An exciting new destination awaits us this year – a unique, limited edition cruise on the Danube River aboard Peter Deilmann’s 5-star luxury ship, the mv Casanova. Our cruise on the Elbe in 2006 with Peter Deilmann received rave reviews, so we are confident that this cruise on the Danube River will be sure to please. Just think – ten countries without having to pack or unpack more than once en route – that’s the beauty of a Peter Deilmann cruise tour along one of Europe’s longest rivers.

This unique itinerary is offered only once in 2008, traveling to, and then from, the Black Sea. And you can be on board this exciting cruise!

Here, along the banks of the Danube, where Gothic cathedrals rise from lush vineyards and medieval villages stand as they did centuries ago, experience the pleasures of this mighty river on a delightful cruise aboard the 5-Star mv Casanova.

The Danube, actually Europe’s second longest river, connects countries from the Black Forest to the Black Sea – Germany, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Austria, Hungary, Croatia, Serbia, Romania and Bulgaria. We’ll have time to explore the art, history, culture and gardens of several of Europe’s most celebrated cities – including Budapest and Vienna.

We fly into Munich, and transfer to our embarkation port of Passau. We overnight there and enjoy a leisurely visit to this eastern German river city before we embark on board our ship. On the morning of our embarkation, we have a waking tour of the city of Passau. After lunch, we have a short walk to the port, where you’ll be able to settle into your first-class accommodations aboard our deluxe cruise ship, the mv Casanova. With only 48 cabins on board this ship, you’ll find that there is passenger-to-staff ratio of only 2.5 to 1, one of the best in the industry. And with less than 100 passengers on board ship, you’ll receive unparalleled service and attention while on board ship.

You’ll find your cabin to be beautifully appointed, with amenities that make your stay on board so enjoyable, including telephone, television, radio, in room refrigerator, built in closets, safe, hair dryer, desk, and toilet and shower. And did we mention the meal service on board? 6 meal services a day, including breakfast, morning bouillon, lunch, afternoon tea, dinner and midnight snack. The service on board, and in particular the elegant meals served, was one of the most talked about highlights of our last Peter Deilmann cruise.

And of course, there are the optional tours that are available to you in each of our very interesting ports of call. We’ll spend thirty-six hours in Vienna, and have a full day in both Budapest and Belgrade. There are numerous optional tours available once on board ship, to help you enjoy the cities and countries that we will be visiting.

Our final destination is Tulcea, Romania, having passed through the waters bounded by nine countries. En route, we’ll view the rural life of the Balkans in Croatia, Serbia, Romania and Bulgaria. In Tulcea, we’ll spend our final night on board ship before we board a chartered aircraft for a return trip to Munich, where we overnight prior to our return flights home.

This is a trip which has been talked about for some time, and we are pleased that we can offer the best of the Balkans on this delightful cruise tour in 2008.

**MEMBER’S TOUR PRICE:** lower deck $3,995* cruise only
upper deck $4,795* cruise only

*Note: Non-members of the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum add $100 to the tour cost.

Prices are per person, based on double occupancy.
Thursday, July 24  
**Minneapolis/Munich**  
Depart Minneapolis on an overnight flight to Munich.

Friday, July 25  
**Munich/Passau**  
Upon arrival in Munich, we are met and transferred to our hotel in Passau. This graceful old city, dating from medieval times, is located on the eastern edge of Bavaria, about two hours from Munich. It is situated at the confluence of three rivers: the Danube, the Inn, and the much smaller Ilz. Our hotel is a Bavarian-styled hotel in the heart of the old town, within walking distance to the pier. The balance of the day is at leisure, for you to enjoy on your own.

Saturday, July 26  
**Munich/Passau**  
After breakfast at our hotel this morning, we have a walking tour of the old city of Passau. This afternoon, our luggage is picked up at the hotel and transferred to our ship in Passau. We embark on our ship, and settle in for our journey on the Danube River in the comfort of our luxury cabin on the mv Casanova. Tonight we dine on board ship after we depart from Passau.  
*B L D*

Sunday, July 27  
**Vienna**  
Today we have a leisurely morning on board ship as we cruise the Danube enroute to our first port of call — Vienna. We arrive in the early afternoon, and there is an optional tour of the city after our arrival. We’re in Vienna overnight, on board ship in port in Vienna, and the night is at leisure.  
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Monday, July 28  
**Vienna**  
We are free in Vienna today, until late afternoon. Optional excursions are available today, one visiting Schönbrunn Palace. Then, shortly before dinner, we depart Vienna en route to Budapest. We are under sail overnight.  
*B L D*

