

Booking the tour

This tour is only possible as a group tour with a minimum of 20 participants. So please book the tour as early as possible. The **booking deadline is May 31st 2025.**

You can place your booking in filling out the registration form which you will find on the website:

You will find a link in the tour description which takes you to the website of Thomas Tours, where you can place your booking of the tour (see "Where to book").

Booking pre nights

If you want to arrive a day or two earlier than the group in Berlin, please reserve a pre-night along with your tour. The hotel is Arcotel John F. The rate is USD 103.00 per person in a double/twin bedded room incl. breakfast and USD 195.00 for a single room incl. breakfast.

Booking the flights

Flights for the tour should only be booked definitely after the minimum participants shown above has been reached. This is why it is important that everybody books the tour as early as possible.

For that reason we have published the tour booking deadline of May 31st, 2025

The earlier we have reached the minimum passengers numbers, the better your chances are to get good airfare.

Where to book

The responsible operator is

Thomas Tours and Travel

763 Carl Avenue New Kensington, PA

Please call

phone 724-337-9000 or 800 - 473 - 1551 to reach *Michael Thomas* Michael2@thomastours.com or

Cali Jo Huth calijo@thomastours.com

Please place your booking with them, ask for information about flights fitting to your booking and insurances you might want. Michael or Cali Jo will inform you when we have reached the minimum participants for this tour so that then you can verify your tour booking and definitely book your flights and insurances.



Payments

After you have placed your definite booking, a <u>deposit payment of USD 950.oo</u> for your tour is due as soon as **Thomas Tours** have informed you that the minimum number of 20 has been reached. The deposit is nonrefundable. Please check also the payment conditions of your flights and include the flight costs into your insurance as well.

Thomas Tours will ask you to make your **final payment** for the tour until **August 15th**, **2025.**

travel ways

You are also very welcome to contact **Volker or Raphaela** on info@travel-ways.de or on Volkers cell phone +49-151-5769 2828 especially for tour details.

Room mates

Single travellers are welcome to book a room together with a room mate. Please be aware, that room mates canceling can result in a single supplement charge for the remaining room mate. The participant who cancels will be responsible for that charge if a substitute roommate cannot be found. Cancellation and Interruption Insurance is strongly recommended.

Cancellation

Unfortunately all cancellations are costly and they have to be declared in writing to Thomas Tours.

To offset non recoverable expenses to our suppliers the following fees will apply. Please see to it that you are on the safe side and have trip cancellation and interruption insurance to get your money refunded.

From July 31st, 2025 to August 31st, 2025 cancellation fee of 50 per cent of the tour price From September 01st, 2025 to start of the tour cancellation fee of 100 per cent of the tour price

Cancellation charges also apply to additional accommodation reserved prior to and after the tour. Cancellations must be received in writing by 5:00 p.m. central time on the last business day of the applicable time period.

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Covid restrictions

Momentarily there are no Covid restrictions in Germany, Switzerland or France affecting travel and tourism. Despite our partners (hotels, restaurants, bus companies, museums, etc) run their own able routine to desinfect busses, hotel rooms, etc daily. It is not possible to foresee which rules about Covid will apply in 2025. We will inform you accordingly in time.

Currency & special provisions

travel ways reserves the right to increase the package price or reduce services accordingly should there be an escalation in the Euro and/or Swiss Franc evaluation over the USD. Unexpected circumstances might require alteration of details of the tour. Hotels, restaurants and visits are subject to change.

Responsibility

This tour is marketed under the name of **Thomas Tours and Travel**, New Kensington PA. They are responsible for coordinating the ground services of *travel ways*, flights and insurances.

travel ways is the ground operator for the land portion only.

Liability

travel ways acts as agent for the various companies whose accommodations and conveyances are utilized for the tour. It assumes no responsibility or liability in connection with the services of any train, carriage, automobile, airplane or other conveyance which will be used either wholly or in part.

Neither will *travel ways* be responsible for any error, omission, act or any injury, loss, accident or any delay which may be occasioned by reason of defect in any vehicle through neglect or default of any company or person engaged in the conveying of passengers. The tour directors accept no responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delays or changes in motor coach, train, airplane services, or that of any other conveyance, sickness, accident, weather, strikes, war, violence, quarantine, or other causes, and all such losses or expenses must be borne by the individual.



Tipping

Tipping of waiters, front desks and donations to all churches visited is already prepaid by *travel ways*.

EURO 10.00 per day per traveller total EURO 110.00 for the driver

Not Included in Pricing

Unless specifically noted in your trip itinerary, the following is not included in your reservation.

- airline baggage fees, including checked and/or excess baggage fees;
- other per-person taxes imposed by government entities;
- airport taxes and fees
- passports; visas; vaccinations;
- gratuities to your Tour Director, driver, local Guides,
- laundry; telephone; minibar, etc. at hotels
- entry/exit fees at airports;
- alcohol, beverages, and food outside of the contracted menu as presented at a hotel or restaurant these will be billed to you before leaving the hotel
- optional excursions;
- Travel Protection;