

# Exploring Eastern Europe

## with Rabbi Ron Li-Paz

HISTORY, CULTURE, FRIENDSHIP & FUN

October 10 – 22, 2021

**Price per person in double occupancy: \$ 5,599\***

**Single supplement: \$ 990\***

\*Rates above are based on today's (5/4/21) currency exchange for Euro (\$1=€0.83). If there is a change at time of payment, rates will change accordingly



### Price Includes:

Round Trip flights on Turkish Airlines\*

Date	Flight	Departure	Arrival
<b>Outbound</b>			
Oct 10, 2021 LAX-IST	TK180	LAX @ 13:45	IST @ 12:55 Oct 11
Oct 11, 2021 IST-BUD	TK1037	IST @ 18:15	BUD @ 19:15
<b>Inbound</b>			
Oct 22, 2021 BER-IST	TK1728	BER @ 07:05	IST @ 11:00
Oct 22, 2021 IST-LAX	TK 009	IST @ 13:10	LAX @ 16:50

\*Subject to change

4 Star Hotels, including daily breakfast.

**BUDAPEST Oct 11-15, 2021**

**Hilton Garden Inn**

**PRAGUE Oct 15-19, 2021**

**Adria Hotel**

**BERLIN Oct 19-22, 2021**

**Arcotel John F**

- Transportation according to program
- English speaking guide escort according to program
- Catering according to program
- Entrance fees: as per program

### Price Excludes

- Travel Insurance
- Meals that are not mentioned above
- Any entry that it's not mentioned at the program.
- Personal expenses
- Tips for guide & driver



## Itinerary\*

### Monday, October 11

Arrive in **Budapest** and group transfer to your hotel with English speaking escort.

Join your guide and the group in the lobby of the hotel at 6:00 PM and on to a typical Hungarian restaurant, Záborszky – dinner with folklore show.

#### **19:00 Welcome Dinner**

21:30 transfer from restaurant to hotel

Return to your hotel and get a good night's sleep!

**Overnight: Hilton Garden Inn Budapest**

### Tuesday, October 12

Visit **Raul Wallenberg Monument** in honor of the Swedish diplomat.

10:30 **Local Food Tasting in the Market Hall**. Tasting at Covered Market Hall

11:00 – 15:00 Full day Budapest tour - Buda side of the city, the **Liberty Statue at Gellért Hill** from where you will enjoy the glorious view of the **River Danube** and the city of **Budapest**.

On to the **Castle District** with the **Royal Palace** and its medieval buildings. After a photo stop on the promenade of **Fishermen's Bastion**. Visit to **Secret Military Hospital and Nuclear Bunker museum**.

15:00 Strudel Stretching Show with coffee-break – Pest's First Strudel House

16:30 before returning to the hotel, arrive at the site of the Red Danube Victims – **The Line of Shoes Memorial** - participate in a **brief Memorial Service** in memory of the Hungarian Jews who perished in the Holocaust.

Return to your hotel.

Dinner is on your own.

**Overnight: Hilton Garden Inn Budapest**

### Wednesday, October 13

09:00 Meet with English speaking guide at hotel lobby.

Drive to the **Jewish Quarter** and visit one of the world's largest synagogues, the **Dohány Street Synagogue**. In this complex, visit the **Jewish Museum**, the **Jewish Garden** with the **Tree of Life** and the **Temple of Heroes**.

12:00 Visit the **Holocaust Documentation Center**.

Lunch is on your own

14:30 After lunch, tour of **Museum of Fine Arts**.

17:00. Return to the hotel to refresh before dinner.

18:00 meet with guide at hotel lobby and transfer to the famous **Gerbeaud Cafe** for dinner

21:30 Transfer restaurant from restaurant to hotel

**Overnight: Hilton Garden Inn Budapest**



### **Thursday, October 14**

Morning at leisure.

Lunch is on your own

14:00 Afternoon drive out of Budapest to **Szentendre**, a quaint and charming village where you can explore the many boutiques and cafes.

Visit the **Szanto Zsinagoga**, a Hungarian synagogue which prides itself as being "**the smallest synagogue in the world**" (**Donations**). The Szanto Memorial House and Temple was officially opened on May 17, 1998 by Professor Jozsef Sweitzer, the chief rabbi of Hungary. It is the first new synagogue to have been built in Hungary since the end of World War II.

18:00-20:00 Return to Budapest by **boat on the Danube River** – enjoy a **buffet dinner** and view the illuminated cities. Exclusively boat rent for group with 4 course dinner and beverages

20:30 transfer pier - hotel

***Overnight: Hilton Garden Inn Budapest***

### **Friday, October 15**

Check-out of Budapest hotel and transfer to Budapest train station with English speaking guide escort.

**Train Budapest – Prague** 1st class ticket with seat reservation.

Trip duration is 6.5 hours.

