

Berlin and Usedom, Germany (05/03/2020 – 05/10/2020)

Day 1: Welcome to Berlin

05/03/2020

Individual arrival in Berlin.

3:00 pm.: Group will meet in the Hotel lobby for questions and information.

5:00 pm.: Together we will take the S-Bahn to the heart of former East Berlin. Our destination is the “Fernsehturm Berlin” (Berlin's TV tower), where we will take the elevator up to enjoy the view from above and have dinner at the “Sphere Restaurant”

8:30 pm.: We will take the S-Bahn back to our hotel, the jet lag might hit you by then....

Walking: app. 1 hour

Day 2: Getting to know Berlin

05/04/2020

After a good nights rest and a solid breakfast, we will get to know Berlin today. I will be happy to answer questions for you during the morning hours.

10:00 am.: Departure for a guided sightseeing tour by bus (3 hours)

1:00 pm.: Lunch at “Samadhi” nearby the Brandenburg Gate

2:30 pm.: Together we will go up to the cupola of the “Reichstag” (German parliament)

3:30 pm.: Free time: Take a stroll through the Tiergarten, visit the Potsdamer Platz for shopping and history, or just find a nice place to sit down in one of the many cafes near by
Option: Airport Tempelhof

6:00 pm.: Group will meet in the hotel lobby to explore the neighborhood of our hotel

6:45 pm.: Dinner at “12 Apostel” nearby the hotel

Walking: appr. 2 hours plus free time

Day 3: East meets West

05/05/2020

After breakfast, we will explore the border and neighborhood of former East- and West- Berlin and learn about the daily life on both sides of the wall. In the evening, we will go back to the 1920s by ending the day with an entertaining cabaret show.

9:00 am.: Meeting in the hotel lobby. I will be your tour guide today.

10:00 am.: Guided tour of the “Gedenkstaette und Dokumentationszentrum Berliner Mauer” (documentation center of the Berlin wall), Bernauer Strasse, duration 1 hour

12:00 am.: “Topograhpie des Terrors” (topograpy of terror, documentation center) or Martin-Gropius-Bau, (museum of applied arts), appr. 1 hour

1:30 pm.: Lunch at “Yarok” or “Curry at the Wall”

2:30 pm.: Free time

- 5:30 pm.: Meeting in the hotel lobby for an evening walk through the “Scheunenviertel” (Barn Quarter). One of Berlin's oldest and most charismatic neighborhoods.
- 7:00 pm.: Prosecco-reception at the Chameleon (an early 20th century theater with a stunning art nouveau ballroom)
- 8:00 pm.: Show, including dinner
Together we will go back to the hotel

Walking: appr. a lot!

Day 4 : Bansin, Usedom (short trip to the Baltic Sea)
05/06/2020

You deserve a little break from the city by now. We will head up north/east to the Baltic Sea today. Our destination is the sunniest region in Germany: Bansin, a little beach resort on the island Usedom. The island has been a tourist destination since the Gruenderzeit in the 19th century, and features resort architecture.

- 9:30 am.: Departure with our private coach
- 11:00 am.: Lunch stop at Bellinger Holzbackofen, Jatznick
- 12:30 am.: Arrival in Bansin, Check-in at the Hotel zur Post
Free time: Take a stroll along the sandy beaches, check out the little stores, take a hike into the amazing woods bordering the town
- 6:00 pm.: Dinner at the hotel

Day 5: Bansin, Usedom
05/07/2020

After a good morning breakfast, you will have all day long to explore the island. You can walk along the ocean to the bordering “Kaiserbaeder”. If your feet are getting tired you can easily take a trolley back. Book a boat tour to Poland. Enjoy a spa day in our hotel. Book a “Strandkorb” and swim in the ocean, etc. etc. I will be there to help you organizing an unforgettable day.
No lunch served today!

- 6:00 pm.: Dinner at the hotel

Day 6: Potsdam and Berlin
05/08/2020

It is time to head back. After breakfast we will depart for Potsdam, a former residence of the Prussian kings and German Kaisers until 1918. It is the site of the parks and places of Sanssouci, the largest World Heritage Site in Germany. The city is now the capital of the German federal state Brandenburg, bordering Berlin. On our way back to the hotel, we will stop at the Allied Museum in Zehlendorf, part of the former American Sector and have dinner.

8:00 am.: Departure
12:00 am.: Arrival in Potsdam, Lunch (Russische Teestube Alexandrovka)
1:00 pm.: Guided bus tour through Potsdam (2 hours)
3:30 pm.: Allied Museum in Zehlendorf, former American Sector
5:30 pm.: Check in
7:00 pm.: Dinner at “Repke Spaetzlerei”

Walking: appr. 1 hour

Day 7: Culture pure – and last day

05/09/2020

Put your comfortable shoes on. Today, we will visit the world's famous Museum Island (Museumsinsel), known for its magnificent art work, and outstanding ensemble of five world-renowned museums. In 1999, the Museum Island complex was inscribed as UNESCO World Heritage.

9:00 am.: We will meet in the hotel lobby
10:00 am.: Guided tour of the world famous Museumsinsel (museum island)
12:30 pm.: Lunch at “Jollies”
1:30 pm.: Free time
5:30 pm.: We will meet in the hotel lobby
6:30 pm.: Departure for an evening farewell-dinner cruise

Day 8: Good bye Berlin!

05/10/2020

Individual transfer to the airport.

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