

Join the Port Hope's Heritage Foundation for this exclusive tour

A JOURNEY FROM BERLIN TO PRAGUE



Photo: View of the Elbe from Königstein Fortress Garry B



The Elbe River and its tributaries connect two of Europe's most fascinating capitals, Prague and Berlin.

Join the Port Hope Architectural Society for this exclusive river cruise itinerary that takes place in the plains of eastern Germany through the rolling hills of western Czech Republic, stopping in multiple towns & cities steeped in centuries of history.

**Sunday September 6th to
Sunday, September 20, 2020**
(15 Days)

\$7,795

CAD from Toronto, per person sharing twin/double accommodation

Upper deck upgrade \$400.00 per person sharing
(additional single supplement applies if not sharing)
Single supplement \$2,920.00 (main deck)
Land only \$6,745.00

INCLUDED IN YOUR TOUR:

- Return flights from Toronto on Air Canada Rouge
- Airport taxes and security fees
- Transportation throughout
- 3 nights accommodation in Berlin & 2 nights in Prague
- 8 night cruise in main deck cabin on the *MS Elbe Princesse I*. Please add \$400.00 for an upper deck cabin.
- Daily breakfast, 7 lunches & 11 dinners with beverages during meal times while on cruise
- Sightseeing as per the program
- Fully escorted
- All gratuities
- Cruise port charges

NOT INCLUDED:

- Meals and beverages with meals not specified in the itinerary
- Items of a personal nature
- Optional travel insurance. Please contact the office for rates.

This tour requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven ground and cobblestoned streets.

PROPOSED ITINERARY



DAY 1 - Sunday September 6: FLIGHT

Evening departure from Toronto to Berlin with Air Canada Rouge. Dinner and a light breakfast will be served on board.

DAY 2 - Monday September 7: BERLIN (B, D)

Morning arrival at Berlin's Tegel Airport. On our way to the hotel, a panoramic tour of selected sights of former East Berlin takes us along Karl-Marx Avenue, and to the East Side Gallery, a collection of about 100 works of art painted directly on a preserved section of the Berlin Wall (www.eastsidegallery-berlin.com). Arrival at the hotel. Check in, and free time to settle in and get some rest after the overnight flight. Group dinner this evening at a restaurant near the hotel.

Hotel:

Inside by Melia Berlin Mitte <https://www.melia.com/en/hotels/germany/berlin/inside-berlin-mitte/index.htm>

Optional group dinner at the Reichstag -subject to availability on Day 2, 3 or 4.

DAY 3 - Tuesday September 8: BERLIN (B, D)

Breakfast and a general introduction to Museum Island & Berlin museum scene at the hotel before we activate our all inclusive Berlin Welcome Card (*The sightseeing pass for Berlin's attractions, museums, and public transport*) then take the subway to 'Berlin Mitte' for a casual stroll toward Museum Island one of Europe's most comprehensive museum complexes. We begin at Gendarmenmarkt, one of Berlin's most impressive squares framed by three monumental Neo Classical buildings; Karl Friedrich Schinkel's Berlin Concert House, the French Cathedral, and the German Cathedral. We continue on to Bebelplatz to peer into the unique Memorial to May 10, 1933 Nazi Book Burning. Moving onto Unter den Linden there are fine views of Humbolt University, the University Library, and State Opera House. A few steps away we can visit The New Gard, a fine classicist structure with a Goddess of Victory adorning the gable. Inside is Kathe Kollwitz', lamentation sculpture, Mother with Dead Son. Before stepping onto Museum Island we pass by the Zeughaus and I.M.Pei's deconstructivist spiral stairway attached to the German Historic Museum. Pausing in the Lustgarten we look across to the grand historic Royal Palace (under

restoration), the Berliner Dom, and the Altes Museum and then gather in the Colonnade Courtyard before entering the the museums through the newly opened James Simon Gallery . The internationally famous Pergamon Museum is a recommended starting point because of the unparalleled sculptural frieze of the Hellenistic Pergamon Altar, historically one of the 'Seven Wonders of the World', as well as Babylon's Ishtar Gate. The New Museum houses the Egyptian Collection which includes the radiantly beautiful Bust of Nefertiti, Queen to the enigmatic Pharaoh Akhenaton! Three additional superb museums; the Old Museum, with its prized collection of Greco-Roman antiquities; the Old National Gallery, featuring 19th century art, including the French impressionists; and the Bode Museum, highlighting Byzantine and Renaissance art. (For more information on these museums, see <http://www.museumportal-berlin.de/en>). Remainder of the day at leisure. Group dinner this evening at one of Berlin's fine restaurants.

