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INSPIRING TAILOR-MADE HISTORY TRIPS





# SCHOOL HISTORY TRIPS ARE BACK!

2020 and 2021 certainly weren't what any of us anticipated, challenging us all in ways we could never have imagined. 2020 was shaping up to be our most successful year yet with history trips set to depart to destinations around the world including Germany, Belgium and the USA.

*Then the world came to a standstill...*

But while the world stood still, we carried on, and remodelled our business to keep our clients at the forefront of everything. We issued customer refunds amounting to £5,200,000 and our teams successfully postponed over 250 tours. We had a monumental 35,000 customers whose tour plans were affected. This is testament to our staff, our suppliers and schools all working patiently together and trusting that the outcome would be the best possible scenario for all.

*So, when you choose Rayburn Tours, you're in safe hands and we believe we've proven it!*

There's nothing more powerful to see than a student making an emotional connection with a part of history and we know it's those real life experiences that really stay with them. So whether you've already got a destination in mind or you're looking for inspiration, we'll take the core objectives of your trip and build from the ground up, hand-crafting every element and wrapping it all up in one neat, Rayburn-stamped package.

The appetite to travel is as strong as ever and we're seeing increased demand from school groups for 2022 trips even earlier than usual, so now's the time to let us help you start planning your next History trip.

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# The Rayburn DIFFERENCE

We are an independent, family-run company and we have been creating unforgettable international experiences for groups since 1965.

Team of **OVER 50** travel experts



## SPECIALISTS IN

Sales • Tour Co-ordination • Customer Relations • Health & Safety • Transport • Admin



Completely tailor-made experience



Sending over **30,000\*** passengers around the world each year



Customer tour experience rating **4.8/5\***

## Travel in safe hands

FINANCIAL SECURITY

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES

PASSENGER SAFETY



## RAYBURN COVID GUARANTEE

Extra-flexible cancellation policies on many of our tours.

Visit [rayburntours.com](http://rayburntours.com) for full terms and conditions.

\*Statistics based on 2019.

# What's included in a HISTORY TRIP?



TRANSPORT



ACCOMMODATION



EXCURSIONS



INSURANCE

all combined by your **dedicated Tour Co-ordinator** to create your tailor-made itinerary

## HIGHLY RECOMMENDED TO ENHANCE YOUR TRIP



### HISTORY TOUR GUIDES

Our History Tour Guides go above and beyond what you'd expect. They bring a level of passion and knowledge that makes it more than just imparting information, but about passing on real life experiences that really stay with you. Striving to make it a hands-on affair, they'll tailor their teaching to your group, ensuring your students get the most out of the experience.

- ✓ A background in history teaching and touring
- ✓ In-depth knowledge of your destination and visits
- ✓ Providing strong support and assisting with logistics

Find out more on page 8!

Got the teaching covered but want a little help with the logistics? Opt for a Tour Manager instead!

### Accommodation

We have a range of accommodation options to suit groups of any size and budget. From hostels and hotels to lodges and guesthouses, we've carefully selected each one to ensure they're right for school groups.

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The hotel was outstanding in every way. Staff were extremely helpful, rooms were very well kept and breakfast was filling. The location couldn't have been better.

Tom Hutchinson, The City of Liverpool College, Astoria Hotel, Krakow



# One size doesn't fit all...

We share sample itineraries in our brochures and on our website to give you an example of how your tour could look, but we pride ourselves on creating a tailor-made tour for you, based around your requirements and wishes. However big or small the request may seem, however specific your requirements are or aren't, we will build your tour around your objectives because that's the Rayburn Tours way!

## Working together to build a truly tailor-made tour.



"We have a student who lost a family member during the conflict and we wondered if it would be possible to visit their resting place to pay our respects?"

Of course! We will endeavour to find the resting place of any student's late family members and ensure we include this stop in your itinerary. If you have chosen to take a History Tour Guide with you on your trip, they can even lead a wreath laying ceremony to pay respects to the late family member, or we can organise for you to lead this yourself.



"I like to fit as much in for the pupils as possible and don't like when they have too much free time."

Some teachers like to have a full, jam-packed itinerary, whilst others like to leave plenty of 'free time', this may depend on the age of students and the destination you are travelling to. Our Tour Co-ordinators are itinerary planning experts and will work closely with you to build the right itinerary for your group.



"On our last trip to Ypres, we stayed at the Menin Gate School Hotel and would really like to stay there again if possible."

Whilst we can't guarantee your preferred hotel will have availability on your chosen dates, we will do our very best to facilitate any requests. We also often get requests to visit specific excursions, restaurants and leisure activities that were popular on previous tours, and this is something your Tour Coordinator will build into your itinerary and make the necessary arrangements.



### Other requests we've facilitated for groups:

- ✓ Organise a cake to celebrate a birthday while on tour.
- ✓ A Papal Audience whilst in Rome.

