July 23 - 31, 2016
Land package from $2,190

Berlin

Prague

Budapest
Dear Alumni & Friends:

The University of Southern California Alumni Association is pleased to invite you to participate in an exploration of three amazing European cities: Berlin, Prague and Budapest.

This program takes you to the next level of discovering foreign cultures, architecture, art and history, with cutting edge technology through GPS managed city tours that guide you on high-tech scavenger hunts. Tablets featuring interactive map interfaces show you locations, provide instant feedback and live scoreboards are at your fingertips.

There is no shortage of educational and cultural experiences: guided tours, the Reichstag, remnants of the Berlin Wall and a museum pass will enhance your journey. Active travelers may opt for a Kayak ride in Potsdam.

Experience Berlin’s cosmopolitan flair and legendary nightlife, Prague’s architectural gems; and the Hungarian charm of Budapest along the Danube River will draw you into its magic.

Make your reservation today. Enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow alumni and friends while discovering these multicultural cities.

We hope you will be able to join your fellow alumni and friends for this amazing experience! Book early to reserve your space on this very popular tour.

To receive more information, please call 213 821-6005.

Sincerely,

Linda J. Ball
Associate Director
USC Trojan Travel

Day 1 – FLIGHT TO BERLIN, GERMANY
Embark on your overnight journey to Germany’s capital city.
Meals: In-flight

Day 2 - ARRIVE BERLIN
After settling in at the hotel, use your Berlin Welcome Card and start exploring the city. This handy card is not only a travel card, with unlimited use of public transportation, but offers many discounts, an extensive travel guide and helpful insider tips. Tonight, meet fellow travel companions at a welcome cocktail and orientation with your tour director.
Meals: In-flight, Welcome cocktail

Day 3 – BERLIN
Berlin is your playground as you explore, learn and compete against other alumni teams in our unique and interactive GPS city explorer event. Armed with our tablet as your tour guide, this city sightseeing tour with an interactive twist will have you compete to locate hotspots, answer questions and earn points. Along the way you’ll delve into historical happenings including tales of espionage and intrigue, learn of the World War II destruction and see Checkpoint Charlie where the infamous Berlin Wall once divided East from West—this really is interactive learning and fun at its best! Join us for lunch at the famous Kaefer Restaurant inside the glass-domed Reichstag. After being destroyed in the war, the Reichstag was redesigned as the modern Parliament building while retaining its historical dimensions. Tonight, venture into the former East Berlin to find great restaurants and people watch. Berlin’s legendary nightlife offers many hip bars, clubs and cabarets. This is the city in Germany that never sleeps.
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 4 – BERLIN
Enjoy a free day to explore Berlin on your own or join us for an optional kayak ride to Potsdam. Later, take advantage of your museum pass and visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site, Museumsinsel (island),
the Charlottenburg Palace or famous Berlin Zoo. Don’t forget to try a Currywurst with Champagne for lunch or visit the KaDeWe where one floor of the building is dedicated to your culinary senses.

**Meals: Breakfast**

**Optional Activity: Kayak Berlin to Potsdam**

### Day 5 – BERLIN TO PRAGUE

This morning we board our train to Prague, capital of the Czech Republic and golden city of castles and Kafka. Upon arrival, enjoy free time to wander the cobbled streets—considered Europe’s best preserved old town. Walk over the 14-th century Charles Bridge to Hradčany Castle, the home of the original Bohemian kings and to the Gothic St. Vitus Cathedral. See the Powder Tower, the Municipal House and the Old Town with its Astronomical Clock. Our welcome to Prague dinner includes a traditional Czech folklore show. An ensemble of dancers and musicians dressed in traditional clothing will entertain, excite, and amuse. We are invited to take an active part in learning the Czech songs, dances, and games. A traditional dinner will be served with unlimited drinks. There’s plenty to capture your attention—Czech it out!

**Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

### Day 6 – PRAGUE

Explore the city streets of Prague with your team members at today’s City Explorer treasure hunt. Close your eyes and think of Prague – the Charles Bridge, lined with historic statues and alive with artists and street musicians, Vltava River and Pilsner Beer might spring to mind! During a free afternoon, consider a cruise on the Vltava River or spend time in the picturesque Old Town filled with colorful cafés. The entire town center is an UNESCO World Heritage site. If you are looking for souvenirs, take a look at the famous Bohemian glass, beads or garnet and amber jewelry. Tonight discover Prague’s vast music scene! You can find everything from jazz bars to hip clubs with DJs. Immerse yourself in the street-art scene and burgeoning nightlife.

