



WOMEN OF NEBRASKA
Travel Solo Together

Unique, European, UNESCO Tour!

with Women of Nebraska!

August 31 - September 11, 2019



Dear Women of Nebraska,

What experience can you have where you can travel with your best friend, daughter or mother, or brand new friend and see the best of Europe? The "Unique, European, UNESCO"-trip with Women of Nebraska-why of course!

This has something for everyone. Whether you love old world architecture, history-ancient through 20th century -or gardens, castles, music of the masters, beautiful horses, fairy tale towns with cobblestone streets, art, culture, musical concerts or good food, this is the trip for you! If that hasn't whet your appetite for travel yet, we are adding even more adventure to this trip with a cable car ride to an Ice Cave and an Alpine Glacier!

Come along with me on an Old World adventure as we travel to unique UNESCO sites starting in the city of Berlin. We go back in time to the lost worlds of Babylon, Asia Minor and Miletus, and we will get to marvel at the antiquities housed in this, our first UNESCO World Heritage site; The Museumsinsel (Museum Island).

We travel to Potsdam, the residence of the Prussian kings and German Kaisers until 1918. We will visit the site of parks and palaces of Sanssouci, the largest World Heritage Site in Germany. And the fairy tale town of Quedlinburg is next. Walking down cobblestone streets in this restored old city will make us think we have arrived in the world of The Brother's Grimm.

Like the Phoenix, Dresden rose from the ashes of WWII. We will start our visit in the Old Town and see the Opera House, then cross over the border to the Czech Republic and into Prague, "City of a Hundred Spires".

If you like beer, it is on to Ceske Budejovice and the original Budvar beer - the Budweiser! This quaint, restored city is another in our tour of UNESCO sites.

Do you hear music? I hear music as we travel on to the birthplace of Mozart in Salzburg, Austria! Ohh, and Do-Re-Me ...the Sound of Music is brought to life, right at our feet. "So long, farewell ..." to Salzburg and hello to Vienna, the city of Beethoven, Goethe, Schubert, the Strauss family, and of course Mozart, but also art, culture, fine food and ...a Spanish Riding School! During our journey with Women of Nebraska, you will experience the Lipizzaner's daily training accompanied by classical Viennese music.

I'm ready to go! How about you? Start packing now for this adventure of a lifetime! Come, join me, solo or two-by-two.

Sincerely yours,
Lora Black, Women of Nebraska Ambassador



Call Executive Travel's Group Department today at 402-435-8888. Space is limited.



August 31, 2019 - Saturday

Our wonderful adventure begins as we take an overnight flight to Berlin. Enjoy in-flight entertainment and meal service as you start your dream vacation.

September 1, 2019 - Sunday

Berlin

Welcome to Berlin! We meet our private tour guide, Hildrun Mathies, upon arrival at the airport and take a short drive to the center of Berlin. During a panoramic sightseeing tour, Hildrun will introduce us to Berlin's violent history. It is visible throughout, along with oodles of contemporary street art in this capital dating back to the 13th century. Reminders of the city's turbulent 20th-century story include its Holocaust memorial and the Berlin Wall's graffitied remains. We are about to experience our first UNESCO World Heritage Site; the Museumsinsel (Museum Island). Visiting at least one of the five museums that make up Museum Island, is a must for any serious culture seeker in Berlin. The original Altes Museum, with a view to the former Royal Palace, is joined by the Pergamon Museum, with its jaw-dropping Middle Eastern antiquities; the Neues Museum hosting treasures from ancient Egypt; the Alte Nationalgalerie's collection of 19th-century European masters, and the Bode Museum displaying one of Europe's most important sculpture collections. We arrive at our hotel located perfectly in the former East of the city, in the elegant Friedrichstrasse shopping districts, and right on the Spree river. Tonight we enjoy a welcome dinner in a typical Berlin restaurant. B (during flight) | D

September 2, 2019 - Monday

Potsdam

After a good night's rest and a hearty breakfast, we take a short drive to Potsdam to experience the largest of the UNESCO World Heritage sites in Germany; the



Sanssouci Palace. Potsdam is as pretty as it is historical! The city was a summer residence of many Prussian kings, for which the nearby lakes and parks served as beautiful escapes. Sanssouci Palace is often counted among the German rivals of Versailles. The palace was built to fulfill King Frederick's need for a private residence where he could relax away from the pomp and ceremony of the Berlin court and the palace's name emphasizes this; it is a French phrase (*sans souci*), which translates as "without concerns", "without worries" or "carefree", symbolizing that the palace was a place for relaxation rather than a seat of power. The park contains thousands of gardens and trees and is perfect for history buffs and "nature connoisseurs", and for us to spend time strolling. Lunch will be enjoyed in the picturesque Dutch Quarter, before we head back to Berlin for an afternoon and evening at leisure. B

