

8 DAY ESSENTIAL GERMANY

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Escorted Package Includes

- Flights St. Louis-Berlin, Munich-St. Louis
- 6 nights accommodations
 - 2 nights Berlin
 - 1 night Dresden
 - 1 night Nuremberg
 - 2 nights Munich
- Hotel porterage
- All transfers
- Breakfast daily
- Sightseeing per itinerary in modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Services of English-speaking tour manager throughout
- Entrance fees per itinerary
- Comfortable wireless earphones for enhanced touring

Special Features

- Discover the baroque art city of Dresden, titled the "Florence on the Elbe"
- In Nuremberg, view the historic Palace of Justice where the War Crimes Tribunal met in 1946

DAY 1, Depart for Germany

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DAY 2, Arrive in Berlin

Arrive in Germany's magnificent capital city of Berlin. After transferring to your hotel, the rest of the day is yours to immerse yourself in the dynamic spirit of the city. Tonight, a Welcome Drink and briefing with your Tour Manager and fellow travelers

Overnight: Berlin

DAY 3, Full Day in Berlin

A glorious day at leisure in this city that has so much to offer! Visit the Pergamon Museum, Charlottenburg Palace, Holocaust Museum, or ascend to the Berlin TV Tower, the tallest structure in Germany, to see the incredible 360° views of the city. Shop to your heart's content at an endless array of designer stores highlighting some of Europe's top fashion. There'll be opportunity to participate in *optional* tours with a comprehensive introduction tour of Berlin, or travel to nearby

historic Potsdam, the "City of Palaces" well known as the meeting place of Truman, Churchill and Stalin in 1945, at the Cecilienhof palace for the Potsdam Conference, and the stunning Sans Souci Palace

Optional: Berlin City Tour (AM)

Optional: Potsdam Tour (PM)

Overnight: Berlin

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 4, Tour of Dresden

Cross Saxony to the baroque art city of Dresden, titled the "Florence on the Elbe." Discover this astonishing Renaissance city that has emerged from its wartime destruction to a luxurious splendor. With a local guide, admire the ornate Zwinger Palace, once a setting for court festivities, and the world-famous Semper Opera House. Continue to the Frauenkirche Church, symbol of reconstruction with its magnificent baroque dome. The rest of the day is yours to explore independently. Discover Altmarkt Square and the Prager Strasse area

with its lovely shops and sidewalk cafes

Overnight: Dresden

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 5, Nuremberg City Tour

Today, travel to Nuremberg, an energetic city with a visible history of almost one thousand years. View the historic Palace of Justice where the War Crimes Tribunal met in 1946 and the chilling Nazi Rally grounds, where mass events were held to fuel the party propaganda. End the day at lively Market Square in the Old Town

Overnight: Nuremberg

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 6, Munich

Late morning arrival in Munich, the pride of Bavaria, with its festive fun-loving spirit. This afternoon perhaps join the *optional* Munich city tour that begins at Marienplatz Square and view the famous glockenspiel clock dating back to 1908 with its colorful mechanical figures. Continue to the Olympic stadium, the main venue for the 1972 Summer Olympics.

Afterwards, view Nymphenburg Palace the main summer residence of the former rulers of Bavaria. The tour concludes with a drive through the city to see the countless museums, palaces and historic monuments

Optional: Munich City Tour (PM)

Overnight: Munich

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 7, Full Day in Munich

Today is at leisure to independently enjoy the delights of this Bavarian capital. Perhaps, participate in the *optional* tour to fairytale Linderhof Palace, built by "mad" King Ludwig II and Oberammergau, world-famous for the Passion Play, two of the highlights of Southern Bavaria in the high Alps

Optional: Linderhof and Oberammergau (AM)

Overnight: Munich

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 8, Depart Germany

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight

Meals: Breakfast