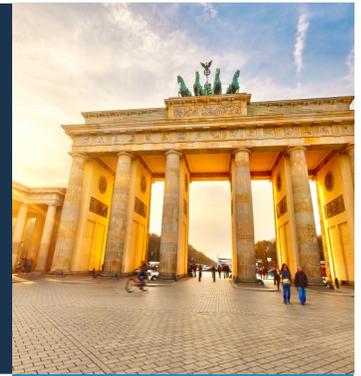


Berlin, Nuremberg & Munich

10 DAYS/9 NIGHTS - INDEPENDENT TRAVEL
DEPARTS DAILY FROM BERLIN OR MUNICH



Delve into the unique histories of Berlin, Nuremberg and Munich. Berlin has taken its freedom and expressed it through its cultural offerings of art, music and performance. Since becoming the German capital again in 1990, Berlin has raced up the ranks of must-visit cities. Next visit the enchanting and historic town of Nuremberg. With its connections to the Nazi party, and as the home of the famous printmaker Albrecht Dürer, this town is ripe with mystery and culture. Lastly, visit Bavaria's most famous city: Munich. Whether you have a taste for cars, art, architecture or beer festivals, Munich has something to offer. Practice your Deutsch on this trip to three of Germany's most celebrated cities!

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- Rail Between Cities
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- Berlin Private City Sightseeing Tour
- Potsdam and Sanssouci Tour
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- Private Romantic Road Tour
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- Private Departure Transfer



DAY 1 ~ ARRIVE BERLIN

Arrive in Berlin and collect your bags. As you exit customs you will be met by a representative

that will help you with your luggage and escort you to your hotel, where you will stay for three nights. Today you are free to do as you please. Berlin is world renowned for being a city of culture, politics and science, but is also known for its festivals, diverse architecture, and art programs. This could also be a great day to discover the treasures of Museum Island, the home of the Pergamon Museum, which houses immense reconstructions of historically significant buildings, such as Babylon's Ishtar Gate. Settle in and explore this diverse and beautiful city, and don't forget to enjoy some of Berlin's epic nightlife.

DAY 2 ~ BERLIN

After breakfast you will be met in the lobby for your full-day, private city sightseeing tour. On this tour you will take in many of Berlin's best sights and monuments. Afterwards, you will be free to spend the evening dining and relaxing as you please.

BERLIN PRIVATE CITY SIGHTSEEING ~

Berlin has been exposed to many groundbreaking events in world history. This tour is your chance to discover the famous avenues and impressive



squares the city has to offer. Your guide will show you the new Parliament buildings, the Reichstag, the Federal Chancellery and Bellevue

Palace, which is the seat of the President. Visit the Brandenburg Gate, Checkpoint Charlie and the remnants of the Berlin Wall. See Alexanderplatz and the Potsdamer Platz, which is an entirely new quarter, built from scratch in 1995. Enjoy this city of surprises with this exciting and unforgettable private tour of Berlin.

DAY 3 ~ BERLIN

On your second full day in Berlin you will get a chance to experience the area where many wealthy Germans have historically chosen to escape the bustle of city life. Upon your return to the center of Berlin, make sure to join the Germans for dinner. With twelve restaurants in the Michelin guide, Berlin has a diverse gastronomical scene. Whether you are looking for the typical

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Berliner fare of *currywurst* or a gourmet meal, Berlin will surely not disappoint.



POTSDAM AND SANSSOUCI TOUR ~ The old garrison and residence town of Potsdam, situated just outside Berlin, has

become famous for its splendid palaces and gardens. The palace of Sanssouci in Potsdam was a favorite refuge of the great Prussian King Frederick II. Here he entertained some of the most educated men of his time. On this tour you will enjoy an extensive visit of Sanssouci Palace, which is often considered the German rival of Versailles. Then stroll in the magnificent park and enjoy a city tour of Potsdam. Here you will get to see the Dutch Quarter and the Russian colony, Alexandrovka, which is known for its charming historic houses that appear to be made of gingerbread.