September 3, 2019 - Tuesday

Quedlinburg

At just 132 miles West of Berlin, Quedlinburg is like the imaginary town of Brigadoon, come to life. This UNESCO World Heritage Site is a breathtaking town that seems to have escaped modern days and still lingers in the late middle ages. Restored to perfection, the old buildings offer modern comfort behind their authentic facades. We will visit the castle on the high rock in the center of town. Then there is time for a leisurely stroll down the cobblestone streets and alleyways - it feels like stepping into a fairy tale. Like Brigadoon, the town is quiet and well-hidden and off the beaten track most tourists take. Our visit and stop for the night in Quedlinburg is unique, as is our accommodation tonight at the foot of the castle hill! B | D

September 4, 2019 - Wednesday

Dresden - Prague

Our journey today takes us southwest via



Dresden, and later crossing the borders to the Czech Republic as we arrive in Prague for the evening. First we will stop, enjoy, stroll and take time for a leisurely lunch in Old Town Dresden. Not many things are old in Dresden due to the complete destruction during WWII, but the center was rebuilt in the original style, so it earns the name Old Town. The Opera House is especially beautiful, though all roads seem to lead to the Frauenkirche raised from the ruins and rebuilt after being completely destroyed in 1945. Climb to the top of the dome for sweeping sights of the city. Check in to our centrally located hotel in the "City of a Hundred Spires"; Prague. Tonight we will enjoy a dinner at a nearby restaurant. B | D

September 5, 2019 - Thursday

Prague

Today is dedicated to majestic and mysterious Prague! Prague is easily one of the most beautiful capital cities in Europe, steeped in castles, cathedrals and medieval squares, and visually stunning from every angle. The cobblestone lanes and preserved architecture are globally renowned, and unlike many Eastern European cities (like Dresden!) Prague was largely spared the demolition of World War II. The city was merely a province in the Austro-Hungarian empire, and mostly managed to avoid being rebuilt during the 18th and 19th centuries. The resulting abundance of Baroque, Gothic, and Renaissance architecture makes the city a kind of open-air museum, especially around the Old Town area. Of course, we are going to experience it all, including a stroll across the historic Charles Bridge to visit the city's most impressive sight: the UNESCO World Heritage site, Prague Castle. Don't miss the traditional sweet "trdelník" baked at every corner. Prague will take your breath away - guaranteed! B



September 6, 2019 - Friday

Budvar Beer - Cesky Krumlov - Salzburg
We continue to České Budějovice, the capital of South Bohemia. Elegant townhouses gathered around one of the largest squares in Europe, an idyllic salt store and a brewery cooking up the original Budvar beer; the Budweiser! It is time to savour the city's pleasant atmosphere with a tankard of the world famous beer. Next stop is in Cesky Krumlov, maybe the prettiest town in the Czech Republic. A small town which became well known because it is exactly what people imagine a historic town in central Europe should look like. The streets are winding and cobbled. The little houses are painted in varying pastel tones and all have pointed, sloping roofs. The town is topped by an enormous and beautiful 14th-century castle. The Vltava River abruptly zig-zags through town, forming an exaggerated S. To top it all off, a maze of old-world alleys rests in the hills of the Blanský woods. In 1989, restoration began, and the town pushed forward, and it earned UNESCO World Heritage Site status, reflecting the resilience of its people and culture. In the late afternoon we arrive in Salzburg for an evening at your leisure. B

September 7, 2019 Saturday - Salzkammergut

Today we will experience the Salzkammergut and the magnificent cultural landscape it has to offer. Salt deposits were exploited as early as the 2nd millennium BC, forming the basis of the area's prosperity up to the middle of the 20th century. This prosperity is reflected in the fine architecture of the town of Hallstatt, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with a population of only 795 people. The world's oldest salt mine is also located in Hallstatt. On to the Dachstein Glacier offering some of Austria's most incredible Alpine experiences. We will take the cable car to the Ice Cave for yet another amazing



experience. The afternoon and evening is at leisure in Salzburg. B

September 8, 2019 - Sunday Salzburg

It is time to enjoy the hometown of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart this morning, as we take a walking tour of the historic center of Salzburg (UNESCO World Heritage Site). A visit to the house where Mozart was born in 1756 and lived with his parents until 1773, is included. The house is transformed to a three-floor exhibit, showcasing his early years, his introduction to music, his friends and patrons, his family relationships, his passion for opera, and much more. The afternoon is for leisure before we meet up for an optional and extraordinary dinner and classical concert at the Salzburg Fortress. A night not to miss, if you are a friend of classical music! B | Optional D

September 9, 2019 - Monday Wachau - Melk - Vienna

We say goodbye to Salzburg and continue to Vienna. A beautiful drive takes us through the Wachau Valley, yet another UNESCO World Heritage Center. We enjoy a stretch of the Danube located between Melk and Krems, famous for its cultivation of vines and apricot trees. Towering high above the banks of the Danube, the bright yellow Melk Abbey is one of Austria's most beautiful Baroque buildings. Inside, the library is one of the most impressive features with roughly 100,000 volumes and a ceiling fresco by Paul Troger. There is a beautiful church and several important paintings to be found, but the real treasures are the two Melk Crucifixes, one said to contain a piece of Christ's cross. In the afternoon we arrive in Vienna, the city of music, art, culture and fine food ...the beating heart of Europe. Vienna is old. Vienna is new. It is proud of its imperial heritage and, at the same time, is at the forefront of the world's



art and creative industries. Enjoy Vienna by night with the great company of Hildrun! B

