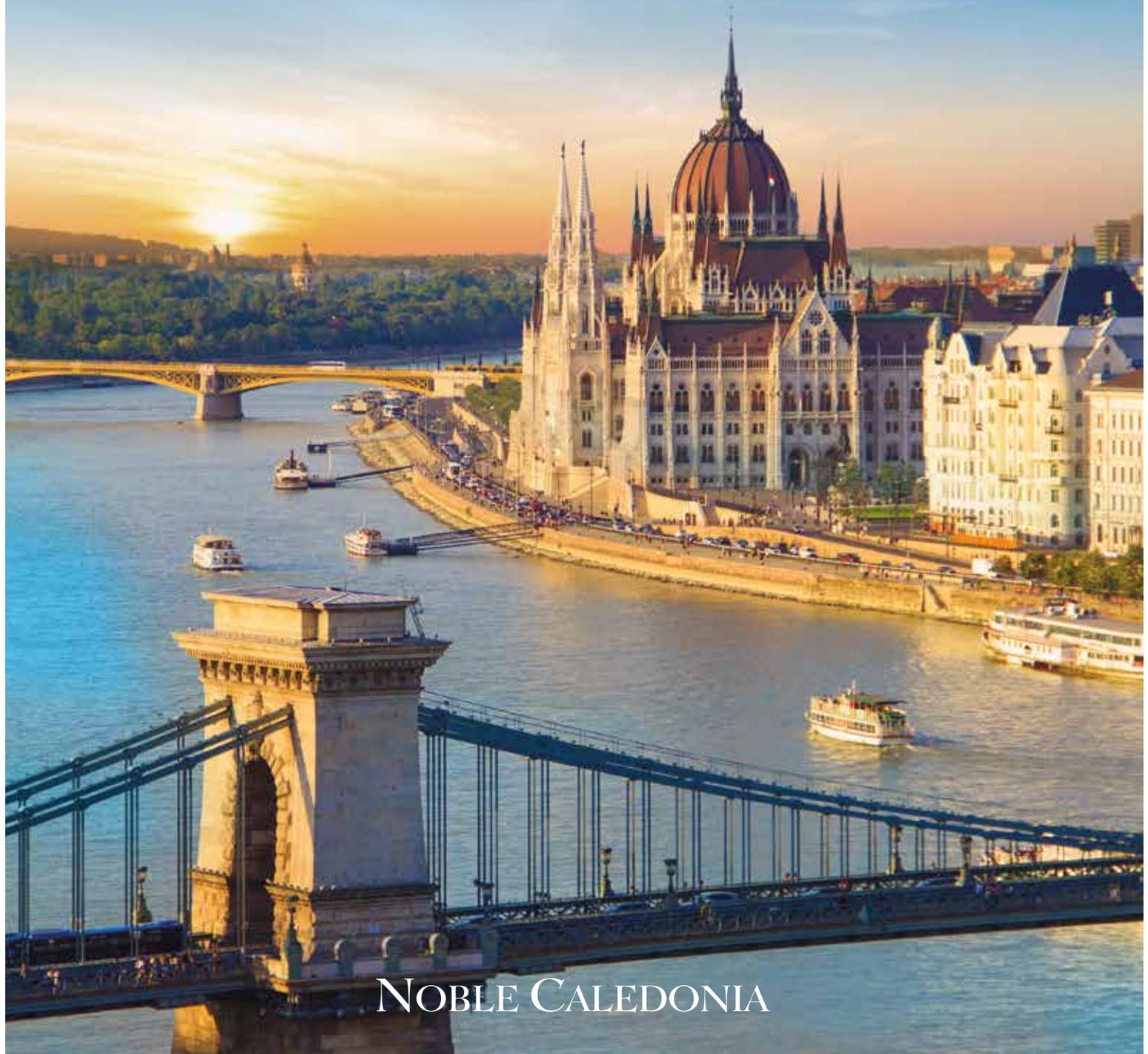


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THE ENCHANTING EAST

A river journey between Budapest & Bucharest aboard the MS Royal Crown
27th September to 5th October & 3rd to 11th October* 2021



