

# WAR & PEACE PILGRIMAGE TO GERMANY & BELGIUM

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## Cologne, Aachen, Bastogne, Luxembourg, Dachau, Munich

#### Day by Day Itinerary

Day 1: Depart USA: Today we board our flights to Germany with meals and beverages served aloft.

Day 2: Arrive Cologne: Upon arrival in Cologne, we are met by our Holy Land Travel Center representative who will accompany us throughout our pilgrimage. We begin our first day in Germany with a Holy Mass at the local church in Cologne. We have some free time for lunch and shopping in the area before checking in to our hotel where we will have dinner and overnight. Overnight: Cologne (D)

Day 3: Cologne: After breakfast at our hotel, we celebrate Mass at the Cologne Cathedral, a prominent Gothic-style church which started construction in 1248 and was completed in 1880. It was recently declared a World Heritage Site and brings in as many as 20,000 tourists daily. We have time to explore the Cathedral where we'll admire the largest reliquary in the western world - The Shrine of the Three Kings. We also visit the Roman Praetorium and, time permitting, have a walk through Rhein Park, named the "most beautiful German park. We return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. Overnight: Cologne (B, D)

Day 4: Cologne / Aachen / Banneux: This morning we have breakfast and depart Cologne for Aachen (approx. 1 hour). Upon arrival we will enjoy a city tour, starting with the Aachen Cathedral commissioned by Emperor Charlemagne (now buried there), one of the oldest cathedrals in all of Europe. The Aachen

(now buried there), one of the oldest cathedrals in all of Europe. The Aachen Cathedral is also home to St. Mary's Cloak, St. John the Baptist's beheading Christ's loin cloth, and Christ's swaddling clothes. We have lunch on our own before continuing to Banneux, Belgium. We have Mass at the Shrine of Our Lady of Banneux, an approved apparition site dating from 1933, and we have time to visit the shrine. After completing our visit to Banneux, we return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Overnight: Cologne (B, D)

Day 5: Cologne / Bastogne / Luxembourg: We begin our day with Mass at the local church before traveling to Bastogne. The Battle of Bastogne was the battle between the American and German forces at the town of Bastogne in Belgium from 20th to the 27th of December 1944, it was part of a bigger operation, The Battle of the Bulge. The siege ended on the 27th of December when the American forces holding the town were relieved by George Patton's 3<sup>rd</sup> Army. Upon arrival in Bastogne, we have lunch on our own and visit the Bastogne War Museum. We enjoy a panoramic tour of the city before driving to Luxembourg where we will check in to our hotel for dinner and overnight. Overnight: Luxembourg (B, D)

Day 6: Luxembourg / Beauraing / Luxembourg: After breakfast we depart for a visit of Luxembourg American Military Cemetery, where General Patton, the soldiers of the 3rd Army and others are buried. We continue to Beauraing where we have Mass at the Shrine of Our Lady of Beauraing (Virgin of the Golden Heart), an approved apparition site where five children of various ages witnessed thirty-three Marian apparitions in 1932 and 1933. We visit the shrine before having time for lunch on our own and returning to Luxembourg. Overnight: Luxembourg (B, D)

Day 7: Luxembourg / Trier: After breakfast we depart Luxembourg and make way to Trier, once a Roman colony and trading center, nicknamed the "second Rome." We have an orientation tour of the Trier city, known for its well-preserved Roman and medieval buildings, all of which we will visit during our time in this ancient city. Our visit in Trier will start from the Abbey Church of St. Matthias, built on the place where presumed relics of the Apostle Matthias (the Apostle who replaced Judas) were found. Continue to see the Porta Negra which is the only one of four Roman gates that still stands and was formally the home to a hermit monk named Simeon. Additionally, the Roman amphitheater and baths were places of relaxation for the ancient monks. Lastly, the style and size of the Constantine Basilica (Aula Palatina) truly exemplifies the strength and power that the Roman Emperor had in ancient times. Later, we have a guided tour of the Trier Cathedral, which is home to the Holy Robe that Our Lord Jesus Christ wore during the Crucifixion. We attend mass at the Cathedral of St. Peter before lunch on our own. We have an afternoon free to explore. This evening, we return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. Overnight: Luxembourg (B, D)

Day 8: Luxembourg / Rothenburg Ob Der Tauber: This morning we have Mass before departing Luxembourg to Rothenburg ob der Tauber, stopping for lunch on the way. Upon arrival, we see picturesque lanes, half-timbered houses, and an intact fortification wall that will give us a good idea of what a medieval town looked like nearly 1000 years ago. We walk around the city and enjoy the stunning views over the old town. We check in to our hotel in Rothenburg ob der Tauber for dinner and overnight.

