



## Educational Journeys (FAMs)

All prices include most meals and lodging. Gratuities are not included.  
To check availability, please email the contact listed below.

### Pécs & It's Surroundings: Architecture, Arts, & Crafts | March 13-16, 2022 (4 Days, 3 Nights)

Early Bird (Expires January 7, 2022)	Regular (Starts January 8, 2022)
Double Occupancy EUR 490 per person	Double Occupancy: EUR 560 per person
Single Occupancy: EUR 610 per person	Single Occupancy: EUR 680 per person

**Inclusions:** 3 nights in a 4\* hotel, most meals, dedicated tour director, transportation throughout the tour, and entrance fees

Please note: You must arrive by March 13, 2022, at 2:00 PM to Downtown Budapest to join this Educational Journey. Pre-hotel nights can be accommodated through the tour operator.

This tour will operate with a minimum of 15 guests and a maximum of 25 guests.

To book this Educational Journey, please contact:

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#### March 13, 2022 – Day 1: Dinner Included

This amazing tour will depart from Budapest to the southwest of Hungary, the city of Pécs, to experience the most Mediterranean atmosphere of the country. Pécs combines historical sights, good wine, excellent museums, World Heritage relics, arts, and culture. The first stop will be in Tolna, where we'll travel back in time by learning about old arts and crafts. We will admire the work of an authentic Hungarian folk craftsman in his pottery studio. Our second stop will be the Blue Painting Workshop in Tolna, founded in 1810. It is the oldest blue painting workshop in Hungary. Blue Painting will be the last stop before continuing our tour to Szekszárd to experience a unique program. The city of Szekszárd is the meeting point of the Transdanubian Hills and the Great Hungarian Plain. We hope you bring your imagination on this trip because a little creative activity comes here. We will visit a gingerbread decorating workshop, where everyone can try this craft on their own. You will receive the basic materials on-site, and you can keep the heart-shaped glazed cake as a "sweet" memory. We will finish the day with a nice dinner here in Szekszárd before departing to the hotel.



#### March 14, 2022 – Day 2: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner Included

After breakfast in the hotel, we'll start to explore the city of Pécs. Some of the main stops on the tour include The Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul – the symbol of the city with the original building built in the 11th century, Bishop's Palace. Filled with Gothic windows, Roman layouts and the Neo-Renaissance façade, the Mosque of Gazi Kaszim Pasha is the greatest reminder of the Turkish Age in Hungary. And the Zsolnay Museum is the place where the Zsolnay family, known for porcelain production, lived in the 19th-20th century.. After lunch, we'll leave Pécs just for a couple of hours to visit Zengővárkony, a small, authentic village with less than 400 inhabitants. It is a so-called dead-end village, meaning the village can only be

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approached from one direction, so there is no through traffic or other traffic in any other direction. We'll visit an egg painting museum, straw museum, and a reformed church. We'll end the evening program with an amazing "champagne" tasting tour, where you will not only learn about the history of Hungary's oldest quality sparkling wine, but you can also taste it while you are discovering the 2km long cellar system under the building. The tour is a memorable experience, but please be prepared that the temperature in the cellar won't be higher than 14 degrees Celsius / 57.2 degrees Fahrenheit. After, we will have a 3-course dinner in the heart of Pécs.



### **March 15, 2022 – Day 3: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner Included**

After breakfast, we'll discover the surroundings of this region. On this day, we will slow down and take in all that rural Hungary has to offer. We are now in the Villány Wine Region, famous for its excellent quality red wines. You will see amazing hillsides, vineyards and cozy little towns. Our very first stop will be in Máriagyűd, a Marian shrine, an important pilgrimage site. With all the impressive castles in Hungary, we can't enjoy our program without a castle visit, so we'll visit the Castle of Siklós as well, the residence of the most important noble families in medieval Hungary. The tour continues to Palkonya, a tiny gastro village with excellent wineries, restaurants, guesthouses. It is basically an open-air museum. After wandering and admiring this small village, we will have our lunch with wine tasting. All ingredients are locally produced, and the food is homemade. For the second wine tasting, we'll stop in Villány to see all the wine cellars and experience this fantastic gastronomic experience once more. Our tour will finish in the Harkány Thermal bath, open all year round with 3 pools that have medicinal water with a temperature of 34-38 °C/ 93-100 degrees Fahrenheit, a perfect opportunity for relaxation and recreation. We'll return to the hotel with time to freshen up before heading out to have dinner.



### **March 16, 2022 – Day 4: Breakfast Included**

After breakfast, you'll depart back to Budapest to join the ASTA Global River Cruise Expo around noon.