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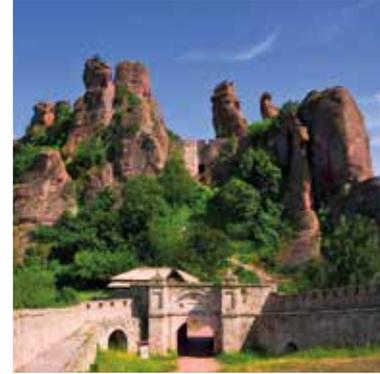
Decebal's Head, Iron Gates



Donji Milanovac



Kalocsa Pusztas Horse Show



Belogradchik Rocks and Fortress

Join us aboard the wonderful MS Royal Crown as we journey between the grand city of Budapest in Hungary and Romania's bustling capital, Bucharest. From the earliest of times the Danube has been one of Europe's most important trade routes linking the eastern shores with central Europe and this stretch of the river offers a diversity of history and culture quite unlike anywhere else.

We will sail through Hungary, Serbia and Bulgaria witnessing some of Europe's most beautiful landscapes and visit the great historic cities of Bucharest, Belgrade, and Budapest as well as picturesque riverside towns. From the great comfort of our vessel we will cruise effortlessly, enjoying the varied scenery and architecture whilst learning more about a region that has seen more of its fair share of conflicts, revolutions and wars. Our included tours with excellent local guides, together with interesting talks by our Guest Speaker, will create an enjoyable, informative and lively atmosphere as we sail along the majestic Danube. To enhance your holiday further, we are offering a six night extension in the beautiful region of Transylvania in Romania, travelling through some of the last untouched and least travelled areas of Europe.



The Itinerary

Day 1 London to Budapest, Hungary. Fly by scheduled flight. On arrival transfer to the MS Royal Crown and embark. After dinner we will be entertained by the heartwarming music of the Lugosi Band. Moor overnight in Budapest.

Day 2 Budapest. Spend the morning on an excursion exploring Hungary's elegant capital city. Our tour will include the old quarter visiting the Matthias Church, the Fisherman's Bastion and the Royal Palace (outside view). After lunch on board, enjoy some time at leisure before we sail this evening.

Day 3 Kalocsa. Arrive early this morning and depart on a tour of Kalocsa, renowned for paprika production. Your tour of the Pusztas district will include the town and a spectacular display of Hungarian horsemanship. We will have lunch in a local restaurant before returning to the MS Royal Crown in Mohacs.

Day 4 Belgrade, Serbia. A morning guided tour of Belgrade will visit the city's main attractions, including the Kalemegdan fortress as it looms over the confluence of the Sava and Danube rivers, Saint Sava Cathedral, the largest Orthodox Church in the world and Tito's Memorial. Our tour will finish with a superb local folklore performance before returning to the ship for a late lunch. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure before we set sail.

Day 5 Iron Gates & Donji Milanovac. Wake up to find yourself in the most beautiful scenery of the whole cruise - the entrance to the Iron Gates. Sail some 80 kilometres with mountains on either side culminating in the entrance to the Kazan Gorges, where the Danube reaches its narrowest point and the highest point of the river's banks. This afternoon we visit the charming Serbian town of Donji Milanovac. Our tour includes a visit to the first historical centre of Lepenski Vir, where excavations caused by the flooding of the river in 1972 led to archaeological discoveries that proved the existence of an Iron Age settlement from 7000 BC. We then continue to the fascinating Golubac Fortress which was built at the entrance of the Iron Gate gorge, a place where the Danube's widest stream flows into a pass of the Carpathian Mountains. The Fortress represented an important military border stronghold, built purposely in response to the military and strategic significance of the area.

Day 6 Belogradchik & Vidin, Bulgaria. Arrive this morning in the Bulgarian port of Vidin. After breakfast on board we will drive to Belogradchik which is located close to the Serbian border. The Belogradchik Rocks are a famous Bulgarian beauty spot and the sandstone has been weathered into all manner of bizarre shapes. Housed amongst the rocks is an Ottoman fort, built on the remains of a Roman structure. Return to the ship for lunch

TRANSYLVANIA & ROYAL ROMANIA EXTENSION

5th to 11th October 2021

(post-cruise extension for 27th September departure)

27th September to 3rd October 2021

(pre-cruise extension for 3rd October departure)

We are offering the opportunity to explore Transylvania with our six night post cruise extension.

