

Holidays Beckon *presents...*

Magnificent Cities of Central & Eastern Europe

featuring Berlin, Prague, Vienna, Budapest, Krakow & Warsaw

September 20 – October 2, 2020



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13 Days • 18 Meals:

12 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 5 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Germany, Choice on Tour, Dresden, Czech Republic, Hradcany Castle, Austria, Schonbrunn Palace, Hungary, Lunch with Locals, Matthias Church, Poland, Auschwitz, Warsaw

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Days 1, 2	Crowne Plaza Berlin City Center, Berlin
Days 3, 4	Eurostars Hotel Thalia Prague, Prague
Days 5, 6	Arcotel Wimberger, Vienna
Days 7, 8	NH Budapest, Budapest
Days 9, 10	Holiday Inn City Center Krakow , Krakow
Days 11, 12	Mercure Grand Warszawa Hotel, Warsaw

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Collette's Flagship: Collette's tours open the door to a world of amazing destinations. Marvel at must-see sights, sample regional cuisine, stay in centrally located hotels and connect with new and captivating cultures. These itineraries offer an inspiring and easy way to experience the world, where an expert guide takes care of all the details.

Day 1: Sunday, September 20, 2020 Berlin, Germany - Tour Begins Arrive in Germany's capital city of Berlin, a blend of deep-rooted history, modern flare and multi-cultural influences. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Monday, September 21, 2020 Berlin This morning, **it's your choice!** Choose a city tour that introduces you to Berlin's rich history; see Charlottenburg Palace, Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church, Schoenberg City Hall, Kurfuerstendam and the Reichstag Building **-OR-** join a "Cold War"-focused tour that includes a visit to the Berlin Wall Museum, followed by a walk through the area that was once "Checkpoint Charlie" and see what remains of the Berlin Wall. This afternoon you have the opportunity to join an optional excursion outside the city to visit Potsdam and the famous Cecilienhof Palace. (B)

Day 3: Tuesday, September 22, 2020 Berlin - Dresden - Prague, Czech Republic Depart Berlin for the "Golden City" of Prague. En route, make a stop in Dresden, the capital of Saxony, with time to explore this lovely town on the banks of the River Elbe. This evening get to know traditional Czech culture during a folklore show and dinner featuring local drinks. As a special treat, meet the dancers and learn some of the moves yourself during a private dance lesson. (B, D)

Day 4: Wednesday, September 23, 2020 Prague Your introduction to this fairy-tale city opens with a visit to the remarkable Hradcany Castle and the haunting St. Vitus Cathedral. Continue with a leisurely walking tour through the Old Town, showcasing the Golden Lane, the unique Astronomical Clock and the statue-lined Charles Bridge. The afternoon is yours to independently explore this great city. This evening, perhaps you will take an optional tour and join a local expert to discover the city through its craft beer and food scene. (B)

Day 5: Thursday, September 24, 2020 Prague - Vienna, Austria Leaving the Czech Republic, arrive in colourful and vibrant Vienna, the "musical city." After a short orientation drive through the city, your afternoon is at leisure. Later, enjoy an evening in one of Vienna's most beloved restaurants where dinner mixes with local cultural flavour to create an unforgettable night. (B, D)

Day 6: Friday, September 25, 2020 Vienna This morning, experience the city on a tour highlighting some of its architectural marvels, including the lavish Schönbrunn Palace and the summer retreat of the Habsburg dynasty. The remainder of the day is yours to explore independently. Perhaps you will visit one of the famous museums, sip a Viennese coffee at a local coffee house, or simply relax in this capital of Austria. Tonight you may choose to join an optional Mozart concert and dinner in the city. (B)

Day 7: Saturday, September 26, 2020 Vienna - Budapest, Hungary Sit back, relax and enjoy the picturesque Hungarian countryside. Connect with the villagers of Dunaalmas and join local residents for a community-hosted lunch. Learn how to make a traditional strudel, a favourite in this region. Upon arrival in historic Budapest, a local expert provides an informative city tour featuring Fisherman's Bastion, Matthias Church, Old Buda, the New Parliament and Gellert Hill with a



Per Person Rates*:

Double ~~\$4,469~~ **\$4,269**; **Single** ~~\$5,619~~ **\$5,419**; **Triple** ~~\$4,439~~ **\$4,239**

Included in Price: Hotel Transfers

Not included in price: Round Trip Airfare

* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change. \$200 per person discount will be applicable to all bookings made and deposited before 20 March 2020.

