

# DANUBE TRAVEL STORIES

## Danube Trade Route

**Trading Hustle**  
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**7 day itinerary inspiration**

**from Ulm/Neu-Ulm to Vukovar/Ilok based on  
@theculturegeeks Trip**

**We would suggest extending the trip by a few days to have more  
time to experience each destination**

## Locations

Destinations
<b>Ulm / Neu Ulm</b>
<b>Zagreb</b>
<b>Vukovar</b>
<b>Ilok</b>

## Program

### Day 0 | Travel & Arrival Day Ulm/Neu-Ulm

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#### Individual Arrival & Check-in at a hotel

Website to plan your arrival: [www.rome2rio.com](http://www.rome2rio.com)

Train: [reiseauskunft.bahn.de](http://reiseauskunft.bahn.de)

#### ! Get a UlmCard !

To make most of your stay – get the UlmCard to have free use of public transport, free guided tours, climb the minster tower for free, free one-day bike rental, no entrance fee in 8 museums and much more ...

More information: [tourismus.ulm.de/en/planning/travel-planning/ulm-card/](http://tourismus.ulm.de/en/planning/travel-planning/ulm-card/)

### Day 1 | Ulm/Neu-Ulm

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#### Interactive City Tour on Trade (1,5h)

Visitors receive a small bag with money from all eras (10 different currencies). They listen to the stories and at the end they have to match them to the right stations. At each station there are small riddles. Last stop of the tour: DZM-Museum.

Informations: [tourismus.ulm.de/en/discover/ulm-and-neu-ulm/guided-tours/](http://tourismus.ulm.de/en/discover/ulm-and-neu-ulm/guided-tours/)

#### Visit of the DZM Danube Swabian Museum

The Danube Swabian Central Museum introduces you to the history of the Italian-, French-, Spanish- and German-speaking settlers known as Danube Swabians, who settled along the middle and lower reaches of the Danube between the 17th and 19th centuries. A new extension of the museum, opened in 2022, provides a very personal bridge to the present with 22 Danube River stories by 22 people from different sections of the Danube region and a perfect introduction to our journey.

**Stroll through the fishermen & tanners quarter or see what Ulm/Neu-Ulm offers to experience in the twin city:** [tourismus.ulm.de/en](http://tourismus.ulm.de/en)

## Day 2 | Ulm/Neu-Ulm

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### Visit the [Ulmer Minster](#) & climb the highest church spire in the world

For centuries, the minster has dominated the town and the region and has become synonymous with Ulm both at home and abroad. This prominence is mainly attributable to its spire, which, at 161.53 meters, is the highest church spire in the world.

**Address:** Ulmer Münster, Münsterplatz 1, 89073 Ulm

### [Visit the M25 & do a birdly flight](#)

As an urban experience space, the m25 provides an insight into the work of the "Münsterbauhütte" and current urban policy issues. With the "Birdly" flight simulator, it also offers a unique virtual experience. The flight simulator "Birdly" combines high-tech with a journey into the past. It is part of the m25 urban experience space. With the Birdly, you fly like a bird over Ulm in 1890, steering yourself with your arms over the rooftops that appear on the 3D glasses. For the birdly flight you have to reserve your spot upfront in the *ServiceCenter Neue Mitte* (Neue Straße 79, 89073 Ulm) or online [stadt-ulm.reservix.de/events](http://stadt-ulm.reservix.de/events)

**Address:** Münsterplatz 25, 89073 Ulm

### Visit the Stadthaus with 2-3 free exhibition and have a nice view from the roof terrace

**Address:** Stadthaus Ulm, Münsterplatz 50, 8973 Ulm

### Explore Ulm/Neu-Ulm on your own

What to experience in Linz: [tourismus.ulm.de/en](http://tourismus.ulm.de/en)

## Day 3 | Travelling day

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### Options:

- Flixbus from Ulm to Vukovar (17h 35 mins / one change): [www.flixbus.com](http://www.flixbus.com)
- Flixbus from Ulm to Zagreb (10 h 40 mins / without changing) with overnight stay in Zagreb & Flixbus to Vukovar on the next day: [www.flixbus.com](http://www.flixbus.com)
- Flixbus from Ulm to Vienna (8 h 10 min / without changing) with overnight stay in Vienna & Flixbus from Vienna to Vukovar with change in Zagreb (11 h 50mins / one change): [www.flixbus.com](http://www.flixbus.com)

## Day 4 | Vukovar

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### Arrival & check-in at a hotel

#### 1<sup>st</sup> time in Vukovar?

Vukovar is situated in the northeast of Croatia and it is the centre of Vukovar-Srijem County. Positioned on the border of historical provinces of Eastern Slavonia and Western Srijem, the town lies on important transportation routes.

