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Martin Luther 500th

Anniversary Tour

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Day 1: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 • Depart

Our tour begins as we depart on our transatlantic flight to Berlin, Germany!

Day 2: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 • Berlin

Upon our early morning arrival in Berlin, we meet our tour leader and coach driver. We begin with a tour of Berlin, highlighting the three centers of Berlin: the West around Kurfürstendamm Blvd and Memorial Church, the new Center around Potsdamer Square, and the East around Unter den Linden, Brandenburg Gate and Alexanderplatz. Tonight, we have a special welcome dinner. **D**

Day 3: Thursday, July 20, 2017 • Torgau, Wittenberg

After breakfast we visit the Dietrich Bonhoeffer Museum. Dietrich Bonhoeffer was a Berlin pastor and professor of Theology who resisted National Socialism during a time when tyranny and racism ruled Germany, victimizing religious, ethnic and social minorities. A guest speaker shares with us the history of Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Afterwards, we depart for Torgau, a political center of the Reformation. Martin Luther met many people in Torgau, not the least of which was his future wife Kathe. It was here that the first Lutheran church was built and where Luther preached occasionally. Kathe was also buried in a church here. We will see the church as well as visit the famous Hartenfels Palace. Wittenberg will serve as our home for the next two nights. **B, D**

Day 4: Friday, July 21, 2017 • Wittenberg

We begin our sightseeing with a visit to the inspiring Schlosskirche (Castle Church), and the historic Theses Doors. It was here in Wittenberg, where Martin Luther's 95 Theses were courageously given to this prominent university town and to the world. We visit the beautiful St. Mary's Church, where Luther preached and his children were baptized. We marvel at the amazing detail in the Reformation-themed altar painted by Lucas Cranach. We also tour the Lutherhalle (Luther House Museum). In 1508, when Luther came to Wittenberg, he stayed here with the other Augustinian Monks. Later, Luther and his wife, Katharina von Bora, raised six children here. Now this is home to the largest collection of Reformation artifacts in the world. We view some of Luther's very own personal library, rare manuscripts, early Bibles and some of the very pamphlets that Luther had printed, stoking the fires of the Reformation! After some free time, we gather back together with others for an English worship service in Wittenberg. Tonight we enjoy dinner at the Brauhaus, a typical German pub. **B, D**

Day 5: Saturday, July 22, 2017 • Leipzig

Today, Bach and history come to life!! A local guide joins us as we explore Leipzig. We have the privilege of visiting the Nikolaikirche



(St. Nicholas Church), the home of the faithful "Pray for Peace" Christians, and the powerful force that transformed Germany's East and West. In 1989, thousands of East Germans gathered by candlelight in this church to form human rights and pro-democracy demonstrations that led to the destruction of the infamous Berlin Wall and the dissolution of East Germany. Another Leipzig highlight is our visit to Thomaskirche (St. Thomas Church), where Luther preached and Johann Sebastian Bach performed and directed the famous St. Thomas Boys choir. Dinner is at a local restaurant tonight. **B, D**

Day 6: Sunday, July 23, 2017 • Leipzig (Halle, Eisleben)

This morning we attend the 9:30 AM church service (in German) at St. Thomas Kirche. Afterwards, we travel to Eisleben, where Luther was born and also where he died. It is often referred to as his Bethlehem and Jerusalem. We visit both of these homes, as well as St. Anne's, an old miner's church famous for the Biblical Scenes hewn in stone. Our next stop is Halle to see the Market Church and learn of Halle's connection to George Fredrick Handel, the composer of "The Messiah." We will visit the Francke Foundation in Halle today. **B, D**

Day 7: Monday, July 24, 2017 • Erfurt, Eisenach

This morning we drive through the Thuringian countryside to Erfurt where we tour the Augustinian Monastery in which Luther lived six years as a monk. We have time to stroll through the narrow streets of the old town and walk across the famous Krämer Bridge. We will visit the famous monastery and hold a communion service there this afternoon. Then we continue on to Eisenach, our home for the next two nights. **B, D**

