Holocaust Museum Houston Study Trip to Germany, Austria and the Netherlands

March 12-24, 2011

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ITINERARY

MARCH 12 – SATURDAY
Depart the USA for Germany

MARCH 13 – SUNDAY
ARRIVE MUNICH
Upon arrival to Munich Airport, meet and greet and travel to Nuremberg. Once there, we’ll visit the site of the Nuremberg Trials and Courtroom 600 and the recently opened memorial museum. We then continue on to visit the Documentation Center and the Nazi Party Rally Grounds where you will have a self-guided tour. We will then travel back to Munich. Your evening is at leisure. Overnight in Munich.

MARCH 14 - MONDAY
MUNICH – MAUTHAUSEN – SALZBURG – MUNICH
Breakfast at the hotel. We will have an early departure for a full day excursion to Austria, where we will experience a continuum of human creativity, from the horrific nature of Mauthausen to the beauty of cultured Salzburg. Our drive to the Mauthausen Concentration Camp and Memorial will take us through the beautiful countryside of southern Germany and into Austria. Get ready to experience the 186 infamous ‘Stairs of Death’ at Mauthausen, where guards forced prisoners to carry blocks of stone up from the quarry. After the visit, we drive to Salzburg for a short panoramic visit and some time at leisure, before returning to Munich. Dinner tonight at local hofbrauhaus. Overnight in Munich. (b,d)

MARCH 15 - TUESDAY
MUNICH – NUREMBERG – WEIMAR
After breakfast at the hotel, we drive to Dachau, the first camp created in the Nazi system. We will tour the Dachau concentration camp and Memorial Site and Museum. We will meet with museum staff and see the camp’s Jewish Memorial Chapel before proceeding to Munich’s city center for our afternoon tour of the main sights of Munich. During our time in Munich, we will examine the rise of Nazism and see numerous buildings built and used by the Nazis. We will also note how the Holocaust has been memorized in Munich by viewing, among other memorials, the White Rose Memorial honoring students who resisted the Nazis. We will then continue on to Weimar, where we will stay at the historic Hotel Elephant. (b)

MARCH 16 - WEDNESDAY
WEIMAR – BUCHENWALD – BERLIN
We will leave our hotel early and have a walking tour of Weimar with a local guide. Being in Weimar raises the basic question: how could the Holocaust happen in the land of Goethe, Bach and Kant? After the walking tour we will have some free time. During your free time, you will have an opportunity to visit the Goethe House, amongst other choices. In the afternoon we will proceed to the Memorial Site at the Buchenwald Complex. Buchenwald is the largest camp complex we will visit. We will then continue to Berlin for an early evening arrival. (b)

MARCH 17 - THURSDAY
IN BERLIN
Today offers a wide array of exploration of Berlin sites related to the Holocaust and its memory. We visit the House of the Wannsee Conference, meet with staff and see the permanent exhibition. We will visit and explore the Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe and Museum, observing the design of the memorial and its use by visitors. We visit the Grunewald Station Memorial and the Topography of Terror Documentation Center at the site of the former Reich Main Security Office, before we continue to the Bavarian Quarter of Berlin’s Schoeneberg district, an area that was often referred to as the Jewish Switzerland because it was an affluent neighborhood of physicians,
businessmen, lawyers and artists. Here we will see two fascinating memorials. We return to your hotel for time at leisure. Overnight. (b)

MARCH 18 - FRIDAY  BERLIN AREA
This morning, we will continue onto Oranienburg, the site of the notorious concentration camp Sachsenhausen. It is approximated that over 200,000 inmates were incarcerated during Sachsenhausen’s nine-year existence. After the visit we proceed to Ravensbruck and its memorial to visit the site of the only major Nazi concentration camp for women. Before returning to our hotel, we will visit Judischer Friedhof Wissensee, one of the largest Jewish cemeteries in Europe. Overnight. (b)

MARCH 19 - SATURDAY  IN BERLIN
In the morning, we will visit and tour the Jewish Museum of Berlin. The afternoon is planned as free time for your further exploration of Berlin. Overnight. (b)

MARCH 20 - SUNDAY  BERLIN – BERGEN BELSEN – WESTERBORK AREA
After breakfast, we leave Berlin behind, as we proceed to the Bergen Belsen Memorial site. Located on the grounds of the former prisoner of war and concentration camps, marked graves and monuments hold reminders of the suffering and deaths of its prisoners. In the afternoon we proceed towards the Netherlands and Westerbork area and arrive at our hotel. Overnight. (b)

MARCH 21 - MONDAY  TO STEENWIJKERLAND – AMSTERDAM
After breakfast visit the Westerbork concentration camp site and memorial. Its function during WWII was to assemble Roma and Dutch Jews for transport to other Nazi concentration camps. We then proceed to Steenwijkerland for a brief visit. Following, we drive to Arnhem and visit the Airborne Museum. Late in the day, we continue to Amsterdam, through Nunspeet, a small village where Jews were hidden. Overnight in Amsterdam. (b)

MARCH 22 - TUESDAY  IN AMSTERDAM
After breakfast, walk through the former Jewish quarter and visit the Anne Frank House, where we meet with a staff member. After the visit, we will enjoy a canal cruise seeing gabled merchant houses and humpback drawbridges reminiscent of the golden age, as well as the modern buildings of a young city with plans for the future. The remainder of the day is planned for you to enjoy at leisure. Tonight, we meet for dinner at an Indonesian restaurant. Overnight. (b,d)

