk descends, Prague's historic buildings come alive with mesmerizing illumination, creating a truly special atmosphere.
- **MS Florentina:** Enjoy Panoramic Views: MS Florentina boasts an observation lounge with panoramic windows on the upper deck, offering breathtaking vistas.
- **Nelahozeves Castle:** Discover Late Renaissance Splendor: Nelahozeves Castle, a late Renaissance gem, holds the title of the "little Louvre of the Czech Republic."
- **The confluence of the Vltava and Elbe Rivers:** Before concluding your trip, be captivated by the majestic confluence of the Vltava and Elbe rivers in Mělník.

## Helpful information about the cycle tour along the Elbe

Join our "medium" tour, designed to prioritize the enjoyment of cycling while keeping the adventure alive. Although being in good shape is advantageous, our focus is always on the fun and thrill of the journey. Each day, you'll cover distances ranging from 25 to 45 km, offering a perfect balance of challenge and enjoyment.

Cycle through a variety of terrains, from smooth paved cycle paths to scenic unpaved fields and forest trails. While most of the route remains flat, some sections will present exciting steeper climbs and descents, adding a touch of exhilaration to your experience. Get ready to embrace the beauty of the landscapes as you pedal your way through this unforgettable cycling journey!

### Approximate timings (subject to sailing conditions)

Day 1: **Prague (Embarkation at 1600)**

Day 2: **Prague** | Depart: 1030

Day 2: **Kralupy nad Vltavou** | Arrival:1530

Day 2: **Kralupy nad Vltavou** | Depart: 0900

Day 3: **Melnik** | Arrive: 1300 | Depart: 1430

Day 3: **Litomerice** | Arrival: 1930

Day 4: **Litomerice** | No sailing

Day 5: **Litomerice** | Depart: 0530

Day 4: **Roundnice** | Arrival: 0830 | Depart: 0930

Day 5: **Micechvosty** | Arrive: 1700

Day 6: **Micechvosty** | Depart: 0900

Day 6: **Prague** | Arrival: 1530

Day 7: **Prague** | No sailing

Day 7: **Prague (Disembarkation)** | Depart: 0900

#### Tour information



Easy



8 Days / 7 Nights



Self-Guided



Meals included



Total cycling distance: approx.  
220 km

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# Itinerary

DAY  
**1**

## Arrival in Prague

Individual arrival in Prague. Embarkation from 4 pm. 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 approx. 30 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. Arrival of the ship at around 5 pm.

DAY  
**3**

## Kralupy - Mělník, Boat Trip to Litoměřice approx. 30 km

After breakfast, around 9 am, we will take out the bike again. You will cycle – almost always along the Vltava River – to Nelahozeves. You can 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 through the Veltrusý Park, with numerous sculptures and gazebos in an extensive terrain, up to the royal town of Mělník. Around about 1.30 pm, 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 Usti and back

approx.  
50 km

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 well-preserved 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 5 km 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 MS FLORENTINA will moor overnight in Litoměřice.

DAY  
5

## Litoměřice - Roudnice - Mlčechvosty, Cycle Tour Roudnice - Mělník - Mlčechvosty

approx.  
40 km

Early in the morning, the ship will take you to Roudnice. Your cycle tour starts at around 09:00 am. Almost always alongside the Elbe, via Dobřín, Račice and Vlněves, 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 4:30 pm.

DAY  
6

## Mlčechvosty - Prague

approx. 40 km

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

DAY  
**7****Prague, Cycle tour Prague -  
Zbraslav and back**approx. 30  
km

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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.

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DAY  
**8****Departure from Prague**

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After breakfast, till 09:30am disembarkation and individual departure.

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# Route information

Embark on daily cycling tours with distances ranging from 25 to 45 km, suitable for individuals with an average level of physical fitness. Our approximate distance figures ensure a delightful experience for everyone.

Pedal through well-maintained cycle paths and peaceful low-traffic agricultural roads, immersing yourself in the tranquility of nature. Venture into the heart of forests and fields with scenic unpaved paths, adding a touch of adventure to your journey. Additionally, shorter sections along busy roads offer a glimpse of local life.

While most of the route remains flat, be prepared to conquer some invigorating steeper climbs and descents.



# Prices and dates

Price calculation and check availability: **Prague and the Elbe**

**Price promise:** If you receive a quote for the same tour elsewhere, please **let us know** and we will match it!

## Place of arrival: Prague

### Season 1

29.06.2024 | 06.07.2024 | 13.07.2024 | 20.07.2024 | 27.07.2024 | 03.08.2024

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Saturday

#### Prague and the Elbe: MS Florentina, Main Deck, CZ-MLSME-08I-H

Base price	1,049.00
Single room (fixed price)	1,309.00
2-person cabin (front/back noise)	959.00
Fixed charge for double cabin in single use	1,529.00

#### Prague and the Elbe: MS Florentina, Upper Deck, CZ-MLSME-08I-O

Base price	1,269.00
Fixed charge for double cabin in single use	1,859.00
Single cabin (fixed price)	1,529.00

## Our rental bikes

**Price**

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7-Speed Unisex Bike (Backpedal brake)	89.00
7-Speed Unisex Bike (Freewheel)	89.00
Unisex E-Bike (Freewheel)	199.00
Unisex E-Bike (Backpedal brake)	199.00
Own Bike	29.00

Prices per person in GBP

# Included services and travel information

## Services

- Seven nights in outside cabins, shower/WC in the booked cabin category
- Programme according to itinerary from/to Brandys nad Labem
- All port, bridge and lock fees
- 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)
- Daily briefing for the cycling tours
- Printed instructions and detailed maps for daily individual bike tours (1 per cabin)
- GPS tracks
- Tour guide on board

## Travel information

### Arrival / Parking / Departure:

- One option could be Garage Spanelska, near Wenceslas Square, CZK 440, - (approx. € 18,- per day) onwards (price is based upon capacity), about 4.5 km from the mooring place (booking via internet <https://www.mrparkit.com/en>). 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. € 19,-). Another option would be the car park of Rudolfinum near the mooring place, about € 26, - per day, about 15 minutes' walk away

### Notes:

- 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 if bike transport on the ship is not possible due to low bridge clearance.
- Please note for when planning your cycle tours that due to there being numerous locks, the ship will always be slower than a cyclist.
- Special dietary needs: (e.g. lactose-free and gluten-free diet) on request. There will be an extra fee. Please inform us at least 14 days prior to departure. If necessary,

some special dietary products must  
be brought along yourself.