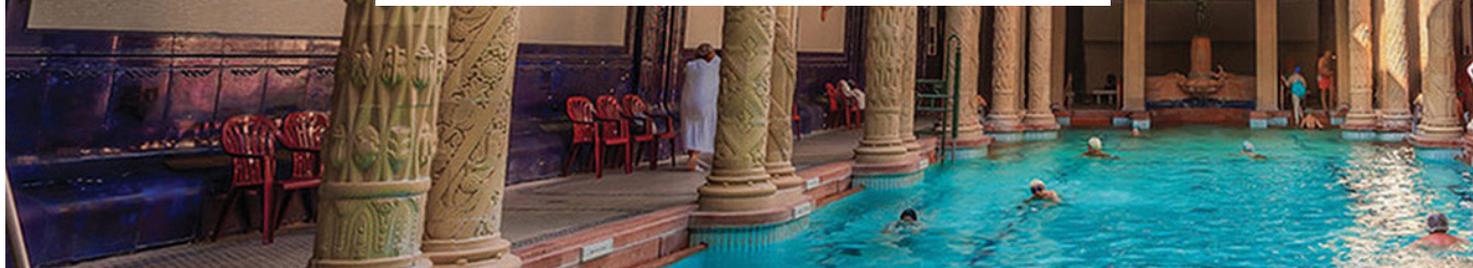


Topdeck

EASTERN JOURNEY



TRIP CODE:

EHWXHG-9



Topdecker, MEET EUROPE

Welcome to Eastern Europe, where cool night clubs meet medieval castles. This 10-day journey will take you from Budapest to Berlin, exploring Poland and the Czech Republic en route. Relax in Budapest's famous thermal baths, hunt for dragons in Kraków, try pierogi in Český Krumlov, walk the cobblestone streets in Prague and dance the night away in Berlin. Time for sleep? You better be joking.

WORTH NOTING...

A Sector trip is part of a larger journey, meaning your new friends might continue on or after you leave, or you might be joining a trip already in progress.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



Hotel



Nights



Android/iPhone app
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This is a sector trip.

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We really appreciate your decision to travel with us, and rest assured that the entire Topdeck team will be pulling out all the stops to make your trip an unforgettable one.

Now it's time to get excited and get ready for a fantastic holiday!

From all the crew at Topdeck Travel

ABOUT YOUR TRIP NOTES

These Trip Notes contain everything you need to know before your trip departs, including where to meet, what to bring and what you can expect on your trip of a lifetime! Also, you can easily download and print this document off so you can check off the lists or bring it with you when you travel.

Please do bear in mind though, some points should be taken as a guide only - after all, everyone's different! For example, daily spending money and clothing lists can vary greatly from one person to the next so don't be alarmed if you don't expect to spend (or even wear) so much! However, we're sure you'll find the information in general to be very useful.

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PLEASE NOTE: We strongly urge you to refresh this document as close to the time of your departure as possible to ensure you have the most up-to-date accommodation list and information available.

ON THE BUCKET LIST (INCLUDED)

- + Stay in World Heritage-listed Český Krumlov
- + Visit former concentration camp Auschwitz-Birkenau

MORE INCLUSIONS

- + Walking tour of Kraków
- + Guided tour of former concentration camp Auschwitz-Birkenau
- + Walking tour of Český Krumlov
- + Walking tour of Prague
- + Walking tour of the restored city of Dresden
- + Driving tour of Berlin

YOUR TRIP WILL START

PICK UP:

Budapest
Europe

YOUR TRIP WILL FINISH

DROP OFF:

Berlin
Europe

Trip currencies

- + Hungary - HUF
- + Poland - PLN
- + Czech Republic - CZK
- + Germany - EUR

Your Itinerary



**AWESOME TRIP
LEADER**



DRIVER

DAY 1 | BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

Our trip starts this evening in Hungary's capital, Budapest, as we meet our Trip Leader for a welcome briefing. Budapest sits on the banks of the mighty River Danube and is home to Heroes' Square, Parliament House, Buda Castle and Andrassy Avenue. Get to know your fellow travellers over a Hungarian dinner in a local restaurant and then kick your feet up at your comfy hotel for the night. Roll on the next ten days!



MEALS:

+ Dinner

DAY 2 | BUDAPEST

Free day! Indulge in a spa treatment at the world famous Gellert Baths and visit the Buda Castle or House of Terror Museum. Tonight, hang with the hipsters and drink local fruit brandy at one of the original ruin bars.



MEALS:

+ Breakfast

DAY 3 | BUDAPEST TO KRAKOW, POLAND

Kraków's up next on our Winter Pathway. Check out the largest medieval town square in Europe and loads more on a walking tour with your Topdeck family. Then, why not brush up on history at Wawel Castle or enjoy the views on the bank of the Wisla?



MEALS:

+ Breakfast



INCLUDED TODAY:

+ Walking tour of Kraków

DAY 4 | KRAKOW

Your day, your choice. Our top tip? Be sure to check out Kazimierz, the Old Jewish quarter. Labyrinthine streets, markets, bars and cafés – this is where the cool kids hang out. For more great places to visit in Kraków, ask your Trip Leader for the insider info.



