



# Austria & Czech









# **Program Itinerary**

# Prague & Vienna

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Overnight flight to Europe.

Day 2 Prague

Arrival in Prague. Meet your tour escort and bus driver and depart for the city centre.

Prague is one of the most enchanting cities of Europe. It was under Charles IV during the 14<sup>th</sup> century that Prague briefly became the seat of the Holy Roman Empire – virtually the capital of Western Europe – and acquired its distinctive Gothic imprint. Prague escaped serious wartime damage and is considered one of the most beautiful cities in Europe today. Mozart claimed that no one understood him better than the citizens of Prague, and he was only one of several great masters who lived or lingered here.

Upon arrival check into your hotel. Dinner and overnight in Prague.

Day 3 Prague

This morning after breakfast at your hotel enjoy a **guided walking tour** of Prague which covers the Castle district including a visit to the St. Vitus Cathedral, St. George's Basilica and the Old Royal Palace. In the afternoon **possible performance** for example at St. Nicholas Church at the Old Town Square. Dinner and overnight in Prague.

Day 4 Prague

Following breakfast drive to Terezin (Theresienstadt) for a **guided visit of this World War II concentration camp and Jewish ghetto** located outside Prague. This former garrison town was built at the end of the 18th century by Emperor Joseph II as an ingenious system of military fortresses. However, when the Nazis took control of the Czech Republic during World War II, they converted the whole area into a concentration camp and Jewish ghetto. The afternoon is at leisure, time for individual sightseeing or shopping. Dinner and overnight in Prague.

<u>Day 5</u> Prague - Vienna

Today, travel to Vienna, Austria (190 miles, ± 5 hr drive excluding stops along the way). Enjoy the scenic countryside as you drive to Vienna. Vienna is a city that needs to be explored, for many of its charms are hidden in narrow old side streets and ancient courtyards. There are 17th-century houses and quaint baroque squares tucked in all corners of the city. Every district boasts of houses where Beethoven, Mozart, Mahler or one of the Strausses lived.

Have some free time in Vienna upon arrival. Dinner and overnight in Vienna.

Day 6 Vienna

Breakfast at your hotel this morning. **Guided city tour of Vienna**, pass the Ring Avenue, the Hofburg Palace, the Opera House, St Stephen's Cathedral, Mozart's "Figaro House", City Hall and the Central Cemetery (housing honorary tombs of famous composers like Beethoven, Gluck, Schubert, Johann Strauss father and son and Brahms).

In the afternoon **visit the Schönbrunn Palace** (with audioguides), the fabulous baroque summer residence of the Hapsburg Emperors. Here Marie-Antoinette lived as a young girl. The rococo interior is recreated as it was at its zenith. Here the six year old Mozart played for the empress inside the Palace. Stroll through the beautiful gardens filled with flowers and statues. Dinner and overnight in Vienna.

Day 7 Vienna

Start the day with a **visit to St. Stephen's Cathedral**. Afterwards enjoy a **Danube River cruise**; see all the highlights of Vienna from the water. This afternoon/evening **possible performance** in a venue such as Votiv Kirche or Peterskirche. Dinner and overnight in Vienna.

<u>Day 8</u> Flight home

After breakfast this morning transfer to the airport for your flight home.

#### Inclusions:

- 6 night accommodation in superior tourist class hotels based on a mix of twin and triple bedded rooms (guaranteed twin rooms for chaperones, max. 1 chaperone twin per 10 students, additional adult rooms will require a twin supplement)
- o Continental breakfast daily
- o Daily 3-course dinner, excluding drinks
- European tour escort throughout
- o Private luxury coach for all transfers according to the itinerary
- o Local guides: Prague Castle District, Terezin, Vienna
- Entrance fees: St. Vitus Cathedral, St. George's Cathedral, Old Royal Palace, Terezin concentration camp, Schönbrunn Palace, St. Stephen's Cathedral, Danube River Cruise
- o Organization & promotion of 2 performances

### Sample hotels:

Prague: Hotel Panorama or Hotel Christie Vienna: Trend Hotel Donauzentrum

## **End of arrangements**

Note: unexpected circumstances may cause changes to the order of events outlined in the itinerary.