Start planning your tailor-made History Trip today by contacting our team on **01332 347 828** or via **rayburntours.com**

“We might be able to talk about the Battle of the Somme, but there’s no way we’d be able to point out the tree line where the tanks came over, or exactly where the gas attack took place.”

Ms Humphreys, Brighton Hill Community School, Ypres



# History Tour Guides

*Our History Tour Guides are so much more than just guides. They're an extension of your teaching team, your historical go-to, your navigational compass.*

Our guides bring a level of passion and knowledge that makes it more than just imparting information, but about passing on real life experiences that stay with you even after the trip. They'll tailor the tour to your group's specific requirements, making it a more personal, hands-on experience.



## What you should expect from a History Tour Guide:

- ✓ Extensive knowledge of your destination, sites and period of history
- ✓ Logistical assistance to ensure the smooth running of your trip
- ✓ Lots of real-life accounts, anecdotes, poems, facts and figures to keep your students gripped

## But with us, you'll get so much more than just a tour guide:

- ✓ They will tailor their teaching to your students' educational needs
- ✓ They'll endeavour to make it personal to your group, such as finding the resting place of a student's family member and arranging a wreath laying ceremony
- ✓ They know the areas like the backs of their hands, meaning they can be flexible with your itinerary and make impromptu stops to elaborate on something in particular
- ✓ They'll call on their contacts to make sure you get the most out of every site



Visit [rayburntours.com](https://rayburntours.com) or call us on **01332 347 828** to find out more about how a guide can enhance your tour



# Ypres & The Western Front

*For four years, the Western Front was the site of mud, blood and fighting. Now, for the last 100 years it has been the site of learning, understanding and remembrance. A journey into the area brings home the reality of the conflict, taking you through a landscape dotted with cemeteries and memorials. Walk through reconstructed trenches, stand on the very ground that men fought and died for and understand the accounts of those who lived through the conflict.*

PRICES FROM\*

**£195<sup>PP</sup>**

*Based on 3 day, 2 night tour for 44 passengers (+4 free places) travelling October 2022. Subject to availability.*

## SUPPORTED THEMES

- ✓ Life on the frontline
- ✓ Trenches and trench life
- ✓ Command and leadership
- ✓ War and technology
- ✓ Women – their role and the impact of war on their lives
- ✓ Medicine and medical advancement
- ✓ The Home Front
- ✓ The role of the Commonwealth and Empire troops
- ✓ Writers and poets
- ✓ Conflict and warfare over time

*Highly recommended to enhance your trip*

## HISTORY TOUR GUIDES

An expert History Tour Guide will explain the chronology of the war and reveal the way decision-makers were affected by certain events, as well as how they responded to failures and successes.



Combine Ypres & The Somme on a **two-centre tour!**





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# Ypres

Leading up to the centenary, a great deal of work was carried out to bring different parts of the battlefields to life, thus opening up many new topics and places to explore. We'll work with you to create an experience which not only addresses the individual accounts and battles, but also the wider themes and perspectives needed to fully understand, analyse and reflect on the period.

## SAMPLE ITINERARY

- DAY 1**
- Morning** ○ Coach and Channel crossing to Ypres
- Afternoon** ○ Visit Hill 60 and Sanctuary Wood Museum (Hill 62)
- Evening** ○ Evening meal and Fun Files quiz
- DAY 2**
- Morning** ○ Langemark Cemetery and Tyne Cot Cemetery
- Afternoon** ○ Visit the In Flanders Fields Museum and explore Ypres
- Evening** ○ Evening meal and Menin Gate & Last Post Ceremony participation
- DAY 3**
- Morning** ○ Essex Farm Cemetery
- Afternoon** ○ Coach and Channel crossing home
- Evening** ○ Arrive home

## RECOMMENDED VISITS

### Reconstructed Trenches at Passchendaele

Experience the mud and blood of the trenches as you walk through the reconstructed systems – the best way to truly visualise the conditions that soldiers had to endure.

### Tyne Cot Cemetery

Bring the scale of lives lost in the First World War home with a visit to Tyne Cot Cemetery, the largest Commonwealth cemetery on the Western Front.

### Langemark Military Cemetery

As one of just four First World War German cemeteries in the Flanders region, Langemark contains the bodies of 44,000 German soldiers, with around 25,000 in a mass grave.

### Menin Gate & Last Post Ceremony

Chosen because of the thousands of men who passed through it on their way to the battlefields, the Menin Gate bears the names of 54,896 British and Commonwealth soldiers who lost their lives and have no known grave. Make the experience all the more poignant by laying a wreath at the Last Post Ceremony which takes place each evening.

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# The Somme

A hundred years since the Battle of the Somme, its significance remains undiminished, yet the full impact of the battle has often been overlooked. A history trip to the Somme will guide you through the events that led up to the start of the battle, exploring the sites where the fighting took place and learning how the battle unfolded and the effect it had on the rest of the war.

