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Reformation Heritage & Oberammergau Tour

SCHEDULED DEPARTURE
June 26 - July 9, 2020



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Cruising the Rhine



Day 1: Friday, June 26, 2020: Fly

We depart the U.S. today for our overnight journey to Frankfurt, Germany. (IF)

Day 2: Saturday, June 27, 2020 • Frankfurt, Mainz

On arrival in Frankfurt, we meet our tour director and driver and transfer to nearby Mainz. The rest of the day is at leisure. The Gutenberg Museum in Mainz is well worth a visit, to learn about how his invention of moveable type enabled the fast growth of Reformation teaching. We dine together in a local restaurant. (IF/D)

Day 3: Sunday, June 28, 2020 • Rhine Cruise, Erfurt

What better way to start the day than with a Rhine cruise! We board the boat and sail past magnificent castles and the famous Loreley rock to St. Goar. Every bend in the river brings more stunning scenery, ships pass left & right, and numerous trains roar up and down the Rhine River valley. In the afternoon we continue on to Erfurt and check-in to our hotel. Tonight we have a medieval-style meal in the Luther Restaurant. (B/D)

Day 4: Monday, June 29, 2020 • Eisenach, Erfurt

This morning we visit Wartburg Castle in nearby Eisenach. In 1521, while fleeing from the wrath of the Pope, Luther took refuge in castle after a fake kidnapping staged by his friend and protector, Frederick the Wise. We see where Luther finished translating the New Testament into German in just eleven weeks. In the afternoon we return to Erfurt and our local guide takes us on a tour including viewing St. Mary's Cathedral, St. Severin's Church and the famous Merchant's Bridge. We end our tour at the Augustinian Monastery where Luther became a monk on July 17, 1505. We are able to see his monastic quarters, including one cell furnished to look as it would have done when he lived there. The evening is at leisure (B/D)

Day 5: Tuesday, June 30, 2020 • Buchenwald, Eisleben, Wittenberg

We begin with a sobering visit to Buchenwald Concentration Camp, where Bonhoeffer and other members of the Confessing Church were interred. In Eisleben, we see where Luther was born and also where he died. It is sometimes referred to as his Bethlehem and Jerusalem. We visit both these homes with our guide, as well as St. Anne's, an old miner's church famous for the Biblical Scenes hewn in stone.

Prague



We also visit St. Peter and St. Paul Church where Luther was baptized, and St. Andrews, where he preached his last sermon. In the afternoon, we continue on to Wittenberg and check into our hotel. We dine in a traditional restaurant this evening. (B/D)

Day 6: Wednesday, July 1, 2020 • Wittenberg

This morning our local guide takes us on a tour of Lutherstadt Wittenberg. It was here in 1517 that Martin Luther nailed his famous 95 Theses to the door of Castle Church (Schlosskirche). Although the original doors were destroyed in the Seven Years War, we can see Luther's texts cast in bronze on the new doors. We visit St. Mary's Church where Luther regularly preached and visit the Old Latin School next door. Luther's former home, the Lutherhalle, is now a Reformation Museum and we see where he lived with his family, as well as some of Luther's very own personal library, rare manuscripts, and early Bibles. We have a time of fellowship today, either in the Old Lutheran School, or with the Wittenberg English Ministry. The rest of the day is free to explore independently. (B)

Day 7: Thursday, July 2, 2020 • Prague

On the way to the Czech Republic we take a tour through the scenic landscape known as "Saxon Switzerland". We visit the magnificent Schloss Wackerbarth, including wine-tasting and lunch at the Castle. We continue on to Prague and check-in to our hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure. (B/L)

Day 8: Friday, July 3, 2020 • Prague

Our expert local guide joins us this morning for a walking tour focused on Jan Hus, the leading personality of the Czech Reformation movement. We visit Bethlehem Chapel where he preached and see the Hus monument outside Týn Church. Hus was a contemporary of John Wycliffe and was heavily influenced by his writings. They both agreed that all Christians are members of Christ's church and that Jesus is the head. We also visit the Castle, which is a complex of palaces, courtyards, streets and churches including St. Vitus Cathedral, which took 600 years to complete. We then take a stroll across Charles Bridge, past the famous statues. We enjoy a Czech folk dinner this evening. (B/D)

Day 9: Saturday, July 4, 2020 • Passau, Salzburg

On the way to Austria, we stop in Passau, where we visit St. Stephen's Cathedral, housing one of the largest pipe organs in



Neuschwanstein Castle

the world. Known as the “City of Three Rivers” it is one of the most impressive sites along the Danube. The Old Town, created by Italian baroque masters in the 17th century, contains soaring towers, picturesque places, enchanting promenades and romantic lanes. This evening we attend a classical music concert inside Schloss Mirabell’s breathtaking Marble Hall. (B/D)