September 10, 2019 - Tuesday Vienna

Good morning, Vienna! We start the day off by experiencing the morning exercise (daily training) of the Lipizzans at the Spanish Riding School. We are going to see the training of the grey young stallions and the fully-trained School stallions – the "white stars" – in the beautiful setting of the Winter Riding School, accompanied by classical Viennese music. A sightseeing tour awaits and includes several UNESCO World Heritage Sites such as Old Town, and the magnificent Schönbrunn Palace. Schönbrunn was the summer residence of the Habsburgs and one of Europe's most stunning Baroque palaces. The family acquired the land in the 16th century and later built a palace, but it was completely rebuilt under Maria Theresa between 1744 and 1749. Emperor Franz Joseph was born and later ruled from here with his wife, the beloved Sissi. (Never mind that she was actually Bavarian!). The afternoon is at leisure to stroll the Museumsquartier, enjoy a Viennese Melange (best coffee ever), a piece of that delicious Sachertorte or simply shop till you drop! Tonight we will enjoy a farewell dinner at a traditional Wiener Schnitzel restaurant. B | D

September 11, 2019 - Wednesday Traveling home

All too soon, your vacation has ended. Transfer to Vienna airport in plenty of time to check in for our flight and clear security. You may do some last minute shopping at the duty-free stores before boarding and flying west across the Atlantic Ocean back to the United States. B

Itinerary is subject to change.

B = Breakfast L = Lunch D = Dinner



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Package Price:

Per person in shared double room: \$3,495
 Per person in single room: \$4,495 (3 rooms max.)
 Per person in shared triple room: Upon request

We offer "Pair & Share" service. Ask us to assist finding your roommate!

A non-refundable deposit of \$500 per person is required upon signing up for the tour. Deposit can be paid by cash, check or credit card. Balance is due on May 31, 2019 and is non-refundable. Balance can be paid by cash or check. Credit card payment(s) (any payment applied to the tour after the deposit) will access a 3.5% processing fee.

We strongly recommend travel insurance, not only in the unfortunate event of cancellation prior to the departure, but also for full medical coverage while traveling in Europe. Base Plan coverage is offered from \$188 per person (covers land up to a total of \$3,500 per person). Please ask us for the details.

Women of Nebraska tours specializes in small group tours. This tour will be materialized with a minimum of 20 travelers. Should the number of travelers fall below 20, all funds paid to Executive Travel will be refunded 90 days prior to departure.

Tour Activity for this tour: LEVEL 1 1/2

LEVEL 1: Involves walking over relatively level terrain, possibly some cobblestone, gravel or a few steps. Comfortable shoes are recommended. LEVEL 1 is a typical level for our City Journeys. You may walk (much) more than what we have included in our tour program; it's up to you.

LEVEL 2: Involves a considerable amount of physical activity such as substantial walking, climbing stairs and possibly some steep terrain. They're not recommended for guests with walking difficulties. Comfortable, sturdy shoes are recommended.

LEVEL 3: Involves physical exertion for extended periods. The terrain may be uneven or steep. LEVEL 3 can also indicate a need for biking. Recommended only for physically fit and adventurous travelers.

Air:

Group airfare will be available by mid October, 2018. We estimate airfare at \$1,300-\$1,400 per person incl. taxes and fees. All registered travelers will be notified as soon as group airfare becomes available, and your travel insurance will be adjusted to cover your package in full (land and air arrangements).

Included

- 10 nights at deluxe accommodation
- Porterage at hotels
- 10 x full breakfast
- 4 x dinner
- All motor coach (private) transportation as per itinerary
- Sightseeing program as per itinerary
- All admissions as per itinerary
- Professional English-speaking tour manager and local guides during entire program
- All local taxes and fees as per July 20, 2018
- Tour host and Women of Nebraska Ambassador, Lora Black

Accommodations:

Berlin, Hotel Melia or similar
 Quedlinburg, Hotel Scholssmuehle or similar
 Prague, Grand Majestik Plaza or similar
 Salzburg, Crowne Plaza Hotel Pitter or similar
 Vienna, Hotel Rathauspark or similar
 Final accommodations will be confirmed 90 days prior to departure

Not Included:

- Airfare
- Additional baggage fees (first checked bag FREE, 50 lbs)
- Travel insurance
- Gratuities for local tour manager and driver (estimate \$5-\$8 per day)
- Personal expenses
- Meals other than mentioned in tour program
- Entrances to monuments and/or museums other than mentioned
- Professional fee, \$75 per person, due at time of registration
- Anything not mentioned in the inclusions



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