## SAMPLE ITINERARY

- DAY 1**
- Morning** ○ Coach and Channel crossing to the Somme
- Afternoon** ○ Visit Newfoundland Memorial Park
- Evening** ○ Evening meal and Fun Files quiz
- DAY 2**
- Morning** ○ Visit Lochnagar Crater
- Afternoon** ○ Thiepval Memorial
- Evening** ○ Evening meal and Fun Files quiz
- DAY 3**
- Morning** ○ Visit Ulster Tower
- Afternoon** ○ Coach and Channel crossing home
- Evening** ○ Arrive home

## RECOMMENDED VISITS

### Newfoundland Park

The people of Newfoundland weren't part of Canada at the time of the First World War – they were an independent British dominion loyal to the mother country. That's why when war was declared in 1914, the men of the nation volunteered to serve under British Command. The park tells the story of several men, the lives they left and the communities that lost them.

### Thiepval Memorial

The former German strong point of Thiepval is now the site of the Memorial to the Missing with the names of 73,077 British soldiers carved into its stone panels.



Download your free Battle of the Somme poster at [rayburntours.com/teaching-resources](https://www.rayburntours.com/teaching-resources)



# Normandy

A coastal stretch of rugged cliffs and poignant memorials, Normandy's dramatic landscape bears a heavy history. A visit to the D-Day landing beaches will provide a deeper understanding of the events of June 1944, as you explore the site where the events that changed the course of the Second World War took place. Whilst it's known for its historical ties, you can also visit the beautiful towns of Caen and Bayeux for a taste of medieval charm.

## SUPPORTED THEMES

- ✓ The Second World War
- ✓ Peace and war
- ✓ Europe and the 20th century
- ✓ Technology
- ✓ War and conflict
- ✓ Warfare over time
- ✓ Medicine through time
- ✓ International relations

## RECOMMENDED VISITS

### Pegasus Bridge

Pegasus Bridge was the site of some of the bravest fighting on D-Day, where airborne troops descended and landed by gliders ready to take, hold and destroy the inland bridges.

### D-Day Landing Beaches

Help your students to appreciate the scale of the landing beaches and understand the tremendous achievement of Operation Overlord with Allied troops arriving on five beaches. You'll visit Utah, Omaha, Gold, Juno and Sword beaches.



### Gun Batteries, Longues-sur-Mer

Perched high on a cliff top, this German gun battery had a perfect strategic viewpoint overlooking the English Channel for potential allied attacks.

### British Cemetery in Bayeux

Reflect on the thousands of graves that commemorate the Commonwealth soldiers who lost their lives during the Second World War in these tranquil surroundings.

### American Cemetery & Memorial

Spread across 172.5 acres of green land, this was the first American cemetery on European soil, bearing tribute to 9,387 American soldiers, most of whom lost their lives here during the D-Day landings.

### Pointe du Hoc

Visit the site where 225 US Army Rangers scaled the 30m-high cliffs to disable the German artillery guns and explore the German command post, concrete bunkers and casemates.

## SAMPLE ITINERARY

### DAY 1

- Morning** Coach and Channel crossing to Normandy
- Afternoon** Pegasus Bridge Memorial & Museum and Ranville Cemetery
- Evening** Evening meal and Fun Files Quiz

### DAY 2

- Morning** Musée de la Batterie de Merville
- Afternoon** Airborne Museum Sainte Mère-Église, American beach, Normandy American Cemetery and Port-en-Bessin fishing village
- Evening** Evening meal and activities at the hotel

### DAY 3

- Morning** Caen-Normandie Memorial Centre and British Cemetery in Bayeux
- Afternoon** Arromanches 360, including Arromanches town and Mulberry Harbour
- Evening** Evening meal and activities at the hotel

### DAY 4

- Morning** D-Day Landing Beaches
- Afternoon** Coach and Channel crossing home
- Evening** Arrive home



## HISTORY TOUR GUIDES

A History Tour Guide can explain and illustrate the strategy behind the day of the D-Day landings, elaborating on how the plans came together. They'll also take you through the events of the invasion, from the aerial assault before dawn, through the different experiences of the men as they fought their way up the beaches.

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£275<sup>PP</sup>

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# Munich

Where the traditional and contemporary sit side by side, Munich basks in its own contradictions. From its Bavarian customs to its place in the rise of National Socialism, Munich is home to some of the most complex historical moments. Chart the rise of Hitler and the Nazis at the many Third Reich sites and discover the heroic accounts of human behaviour, including the story of Hans and Sophie Scholl and the White Rose resistance group.



## SUPPORTED THEMES

- ✓ Medieval and Imperial history
- ✓ German history across time
- ✓ The Holocaust
- ✓ Weimar Germany
- ✓ Nazism and the Second World War
- ✓ Policies of peace and the Cold War
- ✓ Modern German history

## RECOMMENDED VISITS

### Walking Tour of the City

Delve deep into the rich history and diverse culture of Munich with a guided walking tour of the city's streets and famous landmarks.

