

12 DAYS TOUR

EASTERN EUROPEAN WONDERS

Germany | Czech Republic | Austria | Slovakia | Hungary | Poland





Your Sightseeing Includes

Germany

- Berlin Wall, Brandenburg Gate, Parliament Building, Victory Column, Check-Point Charlie in Berlin.

Czech Republic

- Hradcany Castle, St.Vitus Cathedral, Charles Bridge, Town Hall, Astronomical Clock in Prague.

Austria

- House of Mozart, The Mirabell Palace, Altstadt in Salzburg
- State Opera House, Parliament, City Hall, Hofburg, Belvedere Palace, Hundertwasser House, Prater Park and visit to Schonbrunn Palace in Vienna.

Slovakia

- Old Town Square with its Roland Fountain in Bratislava.

Hungary

- Buda Castle, Chain Bridge, the Parliament, Millennium Memorial, the Opera House and Evening Cruise on the river Danube in Budapest.

Poland

- Florian's Gate, Wawel Castle, Main Square with its Cloth Hall, St.Mary's Church and visit to Auschwitz in Krakow and the Salt Mines at Wieliczka.
- Old Quarter with its Market Square, St.John's Cathedral and Lazienki Palace in Warsaw.

Enjoy a Continental Breakfast Everyday

Bread, Butter, Jam, Cereal, Milk, Tea, Coffee and Juice

Enjoy Indian Meals in Europe.





Reichstag, Berlin

Day 1

Arrive into Berlin - capital of Germany

Welcome to Berlin. On arrival check into the hotel on your own anytime after 1500 hrs. Contact your SOTC Tour Manager at the number given on your Tour Information Sheet.

The rest of the day is free for you to relax and experience the charm of this great city on your own.

Overnight at your hotel NH Treptow or similar in Berlin.

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Day 2

Guided City Tour of Berlin Onto Prague

After a continental breakfast, we proceed on a guided city tour of Berlin. See the Berlin Wall, the Brandenburg Gate - located in no-man's land between East and West Germany during the Cold War, this famous monument, built during the 18th-century reign of Friedrich Wilhelm II, has long been a defining symbol of Berlin and both the city's division and unification, the restored Reichstag – the German Parliament Building and the 210 foot Victory Column in the vast Tiergarten Park. Visit Check-Point Charlie - the former border crossing point between East and West Berlin where Soviet and American tanks stood face to face, after the construction of the wall in 1961.

We also drive along the Unter Den Linden Boulevard – Berlin's most beautiful avenue and pass the State Opera House. We also visit the Alexander Platz, where stands the World Time Clock and the Fountain of Friendship.

Later we drive to Prague and check-in to the hotel.

Overnight at hotel Duo or similar in Prague.

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Astronomical Clock, Prague



Charles Bridge, Prague

Mozart Geburtshaus, Salzburg



Day 3

Guided City Tour of Prague Onto Salzburg

After a continental breakfast, we check-out of our hotel and proceed on a guided city tour of Prague. We start our tour from the 1000-year-old Hradcany Castle, the former residence of the Bohemian kings and St.Vitus Cathedral. We walk down from the Palace to Charles Bridge, founded in 1357 by Charles IV. Both ends of the bridge are fortified by towers (the Lesser Town Bridge Towers and the Old Town Bridge Tower). From 1683 to 1928 thirty sculptures and sculptural groups of the saints were gradually set on the bridge piers. The bridge is 515 meters long and 10 meters wide.

We also visit the Old Town Square with its Town Hall and Astronomical Clock. The Astronomical Clock is one of the outstanding sights of Prague. The dial is poised with three main components: the astronomical dial that displays various astronomical details as well as representing the position of the Sun and Moon in the sky; "The Walk of the Apostles", showcases the movement of the figures of Twelve Apostles passing along the two windows in every hour of daylight; and a calendar dial that rotates and gives the description of each and every day of the year with an indication of the current date at the top, the medallions with zodiac signs describing every month. Later we proceed to Salzburg. Check into your hotel on arrival.

Overnight at hotel NH or similar in Salzburg.

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Day 4

Guided Walking Tour of Salzburg Onto Vienna

After a continental breakfast, we check out of the hotel and proceed on a guided walking tour of this elegant baroque city. Salzburg, full of green hills, romantic gardens and breathtaking valleys. is a picturesque city with small alleys, quaint colorful town homes, rich castles and palaces, neat gardens and a high density of churches and monasteries. See the birthplace of the legendary Mozart, the Mirabell Palace with its landscaped gardens and the Cathedral in the old town. Stroll along the Altstadt, which was recently granted World Heritage Status by UNESCO. Later we proceed to Vienna – the Austrian capital. Check into your hotel on arrival.

Overnight at hotel Bosei or similar in Vienna.

