

# 10 Day Affordable Central Europe with Berlin

October 2020 – April 2021

From \$2439\* Land & Air

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## **DAY 1, Thursday - Depart for Hungary**

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## **DAY 2, Friday -Arrive in Budapest**

Arrive in Budapest, the capital city of Hungary that straddles the Danube River, with the Buda Hills to the west and Pest to the east; transfer to your hotel. Balance of the day is at leisure. This evening at approximately 6 PM, enjoy a Welcome Drink and Dinner, along with an orientation meeting with your Tour Manager and fellow travelers. We recommend that you select flights which arrive in your destination no later than 4 PM on Day 2 of the itinerary, or earlier if possible

**Overnight:** Budapest

**Meals:** Dinner



### DAY 3, Saturday - Budapest City Tour

Take a morning city tour of Budapest. Begin in Pest and continue to view the Parliament, Heroes' Square, and Market Hall before crossing the Danube to the Buda Hills. There, see the Royal Palace, visit Matthias Church and continue to the Fisherman's Bastion for enthralling panoramic views of the city. Afternoon is at leisure, or join the *optional* tour to the Parliament\* with its stunning interior and the impressive St. Stephen's Basilica, the largest church in Budapest. End the tour with a walk through the historic Great Market Hall with its over 100 market stalls and endless choices of regional products. This evening, perhaps join the *optional* Danube dinner cruise and take in the spectacular skyline from the comfort of a private boat

*\*Be advised that you might not be able to book this optional tour locally, due to certain restrictions regarding the Parliament*

**Optional:** Parliament, St. Stephen's & Great Market Hall (PM)

**Optional:** Danube Dinner Cruise (PM)

**Overnight:** Budapest

**Meals:** Breakfast



### DAY 4, Sunday - Vienna City Tour

Depart Hungary and travel through the Austrian countryside to Vienna, former center of the Hapsburg Empire. Upon arrival in Vienna, enjoy a panoramic tour of the city that begins with a drive along the Ringstrasse, Vienna's main boulevard, to view Hofburg Palace, the Opera House, the monument of Empress Maria Theresia, Votive Church, City Hall, Parliament, St. Charles' Church, the monument of Johann Strauss, the Museum of Art History, the Natural History Museum, and Musikverein, the music hall of the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra. Afterwards, continue to magnificent Schonbrunn Palace for a highlight tour. Tonight, don't miss the *optional* evening of Viennese culture in the "City of Music" featuring the classical masterpieces of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and Johann Strauss, two of Vienna's most famous citizens

**Optional:** Mozart and Strauss Concert (PM)

**Overnight:** Vienna

**Meals:** Breakfast



### **DAY 5, Monday - Full Day in Vienna**

Enjoy a full day at leisure to explore Vienna independently. As European cultural capital, Vienna abounds with stunning palaces, historical monuments, fascinating museums, and some of the world's best concert performances, ranging from classical masterpieces to lively jazz fusion. Perhaps, participate in the *optional* morning tour to Bratislava, capital of Slovakia, one of Europe's newest capitals with time to explore the historic center of this charming city before returning to Vienna. Tonight, feel the spirit of imperial Vienna in a cozy wine tavern in the Vienna woods including a hearty meal, local wines and music

**Optional:** Half Day Bratislava (AM)

**Overnight:** Vienna

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner



### **DAY 6, Tuesday - Arrive in Prague**

This morning, depart Austria for the Czech Republic. Enjoy the sights of Central Europe during your journey. Make your way through Southern Bohemia and on to the Czech capital city, Prague "The City of a Thousand Spires"

**Overnight:** Prague

**Meals:** Breakfast



### DAY 7, Wednesday - Prague City Tour

A morning sightseeing tour of Prague includes a visit to the Royal Castle District at Hradcany, former residence of the Bohemian kings. Enjoy magnificent views of the city and Charles Bridge below as well as a visit to St. Vitus Cathedral. Following your visit, view St. George's Basilica, the oldest church in the Castle complex and best preserved Romanesque basilica in Prague. This evening, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant in this gorgeous city known for its stunning Gothic and Renaissance architecture

**Overnight:** Prague

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner



### DAY 8, Thursday - Dresden en Route to Berlin

Today cross Saxony to the Baroque art city of Dresden, also known as "the Florence on the Elbe River." Enjoy a walking city tour to view sights including the ornate Zwinger Palace, the world-famous Semper Opera and the newly rebuilt Frauenkirche with its magnificent baroque dome. Continue to Berlin, proud capital of reunited Germany. Spend the remainder of the day at leisure

**Overnight:** Berlin

**Meals:** Breakfast



### DAY 9, Friday - Berlin City Tour

This morning's guided tour of Berlin includes the city's major sights, the Reichstag building, Brandenburg Gate and Checkpoint Charlie, remaining symbols of the former Berlin Wall. View Unter den Linden Street and Kurfurstendamm as well as the State Opera House and Cathedral before an afternoon at leisure. Or, join the *optional* Berlin's Hidden Past tour and delve beneath the surface to see what remains of the city of the latter part of the 20th century - the defeat of the Nazis, the liberation, destruction and division of Germany's capital by the hated "Berlin Wall" that brought to focus the East/West division of Europe by the Cold War. This evening, enjoy a Farewell Dinner together in Berlin

**Optional:** Berlin's Hidden Past (PM)

**Overnight:** Berlin

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner





### **DAY 10, Saturday - Depart Germany**

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **Escorted Package Includes**

