

EUROPE'S CHRISTMAS MARKETS



Itinerary

Day 1: Arrival Berlin

Pass By: Alt Tegel, Greenwichpromenade, 13507 Berlin, Germany

Pick up and check in

Meals included:

- Dinner

Accommodation included: Overnight at Hotel H4 4 *

Day 2: Berlin and Potsdam

Stop At: Sanssouci Palace, Maulbeerallee, 14469 Potsdam, Brandenburg Germany

After breakfast we depart for the enchanting city of Potsdam. You are going to explore the fascinating history of the Prussian legacy finding out more about one of the greatest and the most eccentric rulers of the XVIII century in Europe: Frederick The Great. During the panoramic visit you will admire the breath-taking summer residence of the king – Sanssouci Palace – the place of gatherings for many important intellectuals during the epoch of their time; as well as one of the most prominent philosophers of the enlightenment: Voltaire.

Duration: 3 hours

Stop At: Holländisches Viertel, Holländisches Viertel 1, 14467 Potsdam, Brandenburg Germany

Later you will see the famous Dutch quarter where you will end the tour and have some free time at the local Christmas market. Before leaving Potsdam, we will stop for lunch and try some typical local Brandenburg specialties.

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes

Stop At: Brandenburg Gate, Pariser Platz, 10117 Berlin Germany

In the afternoon we departure back to Berlin to find out about the complicated legacy of the German capital. You will learn about the times of the German Empire, Weimar Republic, and dark time of Nazi rule and terrible destruction of the Second World War. On our route we will see the most important landmarks such as Brandenburg gate

Duration: 2 hours

Stop At: The Holocaust Memorial - Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe, Near the Brandenburg Gate Information Center: Cora-Berliner-Straße 1, 10117 Berlin Germany the monument of the holocaust victims, Hitler's bunker, and a relic of the Berlin Wall.

Duration: 40 minutes

Stop At: Gendarmenmarkt, 10117 Berlin, Germany

After the tour there will be some free time on one of the most recognized Christmas markets in Europe: The Berlin Christmas Market.

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes

Meals included:

- Breakfast: At the hotel
- Dinner

Accommodation included: Overnight at Hotel H4 4 *

Day 3: Florence on the Elbe - Berlin - Dresden - Prague

Stop At: Dresden Christmas Market, Altnarkt, 01067 Dresden, Saxony Germany

After breakfast we will depart for Prague stopping on the way in one of the most beautiful German cities – Dresden

Duration: 6 hours

Stop At: Semper Opera House (Semperoper), Theaterplatz 2, 01067 Dresden, Saxony Germany

During the city tour you will explore the famous “Florence on the Elbe,” also called the Pearl of European Baroque. The capital of Saxony is one of the most powerful symbols of the destruction of the Second World War but also an extraordinary example of the post-war reconstruction. You will start with emblematic Semper Opera where Richard Wagner composed some of his famous works,

Duration: 20 minutes

Stop At: The Dresden Zwinger, Theaterplatz 1 Ostra-Allee, 01067 Dresden, Saxony Germany Zwinger Palace residence of August II the Strong Elector of Saxony, and King of Polish.

Duration: 20 minutes

Stop At: Katholische Hofkirche, Schloss Strasse 24, 01067 Dresden, Saxony Germany

During the walk you will also find out why, in the heart of protestant city there is a Catholic cathedral

Duration: 20 minutes

Stop At: Procession of Princes, Augustusstrasse, 01067 Dresden, Saxony Germany

You will see the longest mural made out of Meissen porcelain in the world depicting the parade of the Saxon rulers from the Wettin dynasty

Duration: 20 minutes

Stop At: Frauenkirche Dresden, Georg-Treu-Platz 3 Eingang G der Frauenkirche, 01067 Dresden, Saxony Germany

The tour concludes in front of the Church of Our Lady (Dresden Frauenkirche), a complete reconstruction, and a symbol of German revival and peace building in post-war Europe

Duration: 20 minutes

Stop At: Dresden Christmas Market, Altnarkt, 01067 Dresden, Saxony Germany

Before the lunch you will have some free time to enjoy the largest German Christmas Market - Dresden's Striezelmarkt. After trying some typical local Saxon dishes, we will depart for Prague.

