

## 20TH CENTURY EUROPEAN HISTORY TOUR

**Day 1 Australia - England**

Depart Australia on your flights to England.

**Day 2 London****(D)**

Upon arrival, transfer to your accommodation by private coach. Enjoy a guided walking tour of London this afternoon.

*First night's accommodation in London*

**Day 3 London****(B,D)**

This morning, enjoy spectacular views across the British capital from the London Eye. Visit Westminster Abbey and tour the Houses of Parliament in the afternoon. After dinner, enjoy a performance of *Les Misérables* in London's West End.

*Second night's accommodation in London*

**Day 4 London****(B)**

Visit the Cabinet War Rooms. Spend a free afternoon in the city. Depart London by private coach for Portsmouth and board your overnight ferry to Caen.

*Overnight accommodation on board ferry*

**Day 5 Normandy****(B,D)**

Today you explore the D-day beaches. Tour the US Cemetery that overlooks the beaches of Omaha. Continue on to the Gold Beach at Arramanches and visit the Memorial of Peace museum.

*Overnight accommodation near Caen*

**Day 6 Normandy****(B,D)**

Enjoy a tour and tasting at a caramel factory this morning. Transfer to Bayeux for lunch (*at own expense*). See the famed Tapestry of Queen Mathilde and then spend a free afternoon in the historic village of Bayeux. Transfer to the Somme in the early evening.

*Overnight accommodation in Amiens*

**Day 7 The Somme****(B,D)**

Explore the Somme Battlefields, visiting Beaumont-Hamel, Thiepval and Pozières in the morning and the Australian Memorials in Villers-Bretonneux and Le Hamel in the afternoon. Arrive in Paris for dinner.



*First night's accommodation in Paris*

**Day 8 Paris****(B,D)**

Enjoy a half-day guided coach tour of Paris. This afternoon, visit the Ile de la Cité as a group, including Ste Chapelle, the Conciergerie and Notre Dame.

*Second night's accommodation in Paris*

**Day 9 Paris****(B,D)**

Make your way to the Eiffel Tower this morning. Continue your self-guided tour of the city, visiting historical landmarks such as Les Invalides, Place de la Concorde, and l'Arc de Triomphe in the afternoon.

*Third night's accommodation in Paris*

**Day 10 Paris, Versailles****(B)**

Spend the morning at the Louvre Museum. After your visit, travel by train to Versailles and tour the palace. In the evening, board an overnight sleeper train for Berlin.

*Overnight accommodation on board sleeper train*

**Day 11 Berlin****(D)**

Upon arrival in Berlin, transfer to your accommodation. Enjoy a half-day introductory tour of Berlin. In the afternoon, visit the Notaufnahmelager Marienfelde (*at own expense*), which served as an emergency reception centre for those fleeing the communist East.

*First night's accommodation in Berlin*

**Day 12 Berlin****(B,D)**

Start the day at Checkpoint Charlie's Wall Museum. Next, visit the Jewish Museum (*at own expense*). Catch the U-Bahn to the East Side Gallery for a look at the original Berlin Wall.

*Second night's accommodation in Berlin*

**Day 13 Berlin****(B,D)**

This morning, visit Bebelplatz, a city square where Nazi party supporters burnt banned books during Hitler's rise to power. Climb the Fernsehturm for excellent views over the city and see the GDR World Time Clock. Spend a free afternoon in the city.

*Third night's accommodation in Berlin*

**Day 14 Krakow****(B,D)**

Depart Berlin for Krakow in southern Poland. Spend a free afternoon exploring the city as a group.

*First night's accommodation in Krakow*

**Day 15 Auschwitz****(B,D)**

This morning, travel to the Nazi death camps at Auschwitz and Birkenau. Visit the site museum and grounds with a guide. Return to Krakow in the late afternoon and enjoy a free evening in the city.

*Second night's accommodation in Krakow*

**Day 16 Poland - Australia****(B)**

After breakfast at your hotel, transfer to the airport for your return flights to Australia.

**Day 17 Australia**

Arrive home.

**Extension Suggestions**

- Spend a day skiing at Zakopane in the Tatra Mountains south of Krakow
- Stopover in Kanchanaburi province, Thailand, on your way home. Visit the Allied War Cemeteries and the Bridge on the River Kwai

**B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, PL = Packed Lunch, D = Dinner**

**We tailor all tours to meet your specific requirements.**