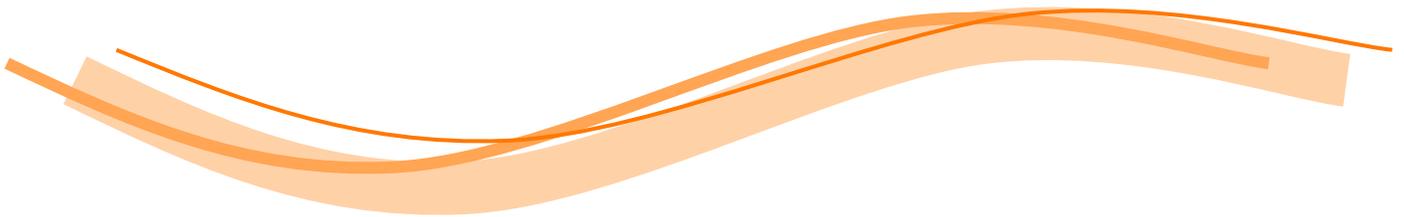




VIKING CRUISES & DISCOUNT COACH TOURS





<p>Discount Coach Tours</p>	<p>Discount Coach Tours (DCT) is based in Ancaster, Ontario. It is Canada's most technologically advanced company among the coach tour and river cruising retail travel agencies in Canada. Their passion for these vacations and their industry knowledge and expertise sets them apart. DCT bring true value to our clients and offer the best value, advice, and the lowest prices.</p> <p>Prices on their website are shown in Canadian dollars . DCT gives an unbiased opinion and strives to deliver the best possible price and service. They take bookings from all over the world and can tailor make tours to fit your itinerary and price if you are a small to medium size group.</p> <p>When you book a coach tour or river cruise with DCT, the arrangements are handled by knowledgeable and experienced staff in coach tours and river cruising. They are a TICO registered company and so your investments are protected by TICO in the event of a failure of a tour company.</p>
<p>Special Offer with Discount Coach Tours and Viking Cruises</p>	<p>Travel with me on a specially created and very specially priced Viking river cruise onboard the Ingvi on the Danube in Hungary, Austria, Czech Republic, Slovakia and Germany with DCT: the “Danube Waltz”</p> <p>This European river cruise package has been specially created by Discount Coach Tours with Viking Cruises. Almost everything is included in the price: return flights from Toronto or Montreal to Paris, transfers to the ship, the river cruise onboard the Viking Longship Ingvi, excursions, and most meals and drinks.</p> <p>The cruise is called the “Danube Waltz” and departs April 23rd, returning a week later on May 1st, 2019.</p> <p>Best of all, there's a special all-inclusive price for Travel Show listeners!</p> <p>It's a splendid opportunity to try river cruising for the first time, or – if you are a confirmed river cruiser already - to experience another of Europe's great rivers.</p> <p>All the details are on a special website at www.VikingOffer.ca</p>
<p>Passau to Budapest with Viking</p>	<p>We will fly to Munich in southern Germany and embark our ship in the charming town of Passau with its elegant coloured buildings and graceful arcades. We'll continue downriver and enter the Czech Republic for an excursion to the beautiful Bohemian town of Český</p>

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	<p>Krumlov. Its historic centre is dominated by its Castle, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.</p> <p>The next day we arrive in Krems, Austria and enjoy an exclusive visit to the splendid Benedictine Abbey of Göttweig, a working monastery for more than 900 years. The cruise through the scenic Wachau Valley with its valley-side vineyards and the beautiful Melk Abbey is magnificent.</p> <p>Day 5 brings a great highlight as we sail into Vienna – one of my very favourite European capitals! The capital city of Austria, Vienna is filled with green parks, upscale stores, theatres and gracious boulevards. We'll soak up the city's baroque architecture, including the world famous Opera House, St. Stephan's Cathedral and the Hofburg Palace.</p> <p>Another day, another country, as we arrive in Slovakia! The capital of Slovakia, Bratislava, is filled with lovingly restored baroque city palaces and dominated by an enormous castle, 300 feet above the Danube.</p> <p>Finally, our journey takes us to one of the most beautiful of all European cities... Budapest. The city is aptly called "Paris of the East" for its beautiful evening illumination and reflected lights in the Danube's waters and we visit highlights such as the National Opera House, historic Heroes' Square, Castle Hill, Fishermen's Bastion and Matthias Church. Enjoy lunch aboard your ship, with the rest of the day to explore on your own. Perhaps there's time to visit the Art Nouveau Gellért Spa, or one of the many other lavish facilities in this "City of Healing Waters." Before returning to our ship for a traditional Hungarian farewell dinner.</p>
<p>Danube Waltz Itinerary</p>	<p>The "Danube Waltz" cruise on the Danube packs five countries into a busy itinerary. Here is a day-by-day itinerary:</p> <p>DAY 1 Passau, Germany Arrive in Munich, then transfer to your ship in Passau. After boarding, spend free time exploring, or join our "welcome walk" to stretch your legs and get oriented. (D)</p> <p>DAY 2 Passau, Germany Today you will take a walking tour of this elegant town, called the Dreiflüssestadt ("City on Three Rivers"), which is situated at the confluence of the Danube, Ilz and Inn Rivers. You'll see the New Bishop's Residence and visit the impressive baroque St. Stephen's Cathedral with its ornate interior. Inside, you are treated to a special concert played on the 17,000-pipe organ, considered Europe's largest</p>

