



Europe 2018

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Berlin, Prague, Vienna, Venice
Potsdam, Dresden, Bratislava
Cesky Krumlov, Vicenza

Experience some of the most renowned sites and charming cities that Europe has to offer. Magnificent cathedrals, splendid palaces, fantastic castles, excellent museums, scenic beauty, fascinating history, great food, unique shopping and time for personal exploration all combine to make this an adventure you will remember for a lifetime.

Day 1, June 5

Depart for Berlin, Germany

Depart New Orleans airport for Berlin. Once a divided city, Berlin now stands as a symbol of unity around the world.

Day 2 - 4, June 6 - June 8

Potsdam / Berlin

Potsdam was the residence of the Prussian Kings and German Kaisers until 1918. Visit the marvelous palace of Sanssouci, whose parks and palaces form the largest World Heritage Site in Germany. The town has much to offer the visitor including impressive architecture, small palaces, old churches, parks and historic settlements. On your city tour of Berlin, experience the most famous sights that Berlin has to offer including the remaining section of the Berlin Wall, the Reichstag, Berliner Dom, the symbolic Brandenburg Gate and the Memorial of the Murdered Jews of Europe. Visit the world-renowned Pergamon Museum on Berlin's Museum Island and see the Ishtar Gate of Babylon and the 2nd Century Market Gate of Miletus. During your free time, you may choose to visit some of the other world class museums or monuments, lively avenues, enjoy the local cuisine or shopping.





Day 5 - 7, June 9 - June 11

Dresden / Prague / Cesky Krumlov

Dresden has a long history as the capital and royal residence for the Electors and Kings of Saxony, who for centuries furnished the city with cultural and artistic splendor. During our tour, you will experience the city center rich in baroque and rococo architecture. We will also visit the Zwinger, one of the most acclaimed Baroque buildings in Germany designed by court architect Matthäus Daniel. You will enjoy visiting the old-town where you will see the Frauenkirche and possibly have lunch at a café that looks out over the Elbe River before your day's journey ends in Prague. Prague is the largest city and the capital of the Czech Republic, part of the former Czechoslovakia. A German poet wrote, "If the world were a crown, Prague would be her prettiest gem". Our sightseeing tour will include such sites as Prague Castle, the magnificent Cathedral of St. Vitus, Golden Lane, Old Town Square, The Astronomical Clock, Wenceslas Square, and the Jewish Quarter, home of Europe's oldest synagogue. Prague is set against a backdrop of centuries of architectural style with many exquisite buildings of Gothic and Baroque design. Cesky Krumlov is considered one of the most picturesque towns in Europe. It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site with a stunning castle above the Vltava River and an old town square, featuring Renaissance and Baroque architecture. Enjoy a tour in this small town where we will also have time allocated for lunch and free time before continuing on to Vienna.

Day 8 - 11, June 12 - June 15

Vienna / Bratislava

Vienna, a city of legends is truly one of those European gems you must experience at least once. Considered by many to be on the dividing line between east and west, it was the capital of the Hapsburg Empire that included Hungarians, Germans, Spaniards and Italians. Some of the sites awaiting you are the historic center, St. Stephens Cathedral, the Imperial Palace and the House of Mozart. See the famous painting "The Kiss" by Gustave Klimt on your tour of the Belvedere. Visit impressive Schonbrunn Palace with its magnificent gardens including the maze. Enjoy an excursion to Bratislava, the capital of Slovakia, set along the Danube River by the border with Austria and Hungary. The 18th-century old town has narrow, winding streets a hilltop castle, and many historic churches and buildings. See the major sights of the town on your guided tour and enjoy free time before returning to Vienna.



Day 12 - 15, June 16 - June 19

Vicenza / Venice

Vicenza has an exceptional historical center rich in history and culture and many museums, art galleries, piazzas, villas, churches and elegant Renaissance palaces. Our guided tour will include such sites such as the Basilica Palladiana and the Teatro Olimpico, considered the first example of a covered theater since antiquity, Piazza dei Signori, and the Duomo. Called the "City of Palladio", after the architect Andrea Palladio, Vicenza has been listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1994. Enjoy a full-day excursion to Venice, the bridge between east and west with many fine examples of Byzantine architecture. It is unique and magnificent, with its 118 islands, 160 canals, and 400 bridges. St. Mark's Square is the center of Venetian life and home to such important sites as St. Mark's Basilica, the famous Venice Bell Tower, and the grand Doge's Palace which you will visit as part of your guided tour. Enjoy another full day in Venice with free time to explore Venice on your own. Wander through its maze of streets and bridges, discover the Rialto Bridge and its shopping area, try the local cuisine or sit in St. Mark's Square soaking up an atmosphere unique in all the world.



Day 16 June 20

Departure

Return to the United States taking with you the treasured memories of your remarkable experience in Europe.



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JUNE 5 - JUNE 20

\$4,599.00*

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