

# Highlights of Bohemia

## Trip Map



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## Day 1 | Arrive Frankfurt



Don't let the glass and steel skyscrapers deceive you. At its heart, Frankfurt's high-powered business hub communes with a warm medieval centre where half-timbered buildings and tiny taverns line cobbled lanes and the aroma of apple cider lingers around every turn. Here 'Mainhattan' meets medieval charm. This afternoon, your Travel Director will lead an orientation tour around the city's dynamic financial centre and medieval Römerberg. See the Römer, which has served as Frankfurt's city hall since the 15<sup>th</sup> century and admire the architecture that has been lovingly restored after World War II.

**Hotel:** Leonardo Frankfurt City South

## Day 2 | Frankfurt – Berlin



Leaving the high-rises behind, you'll journey across the North German Plain to the dynamic and energetic capital that is Berlin. This bold capital wears its grittiness for all to see – edgy street art adorns the city's ever-evolving façades and street food markets reveal a cosmopolitan line-up of cultures and cuisines that make Berlin an exhilaratingly diverse city to explore. Consider this evening to join an Optional Experience with good food, wine, beer and music followed by a twilight tour of some of Berlin's beautiful illuminations.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Hotel:** InterCity Ostbahnhof.

## CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

**Berlin by Twilight with Dinner** - Dive into the heart of the German capital as dusk sets in, cruising past the city's show-stoppers like the famous Brandenburg Gate. Then, brace yourself for an unforgettable night filled with delicious food, wine, beer, and lively music. It's your ticket to see Berlin in a whole new light, with all the fun rolled into one.

**Adult: 76.00 EUR**

## Day 3 | Berlin sightseeing and free time



There's never a dull moment in Berlin. This city has endured more over the past century than most and yet you can almost feel its characteristic philosophy of 'let the good times roll' as you see the many iconic sites on Unter den Linden. Spend the rest of the day exploring the city your way or join an Optional Experience to uncover the secrets of the city's World War II and Cold War past. You could even choose to venture beyond the city for a dinner of German specialties in the countryside.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Hotel:** InterCity Ostbahnhof.

#### CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

**Berlin's Secret Past Revealed** - Uncover the secrets into Berlin's layered history with a guided tour that brings the past to life. Your knowledgeable Local Guide will lead the way to landmarks like the moving Holocaust Memorial, the vibrant Berlin Wall, and the historic Checkpoint Charlie. Get the lowdown on WWII and the Cold War chill that shaped Berlin, bringing you face-to-face with some of the most pivotal spots in modern history.

**Adult: 37.00 EUR**

**Traditional Lake District Dinner** - Admire the architecture of this vibrant city as we take a scenic drive to the rural outskirts, formerly used as the Royal Hunting grounds in centuries past. Now an exclusive residential district, you'll dine in a charming chalet-style restaurant and enjoy an atmospheric dinner of German specialties.

**Adult: 76.00 EUR**

#### Day 4 | Berlin – Poznań – Warsaw



Close the curtain on your spirited encounter with Berlin and head east into Poland. Stop first in Poznań, one of the oldest cities in Poland and birthplace of the Polish nation. View its colourful market square and town hall. Then head to Poland's modern metropolis of Warsaw which has risen with all the invigorating spirit of a phoenix after a recent tragic past.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

**Hotel:** Ibis Warsaw Centrum

#### CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

**Chopin's Warsaw** - Feel the soul of Warsaw through the timeless melodies of Chopin, a highlight of your journey through Poland. Immerse yourself in an enchanting piano recital by a renowned Polish pianist, set within one of Warsaw's historic buildings. This performance promises to be one of the trip's most memorable moments. And yes, there'll be sparkling wine to toast the occasion during intermission.