DAY 4 ~ TRAVEL TO NUREMBERG

After breakfast, make sure your bags are packed and meet your transfer representative in the lobby. You will then be transferred to the train station, from which you will travel to Nuremberg. On your arrival meet your transfer representative who will escort you to your hotel. Use the evening to discover the charming Old Town, with its Gothic churches, winding roads, and splendid patrician houses. While in



town get some dinner at a local restaurant or street cart. Consider trying the famous Nurnberger or Frankische Bratwurst.

DAY 5 ~ NUREMBERG

After an early breakfast, meet your private guide in the lobby. Today you will discover the famous sights of Nuremberg. After the tour, your guide will either take you back to the hotel or drop you in the center. May we suggest you take the evening to discover some of the city's breweries. Many great beers are made in Franconia; in fact the area around Nuremberg has one of the

largest concentrations of breweries in the world.



PRIVATE NUREMBERG CITY TOUR~ The best way to get to know such a multifaceted town is with a person who resides

there. Discover this walled, medieval city that was once the cradle of the German Renaissance and the home of both Nazi rallies and the Nuremberg Trials. First you will visit the Documentation Center at the Reich Party Rally Grounds. Here you will delve into the mysteries of the Nazi Party and its appeal to the masses. You will then travel back to the city center for a personalized walking tour of its charming Old Town. This area is known for fantastic regional food, festivals and markets. Here you will visit the castle, city walls, several churches and the home of Albrecht Dürer, the famous German printmaker. Your expert guide will show you where German emperors were crowned, saints were buried and talented artisans made history.

DAY 6 ~ NUREMBERG

Today you will explore the highlights of the Romantic Road on your full-day



guided tour. This tour will give you a great overview of the rich history of the area as well as take you to several cities that could

play host to the most famous of German fairytales. The evening is yours to relax, sightsee or enjoy some Franconian dishes paired with a glass of Gewürztraminer.

PRIVATE ROMANTIC ROAD TOUR~ You will be met in the lobby for this fantastic tour of the Romantic Road. Surround yourself with magical castles and fairytale villages as you visit the cities of Würzburg and Rothenburg. First you will travel to Würzburg to see the baroque Würzburger Residence & Gardens, which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the finest palaces in Europe. Afterwards proceed to Rothenburg, a town that seems to be untouched by the passage of time. At



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one time, this small town was much larger than either Frankfurt or Munich; today however visiting it is like stepping back in time! You will be given free time to explore on your own and eat lunch before you are guided through town on an exceptional walking tour.



DAY 7 ~ TRAVEL TO MUNICH

This morning you will be picked up after breakfast and transferred to the station. You will then take the train to Munich and be transferred upon arrival to the hotel via private vehicle. Once you settle in, spend the afternoon wandering the streets and taking in the sights. In the evening you will make your own way to the meeting point for your evening Bavarian gastronomy tour. The tour ends at the famous Hofbräuhaus where you can choose to stay for the remainder of the evening.

BAVARIAN BEER AND FOOD EVENING~



Munich is the beer capital of the world, so what better place to visit legendary beer gardens, cellars and halls! Learn how beer is brewed and discover Germany's long history of brewing. You will get to sample different types of beer and experience what makes them different. You will also get to try some of Bavaria's hearty brewery fare. Tour the Beer and Oktoberfest Museum, which traces the history of beer from its origins in ancient Egypt. Then enjoy the famous Hofbräuhaus.

DAY 8~ MUNICH

After breakfast you will meet your guide in the lobby for a full-day city sightseeing tour. On this tour you will see many of Munich's famous sights and avoid the long lines with your local guide's expertise. After the tour you are free for the remainder of the evening. Tonight you could head out to the Nymphenburg Gardens for a serene evening walk or go into the city center, where you can dine in the pedestrian

shopping zone.

PRIVATE MUNICH SIGHTSEEING TOUR~

Discover the highlights of the capital city of Bavaria. This includes a walking tour of the Marienplatz and the Old Town, home to most of the city's historic landmarks, including the world famous Glockenspiel, Viktualienmarkt and Peterskirche, the oldest church in Munich. From there you will be brought to the Maximilianstrasse for lunch and shopping. Here you will have some free time. Afterwards meet up with your guide for a museum visit. You will get to



choose if you would like to visit the Alte Pinakothek, one of Europe's greatest art galleries, or the Deutsches Museum, a 13

-acre museum that houses at least 16,000 artifacts of German science and technology. You will end the tour with a drink at one of the beer gardens of the Englischer Garten.