DAY 4 - Wednesday September 9: BERLIN (B)

After breakfast we depart for a panoramic bus & walking tour featuring the highlights of Berlin including the Reichstag building, Brandenburg Gate, Holocaust Memorial, Bellevue Palace, the nearby Victory Column, and Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church, where we step down to explore one of West Berlin's finest shopping areas and take time for lunch. We then continue on to Potsdamer Platz square, Check-Point Charlie, and the Berlin Wall Memorial near our hotel. Remainder of the day at leisure.

DAY 5 - Thursday September 10: BERLIN - EMBARKATION (B, D)

Today is set aside for individual pursuits in one of Europe's most vibrant and culturally rich cities . Later in the afternoon, we gather at our hotel for transfer to the pier and board your Croisi Europe ship. Welcome cocktails on board. Accommodation: onboard *MS Elbe Princesse I*

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DAY 6 – Friday September 11: BERLIN - NEDLITZ - WÜSTERWITZ (B,L,D)

This morning, relax on board or enjoy an optional half day panoramic tour of Berlin. Return onboard for lunch. In the afternoon, we'll leave the boat for a visit to the gardens at the Sanssouci Palace, former residence of Frederick the Great. Afterwards, we'll return to the ship and begin to cruise to Wüsterwitz. Enjoy an evening of onboard entertainment.

DAY 7 – Saturday September 12: WÜSTERWITZ - MAGDEBURG (B,L,D)

Our ship will depart early this morning for Magdeburg. Take advantage of your free time this morning while we cruise to admire the landscapes or take part in our onboard activities. This afternoon, join us for a tour of Magdeburg, located midway on the Elbe River and the historic Roman Roads. Its cathedral is one of the major Gothic edifices in Germany. Afterwards, we'll return on board and continue our cruise. Tonight's dinner will be followed by an evening of dancing. Our ship will cruise through the night. Headsets are included for all Croisi land excursions.

DAY 8 – Sunday September 13: WITTENBERG (B,L,D)

Once we arrive in Wittenberg, we'll leave for a guided tour of the city, where Martin Luther nailed his Ninety-Five Theses to the door of a church and sparked the Reformation. You'll discover the city center and its noble Renaissance-style houses. We'll also visit Luther's house, a former Augustinian monastery which is now the Reformation Museum and listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Afterwards, we'll return on board and spend the afternoon cruising. This evening, take part in our Quiz Night. Our ship will cruise through the night.

DAY 9 – Monday September 14: MEISSEN - DRESDEN (B,L,D)

Once we arrive in Meissen, we'll set out on a guided tour of the city, famous for its trademark porcelain. Discover how porcelain has been made for more than 300 years and admire the magnificent pieces

displayed in the museum. We'll then head for the city center to see the outside of the Albrechtsburg and the cathedral. We'll return on board in Dresden. After lunch, join us for a visit of the city known as the "Florence of the Elbe." A relatively recent city with Slavic origin, Dresden became the capital of the Margravate of Meissen in the 13th century and the seat of the Dukes of Saxony in the 15th century. Its breathtaking architectural and artistic heritage makes it one of the most important tourist destinations in Germany. Tonight's dinner will be followed by an evening of dancing. We'll remain in port overnight.