**Meals: Breakfast**

**Optional activity: Visit Bone Church Kutná Hora**

### Day 7 - PRAGUE TO BUDAPEST

Today our train takes us to Budapest, Hungary—“Paris of the East.” Two independent cities turned into one, this exotic town offers a bit of everything. The hilly city of Buda and the flat city of Pest were joined in the late 18th century by the building of the Széchenyi Chain suspension Bridge. On your free afternoon, see the neo-gothic Parliament and Matthias Church, where the last two Hungarian kings were crowned. Get a fantastic view of the city from Fisherman’s Bastion, and then stroll the quaint lanes and cobblestone streets of Castle Hill. Enjoy dinner on your own tonight. Consider taking a cruise on the Danube or listen to Gypsy violins play traditional music while dining on Hungarian specialties in an old wine cellar.

**Meals: Breakfast**

### Day 8 - BUDAPEST

Collect your team members and tablet, then get out and explore Budapest on this next treasure hunt. Will you be able to meet the challenges that stretch your grey matter and get you thinking creatively? At the end of the second hunt we will evaluate our talents and honor those with the best hunting skills. During free time indulge in a truly local experience: a spa and thermal bath. Budapest is the spa capital of the world with over 100 mineral springs and 12 therapeutic baths. Outdoor pools, healing waters, original art nouveau architecture and spa treatments await. Our farewell dinner will be at a typical csárda restaurant with gypsy violins to entertain us. Afterwards launch into Budapest’s nightlife and live it up like the locals by heading to a local beer hall, riverside bar or a happening club.

**Meals: Breakfast, Farewell Dinner**

**Optional Activity: Hospital on the Rock tour**

### Day 9 – FLIGHT HOME

The tour ends after breakfast and it’s time to say farewell to your new friends.

**Meals: Breakfast, In-flight**
Optional Activities (not included in package price):

**Berlin: Kayak Tour**
Explore the area from a different perspective—the water. Our kayak tour starts at Glienicke Bridge, which connects Potsdam to Berlin and is where East and West exchanged secret agents and spies until into the 1980s. We'll pass Glienicke Palace, the Truman Villa, and the Pfaueninsel (Peacock Island), where Friedrich Wilhelm II's white palace is located. After our kayak trip we'll visit Potsdam and the UNESCO World Heritage site Sanssouci Palace and park. Potsdam was transformed into one of Europe's most splendid royal cities by Prussian king Frederick William I and his son Frederick the Great.

**Prague: Kutna Hora and Bone Church**
The medieval town of Kutná Hora, was once the second most important city in Bohemia. Located 45 miles from Prague, the city features a historic center, St. Barbara's Cathedral, both on the UNESCO list for more than 10 years. Our option includes the “Night in the Sedlec Abbey” - experience. A complex of the former Cistercian Abbey in Sedlec is the oldest part of Kutná Hora. We'll visit the UNESCO Cathedral of Assumption of Our Lady and Saint John the Baptist and well known Sedlec Ossuary at night when the amazing rooms are illuminated by hundreds of candles! Cistercian-robed guides explain the Abbey's history, from legends of discovering silver, the Hussite wars, half-blind monks and more. Listen to Gregorian chants, amazing live organ music, and taste wine made from Sedlec reserves. Also explore the Romanesque crypt of original Roman church with remains of Cistercian monks killed during the Hussite wars. In the cathedral's treasury room, admire the oldest gothic vessel in the world, the golden "Monstrance of Sedlec."

**Budapest: Hospital on the Rock**
Just beyond a huge iron gate on Budapest's historic Castle Hill you can find Sziklakorhaz. The 'Hospital in the Rocks' survived the Soviet siege, a failed revolution and the long days of the Cold War. Nearly two decades after the collapse of Communism, it has reopened as a museum. Its power generators, ventilation system and medical equipment are nearly 50 years old but are still operational, though the medicine and bandages are long past expiration. During our guided tour, get acquainted with the fateful periods of Hungary’s history in this incomparable location.

