



WORLD PROJECTS
EXPLORE THE WORLD WITH MUSIC

SAMPLE ITINERARY CENTRAL EUROPE PERFORMANCE TOUR

(itinerary subject to change)

DAY ONE: BUDAPEST ARRIVAL (D)

Afternoon

Arrive into Budapest, Hungary!

The River Danube separates Buda on the hilly west bank from Pest on the eastern plain and is fundamental to the city's layout and history. Budapest offers a wealth of entertainment and cultural activities, museums, concerts, theatres, opera and musicals as well as elegant shops and good food.

Collect your luggage and move through customs and immigration. Meet your local European Tour Manager and load the coach. Transfer and check-in to a local hotel. Dinner as a group in Budapest then return to the hotel.

Evening



DAY TWO: BUDAPEST (B)

Morning

Breakfast as a group at the hotel. This morning enjoy a Guided Sightseeing Tour of Budapest with local guides. You will see the Parliament Building, the Matthias Church and Fisherman's Bastion. Lunch on your own at the famous Central Market Hall which is the largest and oldest indoor market in the city. After lunch, visit the Museum of Music History.

Afternoon

The Museum of Music History (Zenetörténeti Múzeum) tells the story of music through exhibitions, recitals and concerts. The emphasis is on Hungarian music, which is rich in folk traditions and covers a wide spectrum from the rhapsodies of Liszt and the compositions of Bartók and Kodály to Hungarian gipsy music.

Evening

Dinner on your own in Budapest then return to the hotel.





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DAY THREE: BUDAPEST (B,D) – Performance #1

Morning

Breakfast as a group at the hotel.
This morning enjoy a guided tour of the neo-Renaissance Hungarian State Opera House.

The Budapest Opera House is considered to be amongst the best opera houses in the world in terms of its acoustics, and has an auditorium that seats 1200 people. It is horseshoe-shaped and, according to measurements done by a group of international engineers, has the third best acoustics amongst similar European venues (after the Scala in Milan and the Paris Opera House).



Afternoon

Lunch on own in Budapest.
Load the coach and transfer to a local venue (possibly Vigado Concert Hall or Matthias Church – TBC or similar).

Evening

Arrive, setup and rehearse in this evening's venue.
Dinner as a group at a nearby restaurant.
Performance in Budapest possibly at Vigado Concert Hall or Matthias Church (TBC or similar).
This concert may be shared with a local ensemble.
Following the concert, pack up and return to the hotel.

DAY FOUR: BUDAPEST → VIENNA (B,D)

Morning

Breakfast as a group at the hotel.
Check-out of the hotel, load the coach and begin your journey to Vienna.
Enjoy driving through the Dunakanyar (The Danube Bend), which marks a point in the Danube where the river literally makes a sharp bend.
Stop in the town of Eisenstadt and enjoy a visit of the Esterházy Castle.

The Esterházys were a Hungarian noble family beginning in the Middle Ages. The Esterházy family is perhaps best known for its association with the celebrated composer Joseph Haydn, who served as their Kapellmeister. From 1766 to 1790, the estate was the home of the celebrated composer Joseph Haydn, where he lived in a four-room flat in a large two-story building housing servants' quarters, separate from the palace.

Afternoon

Lunch on your own en route.
Following lunch, continue on to Vienna.

A whirl of gilded Hapsburg palaces and regal parks on the banks of the blue Danube, Vienna is a fine romance of a city. Tradition and innovation walk hand in hand: Strauss waltzes are still hip to 20-something ball-goers and even the imperial stables have been born again as the surprising and vibrant Museum Quarter.

Upon arrival into Vienna make a stop at the Vienna Central Cemetery where you will see the tombs and memorials of famous composers such as Beethoven, Mozart, the Strauss family and Brahms.

Late afternoon, transfer/check in to a local hotel.

Evening

Dinner as a group in Vienna and this evening is free.





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DAY FIVE: VIENNA (B) – Masterclass

Morning Breakfast as a group at the hotel.
This morning, enjoy a Guided Sightseeing Tour of Vienna – see highlights such as the Imperial Hofburg Palace, the Vienna Opera House, and St. Stephen’s Cathedral.

Afternoon Lunch on own in central Vienna.
After lunch, enjoy a *masterclass* with a member of the Vienna Philharmonic or conductor of the Vienna Boys Choir (TBC).
Later this afternoon, enjoy a visit to the wonderful Haus der Musik.



Opened in 2000, the Haus der Musik is an interactive sound and music museum – highlights include “conducting” the Vienna Philharmonic, games involving famous Viennese composers and interactive sound exhibits that teach students about how music is created and perceived.

Evening Dinner on your own in Vienna then return to the hotel.

DAY SIX: VIENNA (B,D) – Performance #2

Morning Breakfast as a group at the hotel.
After breakfast, enjoy a visit to Schönbrunn Palace (including audio guides) - the fabulous baroque summer residence of the Hapsburg Emperors.

Afternoon Lunch on your own in Vienna followed by some time to explore.
Load the coach and transfer to a local venue (possibly at MuTh Concert Hall (TBC or similar).
Arrive, setup and rehearse in this evening’s venue.