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Salzburg, Austria

Day 5

Visit to Schonbrunn Palace
Guided City Tour of Vienna
Visit Prater Park

After a continental breakfast, we visit the Schonbrunn Palace (the former summer residence of the Habsburg family). Schönbrunn Palace was not only an imperial residence and the setting for countless festivities, but also a place where famous artists and craftsmen from many different epochs created interiors of great beauty.

All the rooms in the palace have their own stories to tell, stories on the margins of great historical events which are indicative of the lifestyle, atmosphere and world view of the imperial era.

Later, proceed on a guided city tour of Vienna. On your guided city tour, we drive on the Ring Boulevard and see the State Opera House, the Parliament, the City Hall and the Burgtheater. We also make a photostop at the Hofburg-former winter residence of the Habsburg family and the Belvedere Palace-former summer residence of Prince Eugene. Also see the Hundertwasserhaus, an apartment house designed by Austrian artist Friedensreich Hundertwasser. It features undulating floors ("an uneven floor is a melody to the feet"), a roof covered with earth and grass, and large trees growing from inside the rooms, with limbs extending from windows. Hundertwasser took no payment for the design of the house, declaring that it was worth it, to prevent something ugly from going up in its place. We then take you to visit the Prater, Vienna's most popular fun park. Take a ride (on your own) on the Riesenrad (Giant Ferris Wheel) and enjoy a great view over Vienna. The Riesenrad was erected in 1897 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the reign of Emperor Franz Joseph I. The wheel itself spans 200 feet (about 60 m.) and has 15 cabins. Also enjoy (on your own) many different activities inside this fun-filled park

Overnight at hotel Bosei or similar in Vienna.

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Bratislava, Slovakia

Day 6

Orientation Tour of Bratislava
Onto Budapest

After a continental breakfast, we check-out of the hotel and drive to Bratislava, the capital of Slovakia. On arrival, we proceed on an orientation tour of Bratislava, where we visit the Old Town, with its Roland Fountain in the square.

You have some free time to soak in the atmosphere of this medieval city, with its side-walk cafes. Later, we proceed to Budapest. On arrival, check into your hotel.

Overnight at hotel Holiday Inn or similar in Budapest.

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Schonbrunn Palace, Vienna



Auschwitz Concentration Camp



Budapest

Day 7

Guided City Tour of Budapest Evening Cruise on Danube River

After a continental breakfast, we proceed on a guided city tour. See the Buda Castle, the Chain Bridge, built upon the request of Count István Széchenyi between 1839 and 1849, the Parliament, Heroes' Square, the capital's most spectacular square with the column of the Millennium Memorial, on the top of which archangel Gabriel is holding the Holy Crown and the apostolic double cross and Andrassy Avenue with its outstandingly beautiful Opera House.

Budapest is said to be the only real Danube capital as the river flows right through the middle of the city. The bridges, the Parliament building and the Royal Palace give Budapest an unparalleled atmosphere. We would like to invite you to enjoy the river views during a romantic evening cruise .

Overnight at hotel Holiday Inn or similar in Budapest.

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Day 8

Onto Krakow Visit the Salt Mines at Wieliczka

After a continental breakfast, we check-out of our hotel and proceed to Krakow in Poland. It is a scenic drive taking you right through the mountainous and densely wooded Slovakia, where brown bears still roam free.

On arrival, we proceed to Wieliczka Salt Mine, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Explore the subterranean world of labyrinthine passages, giant caverns, underground lakes and chapels with sculptures in the crystalline salt and rich ornamentation carved in the salt rock.

Also marveled at the ingenuity of the ancient mining equipment in the Wieliczka salt mine. And the unique acoustics of the place have made hearing music here an exceptional experience.

Overnight at hotel Best Western Premier or similar in Krakow.

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Danube River Cruise, Budapest



Brandenburg Gate, Berlin

Day 9

Guided City Tour of Krakow Visit to Auschwitz Concentration Camp

After a continental breakfast, we proceed on a guided city tour of Krakow. See the Florian's Gate and Wawel Castle. Visit the Main Square (Rynek Główny) the natural centre of Krakow with its centrally located Cloth Hall (Sukiennice) which has survived to this day. Other buildings standing to this day in the heart of the Main Market Square include the solitary tower - a remnant of the Town Hall demolished in the 19th century.