special stop at Heroes' Square, a unique monument to the many diverse leaders of Hungary. (B, L)

Day 8: Sunday, September 27, 2020 Budapest The beautiful city of Budapest is often referred to as "the Queen of the Danube." Today is yours to discover this city divided by the Danube with historic Buda on one side and cosmopolitan Pest on the opposite bank. This evening, perhaps you'll take in the essence of the region during an optional dinner followed by a cruise to view Budapest's stunning night skyline. (B)

Day 9: Monday, September 28, 2020 Budapest - Donovaly, Slovakia - Krakow, Poland Take in the picturesque landscapes en route to Poland. Make a stop in the hidden village of Donovaly, nestled in the Low Tatras mountain range of Slovakia. Your home for the next two nights is the lively city of Krakow, which still offers an old-world charm. (B, D)

Day 10: Tuesday, September 29, 2020 Krakow Discover Krakow's historic Old Town on a city tour complete with stops at the Market Square, St. Mary's Church, and the University. You'll also view Wawel Castle, a former residence of Polish kings. The afternoon is at leisure for you to enjoy the city on your own. (B)

Day 11: Wednesday, September 30, 2020 Krakow - Auschwitz - Warsaw Today you embark on a poignant journey through history as you travel to witness the camps of Auschwitz. A local expert guides you through the former concentration camp where you will learn firsthand about the terrors as well as the resilience of the human spirit that occurred within those walls.

Afterward, travel through the Polish countryside to Warsaw, the reconstructed and modern capital of this rejuvenated country. The evening is yours to relax or explore. Browse one of the city's art galleries or fascinating museums, or simply relax at an outdoor café. (B)

Day 12: Thursday, October 1, 2020 Warsaw The moving history of Warsaw, both joyous and tragic, is yours to embrace as you embark on a locally guided tour of this capital city. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of a memorable trip. (B, D)

Day 13: Friday, October 2, 2020 Warsaw - Tour Ends Your tour comes to an end today. (B)

\$95 TRAVEL PROTECTION PLAN

Sometimes life happens and your carefully made plans have to be cancelled. That's why we created our industry-leading Travel Protection Plan. It offers you a full refund of your money (less the purchase price of the plan) if you have to cancel for any reason, up to 24 hours before departure. This is just one of the ways we are with you at every step of the journey—even before it begins.

PLEASE NOTE:

PASSPORT REQUIREMENTS

Passports are required at your own expense for travel outside of Australia. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity beyond the return date from the destination. Some countries require a visa in addition to a valid passport for entry into the country. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate embassy or consulate for specific information and entry requirements.

Our air passengers should arrive into Berlin (TXL) airport and depart from Warsaw (WAW) airport.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that our guests take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visa. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Effective for travel after January 2021, all visitors who do not need a visa to enter Europe will be expected to apply for an ETIAS travel authorization, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit <https://www.etiasvisa.com/>

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

To truly experience the program and destination, you need to be able to participate in physical activities such as longer walking tours, walking over uneven terrain, climbing stairs and periods of standing. Some of the touring days may be longer, with select included activities occurring later in the evening.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Visitors are required to have travel/health insurance to travel to the Czech Republic. The health insurance must cover medical services abroad. The **minimum coverage** of the insurance has to meet the Czech Republic standards for tourist travel. These standards can be found by contacting the Czech Republic Embassy in Australia.

Australian Business Number 32 600 161 671

Available Options

Personalise your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

Prague



Prague's Old Jewish Quarter

\$65 AUD

Prague's Jewish quarter, the historic Josefov, tells the moving and powerful stories of a community with roots in Prague dating back to the 10th century. This history comes alive on a guided tour of the neighbourhood where Jewish residency was confined by law in the 13th century. Hear stories of success, heartbreak, perseverance and persecution. Learn about the golom, the automaton of ancient Jewish legends which protected 16th-century Jews. Visit the Old Jewish Cemetery, where the more than 12,000 graves are carefully fit into the tiny space, the oldest dating back to 1439. Explore the Jewish Museum and its synagogues and learn of their significance. *Duration: Approximately 3.5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transport is included.