**Adult: 57.00 EUR**



## Day 5 | Warsaw sightseeing and free time



This morning, perhaps enjoy an optional visit to the 17<sup>th</sup>-century Baroque Wilanów Palace, once the summer home of King Jan Sobieski III. Then, dive into Warsaw's turbulent past with a Local Guide. Your sightseeing tour across this historic capital will reveal how the resilient Poles rebuilt their city after the destruction of World War II. Among others you'll see St. John's Cathedral and the Royal Palace in the Old Town as well as the site of the Warsaw Ghetto. With the rest of the afternoon free to explore your way, why not embark on an exploration of the Praga-Północ district, one of Europe's coolest neighbourhoods, including a visit to Poland's first vodka museum.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Hotel:** Ibis Warsaw Centrum

### CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

**Wilanow Palace** - Join a tour of this magnificent baroque masterpiece, crafted as a summer retreat for King Jan Sobieski III in the late 17th century. Dive into a world of stunning décor and lush gardens - a real treat for lovers of architecture and history. A Local Guide will talk you through the treasure trove of royal artifacts, including furniture, portraits, and exquisite china that are part of the National Museum's collection.

**Adult: 48.00 EUR**

You will have the opportunity to choose between the following two Choice Experiences:

**Warsaw Five Senses Tour** - Dive into the vibrant heart of Praga, hailed as one of Europe's top 10 coolest spots by the Independent. A Local Guide will whisk you away to Poland's premiere Vodka Museum for a deep dive into the spirited world of this famed beverage. Ready your taste buds for an unforgettable adventure, sampling the finest local bites and sips. Then, you'll hit the road to soak in Warsaw's dazzling lights - a hidden gem among European cities, teeming with intrigue and beauty.

**Adult: 85.00 EUR**

**Warsaw Through the Looking Glass** - Rewind back to the Warsaw that once was, to uncover tales of resilience, unity, and the spirit that lifted this city from its ashes, making it one of Europe's trendsetting capitals today. Be navigated through the heart of Warsaw's history and its rebirth, visiting landmarks like the poignant ghetto bridge from "The Zookeeper's Wife," secret escape routes from the ghetto, buzzing market halls, grand palaces, and hubs of education.

**Adult: 37.00 EUR**

## Day 6 | Warsaw – Auschwitz – Kraków



Today we travel south towards the former Royal Capital of Krakow. We pay our respects to the survivors and victims of the Holocaust by visiting the memorial site of the former concentration camp at Auschwitz.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

**Hotel:** Ibis Stare Miasto

## Day 7 | Kraków sightseeing and free time



Today is all about uncovering the legendary history of this beautiful city. You'll kick things off with a sightseeing tour with your Local Guide who will share the thrilling tale of the city's origins as you trace its medieval walls and see Wawel Castle where the dragon once roamed in its dungeons. You'll have the rest of the day to yourself and perhaps you'd like to spend the afternoon wandering the UNESCO-listed Old Town, or choose an optional experience that would see you exploring the UNESCO-listed Wieliczka Salt Mines, often referred to as the Underground Salt Cathedral of Poland. This evening, why not enjoy a night out with an optional farmhouse dinner and Polka party where you'll swing around the dance floor after a meal of Polish specialties.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Hotel:** Ibis Stare Miasto

### CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

**Wieliczka Salt Mine Exploration** - Join a Local Guide in uncovering the marvels of this UNESCO World Heritage-listed site on the outskirts of Krakow. Visit a 800-year-old salt mine, where sculptures, chapels, and shimmering salt chandeliers await. Dive deep with us, 135 meters underground, to discover a world sculpted from salt, guided every step you take.

**Adult: 72.00 EUR**

\* This optional involves reservations and entrance prepayments. Should you decide to cancel the optional, a 50% cancellation fee will be incurred.

**Farmhouse Dinner And Polka Party** - Take your Krakow tour to the next level with an unforgettable Polish evening. Think foot-tapping Polka tunes, energetic dances, and a feast of local flavours. Visit the perfect spot for you to dive into Poland's vibrant culture, where you'll munch on traditional dishes and sip on local drinks.

**Adult: 83.00 EUR**

## Day 8 | Kraków – Budapest



Head south through Poland, then travel through the pastoral heart of Slovakia bound for Hungary. Your final destination is Budapest, which sits straddled on either side of the beautiful Danube – two halves shaped by a captivating mix of Magyar, German, Slav, Jewish, Roma and Turkish settlers that have made Budapest into the cultural capital it is today. Begin your exploration of this 'Pearl of the Danube' on the water with an optional scenic cruise on a private boat along the Danube. Against an enchanting illuminated backdrop, you'll enjoy a dinner of Hungarian specialties while you sail underneath the famous Chain Bridge and past Budapest's majestic Parliament building.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Hotel:** Ibis Styles City



## CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

**Danube Cruise With Dinner** - Set sail on the Danube on a private boat, taking in Budapest's jaw-dropping skyline. Tuck into a hearty dinner brimming with Hungarian delights and drinks included. As night falls, watch Budapest light up, dazzling you with its beauty. No wonder they call it 'The Paris of the East' – it's all kinds of magical.

