Journey through Central Europe

16 days from \$6,197 total price from Boston, New York

(\$5,395 air & land inclusive plus \$802 airline taxes and fees)

Whether you're seeking to recapture your ancestral heritage or simply wish to discover a beautiful and poignant part of the world, this small group tour offers ample opportunity for enrichment, enlightenment, and enjoyment. With both comprehensive touring and time for independent exploration, it provides a generous overview of four distinctly different – and fascinating – nations.



Physical Activity Level



Moderate

Refer to page 5 for more information.

Your Tour at a Glance

Day	Itinerary	Hotel	Rating	
1	Depart U.S. for Warsaw			
2-3	Warsaw	Polonia Palace	Sup. First Class	
4-6	Krakow	Hotel Pod Roza	Not rated	
7-9	Budapest	Hilton Budapest	Deluxe	
10-12	Vienna	Hilton Vienna Plaza	Deluxe	
13-15	Prague	Grand Hotel Bohemia Prague	Sup. First Class	

6 Depart Prague for U.S.

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference. Unrated hotels may be too small, too new, or too remote to be listed.



Nighttime view of Prague's Charles Bridge, which connects Old Town with Prague Castle

Day 1: Depart U.S. for Warsaw, Poland

Day 2: Arrive Warsaw After arriving in the Polish capital late this morning, we have free time before we gather for tonight's welcome dinner at our hotel. D

Day 3: Warsaw Virtually destroyed during World War II, Warsaw was rebuilt in the decades that followed. With the fall of communism, the city has become more dynamic and progressive while retaining much of its distinct character. We tour this phoenix city today, visiting the faithfully rebuilt Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage site; and the Palace on the Isle, the elegant palace in Royal Baths Park that was first built as a bathhouse in 1674 before being converted to a summer residence in 1766. We also tour the area of the former Jewish Ghetto and the Jewish Cemetery. This afternoon is free for independent exploration; before dinner on our own tonight we enjoy a private classical piano recital. B

Day 4: Warsaw/Krakow Today we journey south to Krakow, Poland's second largest city and a major center of Polish culture and education. Krakow survived World War II intact, leaving it with more historic buildings and monuments than anywhere else in the country. Its authentic Old Town is a UNESCO cul-

tural site, and the Main Market Square ranks as the largest medieval square in Europe. Upon arrival late this morning, we have time for lunch on our own before we embark on a tour of the city's historic area, featuring St. Mary's Church; the Royal Chambers of Wawel Castle, seat of royalty for more than 500 years; and Wawel Cathedral, the national church. We dine together tonight at our hotel. *B,D*

Day 5: Auschwitz We travel this morning to the industrial city of Oswiecim – Auschwitz in German – and the concentration camp that is now a museum chronicling the horrors of the Nazis' Final Solution. We tour Auschwitz I, used mainly to hold prisoners, as well as the vast camp at Birkenau (Auschwitz II), where more than one million people died during the Holocaust. After this somber visit, we return to Krakow where the remainder of the day is free for independent exploration. *B,L*

Day 6: Krakow This morning we tour the Wieliczka Salt Mine, a UNESCO World Heritage site that is a virtual underground city, with galleries, lakes, chapels, and murals – all carved from salt. The mine's centerpiece is the Chapel of Saint Kinga, with its chandelier and mural of *The Last Supper*, carved by three miners over a period of 68 years. Then we return to Krakow, where the remainder of the day is free for indepen-



Tour limited to 24 UNC alumni and friends

dent exploration, with lunch and dinner on our own in this historic capital. B

Day 7: Krakow/Slovakia/Budapest, Hungary

Heading south today, we travel through the snow-capped Tatra Mountains into the country of Slovakia, where we stop for lunch. Continuing our journey, we reach our hotel in Buda's elegant Castle District early this evening and dine there together tonight. *B,L,D*