Budapest



Puszta and Hungarian Horse Farm

\$85 AUD

Strike out from the confines of Budapest into the heart of the Hungarian countryside. Miles of famous Puszta scenery awaits as you travel to a local farm for an unforgettable experience. Enjoy a spectacular horse show which brings to life the traditions of the Hungarian horsemanship. Afterward, sit down to a family-style traditional Hungarian lunch complete with wine and Goulash in the country house setting of this family-run establishment. *Duration: Approximately 3.5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transport is included.



Budapest by Night

\$124 AUD

Local culinary specialities await as you start a fantastic evening out in Budapest at one of the most popular local restaurants. Sit down to a dinner of creative Hungarian cuisine in a traditional Hungarian setting. After dinner, embark on a romantic evening cruise on the Danube. Discover the beauty of Budapest's beautiful landmarks illuminated by the evening sky, sipping on a glass of wine as you glide down the river's beautiful waters. A selection of beverages is included on board. *Duration: Approximately 3.5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transport is included.

Krakow



Wieliczka Salt Mines

\$78 AUD

Venture outside of Krakow to one of Poland's most fascinating locations, the magical Wieliczka Salt Mines. This UNESCO World Heritage Site is the only mining site in the world that has been functioning continuously since the Middle Ages. Lying on nine levels, its original excavations (longitudinals, traverses, chambers, lakes, as well as minor and major shafts) stretch for an incredible 300 kilometres. Meet a miner guide who will take you down into this spectacular maze of unique rooms, tunnels, chapels and salt statues. It's an adventure unlike any other. Please note that this excursion requires an extensive amount of walking. *Duration: Approximately 4 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transport is included.

Prague

Prague Craft Beer & Food

\$117 AUD

On a culinary journey featuring the perfect blend of craft beers and Czech cuisine, get a taste of the best of Prague. Venture through the New Town and the Old Town to seek out the city's lesser known gems. For over a millennium, brewing beer has been a tradition in Prague and is constantly being renovated and modernized. You'll taste six of the top beers, sampling some old-fashioned brews along with some new, rediscovered tastes. Visit a modern tapas bar, where you'll eat a typical Czech dish paired with a perfect brew crafted just for this restaurant. Continue on to a beer garden, a concealed favourite that is frequented by locals. Then, in the quaint side of the Old Town, it's off to a restaurant that teamed up with an award winning brewery. Your food trip continues on a boat, a unique brewery that combines old recipes with new trends. Try their legendary dark lager, pair with a goulash cooked with the same beer. **Must be 18 or older to participate. Duration: Approximately 3 hours.* Please note a minimum of 10 passengers is required. Transport is not included.

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A deposit of \$250 per person is due upon reservation. Single accommodations are limited and available only on a first come first served basis. Reservations made after the date of March 13, 2020 are based upon availability. Final payment due by July 22, 2020.

YOUR INFORMATION:

Clearly print your full name (first/middle/last) **as it appears on your government issued travel documentation.**

IMPORTANT: In order to avoid any unnecessary change fees, it is imperative that all guest names are entered correctly from the start. The information below must be the legal name and be 100% identical to the ID being used to travel <passport/driver's license> including middle names or suffixes <Jr, Sr>.

First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____ Suffix: _____

Nickname: _____ Gender: () Male () Female

Date of Birth: month _____ day _____ year _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Postcode: _____

Phone: () _____ Mobile: () _____ Email Address: _____

Passport Number: _____ Expiration Date: (dd/mm/yy) _____ Date of Issuance: (dd/mm/yy) _____

City, State, Country of Issuance: _____ Citizenship: _____

Should you become ill or injured, whom should we contact (not travelling with you):

Phone: () _____

ROOMING WITH: ☐ Check if address is the same as Passenger #1

First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____ Suffix: _____

WAIVER PLAN: () Yes, I wish to purchase waiver plan \$95 () No, I decline

If you choose not to purchase Waiver Plan, you will incur penalties for changes and cancellations. Waiver Plan is due with first deposit. The Waiver Fee does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's travelling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. The single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels.

ON TOUR ACTIVITIES: Please choose one of the following on tour activities

- () Berlin City Tour
- () Cold War City Tour

ON TOUR ACTIVITIES: Please choose one of the following on tour activities

- () Prague's Old Jewish Quarter – 65AUD
- () Pusztá and Hungarian Horse Farm – 85AUD
- () Budapest by Night – 124AUD
- () Wieliczka Salt Mines *Please note that this excursion requires an extensive amount of walking* – 78AUD
- () Prague Craft Beer & Food *Must be 18 or older to participate.* – 117AUD