Tuesday, July 29  
**Budapest**  
We have a full day of sightseeing available for you in the Eastern European capitol city. The optional city tour introduces you to many of Budapest’s treasures, including Hero’s Square, the Parliament and Castle Mount. We arrive in Budapest at breakfast, and we depart shortly before dinner.  
*B L D*

Wednesday, July 30  
**Mohacs**  
We arrive in Mohacs, in southern Hungary before dawn, and after breakfast we have an optional excursion to nearby Pécs, an interesting city near the Croatian and Serbian border, with a history dating back even before the time of the ancient Romans. After departure from Mohacs we cross into an area of the river where Serbia is on one bank, and Croatia on the other. We sail through the night to Belgrade.  
*B L D*

Thursday, July 31  
**Belgrade**  
We arrive in the Serbian capital before breakfast, and spend the day here. There are several optional tours available for you in Belgrade. We depart Belgrade in the evening.  
*B L D*

Friday, August 1  
**Iron Gate Passage/Turnu Severin**  
Early this morning we arrive at the Iron Gate Gorge, a narrow gorge separating Romania and Serbia, where you’ll see some of the most breathtaking natural scenery on the Danube. Gliding between the Balkan and Carpathian Mountains, you’ll see where the roman Emperor Trajan’s bridge once spanned the Danube nearly 2,000 years ago. Shortly after passing through the Gorge, we arrive at Turnu Severin, in Romania. This city dates back to 100 AD, when it served as a base for Roman Emperor Trajan and his campaigns into Northern Europe. We have an optional morning tour of the city museum in nearby Orsova followed by a wine tasting here. We then sail on the Danube between Romania and Bulgaria for the balance of the day.  
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Saturday, August 2  
**Rousse**  
After a full day of sailing between the countries, we arrive in Rousse, Bulgaria, once the garrison of the Roman Danube fleet, and the most important Bulgarian town on the Danube. The afternoon and overnight are here, and while in town, there is an optional tour to Cherven and the Basarbovo Monastery. The Medieval Town of Cherven was one of the most significant military, economic and cultural centers of Bulgaria during the 13th and the 14th centuries. The Basarbovo Monastery is a mountain-top monastery hewn out of rock situated on a mountain-top near Rousse.  
*B L D*

Sunday, August 3  
**Bucharest**  
We depart Rousse early this morning and sail to Giurgiu, where there is an optional coach tour to the Romanian capital of Bucharest  
*B L D*

Monday, August 4  
**Tulcea**  
We arrive in the eastern Romanian city of Tulcea around noon today, and rest here for the balance of the day. Tulcea is on the Danube, situated between the Ukraine and the Black Sea, and is a very interesting and historical city, with influences from the Greeks as well as the Romans. We spend our final afternoon and evening here.  
*B L D*

Tuesday, August 5  
**Munich**  
After embarkation this morning, we are transferred to our charter flight for our return trip to Munich. Upon arrival in Munich this afternoon, we are transferred to our hotel for overnight. The capital of Bavaria offers both sophistication and a colorful lifestyle. Visit the famous sights, explore the fine art museums and galleries, and enjoy the lively beer gardens and shop for crafts or the latest fashions. The balance of the day is at leisure, to explore Munich on your own.  
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Wednesday, August 6  
**Flights home**  
This morning a transfer will be available from our hotel to the Munich Airport for our return flights home.  
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![The route along the Danube River](image)
This outstanding value includes the following:

- 1 night hotel accommodation pre-cruise in Passau
- 1 night hotel accommodation post-cruise in Munich
- 11 day / 10 night cruise on board the MV Casanova
- All meals on board the cruise ship
- Sightseeing as indicated in the itinerary
- Inclusive of port charges and service charges
- A tax deductible contribution to the Arboretum
- Tour escort from the Arboretum
- Pre-departure informational session

Not included in the tour

- Airfare
- Gratuities to driver and guides
- Gratuities on board ship to ship’s staff
- Items of a personal nature, such as laundry, telephone calls, film, extra meals, etc.
- Anything not specifically listed as included in the itinerary

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ABOUT OUR SHIP – MV CASANOVA

Newly built in 2001, and refurbished in 2006, the MV Casanova is a deluxe vessel, carrying 96 passengers in 48 cabins. She is distinguished by staterooms on her upper deck, which have full-length French doors that open into your cabin (cabins on the lower deck have large windows).

Original works of art can be found throughout. All double cabins are identical in size and are beautifully appointed with built-in closets, desk, shower and toilet, television, telephone, four-channel radio, refrigerator, safe and hair dryer. Staterooms are configured as either queen bedded or twin. Terry robes are available upon request. Smoking is not allowed in the cabins, restaurant, lounges or in the corridors.

