

Tour Code: RUS19

Wartburg Castle



Urbana Seminary

Reformation History Tour

May 20 - 30, 2019

Castle Church Doors



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Charles Bridge, Prague

Day 1: Monday, May 20, 2019: Depart

We depart from the USA. Group flights can be arranged. Ed-Ventures can also arrange pre-tour nights in Prague for anyone who wishes to travel before the tour begins. **(IF)**

Day 2: Tuesday, May 21, 2019: Arrival in Prague

When we arrive in Prague, our Tour Director greets and escorts us to our waiting deluxe, air-conditioned motor coach. We have some free time for lunch, then our expert local guide takes us on a walking tour focused on Jan Hus, the leading personality of the Czech Reformation movement. We visit Bethlehem Chapel where he preached (possibly closed for renovations) and see the Hus monument outside Týn Church. Hus was a contemporary of John Wycliffe and was heavily influenced by his writings. They both agreed that all Christians are members of Christ's church and that Jesus is the head. We end the day with dinner at our hotel. **(IF/D)**

Day 3: Wednesday, May 22, 2019: Prague

This morning we explore Prague Castle, a complex of palaces, courtyards, streets and churches including St. Vitus Cathedral, which took 600 years to complete. We then take a stroll across Charles Bridge, past the famous statues to the Old Town Square. We finish by the Jan Hus Monument, built to commemorate the 500th anniversary of his martyrdom. This afternoon we enjoy a 1-hour river cruise, complete with coffee/tea and cake. The balance of the afternoon is at leisure before a Czech folk dinner this evening. **(B/D)**

Day 4: Thursday, May 23, 2019: Prague, Wittenberg

We cross the border into Germany this morning and travel to Lutherstadt Wittenberg. It was here in 1517 that Martin Luther nailed his famous 95 Theses to the door of Castle Church (Schlosskirche). Although the original doors were destroyed in the Seven Years War, we can see Luther's texts cast in bronze on the new doors. Our local guide takes us to St. Mary's Church where Luther regularly preached. We can also visit the Old Latin School next door. Luther's former home, the



Merchant's Bridge, Erfurt

Lutherhalle, is now a Reformation Museum and we see where he lived with his family, as well as some of Luther's very own personal library, rare manuscripts, and early Bibles. We dine in our hotel this evening. **(B/D)**

Day 5: Friday, May 24, 2019: Erfurt, Eisenach

This morning we drive to Erfurt. Our local guide takes us on a tour including viewing St. Mary's Cathedral, St. Severin's Church and the famous Merchant's Bridge. We also tour the Augustinian Monastery where Luther became a monk on July 17, 1505. We are able to see his monastic quarters, including one cell furnished to look as it would have when he lived there. We have the opportunity to use the Chapter House for a group service. We continue on to Eisenach and dine in our hotel. **(B/D)**

Day 6: Saturday, May 25, 2019: Eisenach, Mainz

In 1521, while fleeing from the wrath of the Pope, Luther took refuge in the Wartburg after a fake kidnapping staged by his friend and protector, Frederick the Wise. We see where Luther finished translating the New Testament into German in just eleven weeks. In the afternoon we drive down to Mainz and dine in an authentic German restaurant. **(B/D)**

Day 7: Sunday, May 26, 2019: Mainz, Worms, Basel

This morning we visit the Gutenberg Museum where we learn about the contribution of Johann Gutenberg, who developed movable type. We are able to see original copies of the Bible in the Gutenberg Museum. We also view Mainz Cathedral, dating back to 975. In the afternoon 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 then head south to Basel, home of Erasmus and Johannes Oecolampadius. **(B/D)**

Day 8: Monday, May 27, 2019: Zurich, Basel

We take a day trip to Zurich today and have a guided tour of the key Reformation sites, including Zwingli's church, the Grossmünster, and the Zwingli Statue. We have a stroll through the historic Altstadt (old city) and see the

*Historic City Center
Of Zurich*



Zwingli Museum and the Helferei (where Zwingli lived). Other notable sites are the Anabaptist memorial, and the Fraumünster (the famous Catholic Cathedral) with its Marc Chagall windows. We return to Basel and have a free evening to dine in the restaurant of our choice. **(B)**

Day 9: Tuesday, May 28, 2019: Basel, Geneva

It was here in Basel that Calvin published the first edition, in Latin, of his *Institutes of the Christian Religion*. We join our local guide, for a walking tour of Basel, including St. Martin's Church, the Marketplatz, Munster Church and the Rathaus. We continue on to Geneva and dine in our hotel. **(B/D)**

Day 10: Wednesday, May 29, 2019: Geneva

We begin our final day of the tour at the impressive Reformation Monument. Four 5-metre statues of four Reformation leaders – Beza, Calvin, Farel and Knox – stand as sentinels. Our tour also includes Cathedrale St. Pierre (St. Peter's Cathedral) where Calvin regularly taught. It's only 157 steps up to the top of the North Tower, where the view is worth the effort. Under the Cathedral are the ruins of a Roman sanctuary, a 4th century basilica, and a 6th century church. Close by is the Auditoire de Calvin (Calvin's Academy, also known as the Protestant Lecture Hall), where Calvin and Knox both taught. We then visit the Reformation Museum, which we can tour with the included audio guides. The afternoon is at leisure. We meet up at a local restaurant by the water for our farewell meal. **(B/D)**

Day 11: Thursday, May 30, 2019: Geneva

We transfer to Geneva Airport for our flights back to the USA. **(B)**

Abbreviations for Meals

B=Breakfast D=Dinner

Tour Price: \$2,999

Land only per person, double occupancy

with a minimum of 20 participants

Single supplement: \$600

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
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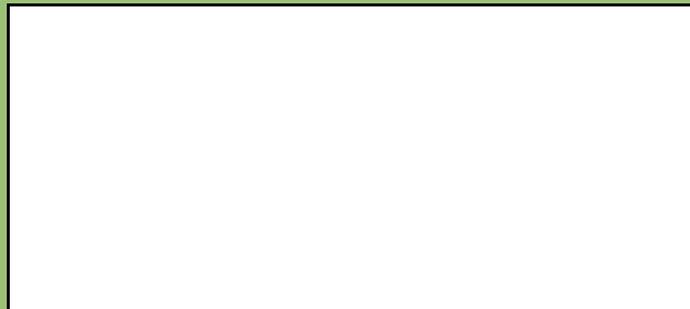
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Roommate name: _____ OR Single supplement: Yes No

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