**Adult: 103.00 EUR**

## Day 9 | Budapest sightseeing and free time



Like all great capitals, Budapest's story begins with a legend, and your Local Guide will share all the exciting tales during your sightseeing. Then there's time to explore the 1000-year history of Budapest on your own or perhaps join an Optional Experience, including a goulash cooking demonstration, to the medieval town of Szentendre, set on the banks of the Danube.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Hotel:** Ibis Styles City

## CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

**Szentendre and Light Lunch** - Step away from the buzz of Budapest and join a Local Guide for a trip to charming Szentendre. Nestled by the Danube, this medieval gem is all about winding cobblestone lanes and stunning views. Dive into a Goulash cooking demo. Tuck into this iconic Hungarian soup for lunch—sweetened with cake and drinks. Later, wander through shops brimming with exquisite Hungarian embroidery, ceramics, and the spice of life here, paprika.

**Adult: 71.00 EUR**

**Hungarian And Romani Folklore Show and Dinner** - Dive into the heart of Budapest with a night full of traditional music and a classic Hungarian feast, complete with your favourite drinks at a cosy local spot. Get ready to kick back and soak it all in as folk melodies fill the air, bringing tales of gypsy folklore to life right at your table. This is your ticket to a genuine slice of Hungarian culture—where good food, great music, and stories blend for an unforgettable evening.

**Adult: 83.00 EUR**

## Day 10 | Budapest – Győr – Vienna



All that glitters certainly is gold in Budapest. You'll see this first-hand during an optional visit to the Hungarian Parliament. The highlights of Bohemia just keep on coming as we continue our trip across the hilly landscapes of Transdanubia to Győr, a charming city which sits at the crossroads of Central Europe, midway between Budapest and Vienna. Wander the historic streets then continue across the Austrian border arriving in Vienna later today, a city where music literally surrounds you.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

**Hotel:** Ibis Wien Mariahilf

## CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

**Budapest Parliament and Danube Memorial** - Dive into the heart of Budapest with a visit to the stunning Hungarian Parliament Building. Marvel at its jaw-dropping interiors while soaking up stories of its past, and see for yourself why it's a European favourite. Then, you'll have a solemn moment at the poignant Shoes on the Danube Bank monument, paying tribute to the lives tragically lost there during World War II.

**Adult: 81.00 EUR**

\* This optional involves reservation and entrance pre-payments. Cancellation of Hungarian Parliament reservations within 72 hours will be subject to a 50% cancellation fee.

\*\* When the Parliament is closed, we will visit the exquisite 'Renaissance' Opera House and this optional will be offered at €43.

**Viennese Dinner with Musical Entertainment** - Elevate your Vienna tour in Austria's cultural heart with an unforgettable dinner at a classic Viennese restaurant. Savour the flavours of Austria with local dishes and drinks, all while being serenaded by the sweet sounds of traditional music. This promises to be an evening you can't miss in one of Europe's most captivating cities.

**Adult: 77.00 EUR**

## Day 11 | Vienna sightseeing and free time



Meet your Local Guide, who will reveal the secrets and stories of this imperial city. See the Parliament, the Vienna Opera House, the Hofburg and the City Hall, before heading out on your own. It's entirely up to you how to explore this musical capital of the world. You could spend hours wandering the streets when you visit Vienna, or perhaps take a guided trip to Schönbrunn Palace, the former summer residence of the Habsburgs, one of the most influential royal families of Europe. You'll need no excuse to embrace the locals' love of the good life as you indulge in the city's coffee house culture with a heavenly slice of Sachertorte to tame your chocoholic tendencies. This evening, the melodies of a musical Vienna are the order of the day if you join an optional dinner followed by a concert of Strauss and Mozart masterpieces.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Hotel:** Ibis Wien Mariahilf

## CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

**Schönbrunn Palace and Gardens** - Step right into the grandeur of the Imperial Schönbrunn Summer Palace, with a Local Guide who knows all the juicy details of the Habsburgs' long reign. This palace is a time capsule decked out with incredible treasures. Get ready to wander through rooms and gardens that'll make your jaw drop.