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**INCLUSIONS:**

- 7 nights at superior tourist class hotels, double occupancy, rooms with private bath/shower
- Daily breakfast
- Airport transfers with purchase of AESU airfare
- 2nd class train travel from Berlin to Prague, Prague to Budapest
- 2-day Berlin welcome card including free public transportation
- 72-hour Budapest travel card
- Prague Card including free public transportation, free bus tour and cruise, admission to Prague Castle and the Jewish museum, plus many discounts
- One welcome cocktail
- One lunch and two specialty dinners as per itinerary
- GPS managed city scavenger hunts in Berlin, Prague, and Budapest
- Berlin UNESCO World Heritage Site Museumsinsel
- UNESCO World Heritage Site of Prague
- UNESCO World Heritage Site Buda Castle District and Danube embankment view

**PLUS:**

- Private tour director for the entire duration of the tour
- All scheduled sightseeing
- All intra-European transportation by rail, air-conditioned motor coach and public transportation with travel cards, as per itinerary
- All service charges and local taxes
- Luggage tag and travel guides

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**TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:**
Welcome cocktail and orientation * Berlin UNESCO World Heritage Site Museumsinsel * Lunch at the Reichstag * Charles Bridge * GPS guided group scavenger hunts in Berlin, Prague & Budapest * Budapest travel card * Berlin Wall * UNESCO World Heritage Site of Prague * UNESCO World Heritage Site Buda Castle District and Danube embankment viewr * Prague's medieval Astronomical Clock * Prague card * Csarda farewell dinner ... AND MUCH MORE!

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Please check with your tour director for detailed schedules. Some options may require a minimum number of participants to operate. Rates for options are per person, approximate and subject to change.
RESERVATION FORM

USC Trojan Travel

Euro Explorer: Berlin - Prague - Budapest

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LAND PRICE

$2,190 per person/shared twin
or double
plus airfare

Solo travelers pay: $2,685

*Airfare priced separately for greater flexibility. Approximate round-trip economy class airfare from Los Angeles, CA: $980 (taxes and fees of approx. $658 not included.)

Please make ___ reservations for the person(s) shown below

(1) Name as it appears on passport:

Title: ___________________________ First Name: ___________________________ Last Name: ___________________________

Gender: ☐ male ☐ female Date of birth: ____________

Citizenship: ________________ Passport #: ____________________________

Of Issue: ____________________ Date of Issue: ____________________

Place of Issue: ____________________

If passport information is not available at time of booking, please submit information before tour departure.

(2) Name as it appears on passport:

Title: ___________________________ First Name: ___________________________ Last Name: ___________________________

Gender: ☐ male ☐ female Date of birth: ____________

Citizenship: ________________ Passport #: ____________________________

Of Issue: ____________________ Date of Issue: ____________________

Place of Issue: ____________________

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Mailing address: (WHERE ALL INVOICES AND FINAL DOCUMENTS ARE SENT)

Street: ___________________________ ZIP code: ____________

City: ___________________________ State: ___________________________

e-mail: ___________________________

Cell phone ( ) ___________________________ Day-time phone ( ) ___________________________

Emergency contact/name: ___________________________ Phone ( ) ___________________________

Land Arrangements (cost per person):

☐ I want to book the land package for $2,190

☐ I will room with:

☐ I want to book a ☐ TWIN room (2 single beds) ☐ DOUBLE room (1 bed)

☐ I prefer my own room as a solo traveler and will pay $2,685

Air Arrangements:

☐ Make round-trip flight reservations for me from:

☐ I will arrange my own flights and transfers.

☐ Charge my deposit of _______($500 per person) to ☐ Mastercard ☐ VISA ☐ American Express

Card #: ___________________________ Exp. Date: ___________________________

Cardholder Address:

Account Name: ___________________________

Cardholder signature: ___________________________

Payment of deposit indicates that I have read and agree to all terms and conditions.

Signature: X

Full trip cost to be paid in full April 24, 2016. Reservations received after this date are subject to availability and must be accompanied by payment in full plus a late booking fee of $100 per person. All prices reflect a cash discount. Payment of balance with credit card will result in a 4% processing fee.