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Music tours to Germany and Europe

Shine on European stages - We offer tailor-made music tours to Germany and/or Europe for amateur music and dance groups, music lovers, special interest music groups and more.

Performance Tours

Develop your performance skills while exploring educational destinations and engaging in new cultures. We arrange good will concert tours for bands, orchestras, choirs, and performing tours for folk dance groups and ballet ensembles as well as joint concerts and exchange with local German music groups. Music groups will have the opportunity to participate and demonstrate their talents in public performances and participate in local music festivals.

Venues: Europe has a grand selection of venues for performing groups.

Churches and Cathedrals: We arrange performances in churches and cathedrals for groups with a sacred or classical programme, also participation in a service for choirs is possible. Outside the main cities, we will often arrange a concert in a local church. This is frequently a very special occasion for the community and is reflected in the hospitality our groups receive.

Concert and Community halls: Throughout the cities, towns and villages of Europe one finds a wide range of community and concert halls. These are local community centres and are the main focus for many social and cultural activities. They have excellent facilities for concerts with purpose built stages, tiered seating and sound and lighting equipment. We have a wide network of local cooperations thus ensuring the best possible audience for your concerts.

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Schools: Many students and youth groups enjoy the opportunity of meeting their peers in a foreign land. Music is the ideal medium for doing this. We arrange concerts at local schools and colleges. Visiting music groups usually give a performance for the students at the host school and afterwards both sides have the opportunity to make friends and swap addresses. It is part of our cause to develop relationships between people from different lands, to foster new friendships.

Outdoor concerts: In Europe, between the months of May to September, concerts are usually performed outdoors. The many piazzas, plazas, courtyards, bandstands and town squares throng with music, as they become open air concert halls for classical and popular music, both professional and amateur. Stages are erected with lighting and sound equipment and people come from miles around to listen. Just imagine performing at night in the Grand Place, Brussels with the spotlights shining on the gold merchants houses and their gilded gables or singing in the gardens of the Chateau de Versailles in Paris amongst its beautiful statues and with the chateau as a backdrop for your concert. The atmosphere of these concerts is truly unforgettable.

Festivals: We arrange concert tours with festival participation throughout Europe. There are a vast range of music festivals taking place throughout the year throughout Europe. Whether your group is a band, choir, orchestra or combined group, rest assured that there is a festival out there for you. We can coordinate your application and participation in a festival that suits you. Have a look at our festival brochure for options for your group.

Special interest music tours

Walk in the footsteps of artists and masters. Visit places and sources of inspiration. Discover the European Music and Dance Culture. We organize your individual group round trip: Baroque | Cities of Music | Composers | Contemporary Dance | Festival | Jazz | Music Theatres | Musical Landscape | New Music | Organs | Religious Music | Romanticism | Tango | Traditional Folk Dance | Viennese Music.

Classes and workshops

Do you want to use your Europe trip to also create educational opportunities for your musicians? We organize workshops with selected musicians and master classes: Chamber Music Seminar | Kodály Chorus Training | The Suzuki Method | New Forms of Teaching | New Concert and Presentation Formats | „Teach the teacher“-Concepts in cooperation with the Beethoven Campus Bonn and other music schools and institutes.

Tours for music lovers

We craft the finest group music and cultural tours, providing you with experiences of the best opera and classical music performances in Europe, exclusive recitals, private guided tours, exclusive accommodation and fine food. Great music transcends language, time, and place — allowing a direct, emotional connection with the culture of your destination. Even better, you experience it the same way the locals do: a tapestry of sounds that touch all ears (and hearts) the same way. We will give you the opportunity to enjoy the instruments and tunes that make a region unique, from evocative „fado“ performances in Portugal to traditional fiddling in Ireland to name just some melodious ways to explore Europe.

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Cultural Tour for Music Friends: Berlin – Beethoven - Bonn

Berlin possesses some of the finest art galleries and museums in the world and offers the highest standard of music and opera performances. The number, variety and quality of museums make Berlin among the world's most desired destinations for art lovers. Berlin has three opera houses, over 1500 theatres and stages, more than 175 museums and collections, roughly 300 galleries, and a multitude of other cultural possibilities. Berlin is a city where truly outstanding performances can be virtually guaranteed.

Day 1: Arrive **Berlin** Tegel. Take an orientation tour by coach: the New Embassy quarter, Reichstag, Brandenburg Gate, Pariser Platz and Unter den Linden. Dinner in the hotel.

Day 2: Walk through the oldest part of the city to 'Museums Island', a group of major museum buildings. Visit the Neues Museum, the stunning new home to the Egyptian Museum, restored and recreated by British architect David Chipperfield and the Alte Nationalgalerie, which superbly displays European painting of the 19th century, including the finest collection of German Romantics. Some free time before an evening concert performance.

Day 3: Visit **Charlottenburg** - Charlottenburg castle, the earliest major building in Berlin, is an outstanding Baroque and Rococo palace with splendid interiors. The Berggruen Collection of Picasso and classic modern art is also displayed. Guided visit of the production and store room of the Staatliche Gipsformerei (Replica Workshop) which is the largest institution of its kind in the world. High-quality art replicas of works mainly from the collections of the Staatliche Museen zu Berlin, but also from other European museums, have been produced here for almost 200 years. Evening concert performance.

