Half- and Full-Day Tours

All tours are based on a minimum number of 25 participants. These tours will take place on a deluxe motor coach with an English speaking guide. Any entrance fees for planned museum are included. Should the minimum participant number of 25 not be reached, K.I.T. Group reserves the right to cancel the tour. Prices may be subject to change for exceptional reasons beyond the control of K.I.T. Group tickets for sightseeing tours and excursions are not refundable, unless the tour is cancelled by K.I.T. Group for the above mentioned reason.

HALF DAY TOURS

1) Berlin Orientation Tour

Berlin has always been a dynamic city, noted for its ambitious and vivacious nature. The Berlin Orientation Tour gives a general overview of the signs of change throughout the city and of its most traditional and popular highlights. The bus tour includes sights like the Brandenburg Gate, the German House of Parliament and the Victory Column as well as the Emperor Wilhelm’s Memorial Church, the Berlin Cathedral and Charlottenburg Palace. Furthermore, the bus will pass the futuristic Potsdamer Platz with the Philharmonic Concert Hall and the Alexanderplatz with the Red Town Hall, the official Lord Mayor’s residence.

Duration: 3 hrs.
Price: 31 EUR / per person
(incl. bus transportation and English speaking guide)

Saturday, October 13, 2012 14:00 – 17:00
Sunday, October 14, 2012 10:00 – 13:00
Monday, October 15, 2012 09:00 – 12:00
2) The New Berlin - Berlin’s architecture

The reunified city of Berlin offers a kaleidoscope of all most important trends in the history of architecture: from Neo-Classical to Post Modern, from Neo-Gothic to Bauhaus, from Socialist to the American 50’s without forgetting the German Art Nouveau. This tour will show you some of the best examples of all these sources of inspiration: Alexanderplatz, Gendarmenmarkt, Unter den Linden, Karl-Marx Allee and of course what we commonly call now the “New Berlin” designed since the Fall of the Wall by world famous architects like Leoh Ming Pei, Jean Nouvel, Daniel Libeskind, Frank O. Gehry, Renzo Piano etc.

Duration: 4 hrs.
Price: EUR 35,00 / per person
(incl. bus transportation and English speaking guide)

Thursday, October 18, 2012  14:30 – 17:30

3) The Cold War in Berlin

Since the end of the Second World War and until the beginning of the 90’s, the history of Berlin has permanently been engraved by the presence of the four victors of the War and the wall dividing West and East Berlin in two parts. This tour first leads visitors behind the scene of the former East Berlin and focuses on the divided city. Guests will see the most interesting points, such like: the “Soviet Monument” in the Treptow Park and the famous „East Side Gallery”, the longest open-air gallery in the world.

A new viewing point with museum was built in Bernauer Straße, which will be visited during this tour.

In the center of “East Berlin” you will see „Karl-Marx-Avenue” which was planned by the Russians as a „palace for workers” in the fifties.
We will pass the airport of Tempelhof which was a peculiar witness of the shared Berlin, well known by the famous air-lift: every minute, a “Rosinenbomber” (“Raisin bomber”) started at that time in Frankfurt and landed in West-Berlin.

The tour continues to the Wall Museum in the “Haus am Checkpoint Charlie”, the border crossing point for diplomats, allied military and foreigners (neither Germans, nor Berliners were allowed to pass through).

Guests will have the possibility to visit the museums: “Haus am Check-Point Charlie”

Duration: 4 hrs.
Price: EUR 45.00 / per person
(incl. bus transportation, English speaking guide and entrance fee for the museum)

Monday, October 15, 2012 09:00 – 13:00
Wednesday, October 17, 2012 09:00 – 13:00

4) Jewish Life in Berlin

The tour focuses on the Jewish history past and present in Berlin. We will first go to the Jewish Museum housed in one of the most spectacular buildings erected in Berlin since WWII. The plan of Daniel Libeskind’s building is being interpreted as an exploded Star of David.

Participants will then continue the tour in the so-called “Scheunenviertel” where the Jewish community used to live before the war. There is not much left of the steps of the Jewish residents in this quarter except a few reopened restaurants and of course the beautifully restored Synagogue in the Oranienburgerstrasse.

Lastly we will have a look at the huge memorial for the victims of the holocaust situated in close proximity to the Brandenburg Gate.

