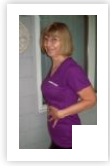


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One final caution about river cruising

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We never expected that this sculpture that greeted us in our Vienna hotel would “come to life” during our cruise.



Unlike large ocean going cruise ships, on the river the ships dock next to each other lengthwise sometimes even three deep – like this. You get to shore by walking THROUGH the other ships.



You are so close to your “neighbors” that on the top deck we have carried on conversations about life on our respective ships. On a German line, where unlimited beer is included, we’ve even been treated to a glass by our new found friends.

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On the lower decks you have a clear view into your neighbor's cabin. Depending on the layout of each ship, some cabins are right next to the lounge or dining room of the ship next door.

Can you tell where this is going?

Late one afternoon we and most of our cruise-mates were attending the Captain's cocktail party in the lounge when a sudden gasp and shriek directed our attention out the window. There we all observed a couple engaging in some personal recreation without having closed their curtains.

There was quite a commotion in our lounge as a crowd all rushed over to one side of the ship. The couple was quite unaware that they had become the center of attention. Quickly a bartender closed OUR drapes.

River cruise ships are not likely to have the type of problems recently reported about ocean going vessels. There are only about 160 passengers and you are never out of sight of land. Just be careful that you are never IN SIGHT of others when you don't want to be.

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A free show of entertainment. Maybe we can all learn something from that!



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MERRYMARY42

actually that just was the frosting on your trip, I am sure that you have stories to share for a long long time, I have enjoyed it all.

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That was amusing. Sounds like a great trip. I love the pictures.

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CELIAMINER

Ha haaaa! Wonder if the couple ever learned that they were the source of "entertainment"?

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KARENLYNN

Good tip to remember! I guess you never know what you're going to find for entertainment till you run across it!

Karen

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WILSONWR

You really did have some memorable "experiences" on this trip! (ha!)

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LOL This is too funny.

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CD13227574

Free beer, free floor show, I've had a great trip with you. Some day I'll do this myself and share



my "sights" and "sounds" with you. It's been a wonderful voyage so far.
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CD13024654

Haha! You didn't know you were getting a "free show" with your fare, did you?
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Hmmm. Sounds pretty racy!
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How funny! Thanks for sharing!!
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Now that's togetherness!



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Very funny.
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LOL!
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KRISZTA11

Poor ones, great job they haven't found out about being watched by so many people...



You were very lucky on your cruise!
The Danube was closed for ship travel from 3rd and the ban was lifted only yesterday, that would have been an unpleasantly long stop...
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TORTOISE110

I wasn't there so I can laugh about your "free entertainment!" Good to know, all this though. Idyllic is often "not so much." Thanks again for all the sharing though. I feel like I've been away with you!



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JSTETSER

Very good point. I'll keep it in mind.
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