Later, in the afternoon, we visit Auschwitz Concentration Camp - a symbol of the Holocaust and a grim reminder of what cruelty Man is capable of. Jews were sent there from all over Europe to undergo selection and to be systematically murdered in gas chambers. We say and write "Auschwitz," but we actually mean a torture center, a terror that we cannot possibly conceive, the essence of evil and horror. Auschwitz was surrounded by high electric barbed wire fences, which were guarded by SS soldiers armed with machine guns and rifles. This evening enjoy a Veg/ Non Veg Italian Continental dinner at a restaurant. Overnight at hotel Best Western Premier or similar in Krakow. (B, CD)

Day 10

Onto Warsaw Guided City Tour of Warsaw

After a continental breakfast, we check-out of our hotel and proceed to Warsaw – the Polish Capital. On arrival we take you on a guided city tour. See the medieval Stare Miasto (Old Quarter) with its Market Square and the 14th century Cathedral of St. John, the "wedding cake" Palace of Culture and Science, neoclassical Lazienki Palace and the remnants of the Jewish Ghetto.

Overnight at hotel Novotel Airport or similar in Warsaw. (B, D)

Day 11

Onto Berlin by Train Illumination Tour of Berlin

After a continental breakfast, we check-out of our hotel and proceed to the Warsaw central train station to board our train to Berlin. Enjoy the scenic landscape of Poland as you journey towards Germany. On arrival you are transferred to your hotel and check in. Later see the famous landmarks magically lit-up on your illumination tour of Berlin.

Overnight at your hotel NH Treptow or similar in Berlin. (B, D)

Day 12

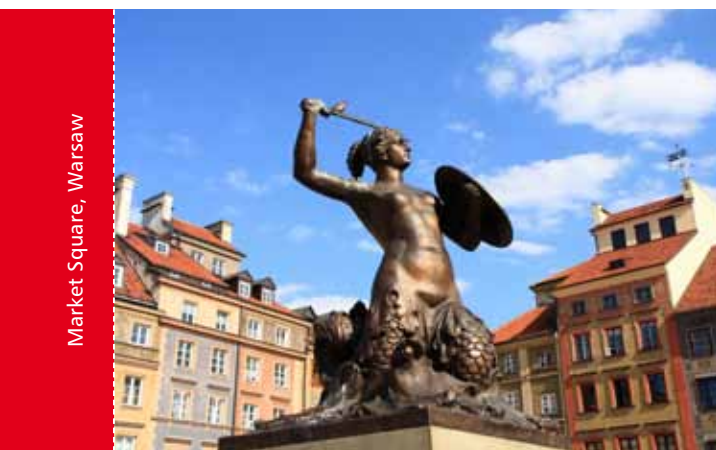
Return Home with Wonderful Memories

Today, after a continental breakfast your 'Eastern European Wonders' tour ends as you check out of the hotel. Its time to say goodbye to all the new friends you have made.

We would like you to spare a few minutes of your time to write and tell us how you enjoyed your tour and any suggestions you may have for the future.

We hope you take back happy memories of your SOTC World Famous Tour.

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Market Square, Warsaw

12 Days Eastern European Wonders Tour Price

Adult in Twin	Child with bed*	Child without bed**
US\$ 1,999	US\$ 1,399	US\$ 1,299

Single room supplement US\$ 590 per person. Triple room reduction Nil.

*Will be considered as 3rd in a triple room.

**As a 3rd in a double or 4th in a triple, no bed will be provided to the child on tour.

What your Tour Price includes

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Accommodation at the hotels mentioned or similar. 2. Services of an SOTC Tour Manager. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Meals, coach tours, transfers, entrance fees, sightseeing & surface transportation as mentioned in the itinerary. |
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What your Tour Price does not include

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Passport, Visa Charges, Airport & Port Taxes. 2. Cost of your air tickets required to participate in this tour. 3. Porterage, tips, insurance, laundry, wines, mineral water, telephone charges, suggested excursions and all items of personal nature and also food and drinks not forming part of the group menus. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Any increase in the rate of exchange leading to an increase in all land arrangement which may come in to effect prior to departure. 5. Anything not specifically mentioned in 'What your Tour Price includes' box. |
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Visa Requirements

You must be in possession of a valid Multiple Entry Schengenstatin Visa. The cost of this visas is not included in your package tour price. It would be best to check with your travel agent and the consulates nearest to you for advice and information. Please ensure that your travel documents are ready in time for departure.

Ticketing Requirements

Since this tour is entirely by surface, you do not require any internal air tickets. However you would require confirmed air tickets to arrive into Berlin and depart from Berlin.

Pre & Post tour Accommodation Price per person in US\$

City	Twin / Triple	Single	Child no bed
Berlin	140	215	95

The above price includes Breakfast. Airport transfers are not included.

Departure Dates*

Month	Departure dates	Month	Departure dates	Month	Departure dates
April 2012	28	June 2012	9, 16, 30	August 2012	11, 25
May 2012	5, 12, 19, 26	July 2012	14, 21, 28	September 2012	8, 22

*Day 1 as mentioned in your day to day itinerary.

Recommended

Booking Fee Protection: US\$ 69 refer page 70 for details

Tour cost Protection: US\$ 179 refer page 70 for details

Hotel / Flights / Itinerary / Route subject to change without notice.