Overnight: Rothenburg ob der Tauber (B, D)

Day 9: Rothenburg Ob Der Tauber / Dachau / Munich: This morning we depart to Munich, stopping enroute in Dachau where we will visit the Dachau Concentration Camp. Upon arrival, we have lunch on our own before starting a guided tour of the camp. It was established by the Nazi government, described as the "first concentration camp for the political prisoners." We have Mass at the Carmelite monastery and proceed to Munich,where we enjoy dinner at Hofbraeuhaus (or similar). We check in to our hotel in Munich for the next five nights.

Overnight: Munich (B, D)

Day 10: Munich / Oberammergau / Gamisch / Partenkirchen / Munich: After breakfast this morning, we depart for Oberammergau, a municipality known for its woodcarvings and world-famous Passion Plays. We visit the city known for surviving "The Black Plague" during the 1600's. While sweeping through Europe, the people of Oberammergau prayed to be spared, they vowed that they would present a play depicting the Life and Passion of Jesus Christ every 10 years. True to their word, the villagers presented their Passion Play in 1634 and have continued to do so only being interrupted by the two World Wars. We continue for Garmisch-Partkenkirchen, where we will have Mass at Saint Martin. Although Garmisch-Partkenkirchen is now officially one town, it was two separate towns for many years, and therefore, each maintains separate identities. We have time to explore on our own before driving back to Munich for dinner and overnight. Overnight: Munich (B, D)

Day II: Munich: After breakfast at the hotel, we have Mass at the local church. We then visit the Residence Museum where we see Crown Jewels and hundreds of saints' relics. We have free time to visit other local churches, Englicher Garten, or shops at the local walking mall. We later return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Overnight: Munich (B, D)

Day 12: Munich / Erding / Alotting / Munich: This morning we travel to Altotting. On the way we stop in Erding, where we will visit the Church of the Holy Blood the site of Eucharistic Miracle from the 17th Century. Proceed to Altotting. Upon arrival we will have Mass at Shrine of Altotting (Chapel of Grace) which is known for the many healings said to have taken place here. We have free time for lunch and to visit the shrine on our own. We return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. Overnight: Munich (B, D)

Day 13: Munich / Nyphenburg Palace / Munich: This morning we enjoy breakfast at our hotel before exploring the Nymphenburg Palace, one of the largest palaces in Europe and summer home of the Bavarian monarchs. We have time to admire the frescoed walls, the Carriage House, rococo gilding, gorgeously manicured lawns, canals and magnificent gardens. After our tour of Nymphenburg, we drive to the city center and have time to shop on our own. We can take the day at any pace we'd like, with the option to visit additional sites like the Olympic Park, Beer Gardens, or Englischer Garten. This evening we have a Vigil Mass as we prepare for our morning return home.

Overnight: Munich (B, D)

Day 14: Return Home: Today we board our flights home, carrying with us memories and keepsakes that will last a lifetime.

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DOCUMENTS: Each traveler will need a valid passport book. Passport cards will not be accepted for international flights. Passport has to be valid for 6 months from the date of departure.

REGISTRATION AND DEPOSIT: Deposit of \$500 per person is required upon registration along with a signed copy of the registration form. Registrations are processed in the order received by HLTC. A second payment of \$1500 is required on or before 150 days prior to departure. Final payment is due 45 days prior to departure. Late payments are subject to \$50 late fee. HLTC reserves the right to cancel reservations that are not paid 30 days prior to departure and to apply applicable cancellation/penalties indicated below. No registrations can be made over the telephone.

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3) From 59 days to 8 days prior to departure day, cancellation fee is \$350 + 50% of total price.

4) From 7 days prior to departure day onward, no refund is possible.

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MEDICAL CONDITION: We endeavor to provide the highest level of service to all our passengers. Participants who require special assistance must be accompanied by a qualified helper who assumes total responsibility for the participants' well-being. Our pilgrimages demand a lot of walking and can be strenuous. HLTC is not responsible for any medical conditions that occur prior to, during, or after the tour.

LAND TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSFERS: By private deluxe motor coach.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Tour prices are per person, based on two persons sharing double or twin-bedded rooms with private bathroom with tub or shower. In the event that one does not sign up with a roommate and is not able to be paired with another traveler, there will be a single supplement charge to the account. Single rooms subject to availability and an additional \$950 single supplement.

MEALS: Meals in accordance with the itinerary. All beverages are extra.

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PRICES: All prices are based on exchange rates and fares applicable at time of quotation and based on minimum number of paying passengers stated in the brochure, and are therefore subject to change if fares change (including fuel surcharges increase), if group does not reach minimum or if exchange rates fluctuate.

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