Lunch boxes

**Arrival in Prague, check-in at hotel**

Prepare for Shabbat services

**19:00 Shabbat dinner at Jewish Community in Prague.**

***Overnight: Prague Hotel ADRIA***

### **Saturday, October 16, 2021**

09:30 Morning walking tour of the Old Town and Charles Bridge with the guide.

Republic square, Powder Tower, Municipal House, Old Town Square, Franz Kafka's birth house, Paris Boulevard, Karlova street, Charles Bridge

11:30 Lunch at Charles Bridge restaurant

13:00 Transfer Old Town – Prague Castle

13:30 visit **Prague Castle**

15:00 Extraordinary experience : private visit to **Strahov Library** with the curator. After Library, visit just round the corner

16:00 **Strahov Monastery Brewery** with brewery tour and beer tasting

17:00 Transfer Strahov Monastery Brewery – Hotel Adria

Dinner on your own.

***Overnight: Prague Hotel ADRIA***



### **Sunday, October 17, 2021**

09:30 Morning walking tour of the **Jewish Quarter**. Entrance to **Jewish Prague Museum and Synagogues** (The Old-New + Maisel ) after Jewish quarter walking to **Estates Theatre**.

**12:00-13:00 Estates Theatre.** for private tour of theatre backstage

13:00-14:00 Lunch on own around Estates Theatre.

14:00 Transfer to DOX Gallery

14:30 – 15:30 Visit **DOX Gallery of Contemporary Arts**.

15:30 Transfer to hotel

Dinner on your own

***Overnight: Prague Hotel ADRIA***

### **Monday, October 18, 2021**

08:30 Meet with guide at hotel for full day tour to Terezin and Lidice memorial.

09:30 Terezin is former Concentration Camp from WW II used as a Propaganda Camp.

It was originally built as a military fortress in the 18th century. We will visit the **Small and Big Fortress** where the **Museum of Ghetto** is located. The main building housed a school and today, there's an exhibition about the history of the daily Jewish life during WWII in Tereza. We will also visit an original prayers room. The tour in Small Fortress involves about 1 hour of walking which includes exteriors and interiors.

13:30 Lunch at restaurant, Lidicka Galerie, in Lidice.

14:30 **Lidice Memorial**. Lidice was a village in district Kladno which was completely destroyed after Czech resistance assassinated Reich Protector Reinhard Heydrich.

After the visit, we will drive back to Prague.

Dinner on own.

***Overnight: Prague Hotel ADRIA***

### **Tuesday, October 19, 2021**

10:00 Departure from Prague to Berlin with a stop in Dresden.

12:00 In **Dresden**, we can have time for lunch and visit the historic part of the town with Semper Oper, famous Zwinger (entrance to the **Old Masters Gallery**, with audio guide)

*or instead of entrance to Old Masters Gallery visit the Royal Palace (Residenzschloss) including the New Green Vault*

14:00 Lunch in Dresden

16:00 – 18:30 Drive from Dresden to Berlin hotel, Arcotel John F

Dinner on your own.

***Overnight: Berlin Hotel Arcotel John F***



### **Wednesday, October 20, 2021**

10:00 – 17:00 Full day touring in Berlin.

Gendarmenmarkt, Fiedrichstrasse, Bebel Platz, Unter den Linden, Holocaust Memorial, Brandenburg Gate, Sinti Roma Memorial, Reichstag (from outside), Hackesche Markt (former Jewish Quarter), **Otto Weidt Museum**, Topography of Terror.

Lunch on your own

Dinner at Kosher restaurant, FEINBERG'S

**Overnight: Berlin Hotel Arcotel John F**

### **Thursday, October 21, 2021**

10:00 – 13:00 By coach to **Jewish Museum**, then to Bayerische Viertel, Memorial in Gruenewald ( Track 17), Kurfuerestendamm ( West Berlin).

13:00-14:00 Lunch on own

14:00 – 15:00 Private visit to **BOROS** – extraordinary gallery of contemporary arts

15:00 Rosenstrasse Memorial and time for visit Museum Island or KaDeWe department store.

Lunch and dinner on own.

*Recommended: drop of one group at the Museum Island and the other group at the KaDeWe with no transfer back to the hotel. You can enjoy the city without pressure of time as you will have dinner on your own.*

**Overnight: Berlin Hotel Arcotel John F**

### **Friday, October 22, 2021**

Early checkout from the hotel

04:00 Depart the hotel for the airport.

\*Please note that we keep the right to change services/restaurants etc., depending on pandemic situation and all suppliers' status.

### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

#### **Payment:**

1. A deposit of \$500 per person is due in our office with registration.
2. The deposit is refundable (minus \$100 booking fee) till August 1, 2021.
3. Full payment is due in our office by: **August 15, 2021**

#### **Cancellation:**

4. **Cancellation between August 15, 2021 and September 1, 2021 - \$1,000 per person.**
5. **From September 1, 2021 – The tour is nonrefundable.**

