

Battlefield Holland & Germany

Day One

Board your overnight flight to Amsterdam!

Day Two

Guided Walking Tour of Amsterdam

This tour of the beautiful city of Amsterdam features landmarks such as Dam Square with the Royal Palace, the Beguinage, Munt Tower, and the Flower market. Take in the scenery and familiarize yourself with the city that will be your home for the next few days.

Visit to the Rijks Museum

This museum, renowned for its amazing collection of 15th-17th century paintings, is a must see location in Amsterdam. Explore the museum at your own pace, taking as much time as you like to experience its wonderful collections.

Tour of Canals

Take a guided tour of the intricate canal system that winds through Amsterdam's streets. Many local residents still use these canals for transportation and relaxing weekend activities.

Overnight in Amsterdam

Day Three

Visit to the Aalsmeer Flower Auction

A city known for its exquisite floral arrangements, this auction gives you the chance to experience the authentic culture of the city and its flower vendors.

Visit to The Hague

The long standing location of Holland's parliament, **The Hague** features the magnificent Carnegie Peace Palace which you will drive by upon your arrival.

Visit to Madurodam

This is an entertaining stop at the location known as the "smallest city in the Netherlands." Created in 1952, the city is a miniature representation of some of the architectural and historical highlights of The

Netherlands. **Madurodam** showcases Holland's most famous buildings and structures, complete with landscaping, miniature people and moving features.

Visit to the Anne Frank House

For more than two years Anne Frank and her family lived in hiding in the annex of this building at Prinsengracht 263. Anne's diary, a tale of hope which detailed her family's time in hiding, has gone on to become one of the widest read manuscripts of the period, and this interactive tour through the setting of the book provides a sense of perspective and gravity for all visitors.

Overnight in Amsterdam

Day Four

Transfer to Valkenburg

Visit to the Holten Canadian War Cemetery

This cemetery houses Canadian troops who died in the late stages of WWII in Holland. Over 1300 troops are buried in this historic landmark of Canadian military valour.

Visit to Liberation Museum Groesbeek

The museum describes Holland's struggle for freedom, mainly during the 1940-1945 period, through various displays, scale models and dioramas. The museum is a token of gratitude for all the men from overseas who contributed to the Allied Operations in this area.

Overnight in Valkenburg

Day Five

Visit to the John Frost Bridge

This bridge, famously profiled in the movie "A Bridge Too Far," was a key strategic site in the second World War. Today, it continues to act as transport over the Lower Rhine at Arnhem.

Visit to the Arnhem War Museum

This visit includes the thrilling and informative **Airborne Museum "Hartenstein,"** which focuses on

The Battle of Arnhem. A crucial part of Operation Market Garden, after heavy fighting, the Allied Forces eventually had to withdraw due to German counterattacks, a defeat that greatly delayed the liberation of Europe.

Visit to the Canadian Military Cemetery

This cemetery contains 2,338 Canadian soldiers of World War II. Many of the dead were brought here from nearby Germany. This is one of the few cases where bodies were moved across international frontiers, a truly fascinating historical event.

Transfer to Cologne

Overnight in Cologne

Day Six

Transfer to Nuremberg

Visit to the Documentation Center and Hall of Justice

These buildings, the site of the Nazi war crime trials, make for a stunning experience. The north wing of the unfinished remains of the Congress Hall of the former Nazi party is the highlight, housing a museum with the permanent exhibition "Fascination and Terror." This harrowing exhibit is concerned with the causes, connections, and consequences of Nazi Germany, both informative and bone chilling at its core.

Transfer to Munich

Overnight in Munich

Day Seven

Guided Tour and Leisure Time in Munich

Enjoy a guided city tour during which you will see **The Marienplatz** with its famous Glockenspiel, the museum district and the **Frauenkirche**. Take in a meal at one of the fine restaurants in Marienplatz, and visit some of the many optional attractions available to your group. Popular choices include the **Die Alte Pinakothek** (Old Art Museum), the **Gothic Church of Our Lady**, **Olympic Stadium**, the **German Museum**, and the **Hofbrauhaus**.

Overnight in Munich

Day Eight

Transfer to Berchtesgaden

Visit to the Obersalzberg Documentation Center

This center is the only permanent exhibition worldwide to cover all essential aspects of the Nazi period, truly an incomparable experience. A trip down to the bunkers of this historic site follows your audio tour of the documentation, a complex system created in 1943 but deemed unsuitable for military purposes.

Visit to the Berghof

A scenic and surreal trip to Hitler's mountain retreat, named the **Berghof** or **Eagle's Nest** is yours to enjoy. Hitler spent more time at the Berghof than anywhere else during World War II, making it one of the most widely known of Hitler's headquarters located throughout Europe.

Leisure Time in Salzburg

A lighter afternoon awaits you in **Salzburg**, where you will enjoy some free time to go shopping and explore the area.

Overnight in Munich

Day Nine

Visit to the Dachau Concentration Camp

Opened in 1933, **Dachau** served as a prototype for all subsequent camps in the Nazi network until its liberation by the Allies in 1945. Visitors today can tour the infamous compound that housed over 200,000 prisoners during its twelve year operation.

Farewell Dinner at the Hofbrauhaus

This legendary restaurant features authentic Bavarian style dining, including a musical performance with your meal as a delicious and delightful conclusion to your trip.

Overnight in Munich

Day Ten

Transfer to Airport for Return Flight

Your tour guide assists with your transfer to the airport, where you'll check in for your return flight home.