### Berchtesgarden – Documentation Centre & Eagle's Nest

Journey to the mountainous region of Bavaria and visit Hitler's famous tea house, the Eagle's Nest, with the chance to explore the underground bunker complex.

### Dachau Concentration Camp

Once a 'school of violence' which imprisoned over 200,000 people from across Europe, Dachau Concentration Camp now commemorates those who were murdered with its insightful museum, archive and library.

### White Rose Memorial

In front of the Ludwig Maximilian University, the memorial for the White Rose features the group's flyers and acts as a clear reminder of those who had the bravery to challenge the Nazis and Nazism, even though it led to their execution.

### Nuremberg

Famous for being the location of the Nazi party's permanent convention and rally site, a day trip to Nuremberg allows you to take a guided tour of the rally site, the Documentation Centre on the site of former Nazi Party Rally Grounds and the memorial of the Nuremberg Trials (Room 600).

“The best thing was the range and scope of the visits which linked well to our KS4 classes.”

Mrs Couchman, Cirencester Kingshill School, Munich

Speak to our specialists on

**01332 347 828** to find out more

## SAMPLE ITINERARY

### DAY 1

- Morning** ○ Flight to Munich
- Afternoon** ○ Walking tour of the city
- Evening** ○ Evening meal and Quiz night

### DAY 2

- Morning** ○ Visit Nuremberg for its rally site, Documentation Centre & Room 600
- Afternoon** ○ Guided tour of Dachau Concentration Camp
- Evening** ○ Evening meal and Fun Files activity

### DAY 3

- Morning** ○ Guided tour of the Obersalzberg Documentation Centre
- Afternoon** ○ Eagle's Nest tour
- Evening** ○ Evening meal and Fun Files activity

### DAY 4

- Morning** ○ White Rose Memorial Exhibition
- Afternoon** ○ Flight home
- Evening** ○ Arrive home



## HISTORY TOUR GUIDES

A History Tour Guide will support you as you lead your students around the many Third Reich sites and explain their significance. They'll also be able to assist your students as they begin to understand the actions and outcomes of Nazism and how it relates to the Second World War.



# Berlin

Beneath Berlin's vibrant, urban culture lies a rich and complex history. A city that staged a revolution, was headquartered by Nazis, hit by bombs, divided in two and finally reunited, there's so much history to uncover in this fascinating city. Whilst the streets and palaces tell the story of Berlin and Germany's rise to importance, the poignant museums and memorials address the horrors and persecutions of the Nazi era.



## SUPPORTED THEMES

- ✓ The formation of Germany
- ✓ Imperial German history
- ✓ The First World War
- ✓ The Weimar Republic
- ✓ Nazism
- ✓ The Second World War
- ✓ The Holocaust
- ✓ The Cold War
- ✓ The EU and modern Europe

## RECOMMENDED VISITS

### The Brandenburg Gate

This iconic landmark tells the story of Germany's creation, its imperial ambitions and its darkest days. When the wall fell, the Brandenburg Gate became the symbol of the new post-war Germany.

### Guided Walking Tour

Tailored to meet the needs and learning requirements of your group, a guided walking tour will focus on the topics relevant to you as you take in the city's fascinating landmarks.

### Berlin Wall Memorial & Documentation Centre

Witness 800 years of history by delving into the life of the people of Berlin throughout the different eras in this interactive, 23-themed room museum.

### Reichstag

Step into the seat of the German Parliament and be met by 360 degree views of the city in its iconic glass dome, where guided tours can take you deep into the building.

### Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe

Explore the chilling and thought-provoking history of the Nazi persecution and execution of Jews across Europe as you walk through the concrete stelae.

“Berlin is the Cold War history lesson that just keeps giving.”

Mr Giles, Stratford Girls' Grammar School, Berlin



Download your free Berlin Wall poster at [rayburntours.com/teaching-resources](https://rayburntours.com/teaching-resources)

## SAMPLE ITINERARY

### DAY 1

- Morning** ○ Flight to Berlin
- Afternoon** ○ Berlin guided walking tour
- Evening** ○ Evening meal and Fun Files Quiz

### DAY 2

- Morning** ○ Visit the House of the Wannsee Conference
- Afternoon** ○ Memorial & Museum Sachsenhausen
- Evening** ○ Evening meal and visit the Reichstag

### DAY 3

- Morning** ○ Berliner Unterwelten guided tour
- Afternoon** ○ DDR Museum
- Evening** ○ Evening meal and visit Berlin TV Tower

### DAY 4

- Morning** ○ Topography of Terror
- Afternoon** ○ Airport transfer
- Evening** ○ Flight home



## HISTORY TOUR GUIDES

Our expert guides have years of experience in leading school trips to Berlin. Not only do they know the best way to navigate through the city, but they'll find quieter spots to give your students some much-needed reflection time.