- Flights New York-Budapest, Berlin-New York  
Other departure cities available. Click on date of departure for selection and prices
- Airline taxes & fuel surcharges
- 8 nights First Class accommodations
  - 2 nights Budapest
  - 2 nights Vienna
  - 2 nights Prague
  - 2 nights Berlin
- Hotel taxes, fees & service charges
- Hotel portage
- All transfers included only with airfare purchase on package arrival & departure dates†
- 12 meals: 8 breakfasts, 4 dinners
- Sightseeing per itinerary in modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Services of English-speaking tour manager throughout
- Services of local guides per itinerary
- Entrance fees per itinerary
- Comfortable wireless earphones for enhanced touring

### **Special Features**

- View Heroes' Square, the largest and most impressive square in Budapest
- Stop at Fisherman's Bastion, for enthralling panoramic views of Budapest
- Visit Schonbrunn Palace, the former summer residence of the imperial family in Vienna
- View St. Vitus Cathedral in Prague, a Gothic masterpiece, where coronations of Czech kings & queens took place
- View Checkpoint Charlie, the Reichstag and Brandenburg Gate, symbols of the formerly divided city, Berlin

†Transfers are available for purchase for land only or on alternative flight dates

## Is This Trip Right for You?

This moderately active trip covers a fair amount of ground each day. Expect from three to four hours walking every touring day. The pace is moderate, however you will encounter some uneven surfaces, stairs, steps and significant slopes.

## Hotels

### Mercure Budapest Korona Hotel, Budapest



This first class hotel is located on Kálvin Square across from the Hungarian National Museum.

### Hotel Am Konzerthaus Vienna MGallery by Sofitel, Vienna



This superior first class hotel is located nearby the Wiener Konzerthaus.

### Hotel Botanique, Prague



This first class hotel is located within walking distance of Republic Square.

### Abba Berlin Hotel, Berlin



This first class hotel is within walking distance of the shopping area Kurfürstendamm.

**Book your Optional Tours before you travel. See more, save time, save money.**

- Tours purchased while travelling may cost an extra 10% or more
- Tours often sell out. Avoid disappointment
- Save your cash. Credit card processing may not be possible locally
- Travel insurance only covers services purchased prior to departure
- Book Online or call to book these tours up to 1 week before your departure
- The day the optionals operate varies by the day of the week

### Danube Dinner Cruise

Enjoy a relaxing cruise down the Danube on a private boat, accompanied by the commentary of your local expert. The views from the river are magnificent as you admire the skyline from a different perspective of the city after sunset. The buffet dinner features Hungarian specialties and wine. Transportation is included.

Approximate tour duration is 3 hours.

Day #3	01 Jan 2021 - 31 Dec 2021	\$86.00
	01 Jan 2022 - 31 Dec 2022	\$90.00



### Parliament, St. Stephen's & Great Market Hall

This comprehensive tour includes three splendid interiors and at the same time provides an insight on local politics, religion and products. The cost of building the Hungarian House of Parliament would have paid for the construction of an entire town for 40,000 people. A stunning interior and the Hungarian Crown Jewels await you there. Only a limited number of visitors are allowed to visit each day. Next tour St. Stephen's Basilica, the largest and most impressive church of Budapest where a relic, the mummified hand of St. Stephen, can be seen. Finally your guide takes you to the historic Great Market Hall where, like a hundred years ago, the locals still do their everyday shopping. At your leisure, absorb the unique atmosphere with over 100 market stalls and an endless choice of regional products.

Approximate tour duration is 3 hours.

Day #3	25 Oct 2021 - 31 Oct 2021	\$66.00
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	02 Nov 2021 - 24 Dec 2021	\$66.00
	27 Dec 2021 - 31 Dec 2021	\$66.00
	01 Jan 2022 - 14 Mar 2022	\$66.00
	15 Mar 2022 - 02 Apr 2022	\$66.00



### Mozart & Strauss Concert

Experience a delightful evening of Viennese culture in the "City of Music." Attend a concert featuring the classical masterpieces of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and Johann Strauss, two of Vienna's most famous citizens. The musicians will bring to life the passionate strains of Mozart, a child prodigy who blossomed into one of history's greatest composers and Strauss, the Waltz King, who composed the Blue Danube, the world's most famous waltz.

Approximate tour duration is 2.5 hours.

Day #4	01 Nov 2019 - 31 Dec 2021	\$71.00
	01 Jan 2022 - 31 Dec 2022	\$75.00



### Half Day Bratislava

This morning enjoy a half-day excursion across the border to Bratislava, capital of Slovakia. For centuries, this city has been famous for its charm and beauty. It has undergone a major revitalization and now flourishes as one of Europe's newest capitals. The beautifully restored old town with its winding lanes and medieval courtyards is nestled between the steep Castle Hill and the Danube River. First, explore the historic center on a guided walking tour. Then, with time at leisure, stroll the lively pedestrian streets of this charming city where local street vendors offer regional gifts.

Approximate tour duration is 4 hours.

Day #5

01 Oct 2021 - 30 Apr 2022

\$68.00



### Berlin's Hidden Past

Embark on a fascinating tour into Berlin's turbulent past. Your knowledgeable guide makes Berlin's history come alive as you delve beneath the surface to see what remains of the city of the latter part of the 20th century. Begin the tour at the East Side Gallery a preserved colorful section of the wall, now one of the longest open air art galleries in the world and continue to the Berlin Wall Memorial. Finally visit the Topography of Terror, an indoor exhibition located on the former site of the Gestapo Headquarters.

Approximate tour duration is 4 hours.

Day #9	01 Jan 2021 - 31 Dec 2021	\$50.00
	01 Jan 2022 - 31 Dec 2022	\$53.00



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