[Recommodations for your first visit](#)

**What else to experience & see in Vukovar:** [turizamvukovar.hr](http://turizamvukovar.hr)

## Day 5 | Vukovar

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### Guided tour through Vukovar (1,5h)

The story of the Vukovar as trade city, noble Eltz family and the development of the city, the story of courage in the fight for freedom. Book your guide at the Association of Tourist Guides of the City of Vukovar: [utvgvukovar@gmail.com](mailto:utvgvukovar@gmail.com)

### Rent a bicycle to go to the Vučedol culture museum

Get information about sustainable travelling in the region at the tourism mobility center in Vukovar

**Address:** J.J.Strossmayera 15, 32000 Vukovar

### Visit the [Vučedol culture museum](#)

The story of Vučedol culture - European civilization. The archaeological site Vučedol is located along the bank of Dunav and it is one of the most important sites of Eneolithic period. Vučedol was first inhabited around 6000 BC, at the time of the appearance of the first European farmers. During its days of glory, the Vučedol culture stretched across a large area with a width of 700 km which included ten European states of today: the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Austria, Hungary, Romania, Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Montenegro and Albania. Pottery especially stands out in the material culture and its outstanding technological quality and aesthetic values speak of a highly developed civilization. It is civilisation of revolutionary discoveries. They invented monoxsils – big boats used for hunting fish on Danube; first Indo - European calendar; first bagpipes, dancing with music as an expression; they also made the first beer.

**Address:** Vučedol 252, 32000 Vukovar

### Transfer to Ilok

Get information on how to get to Ilok & about sustainable travelling in the region at the tourism mobility center in Vukovar. One option is to travel by bicycle:

<https://www.visitvukovar-srijem.com/en/sights-and-more/bicycling/>

**Address:** J.J.Strossmayera 15, 32000 Vukovar

## Day 6 | Ilok

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### Arrival & check-in at a hotel

### Tour through [Ilok](#)

Ilok – The royal city on the Danube. Here lived and died Saint Ivan Kapistran - Apostle of Europe and the first advocate of the unification of Europe. Ilok is the seat of the Croatian and Hungarian nobleman and King of Bosnia Nikola Iločki. He minted his own money showing the Croatian coat of arms (chessboard) for the first time. Ilok is a city of wine. It houses the oldest wine cellar in this part of Europe. The Ilok Traminer wine was served at the coronation of Elizabeth II, and has been drunk at the English court since the 19th century. Valuable monuments from the period of the Ottoman Empire, from the time of Suleiman the Magnificent, have been preserved in Ilok: Turbe and Hamam. A rare ginkgo biloba tree also grows here. In addition to its rich cultural heritage, Ilok can also boast of being a place where the best fish stew of the best Danube fish is prepared and eaten.

- visit [Odescalchi Castle with Ilok city museum](#)
- visit [Monastery of St. Ivan Kapistran](#)
- visit Ilok Tourism office about the story of King Nikola and his hologram

### [Experience the story of Ilok wines](#)

Wine growing and production have had an uninterrupted tradition of almost 1,800 years in the region of Ilok. Experience the wine tradition. More information: [turizamilok.hr/en/sights-and-experiences/wines-and-wine-cellars/](http://turizamilok.hr/en/sights-and-experiences/wines-and-wine-cellars/)

**What else to experience in Ilok:** [turizamilok.hr/en/sights-and-experiences/attractions-and-landmarks/](http://turizamilok.hr/en/sights-and-experiences/attractions-and-landmarks/)

## **Day 7 | Departure**

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### **Check-out and departure**

#### **All destinations of the Trade Trail:**

Germany: Ulm, Ingolstadt, Regensburg

Austria: Engelhartzell, Aschach, Ottensheim, Linz, Mauthausen, Grein, Krems, Neusiedel

Slovakia: Bratislava

Hungary: Budapest, Mohács

Croatia: Zmajevac, Vukovar, Ilok

Serbia: Belgrad, Smederevo

Romania: Hunedoara, Bucharest, Sfântu Gheorghe