Day 8: Budapest Today's half-day tour of the Hungarian capital begins adjacent to our hotel with a visit to Matthias Church, the symbol of Buda's Castle District, and a stroll around Fisherman's Bastion for outstanding views of the Pest side of the city across the Danube. Following an afternoon at leisure, tonight we enjoy a typical Hungarian dinner at a local restaurant. *B*,*D*

Day 9: Budapest This morning, we take an inside visit of the Dohány Synagogue with its rich but tragic history. Built in 1859, it is the largest synagogue in Europe and the world's second largest. Then we're free to discover the "Paris of the East"



on our own. With splendid architecture, a lively café culture, museums, and a royal castle, this city on the Danube offers endless opportunities for exploration and enjoyment. *B*

Day 10: Budapest/ Danube Bend/ Vienna, Austria Today we pass

through the

Prague's ancient Jewish Cemetery

countryside of Western Transdanubia as we travel by coach to Vienna. En route we visit Szentendre, a small town packed with artisans' shops and a museum showcasing the work of ceramicist Margit Kovacs. We continue on to the village of Neszmely where we stop for lunch, then reach the Austrian

Post-Tour Extension

May 11-14, 2025

Berlin – On Your Own

4 days/3 nights for \$1,195 total price Single Supplement: \$495

Explore the cosmopolitan German capital – a city of art, culture, and history – as you wish.

Your Tour Price Includes

- Rail transportation Prague/Berlin
- 3 nights' accommodations at Hotel am Steinplatz (Superior First Class)
- 3 meals: 3 breakfasts
- Transfer from rail station and to airport



WHITHER WILL MY PATH
YET LEAD ME?"

- Hermann Hesse

capital late this afternoon. Dinner tonight is on our own—an opportunity, perhaps, to try Vienna's famed Wiener Schnitzel. *B*,*L*

Day 11: Vienna A half-day tour of this jewel of the Habsburg Empire includes a visit to the ornate Vienna Opera House, one of Europe's grandest, and an inside visit to majestic Schönbrunn Palace. The afternoon is at leisure. Following dinner at a local restaurant, we attend a concert of classical music in this most musical of all cities. *B*,*D*

Day 12: Vienna Woods This morning we enjoy a tour of the Vienna Woods, which gained renown during the heyday of the Austrian Empire. We visit the medieval abbey of Heiligenkreuz and the health spa town of Baden before returning to Vienna, where the remainder of the day is free to explore as we wish. *B*

Day 13: Vienna/Prague, Czech Republic We leave this morning for Prague, proud capital of the Czech Republic. We reach Prague this afternoon and join our tour director for an informal walk through Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage site. *B,L*

Day 14: Prague We spend the morning exploring the Hradcany (castle) district, home of the distinctive castle towering above the Vltava River. Dating to the 9^{th} century, the castle today is the seat of the president of the Czech Republic. Among the highlights of our tour: a visit to Gothic St. Vitus' Cathedral and a stroll along Golden Lane, with its picturesque artisans' cottages. The remainder of the day is free to continue exploring this enchanting city as we wish. B

Day 15: Prague This morning's visit to Josefov, Prague's historic Jewish ghetto, includes the Old Jewish Cemetery with its centuries-old headstones and generations buried atop one another, as well as several of the once-thriving synagogues now part of the Jewish Museum of Prague. Then the remainder of the day is at leisure, perhaps to stroll through Old Town Square or visit Wenceslas Square, site of the demonstrations that led to the Velvet Revolution. Tonight we enjoy a farewell dinner at our hotel. *B*,*D*

Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities
- 14 nights' accommodations in Deluxe, Superior First Class, and unrated hotels
- 24 meals: 14 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 6 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers



Budapest's Gothic Parliament sits on the Danube.

