

Join Rod Underwood on *WORLD TOUR 2023* to:

*Russia, Finland, Sweden, Germany,  
Poland, Hungary, Austria &  
Cz Republic*

**March 8—March 28, 2023**



*Daily Itinerary (subject to change)*

**Day 1: March 8, St. Petersburg**

Arrive St. Petersburg. After proceeding through arrival formalities transfer to your hotel. Dinner at the hotel.(D)

**Day 2: March 9, St. Petersburg**

Guided city tour and visit to the Hermitage. The State Hermitage Museum is a museum of art and culture. Just down Prospect Nevsky, you can get to the Spilled Blood Church (Shrist Resurrection Temple) along a canal. Returning to Prospect Nevsky, the Champs Elysee of St. Petersburg, 240 facades were “renewed” almost 200 years ago as a major urban design project. You will find a small plaza filled with local art works at a reasonable price.

**Day 3: March 10, St. Petersburg**

Morning visit of the Summer Palace of Peter the Great. Afternoon free.

**Day 4: March 11, St. Petersburg/Helsinki**

Depart for Helsinki. Upon arrival you will be joined by a local guide and enjoy a guided tour. Dinner and Overnight provided (D) Church of the Rock, (Temppeliakio Church), Kampi Chapel, Museum of Contemporary Art, National Opera House, Loyly Restaurant.

**Day 5: March 12, Helsinki/Stockholm.**

Additional touring or independent morning. In the afternoon transfer to the pier. Board the overnight ferry to Stockholm. Dinner on board (D)

**Day 6: March 13, Stockholm**

Breakfast on board. Arrive Stockholm this morning. You will be met at the pier and begin a sightseeing tour of Stockholm. See the Royal Opera, The Old Town with its world-famous colorful houses, the old royal hunting ground Djurgården, and the southern island Södermalm with its hip urban atmosphere. Alua Medica Theater, Congress Hall, Vasa Maritime Museum with a full warship that sunk in the harbor during it's first voyage.

**Day 7: March 14, Stockholm**

Full free day to explore on own with your group leader.

**Day 8: March 15, Stockholm/Berlin**

Morning transfer to the airport. Flight to Berlin. Meeting upon arrival and begin touring Berlin. Step inside the Reichstag's iconic glass dome and learn about Germany's fascinating history, architecture, and politics. (D) Jewish Museum, Holocaust Memorial, La Estacion Central, Bauhaus Museum, National Gallery (Mies), Reichstag Dome (Foster), remnants of the wall, of course.

**Day 9: March 16, Berlin**

Morning visit the DDR museum. Dive right into history, rummage through cupboards and drawers in originally furnished rooms and drive a Trabant.

**Day 10: March 17, Berlin/Krakow**

Free morning to explore on own.

Afternoon, transfer to the airport. Flight to Krakow. Meeting upon arrival and transfer to the hotel. (D)

**21 - Day Tour Includes:**

- ◆ (20) Nights Accommodations in good 3\* & 4\* hotels.
- ◆ Luxury Motor Coach transportation where mentioned.
- ◆ Leadership of:  
Professor Rod Underwood
- ◆ Breakfast Daily
- ◆ 9 Dinners
- ◆ Sightseeing per Itinerary
- ◆ Allegro train from St. Petersburg to Helsinki
- ◆ Overnight ferry from Helsinki to Stockholm
- ◆ Flight from Stockholm to Berlin
- ◆ Flight from Berlin to Krakow
- ◆ Overnight train from Krakow to Budapest
- ◆ Train Budapest to Vienna
- ◆ Train Vienna/Salzburg/Munich
- ◆ Train Munich to Prague
- ◆ Gratuities included.



**\$4,995 P/P Dbl. Occ.**

**Single Supplement \$ 1,350**

*(Subject to confirmation of services and  
Pending Air Confirmation)*

*DOES NOT INCLUDE INTERNATIONAL AIRFARE TO  
St. Petersburg and return from Prague*

**Day 11: March 18, Krakow**

Full day touring Krakow with a local guide viewing Old Town, Royal Way, Sukiennice Cloth Hall, St. Mary's Church and Wawel Hill. The town square, Rynek Główny is an exceptional place, central shops, cafes, etc. The downside of this beautiful place is the nearby Death Camps

**Day 12: March 19, Krakow/Budapest (overnight train)**

This morning tour Auschwitz Wieliczka Salt Mines. This salt mine is "phenomenal" with a Cathedral carved into it. Architecture by subtraction. In the evening board the overnight train to Budapest. (D)

**Day 13: March 20, Budapest**

Arrive Budapest in the morning. Meeting at the station. Begin a guided tour of Budapest. Admire iconic buildings such as the Parliament and St. Stephen's Basilica. Enjoy a guided walk in the castle area on the Buda side and see the Fisherman's Bastion and Matthias Church.