Day 10: Sunday, July 5, 2020 • Salzburg

The morning is at leisure, so that we can attend church or relax. In the afternoon, we have a walking tour related to Salzburg’s most famous resident, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, including the Mozarteum, one of the best music schools in the world and the house where he was born in 1756. In Salzburg’s Baroque Old Town, we visit the beautiful cathedral and festival quarter. (B)

Day 11: Monday, July 6, 2020 • Neuschwanstein Castle, Oberammergau

We return to Germany and visit the fairytale castle of Neuschwanstein. This castle was built by King Ludwig II of Bavaria in the 19th century and is now one of the most visited tourist destinations in Europe. After our tour, we check-in to our Oberammergau area and dine in our hotel. (B/D)

Day 12: Tuesday, July 7, 2020 • Oberammergau

The morning is free to stroll around Oberammergau before eating lunch and heading to the Passion Play. The seven-hour performance is truly a moving experience as we witness the passion of Jesus, recalling how He gave His life so that we might be forgiven. Gathered together with Christians from around the globe, this once-a-decade play is an unforgettable experience. (B/L/D)

Day 13: Wednesday, July 8, 2020 • Munich

After a leisurely breakfast, we travel up to Munich. In the afternoon we have a walking tour of Munich, including the Cathedral, the Marienplatz, and the Old Town. This evening we finish our fun tour with a farewell Bavarian meal in a beer garden. We overnight in Munich. (B/D)

Day 14: Thursday, July 9, 2020 • Return

We leave this morning and drive to Munich Airport for our flight home. (B)

Abbreviations for Meals
B=Breakfast L=Lunch D=Dinner

TOUR COST: \$3,999* per person
Land Only

*Price is based on a minimum of 30 paying participants, double occupancy
Single supplement = \$950

Your Tour Includes:

- **Land Transportation** via private deluxe air-conditioned motor coach
- **Accommodations** (double occupancy) in moderate first-class hotels
- **Meals per itinerary**
- Services of **Professional tour manager**
- Local step-on guides for city tours and major attractions
- **Admission** to all activities indicated in the itinerary except those listed as optional
- **Luggage handling** of one piece per person at hotels
- Luggage strap, luggage tags and trip journal
- **All taxes and tips** for provided services except as noted below

Your Tour Does Not Include:

- **Roundtrip airfare** to Frankfurt, Germany and return from Munich, Germany, related taxes and fees
- Meals not indicated on itinerary
- **Beverages**, except with breakfast
- **End of tour gratuity** for tour manager and coach driver
- Items of a personal nature such as passport fees.
(*Passport must be valid for 6 months beyond return date.*)
- **Optional insurance** for health, baggage and cancellation.

Payment Schedule:

Deposit with registration: \$500 per person
2nd Deposit by Jan. 1, 2019: \$1000 per person
Final payment due 120 days prior to departure.

Invoices will be sent out prior to final payment. Passengers may add after this date subject to air and land availability. Generally airlines do not increase the price of a ticket after it has been contracted. However, prior to the issuance of a ticket, airlines may (and regularly do) impose fuel, tax, or security surcharges. In the event a surcharge is imposed after Ed-Ventures has received a final payment, Ed-Ventures will send an additional invoice for the surcharge amount. Early registration is encouraged.

Currency:

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All cancellations must be in writing. The date of postmark will determine the amount of refund due. Refunds are based on the number of days prior to departure date. The initial deposit is non-refundable. From the time of 2nd deposit to 121 days before departure a \$100 administrative fee plus lost airfare deposits and any unrecoverable deposits to ground suppliers will be assessed. From 120-14 days, a \$300 cancellation penalty plus lost airfare deposits and any unrecoverable deposits to ground suppliers will be assessed. Airline tickets once purchased are nonrefundable. Anyone canceling less than 14 days prior to departure will receive no refund.

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- RCM20: June 26 - July 9, 2020 • \$3,999
- Single Supplement • \$950
- Airfare from _____

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Legal Name: _____

(Name for name badge): _____

Passport #: _____

Passport Exp. Date: _____

Passport Authority: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Gender: Male Female

Dietary Needs: _____

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(Name for name badge): _____

Passport #: _____

Passport Exp. Date: _____

Passport Authority: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Gender: Male Female

Dietary Needs: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Work phone/cell: _____ E-mail: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

Sleeping Preference (circle one): Double bed (1 bed) Twin Beds (2 beds)

Roommate name: _____ OR Single supplement: Yes No

Travel Insurance (please check one)

- I wish to purchase Travel Guard insurance and have included the premium with my deposit.
- I wish to decline the travel insurance offered.

Deposit Payment Information (please check one)

- Enclosed is my \$ _____ deposit and insurance premium (if applicable). **Make checks payable to Ed-Ventures, Inc.**
- Please charge \$ _____ deposit and insurance premium (if applicable) to my Discover/MasterCard/Visa

Credit Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____

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Signature of 1st traveler: _____ Date: _____

Signature of 2nd traveler: _____ Date: _____



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