Day 16: Depart for U.S. We transfer to the airport early today for our connecting flights to the U.S. *B*

Tour Departs: April 26, 2025 s include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and to

Prices include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees		
Boston, New York	\$6,197	
Chicago, Washington, DC	\$6,497	
Atlanta, Baltimore, Charlotte,		
Cincinnati, Cleveland,	\$6,597	
Dallas, Denver, Detroit,	\$0,377	
Houston, Philadelphia,		
Los Angeles, Miami,		
Minneapolis, Orlando,		
Phoenix, Portland (OR),	\$6,697	
Raleigh-Durham,		
San Francisco, Seattle, Tampa		
Land Only (transfers not included)	\$5,195	

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of \$802, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add \$1,495. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Airline upgrades on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: Business Class – \$3,795 per person; Premium Economy – \$1,595 per person in addition to the above costs (upgrades are subject to availability and pricing is subject to change).





THE SMALL GROUP TRAVEL EXPERIENCE

Important Information About Your Tour

General Terms and Conditions

The following is intended to provide you with a description of what to expect when you reserve a tour with Odysseys Unlimited. Upon booking, you will be asked to acknowledge your acceptance of the full Terms and Conditions on My Odyssey, our secure on-line portal.

Tour Prices

Tour prices quoted are guaranteed through December 31, 2025, and include accommodations based on double occupancy; airfare from your departure city; airline taxes, surcharges, and fees, and port charges and cruise line fees (where applicable), which are subject to change until final payment has been made; internal air, rail, and motorcoach transportation; meals, sightseeing, and transfers as described; hotel taxes; entrance fees for included sightseeing; the services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director; luggage handling for one bag per person; and all gratuities as described below. Please note that the cost of air upgrades is subject to change.

Gratuities

Tour prices include all gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers on base tours and on optional extensions when accompanied by an Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. representative. Please note that gratuities for the Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour) are not included unless otherwise specified. These tips are optional and should be extended on a voluntary basis. Gratuities are not included on "On Your Own" optional extensions.

Not Included in Your Tour Price

Airfare from your hometown to your departure city; costs of passports and visas; personal

expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; immunizations and inoculations; communications charges; airport transfers when purchasing a land-only package; and gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour) unless otherwise specified, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities: \$10-\$15 per guest, per day. Please contact Carolina Alumni for travel insurance information. Additional baggage fees levied directly by the airline(s) may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

Registration and Payment

A deposit of \$500 per person confirms your reservation. Full payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure and may be made by personal check or credit card. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. reserves the right to cancel any reservations that are not paid in full at any time after final payment is due. If you make your reservation after the final payment date, payment in full will be required upon reservation.

Cancellations and Refunds

If you must cancel your tour, the effective date of cancellation will be upon our receipt of your notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges:

For all tours in this catalog (except as noted)

Prior to departure	Charge
95 days or more:	\$200
94-65 days:	25% of tour price
64-45 days:	50% of tour price
44-30 days:	75% of tour price
29-0 days:	No refund

For Ancient Greece, Egypt & the Eternal Nile, Machu Picchu to the Galapagos

Prior to departure	Charge
95 days or more:	\$200
94-65 days:	50% of tour price
64-30 days:	75% of tour price
29-0 days:	No refund

Please note that we will not refund the cost of any unused portion of your tour package, should you or your travel companion cancel your participation during the tour. If due to unforeseen circumstances Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. cancels your tour, you will receive a complete refund of all payments you have made to us.

Pre-Departure

Upon reservation, you will be able to access all information regarding your tour in My Odyssey, our secure on-line portal. This material includes your invoice, a detailed day-by-day itinerary, visa requirements (if applicable), and more. Your final tour documents, including airline itineraries (with e-ticket numbers), will be available in the portal two to three weeks before departure.

Single Travelers

We welcome single travelers, and offer a limited number of single accommodations on each tour. Because hotel and cruise rates are priced by the room or cabin, the per person cost for accommodations occupied by one person is higher than that shared by two people. We endeavor to keep single supplements at a reasonable cost. Please note that single rooms in many foreign hotels may be smaller than those to which you are accustomed.

Changes to Your Reservation

We will not charge a fee for any changes made to your reservation outside of 95 days before departure. From 94 to 30 days before departure, if you make any changes to your reservation, a \$100 per person administrative fee will apply, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by airlines, hotels, or other third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason or at any time, you will be charged the single supplement.