The Itinerary

Day 1 Bucharest, Romania. This morning enjoy a morning tour of Parliament Palace, the second largest administration building in the world. After lunch in a local restaurant enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. (B, L)

Day 2 Bucharest to Sinaia to Brasov. Depart Bucharest after breakfast and travel to Brasov. Our first stop en-route will be Sinaia to see the fairytale Peles Castle, built by King Carol I in the 19th century.



Bran Castle

We then continue on to the town of Azuga in Prahova Valley, home of the Royal Cellar – the wine supplier for the Royal family. We will enjoy lunch and a wine tasting here at a local vineyard and continue onto Brasov where we will stay for two nights. (B, L, D)

Day 3 Brasov & Bran. Enjoy a morning sightseeing tour of Brasov including the Black church. Lunch will be in a local restaurant, after which we continue to Bran to visit the world famous 'Dracula's Castle', built as a fortress in 1212 by the Knights of the Teutonic Order. Vlad Tepes, better known as Vlad the Impaler, used the castle as headquarters for his incursions into Transylvania. We return to Brasov in the late afternoon with the remainder of the day at leisure. (B, L)

Day 4 Sighisoara to Biertan to Sibiu. After breakfast depart for the town of Sighisoara where we will explore the delightful old town. We continue to Dracula's house where Vlad Tepes was born in 1431. After a local lunch we continue to picturesque Biertan and visit the UNESCO 14th century fortified church. We will then continue on to Sibiu and check in to our hotel for a three night stay. (B, L, D)

Day 5 Sibiu & Sibiel. After breakfast join a walking tour of colourful Sibiu with some time at leisure to enjoy lunch independently. Later this afternoon, we drive to Sibiel, a pretty village situated 20 kilometres from Sibiu where we will visit the superb museum of glass painted icons, located in the old village church. We will enjoy dinner hosted by some local people with some of their traditional Romanian fare. (B, D)

Day 6 Alba Lulia. After breakfast depart for Alba Lulia, the town where Ferdinand and Marie were crowned Kings of the Great Romania. On arrival we visit the stunning White Citadel and the Coronation Cathedral, as well as the Unification Museum. Lunch will be in a local restaurant, followed by some time here at leisure. Return to Sibiu and our final dinner this evening will be at a local restaurant. (B, L, D)

Day 7 Sibiu to London. After breakfast this morning, transfer to the airport for your indirect scheduled flight to London. (B)

**Please note that the pre-cruise extension for the 3rd October cruise operates in the reverse direction to that shown, from Sibiu to Bucharest. Full itinerary can be viewed online.*

Prices per person Based on double occupancy

Twin: £1225 Single: £1575

Price Includes: Six nights hotel accommodation, meals as described (B - Breakfast, L - Lunch, D - Dinner), wine & soft drinks with lunch & dinner, excursions, Noble Caledonia Tour Manager, gratuities, transfers.

Not Included: Travel insurance.



Saint Sava Cathedral, Belgrade

and this afternoon we visit Vidin for a performance by the wonderful Vidin Symphonic Orchestra in the Philharmonic concert hall.

Day 7 Veliko Tarnovo. From Rousse, enjoy a full day tour to the city of Veliko Tarnovo, the capital of the second Bulgarian Kingdom from 1187 to 1393. The city formed a natural fortress, located on three hills surrounding the Yantra River and a palace, fortifications and churches were built into the terrain. After lunch in a local restaurant, we will visit the museum town of Arbanassi.

Day 8 Giurgiu to Bucharest, Romania. Disembark this morning and transfer to Bucharest (approx. 2 hour drive). On arrival there will be a panoramic tour of the city's highlights. After a local lunch, we will check in to our hotel for an overnight stay. The remainder of the day is at leisure before we meet for dinner at the hotel this evening.

Day 9 Bucharest to London. Check out after breakfast and transfer to the airport for the return scheduled flight to London.