DAY 10 - Tuesday September 15: DRESDEN - USTI (B,L,D)

This morning's excursion to the Elbe Sandstone Mountains takes us to the Königstein Fortress, overlooking the Elbe and one of the most interesting hilltop fortresses in Europe. Thought to have been built in the 13th century, it was for centuries used as a state prison. We'll then stop at the Bastei rock formation towering above the Elbe and formed by water erosion over one million years ago. Back on board, we'll continue to cruise through the magnificent Saxon Switzerland area (which really is a part of Germany) gliding by the prairies, woods, lakes, vineyards and chateaux. We'll remain in port overnight with an evening of onboard entertainment.

DAY 11 – Wednesday September 16: USTI - LITOMERICE - KRALUPY (B,L,D)

Join us for a tour of one of Bohemia's oldest cities established in the 10th century on the site of a Slavic fort. Afterwards, we'll return on board in Roudnice and spend the afternoon cruising towards Kralupy. Admire the pastoral and urban landscapes from the outer decks or take advantage of this time to participate in our onboard activities. Tonight's entertainment will be provided by the crew. We'll remain in port overnight.

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DAY 12 - Thursday September 17: KRALUPY - PRAGUE (B,L,D)

This morning will be dedicated to a tour of Prague's Old Town: you will love its narrow streets, Town Hall and astronomical clock as well as the famous Church of Our Lady before Týn. The afternoon will be spent on a visit of the Prague Castle area. We'll see Saint Vitus Cathedral, the most recognizable landmark in the city, the Prague Castle, and the Golden Lane. Tonight is our gala evening and dinner. We'll remain in port overnight.

DAY 13 - Friday September 18: DISEMBARKATION - PRAGUE (B)

Breakfast on the ship before disembarking and boarding your private coach for a visit to Strahov Monastery, seat of the Premonstrian Order since the 12th century, where we can look over phenomenal views of Prague, then stroll along historic Nerudova Street with time to stop along the way in some of the interesting shops and perhaps the Gingerbread Museum. After a lunch break in one of the Bistros surrounding St.Nicolas, we examine the restoration progressing on the outstanding Baroque interior of this cathedral. Boarding our bus, we continue to St. Cyril and Methodius Cathedral. Within the foundations of this 18th.C Baroque Church we find a moving memorial to the seven Czech paratroopers who were involved in the assassination of Reichsprotektor Reinhard Heydrich in 1942. The memorial exhibit includes a video about Nazi persecution of the Czechs. After a photo of Frank Ghery's Deconstructionist office building, nick-named the 'Dancing House' with rooftop restaurant you will arrive at your home for the next two nights, the 4 star, centrally located Hotel Rott (<https://www.hotelrott.cz/>). The afternoon is at leisure with a suggested stroll around Prague's 'Old Town'. No group dinner this evening.

DAY 14 -Saturday September 19: PRAGUE (B,D)

An optional walking tour includes the Jewish Quarter and Jugendstil/Art Deco/Art Nouveau architecture. The Art Nouveau has left Prague with a wealth of beautiful buildings and interiors. The Municipal House, the insurance house in Spálená Street, today's headquarters of the Goethe Institute on Masaryk Quai, the main railway station with the Fanta Café or the bridge "Čechův most" and the monument of Jan Hus on the Old Town Square among many other modernist buildings add to Prague's bountiful architectural heritage. Remainder of the day at leisure. Tonight will be our farewell dinner at one of Prague's fine restaurants.

Day 15 - Sunday September 20: PRAGUE - TORONTO

Breakfast at the hotel before transferring to Prague airport for your return flight to Toronto.



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REGISTRATION FORM

Please book _____ seat(s) on "A JOURNEY FROM BERLIN TO PRAGUE" tour of September 6-20, 2020.

Enclosed is my/our deposit of _____ (\$1,750 per person, plus insurance premium if taken.)

Please indicate with an X if you intend to travel on Group flights _____ or Land only _____.

Deposit and insurance premium, if taken, are due with registration. You will be invoiced for an interim payment of \$1,750.00 and the balance due 45 days prior to departure.

WE REQUIRE A COPY OF YOUR PASSPORT (INFORMATION PAGES ONLY) VALID 3 MONTHS AFTER TOUR TO BE SENT IN WITH YOUR REGISTRATION.

PASSPORT NAME(S): Please indicate the appropriate title (Mr., Mrs., Miss, Dr., Ms.)