Evening Dinner as a group at a nearby restaurant.
Performance in Vienna possibly at MuTh Concert Hall (TBC or similar).
This concert may be shared with a local ensemble.
Following the concert, pack up and return to the hotel.





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DAY SEVEN: VIENNA → PRAGUE (B,D)

- Morning Breakfast as a group at the hotel.
Check-out of the hotel, load the coach and begin your journey to Prague, Czech Republic (approx. 4 hour drive plus stop).
- Afternoon Lunch on your own en route.
Continue on to Prague.

The City of a Thousand Spires has seen it all. Centuries of Bohemian kings, classical composers, invading Nazis, Soviet tanks and Velvet Revolutionaries have passed over Prague's cobblestones, and the spires survived it all, creating one of Europe's most romantic and beautiful skylines.

Upon arrival into Prague, enjoy a Guided Sightseeing tour of Old Town Prague which will include such highlights as Charles Bridge, Old Town Square and the famous Astronomical Clock situated on Old Town Hall.

Following the tour, transfer/check-in to a local hotel.

- Evening Dinner as a group in Prague and this evening is free.



DAY EIGHT: PRAGUE (B) – Performance #3

- Morning Breakfast as a group at the hotel.
Following breakfast, depart on a guided tour of the Jewish Quarter in Prague. Your visit will include the Jewish cemetery and the Spanish Synagogue.
- Afternoon Lunch on your own in Prague.
Load the coach and transfer to a local venue (TBC – possibly Dvorak Hall at the Rudolfinum – TBC or similar).
- Evening Dinner on own nearby the venue.
Performance in Prague possibly at Dvorak Hall at the Rudolfinum (TBC or similar).
This concert may be shared with a local ensemble.
Following the concert, pack up and return to the hotel.





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DAY NINE: PRAGUE (B,D)

Morning	Breakfast as a group at the hotel. This morning you will enjoy a guided tour of the Prague Castle District including the St. Vitus Cathedral, Old Royal Palace, St. George's Basilica and the Golden Lane.
Afternoon	Lunch on your own in Prague. Following lunch, enjoy time for shopping/sightseeing in Prague in your chaperone groups. Late afternoon return to the hotel to freshen up for this evening.
Evening	Enjoy a Farewell Dinner to celebrate your Central Europe Performance Tour. Afterwards, return to the hotel.



DAY TEN: PRAGUE DEPARTURE (B)

Morning	Breakfast as a group at the hotel. Check out of the hotel and transfer to Prague International Airport. Arrive at Prague International Airport and check-in for your flights.
Afternoon	Depart Prague.

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(itinerary subject to change)

INCLUSIONS:

- ♪ Round-trip, economy class airfare including taxes/fuel surcharges (subject to change)
- ♪ Accommodation:
 - BUDAPEST – Three (3) nights at a local hotel
 - VIENNA – Three (3) nights at a local hotel
 - PRAGUE – Three (3) nights at a local hotel
- ♪ Breakfasts: Daily (nine (9) total) at the hotels
- ♪ Dinners: Six (6) as a group at local restaurants
- ♪ Full-sized deluxe touring coach as required by the itinerary
- ♪ One (1) local tour manager per coach with the group in Central Europe
- ♪ Sightseeing and admissions per itinerary including:
 - BUDAPEST:
 - * Guided Sightseeing Tour
 - * Museum of Music History
 - * State Opera House Guided Tour
 - EISENSTADT:
 - * Esterhazy Castle
 - VIENNA:
 - * Vienna Central Cemetery
 - * Guided Sightseeing Tour
 - * Haus der Musik
 - * Schönbrunn Palace
 - PRAGUE:
 - * Guided Tour of Old Town Prague
 - * Guided Tour of the Jewish Quarter including the Jewish cemetery and Spanish Synagogue
 - * Guided Tour of the Prague Castle District
- ♪ Performance and workshop setup in Central Europe as follows:
 - BUDAPEST:
 - * Performance possibly at Vigado Concert Hall or Matthias Church (TBC or similar).
 - VIENNA:
 - * Masterclass with a member of the Vienna Philharmonic or conductor of the Vienna Boys Choir (TBC).
 - * Performance possibly at MuTh Concert Hall (TBC or similar).
 - PRAGUE:
 - * Performance possibly at Dvorak Hall at the Rudolfinum (TBC or similar).
- ♪ Large Percussion / piano rental as required by the ensemble
- ♪ Certificate of Liability Insurance (upon request)
- ♪ Taxes and tolls where applicable

EXCLUSIONS:

- ♪ Ground Transportation from Home Airport
- ♪ Checked Baggage charges / Excess or overweight baggage charges
- ♪ Meals not listed in “Inclusions” / Drinks at included dinners
- ♪ Sightseeing entrances not indicated in the itinerary/inclusions list
- ♪ Passport processing fees
- ♪ Items of a personal nature (laundry, room service, telephone fee, internet connection, mail, etc.)
- ♪ Tips to Tour Managers or Drivers
- ♪ Trip Cancellation Insurance