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## **American Conference of Cantors Musical Mission Post-Tour to**

# **BERLIN**

October 24-29, 2023

(As of 2/20/23)





#### Day 1: Wednesday, October 25, 2023: WELCOME TO BERLIN!

- This morning we depart Warsaw on our flight to **Berlin**. Upon arrival, we are welcomed by an Ayelet Tours representative.
- We begin with a tour of the Mitte, Berlin's historic center district and host to many of the city's top attractions.
- Next, we enjoy a walking tour of the Old Jewish quarter, which is always evolving and changing.
  Along the way, we hear stories of Jewish life in Berlin from past to present as we visit the old
  and new synagogues, the area's oldest Jewish cemetery where Moses Mendelssohn is buried
  and see the former address of Regina Jonas, the first ordained female rabbi.
- This evening, we check into our hotel before setting out for our **welcome dinner** together.

#### **Overnight in Berlin**

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#### Day 2: Thursday, October 26, 2023: POTSDAM

- Breakfast at our hotel.
- Today, we travel to nearby **Potsdam**. Along the way, we cross the **Glienicke Bridge**, a famous exchange point for Soviet spies during the Cold War.
- Upon arrival in Potsdam, we view the Cecilienhof Palace, site of the Potsdam Conference, where allied leaders including Truman, Churchill and Stalin met in 1945 to decide the fate of Germany, which surrendered weeks later. We also make a brief photo stop at the stunning Palace of Sanssouci.
- We return to Berlin and visit the Gleis 17 Memorial, the train platform from which many of Berlin's Jews were deported during WWII.
- Late afternoon and evening at leisure to explore and have dinner on own.

#### **Overnight in Berlin**

#### Day 3: Friday, October 27, 2023: JEWISH BERLIN & MITTE

- Breakfast at our hotel.
- This morning, we enjoy a panoramic tour of central Berlin, including the Brandenburg Gate, Tiergarten, Victory Column, Reichstag, Potsdamerplatz, Checkpoint Charlie, and more surprises along the way.
- We continue to the moving Berlin Holocaust Memorial, followed by the Burning Book Memorial at Bebelplatz. Here, the Nazis burned approximately 20,000 books in May 1933.
- Later this evening, we join the local community and the choir at the Fasenenstrasse Synagogue for Kabbalat Shabbat followed by Shabbat dinner together.

#### **Overnight in Berlin**



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#### Day 4: Saturday, October 28, 2023: MUSEUM ISLAND

- Breakfast at our hotel.
- Today, we tour Museum Island in the Mitte district. We begin at the Pergamon Museum, built
  in 1930 and containing reconstructed and immense historically significant buildings such as the
  Pergamon Altar and the Ishtar Gate. Also located here are the Altes (Old) and Neues (New)
  Museums, as well as the Bode Museum with a sculpture collection and late Angieu and
  Byzantine art.
- We continue to the East Side Gallery, featuring artwork painted on the Berlin Wall.
- This evening, we enjoy **dinner at Neni** owned and operated by two Israeli chefs. Throughout the meal, we will learn more about the cutting-edge culinary world in Berlin.

#### **Overnight in Berlin**

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### Day 5: Sunday, October 29, 2023: DEPARTURE HOME

- Breakfast and check out of our hotel.
- We transfer to the airport for back to the United States landing back on the same day.

#### The Memories Last Forever!!

\*Itinerary subject to change





HOTEL	RATE PER PERSON  (Double Occ.)  (payment by check/credit card)	RATE PER PERSON  (Single Occ.)  (payment by check/credit card)
Eurostar or similar	\$1,995/\$2,055	\$2,495/\$2,570

#### **Included in Berlin Post-Tour:**

- 4 nights hotel accommodations with breakfast
- Welcome diner at a local restaurant
- Shabbat Dinner
- Farewell Dinner
- Touring and sightseeing in a deluxe air-conditioned vehicle
- English-speaking local guide & tour director
- Flight from Warsaw to Berlin with transfers
- Entrance fees per itinerary
- Porterage

#### **Not included in Berlin Pre-Tour:**

- Tips to guide, escort and driver (pre-collected)
- Meals not listed above
- Items of a personal nature
- Travel insurance (recommended group policy available)

