

***Tour of the Reformation  
May 21–June 2, 2018  
Travel Itinerary and Pricing***

**Day 1: May 21 – Arrival**

- Afternoon departure from Dulles International Airport in Washington, D.C.
- Transfer in Frankfurt, arrive in Berlin, Germany on the morning on May 22

**Day 2: May 22 – Berlin, Germany**

- We will work off our jetlag by exploring the city of Berlin. Some of the sights we will see include Brandenburg Gate, the Berlin Cathedral, the Holocaust Memorial, and Checkpoint Charlie
- Time for you to wind down in the evening
- Overnight and dinner in Berlin (D, B)\*

**Day 3: May 23 – Wittenberg, Germany**

- Today we discover the sights connected to Martin Luther and his defense of “salvation by grace alone”: the Castle Church where Luther posted his 95 Theses and site of his tomb, the Luther House, one of Europe’s finest museums on Luther, and St. Mary’s Church, where Luther preached and where services were held in German for the first time
- Afternoon transfer to Eisleben, Germany
- Time for you take an evening walk in the historic old quarter of Eisleben
- Overnight and dinner in Eisleben (D, B)

**Day 4: May 24 – Eisleben and Erfurt, Germany**

- In Eisleben, we will see the sites where Martin Luther was born as well as his last residence. We will visit St. Andrew’s Church and the famous “Luther pulpit”
- Afternoon transfer to Erfurt
- In Erfurt, we will discover the impressive Augustinian Monastery, dating to the 13<sup>th</sup> century, where Luther took his vows as a monk and had his life-changing conversion experience. We have the opportunity to visit Luther’s cell and see the room in which he slept
- Overnight in Erfurt (B)

**Day 5: May 25 – Coburg and Weimar, Germany**

- This morning we will enter into Bavaria and tour the fortress of Coburg. This is where Luther was held in protection from threats against his life and where he first translated the Old Testament into German
- In the afternoon we will visit the charming city of Weimar, home to Goethe, Bach, Liszt, and Nietzsche. There will be an option to visit the magnificent Duchess Anna Amalia’s Library
- Overnight in Erfurt (B)

#### **Day 6: May 26 – Eisenach and Koblenz, Germany**

- We will visit another impressive fortress today in Eisenach, the Wartburg castle, built in the middle ages. While remaining here under protection, Luther translated the New Testament into German. For musicians and music lovers in the group, we will have the opportunity to visit the Bach House and to hear a short concert
- Afternoon transfer to Koblenz, gateway to the Rhine River
- Evening to explore Koblenz on your own
- Overnight in Koblenz (B)

#### **Day 7: May 27 – Koblenz and Rudesheim, Germany**

- Today we will enjoy a relaxing river cruise along the Rhine River, marveling at numerous castles along the banks and the legendary Lorelei Rock
- Afternoon transfer to Rudesheim, known for its winemaking. We will have the opportunity to try some of its award-winning Riesling
- Overnight in Rudesheim (B)

#### **Day 8: May 28 – Worms and Strasbourg, Germany and France**

- We will traverse two countries today, first, the former imperial capital of Worms, Germany, where we will see the impressive St. Peter's Cathedral and the Luther monument. We will learn about the "Diet of Worms" and Luther's confrontation with Emperor Charles V
- Then, we cross the Rhine River into France and visit the beautiful city of Strasbourg. John Calvin spent a number of years here developing his theology
- Dinner in a traditional Alsatian restaurant
- Overnight and dinner in Strasbourg (D, B)

#### **Day 9: May 29 – Transfer to Zürich, Switzerland**

- On our way to Switzerland we will travel through the Black Forest and see the beautiful towns of Fribourg Brigau and Titisee-Neustadt, which sits along Lake Titisee. We will stop for lunch and have some time to stretch our legs before continuing on to Zürich
- Afternoon arrival in Zurich, Switzerland
- Time on your own to explore Zürich
- Overnight in Zürich (B)

#### **Day 10: May 30 – Zürich, Switzerland**

- Today we will explore the financial capital of Switzerland and trace the footsteps of Swiss Reformer, Huldrych Zwingli. We will have another afternoon to explore the Swiss city of Zürich
- Overnight in Zürich (B)

### **Day 11: May 31 – Swiss Alps**

- As we cross through the mountainous region of central Switzerland, we will stop and take in the breathtaking scenery of the Bernese Alps. We will arrive in the Swiss village of Mürren for lunch and have some time to explore the charming chalets and stunning mountainous surroundings
- We will continue on to our final destination of the tour, Geneva, Switzerland
- Overnight in Geneva (B)

### **Day 12: June 1 – Geneva, Switzerland**

- Today we will discover the French-speaking city of Geneva and tour the life of John Calvin, who was the spiritual leader of this city during the Reformation. We will see Calvin's church, the interactive Reformation museum, and the towering monument dedicated to Calvin, Farel, Knox, and Beza
- There will be an option to visit the United Nations building or enjoy some relaxing time along Lake Geneva
- Overnight and dinner in Geneva (D, B)

### **Day 13: June 2 – Departure**

- Late morning departure from Geneva International Airport
- Transfer in Frankfurt, arrive in Dulles International Airport, Washington D.C. on the afternoon of June 2

\* Indicates included meals:

B = Breakfast

D = Dinner

### **COST:**

Land Only: \$4875.00\*

Air: \$1192.50 (base fare of \$1012.50 + taxes of approximately \$180.00)

\* Single Room Supplement: \$875.00

**Cost Includes:** Airfare from Washington Dulles, 11 nights accommodation in twin room with private bathroom, breakfast each morning and four dinners, bus transportation for the duration of the tour, museum fares and excursions as per program, services of an English speaking licensed guide throughout, tips and honoraria, basic travel insurance (purchase of an upgrade to full cancellation insurance is available through Academy Travel)