# **Program Details**

### Included in your Travel Program

#### Transportation

- Round-Trip Air Transportation via regularly scheduled commercial air service economy Class (in addition to land package)
- Chartered Motorcoach Transportation in Luxury air-conditioned coaches

#### Accommodations

- Hotel accommodation in 3 and 4 Star properties based on triple bedded rooms.
- In room bathroom facilities
- Directors free room can be a single room if requested

#### Meals

- Meals are as indicated on your itinerary.
- Breakfasts are continental style and in the hotels unless noted

#### **Activities & Details**

- All scheduled sightseeing and entrance fees per itinerary.
- Concert organization and promotion as listed on the itinerary
- Instrument rental is separate and <u>not</u> included
- Instrument transportation costs if any are not included
- Professional Tour Manager throughout
- Restaurant & Hotel Gratuities included
- Coach and Driver Gratuities are not included
  - Suggested tipping at \$3 per person per day (\$2 pp/pd for tour manager and \$1 pp/pd for driver)
- In the event that the venues listed herein cannot confirm the group for the intended travel dates, Travel Quest International (TQI) reserves the right to substitute venues of a similar standard and adjust our final daily itinerary accordingly. Performance venues often require music repertoire and/or music assessment. It's always a good idea to get started early by sending us a CD or DVD and a copy of expected repertoire. We'll quickly send copies overseas to get the venues excited and interested in having you come to perform.
- Please note that we specialize in customized group travel and can revise this program and further tailor it to meet the group's needs and desires.
- The group will have a private motor coach and driver at their disposal throughout the tour for approximately 8-10 hours daily.
- We have only included guided tours as per the itinerary. In the other cities that do not include guided tours, there may or may not be time to visit on your own time. If there is time, the group will be briefed about the region by their tour escort. Please note that tour escorts are not licensed guides and are not permitted by law to give any sort of sightseeing tours. If you would like a guide for any of these locations, we would be happy to advise the additional costs and make the appropriate arrangements.
- Music stands, risers, keyboards, chairs etc may require an additional charge if requested.
- TQI reserves the right to make alterations necessary due to lack of participation in any custom tour program or festival. Cost will fluctuate when your group size increases or decrease primarily due to transportation utilization.
- A complete terms and conditions will be posted on your group webpage as well as appear on your proposal agreement when you sign up to travel.



# **Program Costs**

### Cost Quote for your itinerary:

50+ 45-49 40-44 35-39 30-34 participants

Land Package: \$ \$ \$ \$

Air Estimate

Please call for current pricing 877 898-8687

### **Pricing Notes:**

- Above cost is based on 50 full paying participants price changes based on participation
- 1 free land participant trip for each 20 full paying participants plus director's air is free
- Tour prices are in USD and based on a specific expected exchange rate at the time of travel
- Currency increases may apply if significant changes occur
- *Air fare is in addition to the land package price and is currently estimated.*
- Air taxes and fuel surcharges are subject to change which may cause an increase in air cost.
- Rates are based on a mix of twin & triple rooms
- Adult double rooms may incur an additional cost if student to adult ratio exceeds 1 to 10
- Single Occupancy Supplement is \$75 per person per night
- Optional Travel Protection is recommended and available. Details will be provided at sign-up

Cancellation Penalty Schedule		
Cancelation Date	Penalty Amount	
90 Days or more from departure date	\$200 initial deposit	
89-60 Days from departure date	50% of program cost plus any additional penalties from vendors	
59-46 Days from departure	75% of program cost plus any additional penalties from vendors	
Less than 45 days before departure	No refund	

Standard Payment Plan			
<u>Amount</u> \$200	<i>From</i> Individual Deposit	Date  Due with signed contract	
\$500	Individual Payment	Due 180 Days from departure	
\$1000	Individual Payment	Due 120 Days from departure	
Final Balance	Individual Payment	Due 60 Days before departure	