

May 2, 2015 -- Greetings from Vienna! Budapest is a really lovely city with Buda being rather hilly and Pest, across the Danube being flat. Both sides are very green. The old buildings with various styles of architecture are very attractive. Had goulash in both the Czech Republic and Hungary. In Hungary they served extra paprika on the side which gave it more taste. One of the more unique meals I had was a traditional Slovak pasta made with something like a penne pasta with sauerkraut and chunks of roasted duck. Both Prague and Budapest had recovered well from the Communist Era but not so with Bratislava in Slovakia where buildings are more rundown.

The Danube really isn't blue!



Colorful
buildings
in Prague.



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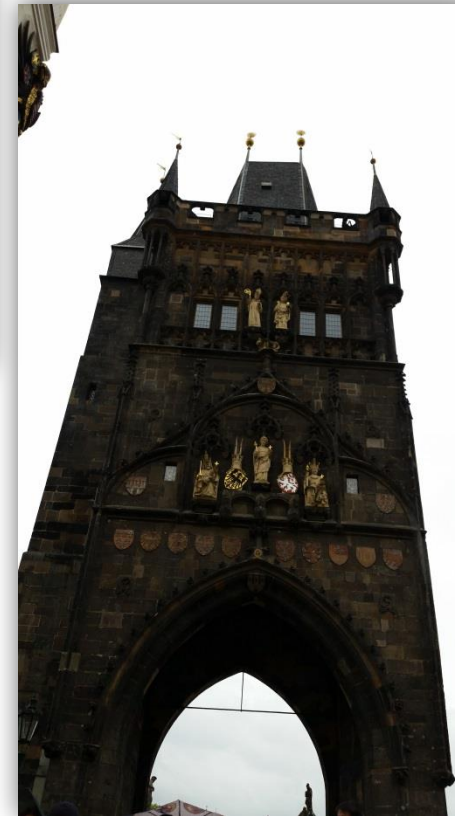
Another
Prague
structure.



The altar in the
cathedral of
the Infant
of Prague.

Lots of gold leaf.

Arch marking the
start of the Charles
Bridge in Prague.
Taken in the
rain, thus the
darkness.



After a morning city tour of Vienna we went to the city market this afternoon. We were treated to a variety of finger foods from around the world. Food is excellent and plentiful and fellow travelers have been pleasant.



The astrological clock in Prague.

MAY 4, 2015 -- Heading for Passau, our first stop in Germany. The river level is so high that our scheduled docking pier is under water so we have to go to a different pier.

Matter of fact, they had to empty part of the reservoir to prevent flooding in the city.

Wish we could ship some of the water to Arizona.

Peggy