Exclusive Duke departure – May 18-June 2, 2027

Journey through Central Europe

16 days from $7,297 total price from Boston, New York

($6,495 air & land inclusive plus $802 airline taxes and fees)

Whether you hope to reconnect with your ancestral heritage or simply explore a beautiful and deeply moving region of the world, this intimate small-group journey offers meaningful opportunities for enrichment and discovery. Blending comprehensive guided touring with time for independent exploration, the program provides a rich and well-paced introduction to four distinct and fascinating nations.

Avg. High (°F)	May	Jun
Warsaw	66	72
Budapest	70	77
Vienna	68	75

Physical Activity Level

3

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 Hotel	Sup. First Class
4-6	Krakow	Hotel Pod Roza	First Class
7-9	Budapest	Hilton Budapest	Deluxe
10-12	Vienna	Hilton Vienna Plaza	Deluxe
13-15	Prague	Grand Hotel Bohemia Prague	Sup. First Class
16	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.

We enjoy guided touring and free time in Budapest. Above: House of Parliament on the Danube

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 Royal Castle, whose origins date to the late 13th century. We also tour the area of the former Jewish Ghetto. After lunch on our own, we enjoy a private classical piano recital, followed by free time to do as we wish. *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 cultural 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 the 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 independent 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-

B – Breakfast; L – Lunch; D – Dinner

Tour membership limited to 24 Duke alumni, family, and friends

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. Then we cross the Chain Bridge into Pest where we tour Dohány Synagogue, Europe's largest. Following an afternoon at leisure, tonight we enjoy a typical Hungarian dinner at a local restaurant. *B,D*

Day 9: Budapest We're free to discover the "Paris of the East" on our own today. 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*

Prague's ancient Jewish Cemetery

Day 10: Budapest/ Danube Bend/ Vienna, Austria Today, we pass through the 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 Kovács. We continue on to the village of Neszmély, where we stop for lunch, and then reach the Austrian 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,

> "[Budapest] is a dreamed-up city."
>
> – M. John Harrison

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 9th 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*

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

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Duke Travels strives to engage Duke faculty or senior leaders and hosts as leaders on all their programs to augment the educational experience and provide a uniquely Duke perspective. Visit duke-travels.com for updates.

Prague, "City of a Hundred Spires"

Tour Departs: May 18, 2027

Prices include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees

Boston, New York	$7,297
Chicago, Washington, DC	$7,597
Atlanta, Baltimore, Charlotte, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Houston, Philadelphia	$7,697
Los Angeles, Miami, Minneapolis, Orlando, Phoenix, Portland (OR), Raleigh-Durham, San Francisco, Seattle, Tampa	$7,797
Land Only (transfers not included)	$6,295

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 $1,695. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Airline upgrades on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: Business Class – $4,195 per person; Premium Economy – $1,795 per person in addition to the above costs (upgrades are subject to availability and pricing is subject to change).

Please note: Contracted air arrangements may have limited availability. Seating, upgrades, and frequent flier miles cannot be guaranteed.

Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities
- 14 nights' accommodations in Deluxe, Superior First Class, and First Class 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
- $100 frequent traveler credit towards your next Duke/Odysseys Unlimited tour ($200 after 3 tours; $300 after 10 tours)

Post-Tour Extension

June 2-5, 2027

Berlin – On Your Own

4 days/3 nights for $1,295 total price

Single Supplement: $545

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 Roomers Berlin Steinplatz (Deluxe)
- 3 meals: 3 breakfasts
- Transfer from rail station and to airport

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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, 2027, and include accommodations based on double occupancy; airfare from your departure city; airline taxes, surcharges, and fees 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 pre- and post-tour extensions when accompanied by an Odysseys Unlimited representative. Please note that gratuities for the Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director, shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour), and housekeeping staff 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 entry requirements; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; immunizations and inoculations; medical equipment and related supplies such as distilled water, and personal care or dietary items; communications charges; and airport transfers when purchasing a land-only package or when selecting alternate tour arrival and/or departure dates. 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 $650 per person confirms your reservation. Full payment is due at least 125 days prior to departure and may be made by personal check or credit card. Odysseys Unlimited reserves the right to cancel any reservations that are not paid in full and/or where the Terms and Conditions have not been acknowledged by the final payment date. In these cases, standard penalties will apply. If you make your reservation after the final payment date, payment in full will be required upon reservation.

A minimum number of participants is required to operate the tour and to secure the services of a Duke Travels representative (faculty or host). Minimum numbers required may vary depending on tour and departure date. Please call Duke Travels for details. Every attempt will be made to operate each trip and to find a Duke host who will join the program to add a uniquely Duke perspective to the experience. If this is important to you in making your decision to travel with this program, please call 1-919-684-3046 before making your final payment.

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 (exceptions not allowed):

For all tours:

Prior to departure	Charge
125 days or more:	$200
124-95 days:	25% of tour price
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, including for no shows, late arrivals, cancellations after departure, issues with passports or visas, or early departure from a tour. If because of low participation Odysseys Unlimited 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. Please note that single rooms in many foreign hotels may be smaller than those to which you are accustomed.

Changes to Your Reservation

A fee of $50 per person will apply to all air-inclusive guests who have chosen an alternate arrival or departure date. Once inside the final payment date for your tour, additional hotel night(s) and/or transfer(s) that you may have added to your reservation are non-refundable. From final payment date to 30 days before departure, an administrative fee of $100 per person will apply to any changes you make to your reservation, 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. **No changes to your name(s) or departure date are allowed after final payment date. Traveler substitutions are considered reservation cancellation and are subject to cancellations charges. 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 than originally cited, 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 of our international tours. If your tour requires a visa(s), we strongly recommend that you have at least six blank visa pages available; otherwise, 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 solely responsible for obtaining all required passports, visas, documents, and immunizations, and costs thereof for entry into each destination.** Issuance of travel documentation is at the discretion of individual countries. Failure to secure or denial of proper travel documents may prevent travel or entry, with no refunds provided. 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.

