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## *The River Elbe and Prague, the Golden City, MS Florentina*

### BY BIKE & BOAT FROM/TO PRAGUE

The Czech Republic, the small country in the heart of Europe, captivates with its pristine river landscapes, a still palpable royal and imperial history that can often be traced back to the Middle Ages, and of course with romantic castles and palaces.

Prague, "the Golden City" and "the City of a Hundred Spires" as it is also called, is the start and finish of this beautiful bike & boat tour on board the MS Florentina along the upper Vltava and great Elbe. Explore one of the most beautiful metropolises in Europe with its UNESCO World Heritage Site and cycle through natural and sometimes gently hilly landscapes. And - the Czech Republic is well known for its world-famous beers, but also for its good wines. So your physical well-being is also taken care of!

### *Details regarding the Bike & Boat holiday on the river Elbe and Vltava from Prague*

Already on the first evening, you can explore Prague at night and enjoy the illuminated sights. But also in the days to follow, nature and culture will not be neglected: Along the river Vltava your route leads via Troya, a pretty Baroque castle, which contains the National Art Gallery. Via Nelahozeves castle, the "small Louvre of the Czech Republic", one of the most famous Renaissance castles in the Czech Republic, you continue via the extensive Veltrusý Park to Mělník and from there on board the MS Florentina to Litoměřice.

Here you will come across impressive Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque buildings, of which the Baroque St. Stephen's Cathedral and the Bishop's Residence stand out and are definitely worth a visit. From Litoměřice, you can also take a bike trip to the Terezín concentration camp memorial. On the way back to Prague, the route leads you again via Mělník, where you can enjoy the magnificent view of the confluence of the rivers Vltava and Elbe from the castle hill.

## *Bike & Boat highlights at a glance:*

- The first highlight awaits you on the first evening: as soon as twilight sets in, Prague's historic buildings glow in **magical lighting** and conjure up a very special atmosphere.
- **MS Florentina:** The MS Florentina is a cosy and comfortable mid-range vessel. The viewing saloon with panoramic windows on the upper deck and the sun deck are definitely worth a visit when the weather is nice!
- **Nelahozeves Castle:** The castle from the late Renaissance is also known as the "small Louvre of the Czech Republic".
- **Confluence of the Vltava and Elbe river:** Shortly before the end of your trip, another highlight awaits you with the confluence of the two rivers in Mělník.

## *Things to know regarding the Bike & Boat holiday on the river Elbe and Vltava from Prague*

This holiday is assigned to a tour character of "medium". It is therefore an advantage if you are in good physical condition, but the focus is always on having fun cycling. The sections that you complete every day range between 25 and 45 km. You mainly cycle on flat terrain, which ranges from developed cycle paths to unpaved field- and forest paths. However, on several sections, you also have to tackle steeper ascents and descents.

If arriving with your own bike is too time-consuming for you, or you do not have your own bike, you can optionally book one of our rental bikes. If you have concerns about your fitness level, e-bikes are also available. The hired bikes are then adjusted on site by our experienced team according to your body measurements and wishes, so that you can start your holiday in the best possible way.

- If you are interested in other holidays in Eastern Europe, please take a look at our [Bike & Boat holidays in Eastern Europe](#).

### *Medium*



8 Days / 7 Nights



Self-guided Tour



Minimum number of participants  
70

### **To the online version**



# 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.

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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.

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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 Antonín 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.

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DAY  
4

## *Litoměřice - Day of rest or cycle tour to Usti and back* | approx. 55 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.ce.

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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, Drasty 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

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 09:30am disembarkation and individual departure.

# *Tour character*

You will cycle between 25 and 45km 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.



# Prices and events

Place of arrival: *Prag*

**Season 1**  
08.07.2023 | 15.07.2023 | 22.07.2023 | 29.07.2023 |  
Arrival Saturday

Bike & Boat the River Elbe and Prague, the Golden City - MS Florentina - main deck, 8 days, CZ-MLSME-08I	
Base price	999.00
Surcharge 1-bed cabin	300.00
Discount 2-bed cabin front/back	-100.00
Surcharge 2-bed-cabin single use	50%
Bike & Boat the River Elbe and Prague, the Golden City - Ms Florentina - upper deck, 8 days, CZ-MLSME-08I	
Base price	1,249.00
Surcharge 1-bed cabin	300.00

# Our rental bikes

	Filter
7-gear with back brake	79.00
7-gear with freewheel	79.00
Electric bike with freewheel	189.00
E-Bike with back brake	189.00

Prices per person in EUR

# Services and infos

## Services

### Included:

- 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

## Infos

### 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:

- Further important information according to the package travel law and additional information about your bike and boat trip can be found [here!](#)
- 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.



# Accommodation



## *MS Florentina*

The cosy and comfortable mid-class ship MS Florentina was completely renovated in 2014. Enjoy the Vltava & Elbe and the Golden City of Prague.

***Beds:*** 88

***Cabinsize:*** 8 - 10 m<sup>2</sup>

***Crew:*** 15

***Length:*** 80 m

***Width:*** 9,60 m

***Draught:*** 1.50 m

## *Contact & booking*

Do you still have questions about the tour? We are happy to help and look forward to your inquiry.



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**Book now**