Duration: 5 hrs.
Price: EUR 45.00 / per person
(incl. bus transportation, English speaking guide and entrance fee for the museum)

Sunday, October 14, 2012 13:00 – 18:00
Thursday, October 18, 2012 09:00 – 14:00
5) Boat trip on the river Spree

The Spree River is one of the major rivers and flows from East to West essentially dividing the city in half. Constantly passing under bridges – Berlin has more bridges than Venice – the tour takes guests throughout the city of Berlin offering a unique perspective of the sights.

The boat tour will start at castle Charlottenburg in the Western part and end at Jannowitzbrücke in the Eastern part. A bus shuttle will pick up and bring the guests back to the congress center.

Duration: 3 hrs.
Price: EUR 45,00 / per person (incl. bus transportation, English speaking guide and ticket fee for the boat trip)

Sunday, October 14, 2012 10:00 – 13:00

6) Museum’s Island

A tour of the Museums’ Island, right in the middle of the Spree River, is the main highlight of a Berlin visit. Located in the former eastern part of the city, the Museums’ Island, an architectural and cultural complex protected by UNESCO, gathers and combines numerous different museums. This tour includes the visit of the two most important museums:

The Pergamon Museum is the most fascinating. It was built between 1903 and 1930. The main attraction is the Pergamon Altar, which was discovered and brought back by German archeologists at the beginning of the 20th century. It was actually part of a temple dedicated to Zeus and it is one of the 7 wonders of world. You will also discover the Ishtar Gate, among others. The Pergamon museum, which is the first Museum for architecture in the world, displays a fascinating collection over 4,000 years of art and civilisation.

The Egyptian Museum and Papyrus collection of Berlin worldwide renown not only for the bust of Nefertiti, the portrait of Tiy and the ‘Berlin Green Head’ presents art and papyri from over 5000 years discovered in Egypt and the Sudan. Most objects were offerings found in graves, some few were found in temples.
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Duration: 3 ½ hrs.
Price: EUR 41.00 / per person
(incl. bus transportation, English speaking guide and entrance fee for the museum)

Sunday, October 14, 2012 10:00 – 13:30
Tuesday, October 16, 2012 09:30 – 13:00
Wednesday, October 17, 2012 09:30 – 13:00

FULL DAY TOURS

1) Full Day Tour Potsdam

Potsdam is a small town rich in art and history. In the old part of the city Potsdam, the Dutch and Russian quarters as well as the former residence of crown princes, Cecilienhof castle, where the Potsdam Agreement was signed in 1945, will be toured.

In continuation, we will visit the beautiful Sanssouci Park designed by Lenné and admire the numerous palaces and houses built in it, such as Palace Sanssouci, the summer residence of Frederic II and New Palace

Lunch will be provided at Cecilienhof castle restaurant.

Duration: 8 hrs
Price: EUR 95.00 / per person
(incl. bus transportation, English speaking guide, entrance fee in one of the castles and lunch)

Saturday, October 13, 2012 10:00 – 18:00
Sunday, October 14, 2012 10:00 – 18:00
Thursday, October 18, 2012 09:00 – 17:00
2) Full day tour Dresden

Baroque, Neo-Renaissance and Classic are collected and have become an integral part of Dresden. After the massive bombing of the city during the night of the 13th to the 14th of February 1945, this destroyed city kept not only its courage but also its flair and promptly began to rebuild and reconstruct its buildings back to their original beauty and structure.

Numerous attributes have been given this city. Called the Florence on the Elbe, Dresden is a city of culture and art.

One of the most famous of the sights in Dresden is the Semper Opera House, newly reconstructed and as breathtaking as when it was first built, the Grüne Gewölbe (the green vault), the Albertinum with the art gallery, the Zwinger, built for Augustus the Strong and of course the Court Church.

The Frauenkirche (Church of Our Lady) is now completely reconstructed. Each of the original stones has been numbered and tagged and were used in the rebuilding.

Also Dresden enticed poets such as Schiller, Kleist, Tieck and Uhland and world famous musicians such as von Weber, Wagner and Richard Strauss. All of them were pulled to this city and caught up in its current and atmosphere. Allow yourself the opportunity to be caught up and intoxicated by this once in a lifetime atmosphere.

**Duration:** 11-12 hrs

**Price:** EUR 125,00 / per person

(incl. bus transportation, English speaking guide, entrance fee in one of the castles and lunch)

**Sunday, October 14, 2012** 08:00 – 20:00

**Thursday, October 18, 2012** 08:00 – 20:00