Minors

When traveling with a minor, the parent(s) or guardian(s) are fully responsible for the minor's supervision and safety. Travelers should carry a letter of authorization from both parents permitting emergency medical treatment. Each minor must share accommodations with an adult, and some countries require special documentation for minors traveling without both parents. Odysseys Unlimited is not responsible for disruptions due to incomplete or incorrect paperwork.

Merchants

Some tours may include the opportunity to visit local shops and merchants. Odysseys Unlimited is not responsible for any individual purchases made while on tour.

Health and Medical Issues

We welcome all travelers, but you should be in relatively good health to participate in activities as outlined in the Physical Activity Levels for each tour. **You must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and boats on your own.** We regret that we cannot provide individual assistance if you require the use of a wheelchair or have other personal needs; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that many of our itineraries cannot accommodate wheelchairs or motorized scooters.

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 reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical condition or behavior, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other tour members. In that event, Duke University (DUKE) and Odysseys Unlimited assume no financial responsibility for any additional costs nor the unused portion of the tour. While we do our best to accommodate food allergy concerns, we cannot guarantee zero cross-contamination. Additionally, depending on the location, dietary requests may not be easily accommodated: therefore, we cannot guarantee that all dietary requests can be met. Also, please note that where requests can be accommodated, choices may be limited.

You acknowledge, understand, and accept that during a tour, you or other guests may be exposed to communicable or foodborne illnesses. You further recognize that the risk of such exposure is inherent in activities involving interaction or shared facilities, and is beyond the control of the Company or its suppliers and cannot be completely eliminated.

Odysseys Unlimited has a No Smoking policy (including e-cigarettes and vaping) on all tour buses and motorcoaches.

Air Transportation

Your tour package includes round-trip economy airfare from designated departure cities. Airfares from other U.S. cities are available upon request. Airline upgrades at additional cost may be available on request; these apply to the round-trip trans-Atlantic or trans-Pacific flights only and do not apply to domestic or internal flights. Scheduling may differ for upgraded travel and may require additional connections.

Flight schedules are subject to change at any time. If arranging your own flights, we recommend waiting until final payment is due and avoiding non-refundable or high-penalty fares. Odysseys Unlimited and DUKE are not liable for any loss due to tour cancellations, changes in gateways, travel dates, or airline schedule changes.

If a flight schedule requires an overnight, that cost is your responsibility. **Airline seat assignments are usually done at check-in. Odysseys Unlimited is unable to guarantee any seat assignments.**

We reserve the right to select air carriers and routing. When planning our tours, we contract with those airlines that we 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.

By using our air services, you acknowledge that Odysseys Unlimited acts solely as your agent in arranging air transportation with independent carriers. We are not responsible for accidents, delays, cancellations, missed connections, schedule or name changes, or any related losses. If you miss a flight, you must work directly with the airline to continue your travel; no refunds or reimbursements will be provided for missed trip portions.

Airline loyalty program mileage credits are issued at the discretion of the airline(s) and may not be available for the flights on your tour. If you prefer to make your own airline reservations, ask about the "land only" pricing.

Responsibility

The liability of DUKE, as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. (OU), as tour operator, is strictly limited. As operator, OU purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under its control. OU serves only as an agent 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, their employees, agents, servants or representatives. DUKE and OU are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within its 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 line, and other independent suppliers. OU 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, OU 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.

Binding Arbitration

Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating in any way to these Terms and Conditions, to the Responsibility Clause, to the brochure, or any other information relating in any way to the trip, or to the trip itself, shall be resolved solely and exclusively by binding arbitration in Massachusetts, in accordance with the then existing commercial rules of the American Arbitration Association. In any such arbitration substantive Massachusetts law will apply. The arbitrator and not any federal, state, or local court or agency shall have exclusive authority to resolve any dispute relating to the interpretation, applicability, enforceability, conscionability, or formation of this contract, including but not limited to any claim that all or any part of this contract is void or voidable.

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RESERVATION FORM

To reserve your place on the tour or to ask questions, please **email duketravels@duke.edu or call Duke Travels at (919) 684-2988**. You may also visit www.duke-travels.com and, on the specific trip page, complete the **Trip Interest Form** under the section *"Request Your Spot Today."*

Whether you contact Duke Travels by phone, email, or by submitting the Trip Interest Form, all requests are time-and date-stamped and responded to in the order received. When Duke Travels has received your request (by phone, email, or online) and you are ready to book, your information will be shared with Odysseys Unlimited. A Travel Counselor from **Odysseys Unlimited** will contact you within two business days to review the tour details and provide a secure link for entering your credit card information. Your reservation is not confirmed until your deposit has been paid and processed. Payment may be made by **American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or VISA**. Final payment is due **125 days prior to departure.**

For **air travel or trip-specific information only**, please contact **Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. at (888) 370-6765**.

Tour Name _____

Departure Date _____

Pre- or Post-Tour Extension (as described on tour page): Please sign me/us up ❑

I/we would like to request _____ place(s). (Deposit amount is $650 per person.)

Full Passport Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Gender _____

Full Passport Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Gender _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone (_____)_____ Cell Phone (_____)_____

E-mail(s) _____ Badge Name(s) _____

Please book my/our air from _____ I/We request an air upgrade to _____

I will share a room with _____ I request a single room (limited availability) ❑

I/We request an upgrade to cabin category _____ (for *Patagonian Frontiers* only) ❑