MARCH 23 - WEDNESDAY  IN AMSTERDAM
After breakfast, meet your local guide and start your day with a visit to the Dutch Resistance Museum, where we’ll find out what happened in the Netherlands during WWII. Continue with visit to the Esnoga (Portuguese) Synagogue, built in 1675. Finish your tour with visit to the Jewish Historical Museum, established in 1932 – the exhibits showcase the history of Jews in Holland, from 1600 to present. The remainder of the day is planned for you to enjoy at leisure. (b)

MARCH 24 - THURSDAY  DEPART AMSTERDAM
After breakfast transfer to Amsterdam airport for your home bound flight. (B)
TERMS AND CONDITIONS

INCLUDED SERVICES:

AIR TRANSPORTATION (for those choosing Air and Land Package): Houston/Munich – Amsterdam/Houston based on the current prevailing NET group with CO. Airfares are subject to increase and/or decrease as per the rules and regulations of IATA as well as the fuel surcharges as imposed by the airlines. Air is subject to availability.

TRANSFER & PORTERAGE: Roundtrip transfers between airports and/or train stations and hotels, including assistance by our representative upon arrival and departure. Porterage of one (1) average sized pieces of luggage per person.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Rooms, with private facilities, at the following hotels are based on double occupancy including service charges and taxes. Hotels are subject to availability.

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MEALS: Buffet Breakfast daily; 2 Dinners

SIGHTSEEING: Comprehensive touring via luxury air-conditioned vehicle including all entrance fees to sites visited and the services of a government licensed English speaking guide as per the attached itinerary.

The package prices listed below are per person in double occupancy. Our land rates are based on our present fares and are therefore guaranteed. The airfare is subject to change due to the fuel surcharges and tax increases.

Prices quoted below are for cash or check payment. To inquire about payment by credit card, please contact Mary Lee Webeck at mwebeck@hmh.org

AIR AND LAND package:
15 – 19 Passengers: $4590.00
20 – 24 Passengers: $4380.00
* we are currently inquiring for the fee for 13 or 14 Passengers

Single supplement: $610.00

LAND ONLY package:
15 – 19 Passengers: $3425.00
20 – 24 Passengers: $3195.00

The single supplement remains the same.
TRAVELER PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

Deposit and Insurance – due prior to Dec. 31, 2011

Registration Forms – due Jan. 3, 2011

Second Payment – $500 per traveler due Jan. 3, 2011

Final Payment – Determined by traveler choices and number of travelers in group and due Jan. 24, 2011. On Jan. 12, Holocaust Museum Houston will advise travelers as to final amount due.

TOUR CONDUCTORS (Museum staff): 2 free air and land for 15 – 19 paying participants and 3 free air and land for 20 – 24 paying participants. The frees are based on double occupancy in all hotels. The free Tour Conductors are based on the land only package (air is not included).

REMARKS:

The following items are NOT INCLUDED in the package prices:

* Passport and/or Visa
* Tips to guides, drivers, and hotel personnel
* Gratuities of a personal nature
* Charges for items not on table d’hotel menus
* Any other items of a personal nature such as laundry, telephone calls, etc.

* INSURANCE: Baggage/ Trip Cancellation/ Trip Delay/ Medical insurance is highly recommended. Isram World's PASSENGER TRAVEL PROTECTION PROGRAM, at $199 per person covers these benefits and more. Should any member of the group desire this coverage, the premium can be paid up until 30 days prior to the date of departure. 
NOTE: If the Travel Insurance premium is paid to you together with the initial deposit, the policy exclusion for Pre-Existing Conditions will be waived. The premium will need to be transferred to us immediately and you will need to keep a copy of that payment for your records as proof should a claim be made where a pre-existing condition is involved.

Deposit Requirement to the Tour Provider
A deposit of $125 per person PLUS any additional deposit required by the supplier (airline, cruise etc). This is due upon acceptance of the group proposal. An additional $3,000 group deposit is due 60 days prior to departure (Jan. 12, 2011), together with a typed preliminary rooming list. FINAL PAYMENT is due 45 days prior to departure (Jan. 27, 2011). The above mentioned deposit requirements are separate from any additional deposit requirements made by the hotels and/or airlines involved.

Cancellation Procedure
Cancellation of the group between 60 days and 45 days prior to departure, for reasons other than
lack of participants, will incur a fee of $1,000. Should the entire group cancel within 45 days prior to departure, for any reason, a $2,000 cancellation will be applicable, plus any cancellation fees imposed by suppliers. Individual cancellations received 15 days to 7 days prior to departure will result in a fee of $350 each, and 6 days or less or "no shows" will incur a fee of $450 each.

This proposal is based on exchange rates valid as per the date indicated on the proposal. Should there be any currency fluctuation we reserve the right to adjust our proposal accordingly.

All quoted rates are subject to revision, depending on the final itinerary selected, hotels confirmed, and applicable airfare. The final rates will also depend on the final number of paying participants; if the final number falls below the minimum for which we quoted, we would, of course, have to revise our rates.

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