DAY 9~ MUNICH

Enjoy your breakfast, and then meet in the lobby for a full-day excursion to the castles of Neuschwanstein and Linderhof. After the tour the evening is yours to explore and tie up any loose ends. If you have a hankering for brats, beer, wine, music, art, history or just a good time, make sure to get it all out of your system on your last night in Germany.

ROYAL CASTLES OF NEUSCHWANSTEIN AND LINDERHOF~

This excursion takes you inside two extraordinary castles, both testament to the visions of Bavaria's fairytale king. Built by King Ludwig II, both of these castles have inspired legend and fantasy. After a short shopping trip at Oberammergau, the home of the Passion Play, you will continue to Neuschwanstein Castle. The striking, white castle towers above the Bavarian countryside and was the inspiration for Disney World's Cinderella Castle. The king wanted a castle that was representative of the romantic interpretation of the Middle Ages as well as the musical mythology



of his friend, Richard Wagner. Next you will visit Linderhof, the smallest of the three palaces built by the King. This castle resembles the Palace of Versailles, with its ornate Hall of Mirrors and famous dumb-waiter. These fairytale visits will leave you longing to move in and live like royalty.

DAY 10~ MUNICH

Make sure your bags are packed, then grab some breakfast before meeting your transfer representative in the lobby. He or she will then transfer you to the airport. Hopefully you'll bring home enough cuckoo clocks, edelweiss bells, lederhosen, beer steins and memories to last you until your return. Auf Wiedersehen!

DAY 11~ HOME

Unpack and prepare for your next vacation with Europe Express!

Admission Tickets

1. Instead of simply buying tickets to the sights you want to see, consider taking a tour. This will benefit you in many ways:
2. Many of Europe's sights can have very long wait lines. By taking a tour you will often skip the line and make better use of your time.
3. You will receive explanations of what you see from local experts. This can enrich your experience and make it easier for you to understand the relevance of everything you see.
4. Don't waste your precious vacation time planning what you are going to do each day or shopping around for the right tour. By pre-booking your activities you can guarantee that you will see the sights you traveled around the world to see; make sure you have the best experience possible!

German Escorted Tours

Escorted tours offer the structure that some people need to feel comfortable abroad. They're a great alternative if you don't feel that an independent vacation is best for you. On our escorted tours you will travel with an expert guide who will accompany you throughout the program. Many of your sightseeing tours and meals are included, and you don't have to worry about getting lost. The itineraries can vary but below are some of the most popular escorted tours that we offer:

- **Fascinating Germany Escorted Tour~** Experience the many fascinating faces of Germany. Discover modern and dynamic cities such as Hamburg, Berlin and Munich; the picturesque beauty of the Rhine River Valley; and the Romantic South with its magical landscape and fairytale castles. Highlights of this tour include a trip by high-speed rail from Berlin to Frankfurt and a visit to famous Neuschwanstein castle. Come discover the breathtaking beauty of Germany!
Highlights: Frankfurt, Cologne, Hamburg, Berlin, Potsdam, Heidelberg, Freiburg, the Black Forest, Munich, Rothenburg
- **Romantic Germany Escorted Tour~** Southern Germany offers magical landscapes with rolling hills, medieval towns and picturesque castles. Travel back in time with a visit to Rothenburg ob der Tauber and tour beautiful castles like Neuschwanstein. Impressive mountains and magnificent lakes make this an unforgettable romantic travel experience.
Highlights: Frankfurt, Heidelberg, Freiburg, the Black Forest, Füssen, Garmisch, Innsbruck, Munich, Rothenburg
- **Festive Christmas Markets Escorted Tour~** If you are longing for a traditional Christmas, nothing fits the bill better than exploring the Christmas markets of Germany, where the scents of gingerbread and sausages waft past cheerily-lit stalls displaying traditional nutcrackers, toys and Christmas ornaments. Come sip some hot Glühwein while admiring the trees and lights of the many charming German towns.
Highlights: Frankfurt, Heidelberg, the Black Forest, Lake Constance, Munich, Salzburg, Rothenburg, Nuremberg

For information and reservations, please contact your travel professional