Day 4: Europe's greatest building project in the 1990s, Potsdamer Platz showcases an international array of architects (Piano, Isozaki, Rogers, Moneo). Scattered around the nearby 'Kulturforum' are museums, the State Library and the Philharmonie concert hall (Hans Scharoun 1956–63). Free afternoon, an opportunity to visit the Museum of Musical Instruments or the Gemäldegalerie which houses one of Europe's major collections of Old Masters.

Day 5: **Potsdam** - Excursion to Potsdam which in the 18th century developed into Brandenburg-Prussia's second capital and acquired fine buildings, parks and gardens. Sanssouci, created as a retreat from the affairs of state by Frederick the Great, is among the finest 18th-century complexes of gardens, palaces and pavilions to be found anywhere. Visit his single-storey palace atop terraces of fruit trees, the Chinese Tea House and the orangery, and see the city centre with its Dutch Quarter and Neo-Classical buildings. Return to Berlin.

Day 6: Explore Berlin Mitte - Private collection and gallery visits and a visit to a studio of a local artist. Stroll around the Scheunenviertel (Old Jewish quarter) to the Hacksche Höfe and explore the Berlin of the 1920s and the Jewish life in Berlin. Attend a jazz concert night or visit Clärchens Ballhaus – Berlin's most legendary dance hall, opened in 1913, when there was that mad hipe about tango, it has survived two world wars, communist spies and even a Quentin Tarantino movie production.

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Day 7: Check out and continue to **Dresden**. Once called "Florence on the Elbe" because of its numerous baroque buildings Dresden still offers a lot to the visitor. Music enthusiasts all over the world are familiar with Dresden. This is due not least to the guest performances by the Dresden Philharmonic Orchestra and the Sächsische Staatskapelle working at the famous Semper Opera House, the Dresdner Kreuzchor and Dresdner Kapellknaben choirs. Enjoy a 3 hours guided tour of Dresden and visit the Semperoper and the Zwinger palace. See the Silbermann organ at the Hofkirche (court church). Open-air concerts and musical evenings can be enjoyed in the Baroque atmosphere of the old town and in Dresden's palaces and parks. Overnight in Dresden.

Day 8: Check out and continue to Bonn. En route lunch stop in **Eisenach**. On the top of the city you will find the well known castle of the Wartburg. This castle was the residence of Luther during the time he translated the bible from Hebrew and Greek into German. Visit the Bach House in Eisenach and the Georgenkirche, where Bach was christened. Late afternoon arrive in **Bonn**.

Day 9: Morning guided visit of the Beethoven House Bonn and walking tour of the city centre. Ludwig van Beethoven's birthplace is of great importance for people throughout the world and the main attraction in the musical city of Bonn. The museum presents the largest Beethoven collection in the world. Its impressive authentic documents combined with new media bear witness to Beethoven's life and compositions. Enjoy a private concert performed on historical instruments at the chamber concert hall of the Beethoven House. Evening free to attend one of the numerous music and art events which will take place in Bonn to celebrate Beethoven's 250th birthday.

Day 10: Morning excursion to **Cologne** to visit Cologne Cathedral. The Gothic cathedral houses the remains of the Three Wise Men, which Archbishop Rainald von Dassel had brought to Cologne from Milan after the latter city was conquered in 1164. Because of these relics, the cathedral became one of the most important places of pilgrimage in Europe. Its two massive towers have dominated the city's skyline since their completion in 1880. Afterwards guided walking tour of the old town. Highlights include the Dionysus Mosaic, Roemerstrasse, Gulichplatz, Farina-House (birthplace of Eau de Cologne), the Jewish Quarter, Old Market Square, Town Hall, Great St. Martin Church. Lunch in traditional brewery restaurant Cologne. In 1778 Beethoven's first known public performance took place in Cologne. His father advertised his age as six years, although he was in fact seven, probably to draw favourable comparisons with the child prodigy Mozart. He played various clavier concertos and trios. Return to Bonn with stop en route in **Brühl** to visit Palaces Augustusburg and Falkenlust with their extensive gardens and park grounds.

Day 11: Morning free for individual sightseeing. Afternoon excursion to the **Ahr Valley** with stop en route to visit Drachenburg Castle in **Königswinter**. Take the Drachenfels Railway up the mountain and take in the splendid view of the **Rhine**. Rhine cruise from Königswinter to Remagen and transfer to the romantic wine village **Ahrweiler**, embedded in vineyards, and surrounded by the mediavial town walls. The Ahr region is considered to be the „German red wine paradise“ and famous for the pinot noir and pinot madeleine. Farewell dinner with wine tasting in the world's oldest winegrowers' cooperative. Overnight in Bonn.

Day 12: After breakfast check out and get transferred to Cologne airport for your return flight.

*** *Program can be adapted to your wishes. All services are subject to availability at the time of booking.*

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