Duration: 1 hour

Meals included:

- Dinner
- Breakfast

No accommodation included on this day.

Day 4: Prague

Stop At: Old Town Hall with Astronomical Clock, StaromEstske NamEsti 1/3, Prague 110 00 Czech Republic

Explore the finest of what the Czech capital has to offer: the enchanting market square with the majestic town hall and spectacular city clock.

Duration: 20 minutes

Stop At: Jan Hus Monument, Praha 1 Staromestske Namesti, Prague 11000 Czech Republic
Find out about the Medieval life, the rebel of the religious reformist John Hus.

Duration: 20 minutes

Stop At: Josefov, Prague 110 00 Czech Republic

Explore the Jewish quarter: Josefov, learn interesting stories about its former inhabitants.

Duration: 30 minutes

Stop At: Charles Bridge, Karluv Most, Prague 11000 Czech Republic

Visit famous Charles bridge and iconic John Lennon's wall.

Duration: 30 minutes

Stop At: Old Town Hall with Astronomical Clock, StaromEstske NamEsti 1/3, Prague 110 00
Czech Republic

After the guided tour have some free time to explore the Christmas market. During lunch you will sample typical Czech food accompanied with the delicious Czech beer.

Duration: 2 hours

Stop At: Old Town Hall with Astronomical Clock, StaromEstske NamEsti 1/3, Prague 110 00
Czech Republic

In the evening you will start your great beer and culture tour where you will dive into a fascinating world of this beloved Czech beverage. You will visit several local pubs and craft breweries where you will learn more about the secrets of the beer production. You will sample different kind of beers concluded with a tasty dinner in one of the local restaurants.

Duration: 3 hours

Meals included:

- Breakfast

Accommodation included: Volcano SPA Hotel 4*

Day 5: Prague - Wrocław

Stop At: Hradcany, Prague Czech Republic

After breakfast explore the most spectacular part of medieval Prague – the Hradczany Castle – largest medieval castle in Europe.

Duration: 20 minutes

Stop At: St. Vitus Cathedral, III. Nadvori 48/2 Prague Castle, Prague 119 01 Czech Republic

See the impressive Saint Vitus Cathedral

Duration: 30 minutes

Stop At: Strahov Monastery, Strahovské nádvoří 1/132, 118 00 Praha 1-Hradčany, Czechia
the magic Strachov Monastery – a scenery used in many Hollywood movies such as Casino Royale.

Duration: 1 hour

Stop At: Wrocław Town Hall, ul. Rynek Ratusz 1, Wrocław 50-106 Poland

Departure to Wrocław Poland, on the way have a break for lunch in the provincial tavern.

After crossing the Sudetes Mountains enter into the Polish province of Silesia, and arrive in its capitol Wrocław. Explore the Christmas market and enjoy your orientation tour.

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes

Meals included:

- Breakfast
- Dinner

Accommodation included: HP PLAZA 4*

Day 6: Wroclaw - Cracow

Stop At: Centennial Hall (Hala Ludowa), Exhibition Grounds, Wroclaw Poland

Wroclaw – Explore the very unique Polish city with the mixed past of the German, Prussian, Austrian, and Czech legacy. Situated on the Oder River and its tributaries is known as the city of one hundred bridges. You will have a unique opportunity to admire the city from a completely different perspective – from the seat of an old retro tram. You will explore the monumental complex of the Centennial Hall – a UNESCO world heritage site

Duration: 1 hour

Pass By: Ostrow Tumski - (Cathedral Island), Ostrow Tumski, Wroclaw Poland

and the oldest part of the city: Cathedral Island with the majestic gothic cathedral of Saint John the Baptist as well as several other churches and cloisters.

Stop At: Wroclaw University, pl. Uniwersytecki 1, Wroclaw 50-137 Poland

After the ride have a break at a local market hall and visit the striking interior of Wroclaw University, the Aula Leopoldina, a fine example of Austrian Baroque.