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church organ. This afternoon, you are free to explore Passau. See the sights and experience the local culture, or simply relax aboard your ship before departure. (B, L, D)

DAY 3

Linz, Austria

Arrive in Linz this morning and set off on an all-day excursion to the beautiful Bohemian town of Český Krumlov, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Ride through the scenic Czech countryside and take a walking tour featuring the lovely historic center of the city with many baroque and Renaissance buildings, dating back hundreds of years. You have some free time to enjoy Krumlov's charming streets, filled with cafés, shops, galleries and pubs. Maybe stop for lunch in one of the many local restaurants. Return for dinner and a late-evening departure. (B, D)

DAY 4

Krems, Austria

Today's highlight is an exclusive visit of the splendid Benedictine Abbey of Göttweig, a working monastery for more than 900 years. You can choose to begin your day with visit to the beautiful Melk Abbey, followed by a scenic drive through the Wachau Valley to Dürnstein. Leave your motor coach for a walking tour of this historic town before returning on board. Alternatively, enjoy a leisurely cruise from Melk to Dürnstein, and free time to explore. After lunch on board, enjoy a panoramic drive through the vineyards along the River Danube. Arrive at Göttweig Abbey, where you will participate in an exclusive visitor program, created to provide behind the scenes understanding of the daily business of the venerable institution. After your tour, rejoin your ship in Krems. (B, L, D)

DAY 5

Vienna, Austria

Today we tour the Austrian capital of Vienna. Ride along the Ringstrasse, which replaced the city walls in the mid-19th century. See some of the city's baroque architecture, including the world-famous Opera House, St. Stephan's Cathedral and Hofburg Palace. Return to your ship for lunch. The rest of the day is yours to further explore. As always, your Program Director can help you plan your free time. Alternately, you may choose to join an optional excursion to see the famed Lipizzaner Stallions; or, express your creativity and create a lasting keepsake at an optional art workshop inspired by the work of Gustav Klimt. After dinner, relax or enjoy an optional classical concert. (B, L, D)

DAY 6

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	<p>Bratislava, Slovakia Arrive in Bratislava this afternoon and embark on a walking tour of Slovakia's charming capital with a long and fascinating history. It is the only national capital that borders two other countries, Austria and Hungary. See attractions like the medieval Town Hall complex and fortifications at Michael's Tower, the baroque Jesuit Church and Gothic St. Martin's Cathedral, and pass by several Hapsburg-era baroque palaces before returning to your ship. This evening you can relax or take a walk before our late departure. (B, L, D)</p> <p>DAY 7 Budapest, Hungary Today we visit highlights of the once separate towns of Buda and Pest, starting with Pest's National Opera House and historic Heroes' Square. In Buda, walk along Castle Hill to Fishermen's Bastion and Matthias Church. Enjoy lunch aboard your ship, with the rest of the day to explore on your own. You may wish to visit the Art Nouveau Gellért Spa, or one of the many other lavish facilities in this "City of Healing Waters." Return to your ship for a traditional Hungarian farewell dinner. (B, L, D)</p> <p>DAY 8 Budapest, Hungary After breakfast, disembark and proceed to the airport for your return flight. Or, extend your journey with 2 additional nights in Budapest, giving yourself more time to explore the bustling Hungarian capital. (B)</p>
Meals	<p>The dining is extraordinary – and the produce is locally inspired too... Authentic regional specialties or American classics. Options on where you choose to dine on the ship include the elegant Restaurant to the Sun Deck and Aquavit Terrace, an al fresco dining area at the bow of the ship.</p>
Viking Longship Ingvi	<p>The Viking Longship Ingvi is a true haven on the river.</p> <p>In Norse mythology, Ingvi is the son of Odin, father of the gods. Ingvi (sometimes spelt Yngve) is a divine ancestor of the legendary Scandinavian dynasty, from whom the earliest historical Norwegian kings claimed to be descended from.</p> <p>There is a wide range of staterooms available. Onboard amenities include free Wi-Fi access, serene and elegant public spaces, elevators, a Sun Deck with 360-degree views and shaded sitting area; even an organic herb garden, putting green, and walking track! The Aquavit Terrace is a revolutionary indoor/outdoor viewing area at the bow of the ship with grills for al fresco dining.</p>