Day 8: Tuesday, July 25, 2017 • Eisenach

We begin this morning with a visit to Wartburg Castle. In 1521, while fleeing from the wrath of the Pope, Luther took refuge in the Wartburg Castle after a fake kidnapping staged by his friend and protector, Frederick the Wise. We will tour the Wartburg and see where Luther finished translating the New Testament into German in just 11 weeks. Luther spent time in the nearby town of Eisenach as a school boy and sang in the choir of St. George's Church, where the Bach family also worshiped. This afternoon a local guide joins us as we explore Eisenach and tour the Luther House Museum. **B, D**

Day 9: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 • Mainz, Worms

This morning we drive a short distance to Mainz to focus on Bible printing history and the contribution of Johann Gutenberg, who developed moveable type. We are amazed as we view original copies of the Bible in the Gutenberg Museum. We also view Mainz



Cathedral, dating back to 975. Then we continue to Worms. There is no better way to spend our day following the footsteps of Luther. We see the site of the Worms Debates (Diet of Worms), now a park, with a plaque commemorating the Diet of Worms and the Reformation Monument. We hear the stories of Luther as he responded "Here I stand; I can do no other. God help me." We also learn of another Reformer William Tyndale who finished his printing of the English Bible in Worms. **B, D**

Day 10: Thursday, July 27, 2017 • Augsburg

Today we drive from Worms to Augsburg. The *Augsburg Confession*, is the primary confession of faith of the Lutheran Church and one of the most important documents of the Lutheran Reformation. A local guide will join us as we explore Augsburg. We see the Dom Cathedral, St. Ulrich Basilica, City Hall and its Golden Chamber Hall. We visit the Fuggerei, the world's oldest government subsidized housing project. We make a stop at St. Anne's Church, which is directly linked to Luther's confrontation with the papal representative that challenged his position. Tonight we enjoy a farewell dinner as our tour comes to an end. **B, D**

Day 11: Friday, July 28, 2017 • Return

Our motor coach takes us to the Munich International airport for our return flight home.

Abbreviations for Meals
B=Breakfast D=Dinner



Tour Price: \$2,647

Prices are *per person, land only, double occupancy* with a minimum of 20 participants

Single supplement: \$575

Your Tour Includes:

- **Land Transportation** via private deluxe air-conditioned motor coach
- **Accommodations** (double occupancy) in three or four star traditional European Hotels
- **Meals** as indicated in the itinerary
- **Admission** to all activities indicated in the itinerary except those listed as optional
- Services of **professional tour manager**
- Local **step-on guides** for city tours and major attractions
- **Luggage handling** of one piece per person
- **All taxes and tips** for provided services except as noted below.

Your Tour Does Not Include:

- Airfare and related taxes, fees and fuel charges (estimated at \$1550)
- Meals not indicated on itinerary
- **Beverages**, except with breakfast
- End of tour gratuity for coach driver and tour manager
- Items of a personal nature such as passport fees. (Passport must be valid for 6 months beyond return date.)
- **Optional insurance** for health, baggage and cancellation. (This insurance is available and recommended.)

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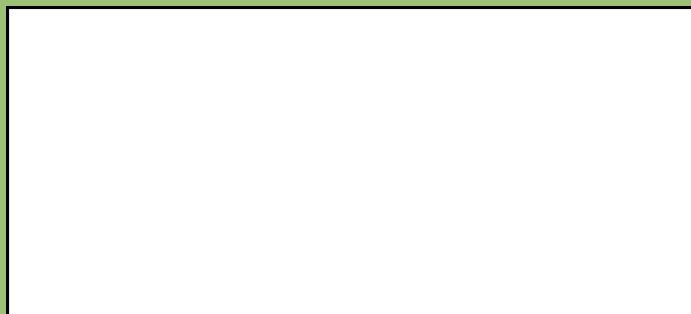
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- ☐ Single Supplement • \$575

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Sleeping Preference (circle one): Double bed Twin Beds

Roommate name: _____ **OR Single supplement:** _____ Yes _____ No

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- ☐ I wish to decline the travel insurance offered

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Signature of 1st traveler: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature of 2nd traveler: _____ **Date:** _____



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