# Krakow

A beautiful city set against the horror of the Holocaust, Krakow is most valuable in understanding the full inhumanity and damage of this tragic event. A visit to one of the Nazi concentration camps is essential, and Auschwitz and the gas chambers of Birkenau are just a short drive from the city. Additionally, the Jewish Quarter is a celebration of Jewish culture and home to a number of original sites and museums showcasing over 750 years of history.



## SUPPORTED THEMES

- ✓ Modern European history
- ✓ The early 20th century
- ✓ The Second World War
- ✓ The Holocaust
- ✓ Europe in the 19th and 20th centuries

“An eye-opening, thought-provoking and truly powerful tour.”

Mr Hutchinson, The City of Liverpool College, Krakow

## RECOMMENDED VISITS

### Visiting Auschwitz

To appreciate the age-old buildings, harrowing exhibitions and scale of the grounds, we strongly recommend you explore both Auschwitz I and Auschwitz II-Birkenau. You'll be guided around the site where thousands of non-Jewish Poles, Roma and Sinti and over 1.2 million Jews were brought from across Europe, specifically to be exploited and murdered.



### Kazimierz the Former Jewish Quarter

Take to the streets of Kazimierz, a district that was once the centre of Jewish life for over 500 years before it was systematically destroyed during the Second World War.

### Galicia Jewish Museum

The Galicia Jewish Museum prides itself on presenting Jewish history from a new perspective. You'll address the stereotypes and misconceptions of Jewish history as you explore the complex histories and future of Poles and Jews.

### Schindler's Museum

Uncover the incredible story of the famous Nazi Party member who saved the lives of over 1,200 Jewish factory workers as you visit the original factory building of the German industrialist, Oskar Schindler.

### Krakow Walking Tour

Tailored to meet your group's needs and learning requirements, a walking tour is the perfect way to explore this beautiful city, taking in such sights as the Old Town or the Southern Kazimierz district.

## SAMPLE ITINERARY

### DAY 1

- Morning** Flight to Krakow and airport transfer on arrival
- Afternoon** Krakow walking tour
- Evening** Enjoy a folklore evening at the Miod i Wino Restaurant

### DAY 2

- Morning** Visit Auschwitz Birkenau
- Afternoon** Wieliczka Salt Mines
- Evening** Evening meal and Bowling Plac Nowy

### DAY 3

- Morning** Visit the Galicia Jewish Museum
- Afternoon** Airport transfer
- Evening** Flight home



## HISTORY TOUR GUIDES

A History Tour Guide will assist you in leading your students around the historic Jewish Quarter where they'll see the sites of the old synagogues, a cemetery and the Jewish Museum – all illustrating centuries of Polish Jewish history.

Combine Berlin & Krakow on a two-centre tour!

Call us on **01332 347 828** to discover more.

PRICES FROM\*

**£259<sup>PP</sup>**

Based on 3 day, 2 night tour for 36 passengers (+4 free places) travelling May 2022. Subject to availability.



# Berlin & Krakow

A two-centre tour to Berlin and Krakow will give you the opportunity to see how and why important political decisions were made, as well as the devastating consequences these decisions had for millions of people.

In Berlin, you'll learn how and why the Final Solution was put into place, whilst in Krakow, you'll see the outcome of this decision in a truly heart-rending and thought-provoking visit to Auschwitz-Birkenau.

## SUPPORTED THEMES

- ✓ The formation of Germany
- ✓ Imperial German history
- ✓ The First World War
- ✓ The Weimar Republic
- ✓ Nazism
- ✓ The Second World War
- ✓ The Holocaust
- ✓ The Cold War
- ✓ The EU and modern Europe
- ✓ Modern European history
- ✓ The early 20th century
- ✓ Europe in the 19th and 20th centuries

## RECOMMENDED VISITS

### Memorial & Museum Sachsenhausen, Berlin

The subterranean museum of Berliner Unterwelten offers a number of tours to choose from, including the popular 'Dark Worlds' where you can experience the WWII bombing raids through the eyes of civilians.

### Topography of Terror, Berlin

Based on the authentic site of the former Gestapo, SS and SA Headquarters, learn how this deadly military unit managed task forces, concentration camps and finalised the plans laid out in the Wannsee Conference.

### House of the Wannsee Conference, Berlin

Visit the site where the final solution to exterminate the Jews of Europe was planned. The museum gives an insight into Nazi politics, ghettos and concentration camps, whilst a guided tour includes the room where the Wannsee Conference took place.

### Wawel Castle, Krakow

From the 11th century onwards, Poland's monarchs took up their residence in the Royal Castle and were both crowned and buried in the Wawel Cathedral. Discover its priceless art, architectural beauties and relics of the past.

### Wieliczka Salt Mine, Krakow

Descend 150m below ground level into one of Europe's oldest salt mines (13th century). During the 2.5 hour tour, you'll see beautiful chapels, ballrooms, passages and caverns carved in the salt rock.