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	<p>And the Observation Lounge and bar and the Restaurant all have floor-to-ceiling windows for panoramic views. There's also a Library corner and an onboard boutique.</p>
Longship Features	<p>95 comfortable outside staterooms (2 Explorer Suites, 7 Veranda Suites, 39 Veranda Staterooms, French Balcony Staterooms, 25 Standard Staterooms) All suites feature two rooms with a veranda off the living room and a French balcony in the bedroom Sun deck with 360-degree views and shaded sitting area; organic herb garden and solar panels; putting green, and walking track Aquavit Terrace with a revolutionary indoor/outdoor viewing area at the bow of the ship and grills for al fresco dining Observation Lounge and bar with floor-to-ceiling glass doors Restaurant with floor-to-ceiling windows for panoramic views Library corner and onboard boutique Elevator from Middle to Upper Deck only; no elevator access for categories F and E Free ship-wide wireless Internet service Laundry service Ecologically friendly hybrid engines producing less vibrations for a smoother ride 40" flat-panel Sony TV with infotainment system featuring movies on demand plus CNBC, CNN, National Geographic and more</p>
Stateroom Options	<p>Viking Longships offer you a choice of stateroom category. From spacious Veranda Staterooms and French Balcony Staterooms with a sliding glass door, to two-room Veranda Suites, each offers understated elegance and sweeping river views. The exquisite Explorer Suites boast wraparound verandas providing 270° views. And while other cruise lines call one large room a "suite" Viking Longships offer river cruising's first-ever true suites, each with two full-size rooms.</p> <p>Within the 95 total staterooms there are several options: 2 Explorer Suites 7 Veranda Suites 39 Veranda Staterooms French Balcony Staterooms 25 Standard Staterooms</p>
Standard Stateroom Features	<p>Stateroom size: 150 sq. ft. Hotel-style beds 79 inches x 63 inches (with optional twin-bed configuration) Half-height picture window Private bathroom with shower and premium bath products</p>

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	<p>Telephone, refrigerator, safe, hair dryer & bottled water replenished daily</p> <p>Bathrobe and slippers available upon request</p> <p>Individual climate control</p> <p>Space under bed for storing suitcases</p> <p>Roomy wardrobe with wooden hangers</p> <p>Voltage: 220V and 110V in stateroom</p> <p>Sony 40-inch flat-panel TV with premium entertainment package including: BBC News, CNBC, CNN, National Geographic, TNT Series, Sky Sports, videos on demand and “View From the Bridge”</p>
Contact	<p>Phone: Toll Free 1 (877) 977-8586</p> <p>Monday to Friday 9am to 9pm Saturday & Sunday 9am to 5pm</p> <p>Website: http://www.discountcoachtours.ca/</p> <p>Special Offer Website: www.VikingOffer.ca</p>

VIKING CRUISES	
Viking History	<p>Viking was founded in 1997 with the purchase of four ships in Russia. In 2000, the company purchased Europe’s KD River Cruises in order to grow its fleet, to leverage 40 years of river cruising experience and to acquire rights to prime docking locations in key European cities.</p> <p>The company expanded into the American market in 2000, establishing US headquarters in Los Angeles, California. Through rapid expansion, the company has grown to be The World’s Leading River Cruise Line, with double-digit growth in recent years. And with the launch of its ocean fleet in 2015, the company has also become the leader in small ship ocean cruising.</p> <p>With operational headquarters in Basel, Switzerland, Viking provides destination-focused itineraries designed for experienced travelers who have an interest in geography, culture and history. Each journey includes a shore excursion in every port, and an exclusive Viking Culture Curriculum program that provides deep immersion in the destination through performances of music and art, cooking demonstrations, informative port talks and carefully selected guest lecturers.</p>
Viking Awards	<p>The company currently operates a fleet of more than 60 vessels, state-of-the-art ships that have received numerous accolades since their launch from industry experts and travelers alike.</p>