Time for lunch and departure to Cracow.

Duration: 3 hours

Meals included:

- Breakfast
- Dinner

Accommodation included: PARK INN RADISSON 4* Cracow

Day 7: Heritage of WWII in Cracow

Stop At: Panstwowe Muzeum Auschwitz-Birkenau, ul. Więźniów Oswiecimia 20 Entrance to the Museum is located at Stanisławy Leszczyńskiej Str. no. 11, Oswiecim 32-603 Poland

After breakfast start your guided tour in the royal Cracow, the former capital of Polish kingdom and capital of the region of Lesser Poland. During the Second World War the city was strongly affected by the Nazi occupation, and persecution of both Polish and Jewish inhabitants.

Duration: 3 hours

Stop At: Muzeum Krakowa, oddział Fabryka Emalia Oskara Schindlera, ul. Lipowa 4, Krakow 30-702 Poland

After the visit to both compounds, Auschwitz and Birkenau, we will arrive to Cracow where you will have the opportunity to have lunch in the Jewish quarter: Kazimierz – trying some typical

specialties of the Jewish-Polish cuisines. During the guided tour we will admire several synagogues, visit the former ghetto, and visit the famous Schindler's factory, which will help us understand the harsh conditions during the Nazi occupation of Poland.

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes

Stop At: Kazmierz The Former Jewish District, Szeroka 24, Krakow 31-053 Poland

we will arrive to Cracow to have lunch in the Jewish quarter: Kazimierz – trying some typical specialties of the Jewish-Polish cuisines.

Duration: 45 minutes

Meals included:

- Breakfast

Accommodation included: PARK INN RADISSON 4*

Day 8: Cracow - The Heritage and Heart of Poland

Stop At: Wawel Cathedral, Wawel 3, Krakow 31-001 Poland

After breakfast we will dive into the Medieval history of Poland. We will visit the oldest complex the emblematic Wawel Hill with the royal caste and Stanislaus Cathedral.

Duration: 30 minutes

Stop At: Sukiennice (Cloth Hall), Rynek Główny 1/3, Krakow 31-042 Poland

Going down from the hill you will experience the Royal Road, which goes through some of the most important historical landmarks of Cracow, used for coronation processions and parades. Strolling through the enchanting streets of Poland's former capital with numerous churches, tenant houses, and palaces you are going to make your way to the main square.

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes

Stop At: Bazylika Mariacka, Pl. Mariacki 5, Krakow 31-042 Poland

You will be bewitched by the beauty of Saint Mary Basilica with the impressive altarpiece of one of the greatest gothic sculptures, Veit Stoss. In the busy Cloth Hall, you will have time to buy local products like amber jewelry and other hand-crafted items.

Time for lunch and free time in the afternoon.

Duration: 45 minutes

Stop At: Wieliczka Salt Mine, Jana Mikolaja Danilowicza 10, Wieliczka 32-020 Poland

Optional tour to the Wieliczka Salt Mine.

Farewell dinner.

Duration: 4 hours

Meals included:

- Breakfast

Accommodation included: PARK INN RADISSON 4*

Day 9: Departure day

Pass By: John Paul II Kraków-Balice International Airport, kapitana Mieczysława Medweckiego
1, 32-083 Balice, Poland

Check out.

Departures to the airport.

Meals included:

- Breakfast

No accommodation included on this day.

Come home with wonderful memories of the tour!!

Inclusions:

- 8x Breakfast
- 5x Dinner
- Accommodation included: 7 nights
- English speaking driver and tour guide airport transfers • comfortable 7 pasangers VAN
- Travel Insurance
- Entry/Admission - Strahov Monastery
- Entry/Admission - Wroclaw University
- Entry/Admission - Panstwowe Muzeum Auschwitz-Birkenau
- Entry/Admission - Muzeum Krakowa, oddzial Fabryka Emalia Oskara Schindlera
- Entry/Admission - Bazylika Mariacka
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