### Visiting Auschwitz

To appreciate the age-old buildings, harrowing exhibitions and scale of the grounds, we strongly recommend you explore both Auschwitz I and Auschwitz II-Birkenau. You'll be guided around the site where thousands of non-Jewish Poles, Roma and Sinti and over 1.2 million Jews were brought from across Europe, specifically to be exploited and murdered.

## SAMPLE ITINERARY

### DAY 1

- Morning** Flight to Berlin and check into accommodation
- Afternoon** Berlin walking tour
- Evening** Evening meal and Reichstag Dome

### DAY 2

- Morning** Guided tour of the House of the Wannsee Conference
- Afternoon** Guided tour of the Memorial & Museum Sachsenhausen
- Evening** Evening meal and Fun Files Quiz

### DAY 3

- Morning** DDR Museum
- Afternoon** Souvenir shopping in Berlin
- Evening** Evening meal and overnight coach to Krakow

### DAY 4

- Morning** Arrive into Krakow
- Afternoon** Visit Auschwitz-Birkenau
- Evening** Evening meal and Bowling Plac Nowy

### DAY 5

- Morning** Krakow walking tour
- Afternoon** Airport transfer
- Evening** Flight home

Feeling inspired?

Speak to us on  
**01332 347 828**

to discover how a two-centre tour can work!

See more visits in Berlin & Krakow on pages 16-19!

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**£549<sup>PP</sup>**

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# Rome

With a history that's as monumental as the Colosseum, Rome's the perfect place to study Italy's turbulent past. Discover the rise and fall of Mussolini and the Fascist Party, learn about its connection with Nazism and visit key Fascist sites. You'll delve deep into the roots of the movement and identify typical Fascist architecture, constructed to imitate the style of the Roman Empire in an effort to recreate a sense of power and prestige.



## SUPPORTED THEMES

- ✓ Mussolini and Fascist Italy
- ✓ Europe and the 20th century
- ✓ The Second World War

## RECOMMENDED VISITS

### EUR District

Designed to be a neighbourhood of imperialism, growth and excess, the EUR District was never fulfilled due to the Second World War. Visit the Palazzo della Civiltà Italiana, Palazzo dello Sport, Eni Skyscraper and more Fascist buildings for an insight into the movement.

### Foro Italico

Foro Italico is a grand, Fascist-era sports complex which includes an Olympic stadium, tennis stadium and swimming pool. Decked out in white marble and home to a 17-metre obelisk dedicated to Mussolini, the Foro is full of history.

### Fosse Ardeatine Memorial & Museum

Learn about the massacre on 24th March 1944, where 335 Italians were shot by Nazis in the Ardeatine Caves, before the caves were blown up to hide the evidence. Dedicated to the victims, the mausoleum and museum are both moving and harrowing.

### Guided Tour of Fascist Sites

Led by an experienced guide, you'll visit Rome's main Fascist sites, including the Palazzo Venezia and other monuments that narrate the rise and fall of Mussolini.

### Museum of the Liberation of Rome

Housed in a former SS prison, the museum documents the persecution of Jews and resistance figures who were tortured here during the Nazi occupation of Rome. You'll see photos, documents and personal items belonging to the victims, as well as the windowless cells.

## SAMPLE ITINERARY

### DAY 1

- Morning** ○ Flight to Rome and transfer
- Afternoon** ○ Visit the Fosse Ardeatine Memorial
- Evening** ○ Evening meal & Fun Files quiz

### DAY 2

- Morning** ○ Half day guided tour of Rome and fascist sites
- Afternoon** ○ View Piazza Venezia from the Vittorio Emanuele Monument, followed by the Trevi Fountain and Spanish Steps
- Evening** ○ Evening meal & Fun Files quiz

### DAY 3

- Morning** ○ Half day coach trip to visit the Foro Italico
- Afternoon** ○ Museum of Liberation and time to view the Colosseum
- Evening** ○ Evening meal & Fun Files quiz

### DAY 4

- Morning** ○ Visit the EUR District
- Afternoon** ○ Flight home
- Evening** ○ Arrive home

To discover more about a history trip to Rome, call us on **01332 347 828**



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**£369<sup>PP</sup>**

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# The Netherlands

The Netherlands offers the most well-known accounts of Jewish life under the Nazis. Stroll along Amsterdam's canals to learn about the Netherlands as a country of trade, empire and influence, or retrace the steps of the Nazis as they invaded and occupied this beautiful city. We also recommend travelling towards Arnhem to learn more about Operation Market Garden as a mission of daring bravery and foiled success.



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## SUPPORTED THEMES

- ✓ The religious wars of Europe and the Reformation
- ✓ European trade and development
- ✓ The Second World War
- ✓ The Holocaust
- ✓ War and conflict
- ✓ International relations and the cultural development of Europe
- ✓ The Cold War

## RECOMMENDED VISITS

### Jewish Historical Museum

A visit to the Jewish Historical Museum will allow you to look at the culture, history and Jewish religion in the Netherlands and its former colonies.

### Camp Vught National Memorial

Located on the site of Camp Vught, the museum features a reconstructed prisoner's barrack, 3 watchtowers, fencing and cell 115, providing a thought-provoking visit to this former concentration camp.