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	<p>Viking was recently voted the #1 River Cruise Line by Condé Nast Traveler in their 2017 Readers' Choice Awards, and for the second year in a row, has been rated the #1 Ocean Cruise Line* by Travel + Leisure readers in the World's Best Awards 2017</p>
<p>River Ships and Itineraries</p>	<p>Sailing Europe's storied rivers, the award-winning Longships offer a variety of stateroom categories and true two-room suites with full-size verandas. Onboard amenities include a restaurant, bar and lounge, library and expansive sun deck. The ships feature an elegant Scandinavian design and "green" features, such as solar panels, an onboard organic herb garden and energy-efficient hybrid engines for a remarkably smooth ride.</p> <p>River cruises range from 8 to 23 days, with itineraries featuring Europe's Rhine, Main, Danube, Seine, Rhône, Douro, Moselle, Elbe, Dordogne, Garonne and Gironde Rivers; Russia's Volga, Neva and Svir; Egypt's Nile; China's Yangtze; and Southeast Asia's Mekong.</p>
<p>Ocean Ships and Itineraries</p>	<p>In 2015, Viking introduced its first ocean ship with the christening of the 930-guest all-veranda Viking Star. One year later, Viking launched its second ocean ship, Viking Sea, which was joined in 2017 by sister ships Viking Sky and Viking Sun. The fleet welcomes Viking Orion in 2018 and Viking Jupiter in 2019, making Viking the largest small ship ocean cruise line. Four more yet-to-be-named ships are scheduled to launch by 2023.</p> <p>The company's award-winning ships are engineered at a size that allows direct access into most ports, so guests have easy and efficient embarkation and disembarkation. Each ship boasts a private veranda in every stateroom, a choice of restaurants offering a variety of fine dining options, the most al fresco dining at sea, an infinity pool, a Nordic-inspired spa, panoramic Explorers' Lounge and thoughtfully curated book collections throughout the ship, and more—all designed in understated elegance.</p> <p>Base ocean cruises range from 8 to 15 days, with itineraries designed to maximize the amount of time travelers spend in their destination. Destinations include Northern Europe, Scandinavia and the Baltic, the Mediterranean, the Adriatic, the Americas and the Caribbean, as well as combination cruises of those itineraries available ranging from 22 to 50 days.</p> <p>Viking Sun will spend her maiden season sailing the company's first-ever world cruise, spanning 141 days and visiting five continents. And in 2019, she will embark on her second global crossing on the 128-day Viking World Cruise. Starting in 2018, Viking Orion will embark</p>

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	<p>on journeys in the Middle East, Australia, New Zealand, Asia and Alaska.</p>
<p>European River Cruises</p>	<p>Enjoy the timeless beauty and grace of the Old World with European river cruises, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rhine River Cruises Main River Cruises Danube River Cruises Seine River Cruises <p>Explore the rich culture of countries like Austria, Germany, France, and Switzerland, and take in amazing sights like the windmills of Kinderdijk, verdant vineyards in France, and ancient castles in the Rhine Valley.</p> <p>Cruising Through History</p> <p>Europe has had a major influence on the arts, culture, economics and social movements worldwide, and Viking’s cruises provide the opportunity to witness the birthplace of Western civilization firsthand. The origins of Western democratic society are often attributed to Ancient Greece; the Roman Empire also left its mark on law, language and government. After the decline of the Roman Empire, Europe entered what is known as “the Dark Ages,” during which isolated monastic communities compiled and safeguarded the written knowledge of the ages. Then came an Age of Discovery: a period of exploration, invention, and scientific development which had its roots in Italy but involved many European countries in exploring and building colonial empires. With the Renaissance, ideas of democracy once again took hold, leading to vast upheavals across Europe. The Industrial Revolution started in Great Britain in the late 18th century, facilitating a move away from agriculture and much greater general prosperity. And of course, the 20th century brought two World Wars, the division of Europe by the Iron Curtain and its subsequent reunification, and the formation of the European Union.</p> <p>European River Cruises with Viking</p> <p>Throughout history, each great European river has played a crucial role, carrying goods and passengers from city to city and country to country. Today’s river cruises continue this proud tradition. The Rhine River, the Seine River, the Danube River, and the Elbe River evoke a timeless beauty and grace with their names alone. Viking River Cruises excels at giving travelers an authentic European experience on land and by river. Take one of our unforgettable river cruises along a legendary European river; these waterways cover the entire Continent, from the North Sea through the heart of Europe to the Black Sea. Enjoy natural wonders on our river cruises, like Austria’s Wachau Valley and Germany’s Rhine Valley, both UNESCO World Heritage Sites, and engineering marvels</p>