Surname _____ First _____ Middle(s) _____

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If applicable, give your commonly used first name as you would like it to appear on your name tag: (e.g. "Liz" for "Mary Elizabeth")

Address _____

Postal Code: _____ Phone: _____ Email _____

If traveling alone, is a SINGLE ROOM REQUIRED? YES _____ NO _____

If sharing, what is your bed preference: twin _____ double _____ ?

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: We find the earlier a request is made, the more success we have in filling it, so please list any dietary requests, allergies, any special physical needs or frequent flyer numbers etc here. We cannot ensure requests made 30 days or less prior to departure will be possible.

INSURANCE - Please call the office for premiums then record it on application and add premium to deposit.
I /we would like to purchase (*please check and record your rate*):

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

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All-inclusive Package _____ Non-medical Package _____

Other _____ **OR** Decline Insurance _____
Signature _____

PAYMENT: Cheque payable to "Pauwels Travel" Visa Mastercard American Express

Amount Paid: _____ Card Number: _____

Expiry: _____ Security Code: _____ Signature: _____

"I/we agree to the terms and conditions attached to the program, have indicated our insurance choice, indicated any special requests and included payment".

Date _____ Signature(s) _____

Please forward this completed and signed form and payment to:

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

RESERVATIONS AND DEPOSITS:

Reservations should be made as early as possible to ensure the departure of your choice. A deposit of \$1,750.00 required at the time of registration. Your reservation is confirmed upon receipt of your deposit and registration form. No reservations will be accepted without a signed registration form.

REFUND OF UNUSED ARRANGEMENTS:

Because the rates of Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. are based on group participation, no refund can be made for any tour accommodation or tour service or tour feature not taken. If cancellation occurs while the tour is in progress, no refund can be made for the tour portion not taken. We strongly suggest that to allow for any unexpected contingencies, you purchase the all-inclusive insurance.

CANCELLATION POLICY:

Refund of deposit is made if cancellation is received in writing by Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. more than 95 days prior of the departure date of the tour less a \$500.00 non-refundable administrative fee per person. For cancellation received in writing 95 days prior or less the following cancellation charges apply:

More than 181 days prior to departure: CAD \$500 per person

180 - 91 days prior to departure: CAD \$1,750 per person

90 - 46 days prior to departure : 75% of tour cost

Within 45 days of departure: 100% of tour cost

RESPONSIBILITY:

The acceptance of the initial service to be provided under the tour shall be considered an acceptance by the tour member of those conditions. We also reserve the right to decline, to accept or retain any person as a member of the tour. We reserve the right without notice, to withdraw any part or all of the tour. Factors such as airline schedule changes, hotel overbookings, inclement weather, travel warnings by the Canadian Government etc. may necessitate changes in the itinerary. There may also be other circumstances in which changes become necessary or advisable.

By commencing the tour, I agree to the release and agreement as included below.

RELEASE & AGREEMENT:

By placing my deposit and commencing the tour I understand and agree to the following:

