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DAY 1

Destination	Warsaw
Meals included	Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Welcome to Warsaw! At 6 pm, meet your Tour Director and travelling companions, and leave the hotel for a welcome dinner at one of Warsaw's excellent restaurants.

DAY 2

Destination	Warsaw
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Your Local Guide will tell you about the tormented, often tragic history of this important gateway city between East and West. See the medieval Stare Miasto (Old Quarter) with its market square and 14th-century CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOHN, the "wedding cake" Palace of Culture and Science, neoclassical Lazienki Palace, and the remnants of the Jewish ghetto. Later, maybe join an optional excursion.

DAY 3

Destination	Warsaw 🚗 Auschwitz/Birkenau 🚗 Krakow
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Visit Auschwitz and Birkenau, and see what is left of the notorious World War II CONCENTRATION CAMPS, chilling reminders of the Holocaust. Then, continue to Krakow, for centuries the residence of Polish kings.

DAY 4

Destination	Krakow
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

This morning, consider an optional excursion to the Wieliczka salt mines. Back in Krakow, follow your Local Guide for a stroll through Kazimierz, the old Jewish quarter, and visit the REMUH SYNAGOGUE. In the afternoon, visit the OSKAR SCHINDLER FACTORY, made famous in the movie Schindler's List. Perhaps join tonight's optional Polish dinner and folklore show

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DAY 5

Destination Krakow 🚆 Wrocław

Meals included Breakfast, Dinner

Accommodation N/A

Guided sightseeing in ancient Krakow features the 14th-century Jagiellonian University, St. Mary's Church, and a walk to the Market Square. See the former Gleiwitz radio station on the way to Wrocław, historical capital of Silesia. Through the ages, this impressive city belonged to Bohemia, Austria, Prussia, Germany, and (after 1945) to Poland. Hear about its turbulent history during your guided tour, and admire its highlights, such as the cathedral and the MARKET SQUARE with its fine patrician houses.

DAY 6

Destination Wrocław 🚆 Dresden

Meals included Breakfast, Dinner

Accommodation N/A

Cross the border and arrive in Dresden, former capital of Saxony. Badly damaged by Allied bombing in February 1945, the city has since been restored to its baroque splendour.

During your guided walking tour, visit the Zwinger Palace COURTYARD to admire its impressive architecture; the magnificent baroque Semper Opera, originally built in 1841, first destroyed by fire, then destroyed by bombing, and finally restored in 1985; and the newly rebuilt Frauenkirche. Afterward, dinner with local specialties awaits in Dresden's well-known Am Pulverturm restaurant.

DAY 7

Destination Dresden 🚆 Torgau 🚆 Berlin

Meals included Breakfast

Accommodation N/A

Hear about Joe Polowsky on your way to Torgau then, see the monument commemorating the meeting of US and Soviet forces during World War II. Visit the COURTYARD at magnificent Hartenfels Castle. Continue to Berlin, capital of reunited Germany. Sightseeing with a Local Guide in the once-divided metropolis includes the boulevard Unter den Linden with its historical buildings like the Berlin Cathedral and State Opera House, and the Museum Island.

Make a picture stop at monumental Brandenburg Gate, the restored Reichstag, the 210-foot Victory Column in the vast Tiergarten Park, Charlottenburg Palace, and the elegant Ku-Damm. Visit the KAISER WILHELM MEMORIAL CHURCH

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with its bomb-damaged bell-tower, have a picture stop at the Holocaust Memorial, and pass the former Allied Checkpoint Charlie.

DAY 8

Destination	Berlin
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

A full day at leisure offers the opportunity to join an optional excursion to Potsdam.

DAY 9

Destination	Berlin 🚆 Weimar 🚆 Buchenwald 🚆 Weimar
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Weimar has always been an important city for Germany in many ways, politically and culturally. During your walking tour, see the theatre where the Weimar Constitution that governed Germany between the two World Wars was drafted.

It was also the city where great poets like Goethe and Schiller lived and the birthplace of Weimar Classicism, a humanistic cultural movement. In the afternoon, a visit has been included to Buchenwald at the site of the former CONCENTRATION CAMP. Return to Weimar

DAY 10

Destination	Weimar 🚆 Nuremberg
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Arrive in Nuremberg and visit the MEMORIUM NUREMBERG TRIALS and COURTROOM 600 (if available), followed by visits to the impressive DOCUMENTATION centre and ZEPPELIN FIELD. In the afternoon, walk through the pedestrian area of the charming Old Town, known for children's toys and gingerbread.

Admire the impressive medieval ramparts; St. Sebald Church, painstakingly reconstructed as a monument to peace from the rubble of near-total wartime destruction; and the Schoner Brunnen, a 14th-century fountain dedicated to the Holy Roman Empire. It is said that it brings good luck to spin the two brass rings. Tonight, dinner includes traditional Nurnberger Bratwurst at the Bratwurst Roslein restaurant

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DAY 11

Destination Nuremburg 🚗 Dachau 🚗 Munich

Meals included Breakfast

Accommodation N/A

Visit the site of the former Dachau CONCENTRATION CAMP, which started out as a work camp for German dissidents. Then, continue to Munich, Bavaria's capital, and explore MARIENPLATZ with the Old and New Town Halls, and the gothic Frauenkirche.

DAY 12

Destination Munich

Meals included Breakfast, Dinner

Accommodation N/A

Today an optional excursion to spectacular Berchtesgaden and Hitler's Eagle's Nest is available. This evening, look forward to a farewell dinner to say auf Wiedersehen to your travelling companions and to share your feelings about this intriguing and emotional encounter with World War II historic sites.

DAY 13

Destination Munich

Meals included Breakfast

Accommodation N/A

Your holiday ends with breakfast this morning.

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Inclusions

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Accommodation
- Meals as per the itinerary
- Sightseeing as per the itinerary
- Experienced Driver Guide
- Comprehensive commentary
- Travel in an air-conditioned coach

Fine Print

OPTIONAL TOURS

Optional Tours can be purchsaed on tour and will be advised on arrival

EXCLUSIONS

- Airfares
- Personal Expenses
- Travel Insurance
- Optional activities
- Anything not mentioned in the itinerary or optional

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HOW TO BOOK & PAYMENTS

Deposit & Payments

Book now and secure your package with only a AUD \$250 deposit per person.

Pay a 2nd instalment of AUD \$749 per person within 28 days.

You will then be invoiced for final payment 90 days prior to departure.

Booking Process

Select the purple 'Reserve Your Seat' tab to begin your booking (you must 'Sign Up' first by entering your email and creating a password)

Then select the purple 'Book now' tab of the tour you have selected

Select your Departure Date, Departure City, Number of Passengers, Room Configuration, any Upgrade Options, and enter any Special Requests

Click the purple 'Proceed to Secure Checkout' tab

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Your booking is confirmed once your Booking Form is submitted and you can begin the countdown to your Inspiring Vacation!

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Accommodation

The accommodation listed is subject to change. Any changes will be of an equal or higher standard. Bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only. All efforts will be made to meet your preferences, however, any changes are beyond our control.

Single Supplement

A single supplement is available on all nights of this trip from an extra AUD \$1381 subject to availability.

Triple Share

Not available.

Children

Children must be 5 years old or over and share a room with parents at all times. Children are charged the same price as adults.

Tour Documentation

Final documentation will be provided approximately 30 days prior to travel.

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