**Day 14: March 21, Budapest/Vienna**

Free morning to explore on own. In the afternoon transfer to the rail station. Depart For Vienna. Meeting upon arrival and transfer to your hotel. (D) Two cities Buda (hills) and Pest (plain), divided by the Danube river. You technical nerds will want to see the Chain Bridge. I believe the Central Market Hall is where I purchased jewelry created by "virgin Hungarian fairies" on multiple occasions. :-)

**Day 15: March 22, Vienna**

Stroll through Vienna's enchanting streets and see its world-famous museums, historic monuments, and churches. Experience centuries of history. Remainder of the day is free. We will undoubtedly visit the Hundertwasserhaus complex, a housing complex designed by an artist.

**Day 16: March 23, Vienna**

Full free day on an independent basis. Hauptbahnhof (train station, Historic Karlsplatz subway station, Hass Haus, a ride around the central city on the trolley is a cheap thrill. and, and, and...

**Day 17: March 24, Vienna/Salzburg/Munich**

Early departure from Vienna by train. Arrive Salzburg where you will store your luggage. Meet the local guide and enjoy a walking tour of Salzburg. Salzburg's Burgher Town with its narrow, crooked little streets and the unique passage ways of the so-called 'Getreidegasse' Salzburg's commercial center still remains intact in its medieval charm contrasting the great spacious Baroque squares of the district where the Archbishops presided over the city in their Residence. See Mozart's Birthplace and monastery of the Benedictines called St. Peter – dating back to 696 AC. Along with stories of Salzburg's medieval salt commerce and medical innovations, we follow the childhoods of Wolfgang and Nannerl Mozart as well as the life story of the great second musical son of the city, the composer, Michael Haydn. At the conclusion, return to the rail station to collect your luggage. One of my main memories of Salzburg has always been the roast pork hock with sourcraut and potatoes. The main plaza with the life size chess board it an attraction best viewed from the castle above. The elf park is a fun attraction as well. Continue by rail to Munich. Upon arrival walk to your nearby hotel. (D)

**Day 18: March 25, Munich**

Morning walking tour of Munich. Admire architectural wonders like the Old Town Hall, St Peter's Church and the Munich Residenz; stroll through the lively Viktualienmarkt; and see the world-famous Hofbräuhaus beer hall. Accompanied by an expert guide, you'll have ample opportunities to learn more about Munich's history, cultural heritage and beer-brewing legacy, while walking between the central squares of Marienplatz and Odeonsplatz. The Frei Otto Olympic site is worth the visit, and the BMW museum immediately adjacent. The Lenbachhaus Art gallery is also an option Of course, the HOFBRAUHAUS will be required attendance in the evening. We can compare the roast port from Salzburg and select our favorite.

Free afternoon to explore on own.

**Day 19: March 26, Munich/Prague**

Return to the Munich train station. Depart Munich for Prague. Meeting upon arrival and begin a tour of Prague with a local guide. The City of 100 Spires is like a vast architectural museum. The center of Prague survived WWII intact, meaning you'll be able to appreciate architectural styles from the Romanesque to Art Nouveau. (D)

**Day 20: March 27, Prague**

Full Free day to explore Prague on own. Prague is terrific!!! The Fred and Ginger building by Ghery is worth a visit, but the best part is the astronomical Clock near the main square, lots of fun purchase options, and the walk across the Charles bridge. You can actually have an artist create an image, best selfie ever. Lots of jewelry souvenir options, as well. One of my favorite is water colors by V. Shukshin. They are absolutely beautiful with water and reflections!!

**Day 21: March 28, Prague Depart.**

A transfer will be provided to the airport.

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**Please Note:**

- This offer is accurate as of today, **August 4, 2021** and is subject to availability and revision without notice when owing to circumstances beyond the control of Contemporary Tours up until final payment is received.
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