1. That all tours are delivered in conjunction with other service providers, including but not limited to travel agent and booking services, airlines, hotel and accommodation providers, transportation providers including but not limited to coach, train and ferry services, restaurant providers, and local guides. We shall not be held responsible for the failure by any person or company to render any transportation, lodging or other travel service to be provided on the tour. All hotels, transportation and other travel services are provided subject to all the terms and conditions under which they are offered to the public generally.
2. I know that tour programs include walking, and may include hiking and fitness programs that have potential hazardous activities associated with them. I should not participate prior to approval by my physician. I assume any and all other risks associated with these events included but not limited to falls, contact with other participants, the effects of the weather including high heat and/or humidity.
3. To release, indemnify and hold harmless Pauwels Travel Bureau and their affiliates (which term shall include parents, subsidiaries, officers, directors, shareholders, agents and employees of Pauwels Travel Bureau as well as Pauwels Travel themselves) (the "Released Parties") from, and agree not to sue the Released Parties for, any claims that I may have arising from, or in connection with, any personal injury, bodily injury, mental anguish, emotional distress, physical, property or other damage that I may suffer from any cause whatsoever related in any way to my participation in this tour. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, I release, indemnify and hold harmless the Released Parties from, and agree not to sue them for any personal injury, bodily injury, mental anguish, emotional distress, physical, property or other damage that I may suffer from the Released Parties' negligence other than from intentional or reckless acts by such parties. I further agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless the Released Parties from any and all acts of God, war (whether declared or undeclared), terrorist activities, incidents of politically motivated violence, illness or quarantine, strikes or government restrictions or the acts or omissions of any other agents over which the Released Parties have no direct or indirect control, including, without limitation, airlines, railways, bus companies, hotels, shipping companies, guides and sub-contracted agents or tour operators. This release also includes activities not offered that may be considered risky. I further release any Tour Directors, bus drivers or other individuals involved in my tour.
4. That the air carrier's liability for loss of or damage to baggage or property, or for death or injury to person, is limited by their tariffs, or the Warsaw Convention, or both.
5. That Pauwels Travel Bureau shall have no liability or responsibility for me when I am absent from activities, such as visits to friends or relatives or during stay-ahead/stay-behind option periods if the stay-ahead/stay-behind period does not include the services of a Tour Director.
6. To abide by directions of my Tour Director or other leadership personnel during my tour. Failure to do so may result in my termination from tour immediately. I understand that to disobey such rules or directions are to waive the right to any refund, and that I may be sent home at my own expense. The participant and family undertake full financial responsibility for any damage caused by the participant and agree to pay his/her return home on the first available flight, should his/her behavior be deemed detrimental to the welfare of the group.

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7. To abide by all local laws when in Canada and abroad, including those concerning drugs and alcohol. (Minors must have parents' permission to use alcohol even if the local law would otherwise permit them to.) I understand that if I abuse or disobey such laws, even unintentionally, I waive my right to a refund, and Pauwels Travel may send me home at my own expense. I also understand that should local authorities be involved, I will be subject to the laws of the country I am visiting.

8. That if I become ill or incapacitated, Pauwels Travel and its employees, or a designated chaperone may take any action they deem necessary for my safety and well-being, including securing medical treatment (at my own expense) and transporting me home. Pauwels Travel retains the right, in its sole discretion, to contact the traveller's parent(s) and/or guardian or emergency contact with regard to health issues or any matters whatsoever that relates to the traveller's tour. These rights transcend any and all privacy regulations that may apply. In the event of a medical emergency, Pauwels Travel will attempt to cause appropriate treatment to be administered, and the traveller authorizes Pauwels Travel to do so. Pauwels Travel, however, makes no warranty that it will be able to cause effective (or any) emergency treatment to be administered.

9. That Pauwels Travel may use any film likenesses taken of me and any of my comments while on a tour for future publication and also use my contact information for future Pauwels Travel communications.

A WORD ABOUT GROUP AIRFARES:

Please note that when booking one of our air inclusive tours, Pauwels Travel has negotiated reduced rates with the airline that we are able to confirm and lock in up to 359 days before travel. While it is wonderful to share the savings and flexibility this provides with you, our valued guests, the privilege does come with some restrictions. In some cases it may not be possible to collect frequent flyer miles, you may not be able to check in online 24 hours before travel, or you may need to try checking in with your ticket number rather than your booking reference and, in almost ALL cases we are not able to offer advanced seat selection.

It is the airline that makes the reservation and has control over the booking so it is their policy, not ours, that prevents us from assigning specific seats. If a request is made, it is passed on to the airline by our staff when they submit the names to the airline, i.e., 30-60 days prior to departure. Calling us several days before you leave will not change this fact nor will getting upset with our staff.

If a certain type of seat is indispensable to you, we suggest that you book our tour on a "land only" basis and make individual flight arrangements, in which case you may be able to get the seat of your choice; Pauwels Travel would be happy to assist you with that reservation at absolutely no additional charge. We will offer you the best fare available, but please note that this can only be done once a tour is a guaranteed departure because your individual airfare's conditions are likely to involve cancellation penalties.

We thank you in advance for your kind understanding of the above!

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