Please note that no changes to your name(s) or departure date are allowed within 95 days of departure. No changes to your reservation can be made within 30 days of departure.

Required Information

Upon reservation, we will need to obtain from you the following, in accordance with the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) Secure Flight program (for details, please visit www.tsa.gov), as well as for our travel partners: for international tours - your full name as it appears on your passport, date of birth, and gender. In addition, airlines may require that we provide them with your contact information prior to departure. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, or if you use a different passport, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket's reissue.

Travel Documents

A passport valid for at least six months after the completion of your tour is required for U.S. citizens on all international tours. If your tour requires a visa(s), we strongly recommend that you have at least six blank visa pages available; for tours not requiring a visa(s), we recommend that your passport have at least three blank visa pages. We will send you specific visa and entry requirements after you make a reservation. You are responsible for obtaining these documents. If you need to obtain a visa, we recommend our preferred provider G3 Global Services. If you are traveling with a minor, please contact us for special entry requirements. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please contact your embassy or consulate to ensure you obtain the proper documentation.

Smoking

For the convenience of the majority of our travelers, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. has a No Smoking policy (including e-cigarettes and vaping) on all tour buses. We will arrange sufficient rest stops so those who wish to smoke may do so.

Health and Medical Issues

We welcome all travelers, but request that you be in good health to participate in an Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. tour. All of our tours involve a reasonable amount of walking (typically two to three miles per day, unassisted), often uphill or on uneven or cobblestone streets. You must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and boats on your own. We regret that we cannot provide individual assistance; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that many of our itineraries, for reasons beyond our control, do not accommodate wheelchairs. Please call or e-mail us to inquire, and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have.

We ask that all guests review our guidelines for health on tour, which can be found on our website: www.odysseys-unlimited.com/travel-health.

We and Carolina Alumni reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical condition or behavior, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoy-ment or safety of the other tour members. In that event, Carolina Alumni and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour. While we do our best to accommodate food allergy concerns, we cannot guarantee zero crosscontamination.

Air Transportation

Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round-trip economy air from designated departure cities as shown and contracts with those airlines they feel provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer more direct service, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates that enable us to offer you the best possible travel value. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. Please note that seat assignment on your flight is usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. is unable to guarantee any seat assignments. Due to the nature of tour operator

tickets, other restrictions apply, including, but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, booking the tour "Land Only" is available on most tours. Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. In addition, we recommend that you not purchase your tickets until final payment is due. If you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odyssevs Unlimited, Inc. shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.

Responsibility

The liability of Carolina Alumni as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, and restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under our control. We serve only as agents for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, or of their employees, agents, servants, or representatives. Carolina Alumni and Odyssevs Unlimited, Inc. are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within our control, including, without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air carriers, cruise lines, and other independent suppliers.

We will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require us to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality. Cruise itineraries may change due to factors such as government regulations, water levels, or weather conditions.





CAROLINA ALUMNI RESERVATION FORM

To reserve your place on tour, please complete Carolina Alumni's online reservation form at <u>alumni.unc.edu/reserve</u> or scan the QR code below; complete this Reservation Form and mail it to Carolina Alumni at the address below, or email it to enrichment@unc.edu; or call **Carolina Alumni at 1-877-962-3980**.

Once this request is received by Odysseys Unlimited, a Travel Counselor from Odysseys Unlimited will contact you to securely take your credit card information for the deposit. Your reservation is not confirmed until your deposit is paid and processed. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or VISA, or by personal check. If paying by check, please make check payable to **Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.** and include with the form. Final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure.

Send to: Carolina Alumni Travel Office

PO Box 660

Chapel Hill, NC 27514-0660

Scan QR code for online reservation form.

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Pre- or Post-Tour Extension (as described	on tour page): Please sign me/us up □	
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I/We request an upgrade to a Highland Villa (A	Machu Picchu to the Galapagos only) 🖵	

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