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	<p>like the Main-Danube Canal. Hilltop castles, lush vineyards and gorgeous countryside are right outside your ship on our European river cruises. Experience Europe's legendary history, contemporary life and bright future for yourself.</p>
<p>Danube River Cruises</p>	<p>Flowing through 10 countries, the Danube is the heart and soul of Central Europe. Countless cultures and civilizations have used it as a trade route and economic artery. Armies have been stopped at its banks. Its boundaries marked the edge of the Roman Empire, and its bridges have linked nations. It has inspired vintners to create prized wines and composers to write enduring music.</p>
<p>Why Viking?</p>	<p>The Viking Difference: The Thinking Person's Cruise We travel to explore, to learn, to understand. As the world's leading river cruise line, Viking believes in offering you extraordinarily well-designed cruises that bring you closer to the cultures of the world. That's why their intimate, inclusive itineraries are designed to help you explore nuances of your destination: its food, culture, people and customs. Here's some of what defines the Viking Difference:</p> <p>SAIL WITH THE #1 RIVER CRUISE LINE. You're about to discover the most convenient way to see the world. This is cruising on an intimate scale, with a personal touch. Meander along the world's great waterways at the easy pace of the river gliding past magnificent vistas and pausing to explore riverside ports, all while unpacking your bags just once.</p> <p>SMALL SHIP EXPERTS. On a Viking ship, you will sail into the heart of your destination, so you can explore up close and in depth. The innovative, award-winning Viking Longships have set the standard in river cruising: their intimate vessels have all the amenities of a fine hotel, providing the ideal opportunity to comfortably be transported each day to and from your next destination—where enriching discoveries are usually just a short walk from your ship.</p> <p>THE VIKING WAY. With more itineraries in more destinations worldwide, Viking offer behind-the-scenes insights and opportunities that set them apart from other travel companies. While included and optional shore excursions cover cultural and historic highlights, Viking also go beyond, sharing with you The Viking Way with their Local Life, Working World and Privileged Access experiences—opening doors to people and places otherwise difficult to visit.</p> <p>CULTURAL ENRICHMENT. Viking's Culture Curriculum, an exclusive</p>

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onboard program, brings local history to life with lectures on history and art; tasting of vintage wines from your destinations; restaurant menus inspired by local cuisine; informative port talks; enriching Destination Performances featuring folkloric shows and musicians playing regional and classical music. Enlighten yourself further with the Library's carefully curated collection of informative and inspirational books.

SERENE SCANDINAVIAN SPACES.

Viking have fine-tuned the art of exploring the world in comfort. Their ships have been thoughtfully engineered by nautical architects to bring the outside in with large, expansive windows. Graceful staterooms and suites are designed for ultimate comfort and serenity, and light-filled public spaces inspire and refresh you throughout your journey. Viking designed their ships down to the most minute detail—from the light and airy Atrium to the relaxing Viking Lounge.

MORE STATEROOM VARIETY THAN OTHER SHIPS.

Your private sanctuary on the river. Viking's innovative thinking and patented design provides you with more choices and a more enriching overall experience than other ships. Each of the spacious staterooms offers deluxe comfort during your river cruise. Whichever stateroom you choose, your hotel-style bed topped with European linens and duvets provides the perfect place to turn in after a full day of exploring Europe's great towns and cities. And you'll feel pampered by bathrooms equipped with heated floors and premium Freyja bath products.

DESTINATION-FOCUSED DINING.

Whatever your tastes, Viking believe dining is an important part of your journey, both on shore and on board. Their highly trained chefs are passionate about food and committed to providing an enriching culinary experience, whether you're savouring authentic regional specialties or American classics. And the ships' dining areas—from the elegant Restaurant to the Sun Deck and Aquavit Terrace, the al fresco dining area at the bow of the ship—are the ideal setting for hospitable, attentive and personalized service.

GENUINE & THOUGHTFUL SERVICE.

At Viking, the Swiss-trained, friendly and knowledgeable staff are all devoted to making your onboard stay the most memorable possible. The ships are small and intimate, and every member of their staff—from stateroom stewards to the Guest Services team—is dedicated to personally hosting you. Viking are so confident that they will exceed your expectations that they have guaranteed their award-winning service—the only cruise line to do so.

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	<p>VIKING INCLUSIVE VALUE.</p> <p>Viking firmly believe that you should not have to open your wallet every time you want a cup of coffee, a glass of wine or an excursion ashore. Instead, their goal is to provide you with great value, so they've designed their cruises to give you more for your money with a cruise fare that includes everything you need, from meals and beverages to shore excursions and Wi-Fi.</p>
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