

Prague Choral Celebration: A Trio of Te Deums

Festival Tour #3 (8 nights/10 days)

Day 1 Sunday, June 26, 2016

Depart via scheduled air service to Prague, Czech Republic

Day 2 Monday, June 27 Prague (D)

Arrive in Prague

Meet your MCI Tour Manager who will assist the group to awaiting chartered motorcoach for a transfer to the hotel via orientation tour of Prague seeing the Charles Bridge, Old Town Square, the Tyn Church, the Astronomical Clock, and the Jewish Quarter

Mid-afternoon hotel check-in

Evening dinner and overnight

Prague achieved much of its present glory in the 14th century, during the long reign of Charles IV, king of Bohemia and Moravia and Holy Roman Emperor. During the Middle Ages, Prague enjoyed a golden age - a time when Prague was larger than Paris or London! The Hapsburgs also left their artistic and architectural mark. Today, Prague is universally declared one of the most beautiful cities in Europe

Day 3 Tuesday, June 28 Prague (B,L)

Breakfast at the hotel

Half-day guided tour of Prague includes a visit to Hradcany Castle, including its St. Vitus Cathedral, the Old Royal Palace, the Golden Lane, and the Daliborka Tower

Festival Welcome Lunch

Afternoon at leisure for sightseeing, shopping or other activities

Dinner on own

Evening rehearsal

Overnight at the hotel

Day 4 Wednesday, June 29 Prague (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Morning rehearsal

Lunch on own

Half-day guided tour of *Musical Prague* including entrance to the Dvorak Museum in Prague. The Museum focuses on collecting, maintaining and displaying documents concerning the Maestro's life and work. Also visit Lobkowitz Palace with its large music archive containing works by over five hundred composers and musicians. The Music Archive is most celebrated for its collection of works by Handel, Mozart, Haydn and Beethoven

Dinner at a local restaurant

Evening rehearsal

Overnight at the hotel

Day 5 Thursday, June 30 Prague (B)

Breakfast at the hotel



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Morning at leisure for sightseeing, shopping or other activities
 Lunch on own
Afternoon dress rehearsal
 Dinner on own
Prague Choral Celebration Finale Concert
 Overnight at the hotel

Day 6 Friday, July 1 Prague / Vienna (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel
 Transfer to Vienna
 Lunch on own
 Upon approach to the city, stop at the Vienna City Cemetery to visit the graves of Beethoven, Strauss, Brahms, Schubert and the Mozart Memorial
 Orientation tour of Vienna's main attractions and landmarks
 Evening dinner and overnight

Vienna is still considered the music capital of the world. It is a city of refined tastes, grace, style and unmatched artistic accomplishments. For a thousand years, Vienna was the capital of the far-flung Holy Roman and Hapsburg empires. Though its people and ways have changed, Vienna has retained its imperial monuments, not as reminders of past glories, but as living symbols of its present freedom

Day 7 Saturday, July 2 Vienna (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel
 Half-day guided tour of *Historical Vienna* includes the Ringstraße, Imperial Palace, State Opera, Town Hall, Burgkapelle (home of the Vienna Boys Choir), Palace Stables, Strauß Monument, and entrance to Schönbrunn Palace, built by the Hapsburgs in imitation of Versailles
 Lunch on own
Performance as part of the American Celebration of Music in Austria
 Evening dinner and overnight

Day 8 Sunday, July 3 Vienna / Eisenstadt / Budapest (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel
 Transfer to Budapest via Eisenstadt. Everything in Eisenstadt reminds one of the brilliant composer Franz Joseph Haydn. Entrance is included to Esterhazy Palace with its Haydnsaal, where many of Haydn's works were premiered and also to Haydn's House, which is now a museum
Recital in Haydnsaal
 Lunch on own
 Continue to Budapest for dinner and overnight

Budapest is the modern combination of three cities: Obuda, Buda and Pest. Linked by eight bridges, these cities have retained their own distinctive characteristics, but their combination has created one of the most beautiful cities in Europe. Two opera houses, five concert halls and numerous theatres are only the beginning of the dazzling entertainment in this captivating city

Day 9 Monday, July 4 Budapest (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel
 Morning guided tour of Budapest to include the Parliament, Chain Bridge, Royal Castle Hill (for an incredible view of the city), St. Stephen's Cathedral, Matthias Church, Fisherman's Bastion (including entrance), and the



picturesque streets of Táncsis Mihály utca, Uri utca and Fortuna utca, which feature splendid examples of medieval houses and Baroque mansions

Lunch on own

Performance as part of the American Celebration of Music in Hungary

Evening Farewell Dinner and overnight

Day 10 Tuesday, July 5 Depart for home (B)

Breakfast at the hotel

Transfer to Budapest's airport for return flight

***This is a very flexible itinerary.** Except for confirmed appointments and performances, the places of interest and the sequence of sightseeing might be changed if necessary or desirable. In the event of an unavoidable conflict in the performance and the sightseeing schedule, the concert schedule will prevail, and it may be necessary to exclude some sightseeing activities.*

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