**Please note that the 3rd October departure operates in the reverse direction to that shown from Bucharest to Budapest. The full itinerary can be viewed online at www.noble-caledonia.co.uk*

PRICES PER PERSON

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CATEGORY	DECK	BROCHURE PRICE	SPECIAL OFFER PRICE
Junior Suite	Select	£2795	£2595
Superior Suite	Select	£2995	£2795
Deluxe Suite	Select	£3295	£3095
Premium Suite	Select	£3695	£3495
Royal Suite	Panorama	£4195	£3995
Deluxe Suite for sole use	Select	£3795	£3595

PRICE INCLUDES: Economy class scheduled air travel • Seven nights aboard the MS Royal Crown on a full board basis • House wine, beer and soft drinks with lunch and dinner • Overnight hotel accommodation in Bucharest with breakfast • Lunch & dinner on day 8 • Shore excursions • Noble Caledonia onboard team including Guest Speaker • Gratuities • Transfers • Port & airport taxes.

Not Included: Travel insurance.



Premium Suite



Lido Bar



Royal Suite



Lounge



Restaurant

MS ROYAL CROWN

We are delighted to have chartered the 90 passenger MS Royal Crown for a series of European river cruises in 2021.

Your Cabin/Suite

MS Royal Crown has 45 suites which range in size from 145 square feet to the spacious Royal Suites which measure 200 square feet. All suites are fitted with spacious rosewood cupboards, a dressing table, satellite TV and radio, a safety deposit box, individually controlled air-conditioning and en-suite facilities with shower and hairdryer. Suites on the Select Deck have portholes and the Royal Suites on the Panorama Deck have large windows.

Your Dining

While the most beautiful river scenery passes by, enjoy delicacies created by the Executive Chef and his team. The restaurant has open seating, allowing you to sit where and with whom you like at each meal. In the morning breakfast is served buffet style, lunch is a delightful buffet with hot and cold choices and dinner is a served four course meal. In addition, house wine, beer and soft drinks are included at both lunch and dinner.

Your Space

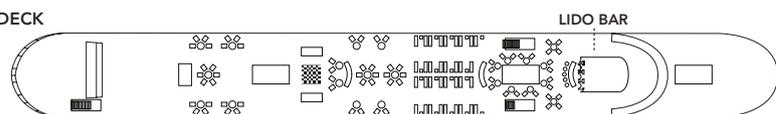
The elegant Lounge Bar is defined by its 30s inspired Art Deco style, with textured carpets, carved mahogany and plush sofas which create a comfortable and relaxed atmosphere. Experience unforgettable views from the large windows as you enjoy coffee or tea. The Lounge is also where

our Guest Speakers will entertain you with informative presentations. In the evenings, let the day come to an end with a choice of beverages from the extensive menu accompanied by a pianist playing a Steinway & Sons grand piano. The huge Sun Deck covers almost the entire length of the vessel, interrupted only by the bridge and the Lido Bar (open when weather permits) where you can enjoy a drink such as fresh

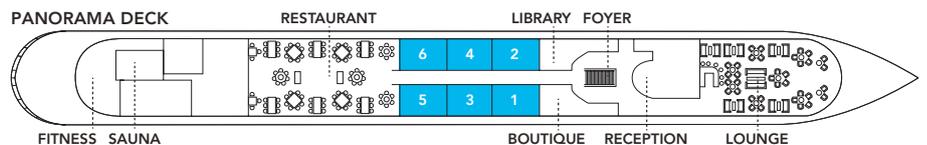
juice, a milkshake, or even a cocktail. Recline on a sun lounger and read a book or watch the changing scenery. There is also a putting green and a large chess board for your enjoyment. For some time out, relax in the wellness centre which includes a sauna with shower facilities, and a fitness room. There is also a small boutique and a library with a selection of books and games. Daily news sheets are also supplied.

DECK PLAN

LIDO DECK



PANORAMA DECK



SELECT DECK



JUNIOR SUITE
 SUPERIOR SUITE
 DELUXE SUITE
 PREMIUM SUITE
 ROYAL SUITE

Please note that Junior, Deluxe & Superior Suites have fixed twin beds. Premium and Royal Suites have fixed double beds with separate mattresses and duvets, so can be made up as twins if required.



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