The vessel features six meals daily (breakfast, morning bouillon, lunch, afternoon tea, dinner and midnight snack). All meals are single seating in a non-smoking dining room with five-course evening meals (up to nine courses on selected nights). Additionally, there is a bar, Panorama Restaurant, and lounge as well as an infirmary with a qualified doctor onboard. The Sun Deck has plenty of deck chairs and blankets, if needed. Captain’s Welcome and Captain’s Farewell Receptions are provided as well as nightly entertainment and dancing. There is one crew member for every 2.5 passengers, providing the best crew-to-passenger ratio of any river vessel. This allows for a high level of service as well as sumptuous food, served course by course for the evening meal. English language announcements, menus and daily programs are provided.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Deposit due with booking: $500 per person
Final payment due: April 30, 2008

Cancellation Notice - All cancellations must be in writing and are effective upon receipt in our office.

Cancellation fees are as follows:

- 95+ days prior to departure $250.00 per person*
- 94 – 60 days prior $500.00 per person*
- 59 – 30 days prior $1,000.00 per person*
- Within 30 days of departure NO REFUND

*Plus any airline-imposed cancellation penalties

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**CITIES TO VISIT**

Belgrade, Serbia. Marvel at the sight of the Kalemegdan Fortress, where you will find a lovely park with ancient Roman and Turkish ruins. Discover the Saint George Orthodox Church decorated with numerous mosaics. Visit the Arandjelovac health resort before strolling through the beautiful spa gardens and the outdoor museum where more than 100 white marble statues are exhibited. The Skadarlija Bohemian quarter offers many delights including antique shops and more.

Budapest, Hungary. Among the most beautiful cities in Europe, Budapest graces the banks of the Danube River for nearly eight miles. With her elegant Parliament Building and eight bridges, entering Budapest is the most breathtaking sight of all the rivers in Europe.

Esztergom, Hungary. View the largest church in Hungary, modeled on St. Peters in Rome, and visit the remains of the former Royal Palace. At Szentendre on the Danube Bend, visit the wonderful Margit Kovacs Ceramic Museum and the interesting Greek Orthodox Church.

Giurgiu, Romania. While visiting this charming town, stop by the impressive Giurgiu town hall. Stroll through the quaint shops on a walking tour. Visit the historic town walls and medieval fortress ruins and marvel at the clock tower.

Iron Gate Gorge. This narrow gorge separating Romania and Serbia offers some of the most breathtaking natural scenery on the Danube. Gliding between the Balkan and Carpathian Mountains, you’ll see where the Roman Emperor Trajan’s bridge once spanned the Danube nearly 2,000 years ago.

Mohacs, Hungary. Delight in the scenic wonder of this southern town on the Danube. Marvel at the Djamji Protestant Church with its distinct green copper roof at the Szechenyi Square. Explore the craft shops and sample the Forralt bor, a hot, tasty white wine that’s a favorite of the locals here.

Passau, Germany. This charming city is ideally located at the confluence of the Inn, Ilz and Danube rivers, just a short distance from Germany’s border with Austria. St. Stephen’s Cathedral has a lavish interior and one of the world’s largest pipe organs. The cathedral is the largest Baroque church north of the Alps.

Rousse, Romania. Rousse was once the garrison of the Roman Danube fleet. Explore the Pantheon, the Alyosha Monument and the concert hall as well as the Libert Monument and the Opera House. Experience local cuisine accompanied by folk music.

Tulcea, Romania

Cited on UNESCO’s World Heritage List, the waters of the Danube flow to the Black Sea to form the Danube Delta Region. This is Europe’s largest and best preserved delta region, hosting over 300 species of birds and 45 freshwater fish species in its numerous lakes and marshes. Marvel at the magnificent monastery with its Turkish-style influence.

Turnu Severin, Romania

Turnu Severin dates back to 100 AD when it served as a base for Roman Emperor Trajan and his campaigns into Northern Europe. The city tour takes you to the bridge of Apollodoros of Damascus, the Roman fortress Castrum and the city’s archeological museum.

Vienna, Austria.

This historic city is rich in architecture, including Baroque castles and gardens, grand buildings, monuments and parks. It has been recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Explore this beautiful city of waltzes, cafés, classical music, parks, pastries and wine. Tour St. Stepahan’s Cathedral, crowned with a 450-foot steeple, and discover its wonderful stone canopies, intricate altarpieces and Gothic sculptures; then climb the spiral steps of the tower for a magnificent view of the city. Vienna is also home to the famous Vienna Boys Choir. The nearby Palace and Gardens of Schönbrunn are known for its outstanding examples of decorative art. It was the residence of the Habsburg emperors from the 18th and 19th centuries.

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Passau