MEALS:

+ Breakfast

DAY 5 | KRAKOW TO CESKÝ KRUMLOV, CZECH REPUBLIC

This morning we'll visit the former concentration camp Auschwitz-Birkenau. Take time to reflect before arriving into fairytale Český Krumlov. The entire place is UNESCO World Heritage-listed so prepare to be wowed. Be sure to visit the castle while you're here. After a stroll around town to get your bearings with the crew, embrace the wintry vibe while you tuck into a traditional Czech meal for dinner tonight.



MEALS:

+ Breakfast
+ Dinner



INCLUDED TODAY:

+ Guided tour of former
concentration camp Auschwitz-
Birkenau
+ Walking tour of Český Krumlov

DAY 6 | ČESKÝ KRUMLOV TO PRAGUE

Prague is all about the charm. Fuel up on trdelník (pastry deliciousness) before a walking tour among grand spires and cobblestone streets. Suss out the castle, cross medieval Charles Bridge and watch 'Death' toll the hour on an astronomical clock that's over 600 years old. Yes, really! After dinner, the night is yours. Get cosy in a café with hot chocolate or go find out why Prague is famous for its nightlife.



MEALS:

- + Breakfast
- + Dinner



INCLUDED TODAY:

- + Walking tour of Prague

DAY 7 | PRAGUE

You've got a whole free day to tick off everything you didn't get the chance to do yesterday. A trip to Prague wouldn't be complete without a visit to the John Lennon Wall. Want more history? You could always stop by the National Museum or Communist Museum or get a taste of the quirky local culture at a marionette puppet opera (you gotta see it to believe it). Want more? Snap a selfie at Prague's own Eiffel Tower, visit The Museum of Miniatures, eat roast pork from one of the street vendors lining Old Town Square and drink beer. Really. Good. Beer.



MEALS:

- + Breakfast



OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES:

- + Local beer tasting in Prague

DAY 8 | PRAGUE TO BERLIN, GERMANY

Get to know Dresden – a city virtually destroyed in WWII and then rebuilt. Then: Berlin, we're coming for ya. We'll drive you around to see the Berlin Wall, Checkpoint Charlie, the Brandenburg Gate and the Reichstag building before knuckling down with some pork at Hofbräuhaus.



MEALS:

- + Breakfast
- + Dinner



INCLUDED TODAY:

- + Walking tour of the restored city of Dresden
- + Driving tour of Berlin

DAY 9 | BERLIN

Almost too many choices on this free day! Do culture, do food, do history. Join the optional Third Reich walking tour for an insight into what the city was like under Nazi rule during WWII, go on a museum crawl or head to the zoo. More culture awaits on Museum Island, with creative types and yummy meals on offer in the Prenzlauer Berg and Kreuzberg neighbourhoods. Tonight, no curfew at clubs = get ready for a night to remember.



MEALS:

- + Breakfast



OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES:

- + Third Reich walking tour of Berlin
- + Street art and nightlife tour of Berlin

DAY 10 | BERLIN

The trip's over after breakfast but this doesn't have to be the end. Who's ready for round two?



MEALS:

- + Breakfast

Meals

Breakfasts are included every day in the hotel (except on the first morning). They are usually 'continental breakfasts', which are typical in most

European countries. A typical breakfast may consist of cereals with milk or yoghurt, bread, croissants, cold meats, cheese and a range of spreads, with fruit juice, tea or coffee to drink. It is rare to get a hot breakfast in continental Europe, though on some occasions there may be some hot food available as well.

Included evening meals are in local restaurants or accommodation places, and are either two or three courses. In most cases table water is provided with the meals, and if you wish to purchase additional drinks you can do so at your own expense.

If you have any dietary requirements we will make every effort to cater to your specific needs as long as you advise your travel agent or Customer Service Consultant when you book, or make note of this in the Topdeck App when you check in (refer below). However, please be aware that although we will do everything in our power to arrange it, we cannot guarantee that every restaurant we use will be able to cater to all dietary needs, particularly in Eastern Europe. We also cannot cater for tastes or dislikes, as most of our included evening meals feature a set menu.

Topdeck Travel App

Our travel app is **AVAILABLE TO DOWNLOAD BEFORE YOU TRAVEL**. With a range of cool features including a Currency Converter, Budget Planner, Check-In tool and Social Timeline (so your next #TravelEnvy post is never too far away) you can plan your trip like a pro.

Think of it like your very own Topdeck Trip Leader, always on call with the latest info, weather, maps and city guides to give you the trip of a lifetime, all in the palm of your hand.

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Passenger safety

One of the best parts of travelling is experiencing the nightlife and entertainment each city has to offer. However, amidst the fun and excitement, it's important to be aware of your surroundings and personal safety as well. Before you hit the road with us, be sure to familiarise yourself with the following safety information.

When you're on a night out, remember to avoid walking alone, particularly through deserted areas like beaches and back streets. Always stick together, take a registered taxi where possible, and keep a note of your accommodation details so you can find your way back to your fellow Topdeckers if you become separated. It's also a good idea to get your Topdeck trip mates' mobile numbers in case you need to get hold of them while out and about.

In some countries, alcoholic measures can be considerably larger than what you may be used to. Try to keep track of what you're drinking, and if you see one of your trip mates looking a little worse for wear, take them back to your accommodation. Never leave your drink unattended.

It's also important to be aware that what you might consider harmless flirting may be interpreted differently in some countries. Be yourself and have fun, but stay savvy – you don't want to find yourself in an uncomfortable situation.

OTHER INFORMATION



THAT'S IT!