**Adult: 62.00 EUR**

You will have the opportunity to choose between the following two Choice Experiences:

**Viennese Concert** - Take in the classical sounds of Austria with a wonderful Viennese concert, where you'll enjoy the most famous works of Strauss and Mozart, performed by some of the most highly acclaimed soloists and dancers in Austria. With 'A Class' tickets and a complimentary glass of sparkling wine during the interval, this elegant evening in Vienna will become a favourite travel memory.

**Adult: 72.00 EUR**

**Dinner And Viennese Concert** - A wonderful evening of all things Viennese! We'll enjoy a superb dinner with drinks, followed by a concert of Viennese classical music. With your 'A Class' tickets, you will experience works by Johann Strauss

and Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart performed in a classic, sumptuous setting and a complimentary glass of sparkling wine or juice during the concert. Please note: on occasion, a small gift will be offered in place of a glass of sparkling wine.

**Adult: 129.00 EUR**

## Day 12 | Vienna – Brno – Prague



Today we'll say goodbye to Vienna's enchanting symphony and travel north to the Czech Republic on your Bohemia value tour. First stop is the medieval town of Brno and we'll pass through gorgeous green and gold landscapes, before arriving in Prague later today. The City of a Hundred Spires shines even brighter at night, so it's only fitting to join an evening introduction to this fairy-tale city. Hit the town and try a local brew to quench your thirst, discovering the dry-hopped goodness for which Prague is renowned.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

**Hotel:** Superior Prague

### CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

**Prague Evening Panorama** - Join a Local Guide for an evening introduction to the city of spires as you explore the streets and scenes on your private tram (streetcar). Gaze at the panoramic views of the city, stroll along magical Charles Bridge and pause to take in the beauty of this fairy-tale city.

**Adult: 55.00 EUR**

## Day 13 | Prague sightseeing and free time



While other Central European Capital's smouldered, Prague was saved from a similar fate during World War II. You'll see why when you head out on a sightseeing tour with your Local Guide, with stops to see highlights including Prague Castle, the Cathedral of St. Vitus and the Old Town Square. With the rest of the afternoon free to explore Prague your way, why not see other beautiful sides of the city from the water, with an optional lunch cruise along the Vltava that will reveal the legends, myths and hidden secrets of this enchanting city.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Hotel:** Superior Prague

### CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

**Scenic Vltava Cruise with Lunch** - Step into Prague's captivating world of secrets, legends, and myths with a relaxed Vltava River cruise. Get an insider's look at the enchanting local stories and unmatched views of the "City of a Hundred Spires." Perfect for photo buffs and culture vultures, this journey offers more than just sights—you'll also savour local specialties with an included lunch on-board your scenic cruise.

**Adult: 71.00 EUR**

**Traditional Dinner In Prague** - Cap off your day with a night to remember at one of our favourite local restaurants. Expect an evening bursting with delicious food and lively tunes. It's the perfect setting to bid farewell to glorious Prague as you



raise a glass with your fellow travellers and toast to an unforgettable journey.

**Adult: 74.00 EUR**

### Day 14 | Prague – Rothenburg – Frankfurt



Take a step back in time during your stop in Rothenburg ob der Tauber along Bavaria's Romantic Road this morning. Your orientation tour will reveal an exquisite medieval centre encircled by a fortified town wall that was built in the 13<sup>th</sup> century. Continue to Frankfurt, where we will enjoy a final toast and a farewell dinner to reminisce over an epic journey across the Bohemian countryside and capital cities.

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

**Hotel:** Leonardo Frankfurt City South

### Day 15 | Depart Frankfurt



Great empires created the enchanting land which you've explored over the past 15 days. You've encountered legends, tales of bravery and unforgettable masterpieces that span the centuries. All that's left is to bid your new friends a fond farewell as you prepare to close the curtain on an exhilarating encounter with Central Europe.

**Meals:** Breakfast