### Airborne Museum Hartenstein

Learn about the significance of the Battle of Arnhem through the museum's authentic weaponry, documents, photos and films, as well as the moving stories told by those involved.

### Oosterbeek Commonwealth Cemetery

Oosterbeek Commonwealth Cemetery contains the graves of most of those killed during the September landings, and many of those killed in later fighting in the area, making for a moving visit.

### Amsterdam Canal Cruise

Explore the charming city of Amsterdam with a scenic cruise on its world-famous canals. A great way to see the sights without the hustle and bustle.

### The Rijksmuseum

Art and history take on a new meaning at the Rijksmuseum, which offers insightful exhibitions, lively events and Dutch art and history from the Middle Ages onwards, including European and Asian art. Guided tours are available.



Explore your accommodation options in the Netherlands at [rayburntours.com](https://www.rayburntours.com)

## SAMPLE ITINERARY

### DAY 1

- Morning** Coach and Channel crossing
- Afternoon** Camp Vught National Memorial
- Evening** Evening meal and Fun Files activity

### DAY 2

- Morning** Airborne Museum Hartenstein and Airborne at the Bridge Museum in Arnhem
- Afternoon** Airborne Monument & Memorials in Arnhem, Liberation Route Marker 22 and souvenir shopping
- Evening** Evening meal and bowling

### DAY 3

- Morning** Anne Frank House
- Afternoon** Amsterdam canal cruise, National Holocaust Memorial Museum
- Evening** Evening meal and Fun Files activity

### DAY 4

- Morning** Morning at the beach or souvenir shopping
- Afternoon** Coach and Channel crossing home
- Evening** Arrive home

## HISTORY TOUR GUIDES



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# Russia

Chart the expansive history of Russia's major cities, Moscow and St Petersburg. You'll learn about the devastating hardship that the First and Second World Wars brought to the Russian people, including the terrible sieges and battles around the key cities, as well as their contribution to the defeat of Nazism. As you follow Russia's history from the legacy of its Tsardoms to the conversion to communism, you'll discover its significance in European history.

## SUPPORTED THEMES

- ✓ Imperial Russia
- ✓ Russia and the Bolshevik revolution
- ✓ Peace and conflict in the 20th century
- ✓ Russia and the 20th century
- ✓ The First World War
- ✓ The Second World War
- ✓ The Cold War
- ✓ Collapse and international relations of peace
- ✓ The demise of communism

## RECOMMENDED VISITS

### Moscow

#### The Kremlin & Armoury

Representing all things Russian, the Kremlin houses many of the country's most famous artworks and artefacts, giving you the chance to see some of the world's most opulent treasures.

#### St Basil's Cathedral

A crazy confusion of colours, patterns and shapes, St Basil's Cathedral has become the defining symbol of Russia. Built to commemorate Ivan IV's victories, its history is as unique as its architecture.

#### Lenin's Tomb

Located just outside the Kremlin Walls on Red Square, Lenin's body has been on display here since shortly after his death in 1924. To witness the architect and first head of the USSR at rest is a truly memorable experience.

### St Petersburg

#### Hermitage Museum

Beautifully decorated with green and white Baroque architecture, you can trace the footsteps of the Bolsheviks as they stormed the palace searching for the Tsar and his family.

#### Green Belt of Glory

An installation of tanks and a series of memorials mark the front line in the fight for what was then known as Leningrad. There are 80 memorials and monuments along the belt, but it's the Monument to the Heroic Defenders of Leningrad in Victory Square that symbolises the heart of the belt.

#### Yusupov Palace

Visit the site of the murder of the infamous Rasputin, who held an alarmingly powerful position with Tsarina Alexandra. Explore the palace where plans were hatched and actions put into place.

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Russia at [rayburntours.com](https://www.rayburntours.com)

## SAMPLE ITINERARY

### DAY 1

- Morning** Flight to Moscow
- Afternoon** Transfer to hotel
- Evening** Evening meal and Fun Files activity

### DAY 2

- Morning** Red Square, Lenin's Tomb and the Kremlin & Armoury
- Afternoon** St Basil's Cathedral and Central Armed Forces Museum
- Evening** Evening meal and Fun Files quiz

### DAY 3

- Morning** Lenin's House Museum
- Afternoon** Poklonnaya Gora Memorial
- Evening** Evening meal and Old Arbat Street guided tour and souvenir shopping, followed by an overnight train to St Petersburg

### DAY 4

- Morning** Arrive in St Petersburg for a guided tour, exploring Cruiser Aurora and Finland Station
- Afternoon** Piscarev Cemetery and Yusupov Palace
- Evening** Evening meal and Fun Files activity

### DAY 5

- Morning** Green Belt of Glory and Catherine Palace
- Afternoon** Hermitage Museum
- Evening** Evening meal and Fun Files activity

### DAY 6

- Morning** Souvenir shopping and sightseeing
- Afternoon** Airport transfer and flight home from St Petersburg
- Evening** Arrive home

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# New York

A melting pot of cultures, New York's history is as grand as the city itself. Discover the poignant immigration stories at Ellis Island, learn about the history of international peace and security at the UN Building and seek out the city's cultural icons. Home to many museums, the 9/11 Museum offers a particularly sensitive insight into the tragic events of September 11 and shows New York as a city of strength, determination and survival.



