

Hungary

PRIVATELY ESCORTED TOURS

HUNGARIAN NEW INSPIRATION

6 days / 5 nights

Day 1: Budapest. Arrival, transfer and check in to your hotel. Overnight Budapest.

Day 2: Budapest. Morning drive through the Pest side. Stop at Heroes Square where you will see statues depicting Hungarian history. Continue past the Opera House, St Stephen's Basilica, the Parliament and Margaret Bridge. Cross the Danube to explore the Castle District on the Buda side. Visit Matthias Church and Fishermen's Bastion, followed by Gellert Hill and the Citadel. Your tour finishes at the Central Market. Afternoon free. Tonight dine at a typical Hungarian restaurant with gypsy music. Overnight Budapest. **BD**

Day 3: Budapest to Eger. Eger is rich in history and architecture and has thermal baths. See the Castle and fortification, Gothic Palace, Basilica, Archbishop's Palace, Observatory with its periscope (entrance fees not included). Your 3-course lunch at Ködmön Csárda in Szépasszonyvölgy will be accompanied by a tasting of famous Eger wines including Egri Bikavér (Bull's blood) and Egri Leányka (Girl of Eger). Overnight Budapest. **BL**

Day 4: Budapest to Gödöllo. Visit the former Summer Residence of Queen Elizabeth (Sissi) in Gödöllo, the second largest baroque Chateau in the world. Tour the 18th century Grassalkovich Mansion, with its gardens, Royal Stables and Riding

INCLUSIONS

- ① 5 nights accommodation
- ① Meals as specified
- ① Transportation by air-conditioned car
- ① Sightseeing as specified conducted by English speaking guide
- ① Arrival/departure transfers

TOUR PRICE & DEPARTURES

Prices shown per person in AUD. Daily departures 1 Apr-31 Oct 2008.

Hotel	Twn	Sgl
CARLTON	2297	2555
ASTORIA (superior rooms)	2488	3127
STARLIGHT SUITEN	2499	2914
BUDAPEST HILTON	2858	3833

Minimum number of participants: 2



School. Afternoon free. Tonight, you board a boat and see Budapest by night from the Danube River whilst enjoying your buffet dinner with drinks. Overnight Budapest. **BD**

Day 5: Esztergom, Visegrad & Szentendre. Your first stop today is at Esztergom, the archiepiscopal residence and centre of the Catholic church. Visit the Basilica before continuing to Visegrad where you will see the ruins of the former Citadel and Royal Castle. From the top of Visegrad Hill you can admire the fascinating view of the Danube Valley. After a 3-course lunch, continue to the village of Szentendre. Walk through its baroque centre, then visit one of its Greek Orthodox churches and the Kovacs Margit Ceramic Museum. Free time for shopping, visit to an art gallery or for a coffee and cake at one of the traditional confectioners. Overnight Budapest. **BL**

Day 6: Budapest. Tour services finish with a transfer to the airport. **B**

YOUR HOTELS

- Ⓐ Carlton ★★★★★
- Ⓐ Astoria sup. ★★★★★
- Ⓐ Starlight Suiten ★★★★★
- Ⓐ Budapest Hilton ★★★★★

SCENIC HUNGARY

6 days / 5 nights

Day 1: Budapest to Eger. Morning departure for Gödöllo. Visit the Baroque Palace Grassalkovich. Drive through the picturesque Mátra Mountains to Eger, famed for its wines. Walking tour of historic Eger. The rest of the afternoon is at leisure. Dinner in a local restaurant. Overnight Eger. **D**

Day 2: Eger to Kecskemét. Depart for Mezőkövesd, traditional marketplace of the "Matyó" folk artists, famous for richly decorated national dress and embroidery work. Continue to Kecskemét, birthplace of the famed composer Zoltán Kodály. Walking tour of Kecskemét. Late afternoon trip to Lajosmizse for a typical regional meal with wine and gypsy music in the csárda. Overnight Kecskemét. **BD**

Day 3: Kecskemét to Pécs. Morning departure for the ancient town of Kalocsa, land of the "red gold" or paprika. Walking tour of the Archbishopal Palace (Library), the Baroque Cathedral and Folk Art Museum. Continue to Pécs, the most romantic city of Transdanubia. The rest of the day at leisure. Overnight Pécs. **BD**

Day 4: Pécs to Hévíz. City tour of Pécs including the Catholic Church, the former mosque which is Hungary's largest monument from the Turkish

age, Cathedral, All Saints' Church and Mosque of Jakovali Hassan. Continue to Lake Balaton, the most popular holiday resort in the country. At the western edge of the lake, you reach Keszthely, the region's oldest town. Visit the noble family Festetics' Baroque Palace. Overnight Hévíz. **BD**

Day 5: Hévíz to Balatonfüred.

Drive along the lake's northern shore, prized for its superb wines. Continue to Tihany, one of the oldest settlements in the Balaton region. Visit the Abbey Church founded in 1055. Continue to Balatonfüred. After check in to your hotel, proceed to Herend, home of the world-famous porcelain factory founded in 1839. Walking tour of Veszprém then dinner in a local csárda. Overnight Balatonfüred. **BD**

Day 6: Balatonfüred to Budapest. After breakfast, proceed through the Bakony Mountains to Pannonhalma Abbey, Hungary's oldest building, then continue to Győr. After a walking tour, return to Budapest around 6pm where tour services end. **B**

Four pre- and post-tour hotel accommodation refer to pages 12 & 13.

INCLUSIONS

- ① 5 nights accommodation in hotel category of your choice
- ① Meals as specified
- ① Transportation by private car
- ① Sightseeing as specified conducted by English speaking driver/guide

YOUR HOTELS

EGER

- Ⓐ Hotel Flóra ★★★★★
- Ⓐ Hotel Panoráma ★★★★★

KECSKEMÉT

- Ⓐ Aranyhomok standard ★★★★★
- Ⓐ Aranyhomok superior ★★★★★

PÉCS

- Ⓐ Patria ★★★★★
- Ⓐ Sopianane ★★★★★

HÉVÍZ

- Ⓐ Hunguest Helios ★★★★★
- Ⓐ Naturred Carbona ★★★★★

BALATONFÜRED

- Ⓐ Füred ★★★★★
- Ⓐ Silver Resort ★★★★★

■ Hotels of a similar standard may be substituted

TOUR PRICE & DEPARTURES

Prices shown per person in AUD. Daily departures 1 Jan-31 Dec 2008.

Hotel	Minimum 2 per		Minimum 4 per	
	Twn	Sgl	Twn	Sgl
★★★	3017	3234	1919	2136
★★★★	3501	3766	2315	2580

* This single rate applies when 2 passengers travelling together but requiring 2 separate rooms.