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## SUPPORTED THEMES

- ✓ British imperial history and governance
- ✓ The founding of the US
- ✓ The American War of Independence
- ✓ The Declaration of Independence
- ✓ The American Civil War
- ✓ The USA and the First World War
- ✓ The 1920s' economic crash, the Great Depression and the new deal
- ✓ The Second World War
- ✓ The Cold War and American Soviet relations
- ✓ The Civil Rights era
- ✓ The US policies 1990-2010

## RECOMMENDED VISITS

### Tenement Museum

Take a guided tour of the apartments and neighbourhood to learn about the life and challenges of the generations of newcomers who settled in and built lives on Manhattan's Lower East Side.

### United Nations Headquarters

Discover the organisation from within via a guided tour and have the chance to interact with one of the multi-lingual guides.

### Ellis Island

Visit what was once the largest and most active immigration station in America, where over 12 million immigrants were processed, and discover the moving tales of the immigrants in the museum.

### Empire State Building

Discover the heart of New York City in the impressive Art Deco building. Explore the range of exhibits packed with American history or journey up to the Observation Deck for unrivalled panoramic views.



### National September 11 Memorial & Museum

Honouring the thousands of victims of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, the memorial and museum piece together the events of that world-changing day and show the effects on the city, its people and America.

## SAMPLE ITINERARY

- DAY 1**
  - Morning** ○ Flight to New York
  - Afternoon** ○ Airport transfer
  - Evening** ○ Top of the Rock
- DAY 2**
  - Morning** ○ Statue of Liberty & Ellis Island Cruise
  - Afternoon** ○ Irish Hunger Memorial
  - Evening** ○ Explore Central Park
- DAY 3**
  - Morning** ○ Visit the Tenement Museum
  - Afternoon** ○ 9/11 Memorial & Museum
  - Evening** ○ Times Square and souvenir shopping
- DAY 4**
  - Morning** ○ United Nation's Visitor Centre or shopping at Macy's Department Store
  - Afternoon** ○ Airport transfer
  - Evening** ○ Flight home
- DAY 5**
  - Morning** ○ Arrive home

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# Washington DC

Where its monuments bear tribute to the magnificence and horror of years past, Washington DC provides a fascinating exploration of American history. Discover the city's extensive political, social and military history as you visit sights including the Lincoln Memorial, the White House and Capitol Hill. With its main areas all relatively compact, it's easy to experience this vibrant, political powerhouse.



## SUPPORTED THEMES

- ✓ British imperial history and governance
- ✓ The 1920s' economic crash, the Great Depression and the new deal
- ✓ The founding of the US
- ✓ The Second World War
- ✓ The American War of Independence
- ✓ The Cold War and American Soviet relations
- ✓ The Declaration of Independence
- ✓ The Civil Rights era
- ✓ The American Civil War
- ✓ The US policies 1990-2010
- ✓ The USA and the First World War

## RECOMMENDED VISITS

### Capitol Hill

Home to the US Congress, Capitol Hill is the meeting place of the nation's legislature, with its stately dome becoming an international symbol of America's representative democracy.

### National Mall

Stretching over 2 miles, this long strip of green links up the key sites and memorials in the centre of the city, covering everything between the Lincoln Memorial and the US Capitol.

### National Archives

The National Archives holds an impressive collection of records that tell the story of the city, the nation and the men and women that helped to create it, including the US Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

### Lincoln Memorial

Visit the larger-than-life memorial to one of America's most iconic Presidents, Abraham Lincoln, where you can read the memorial's inscriptions and contemplate its historical significance.

### Smithsonian Museums

As the world's largest museum and research complex, the Smithsonian has a fascinating collection of museums, galleries and research institutes that cover many aspects of American and world history.

“The tour provided the ideal window into American life, politics and culture.”

Mr Wright, The Priory School Hertfordshire, Washington DC

## SAMPLE ITINERARY

### DAY 1

- Morning** ○ Flight to Washington DC
- Afternoon** ○ Airport transfer
- Evening** ○ National Mall

### DAY 2

- Morning** ○ White House Visitor Centre, with time at the National Mall, National Archives, Washington Monument and Lincoln Memorial
- Afternoon** ○ Library of Congress
- Evening** ○ Evening meal and Fun Files quiz

### DAY 3

- Morning** ○ Smithsonian National Museum of African American History & Culture
- Afternoon** ○ Smithsonian Natural History Museum
- Evening** ○ Ford's Theatre

### DAY 4

- Morning** ○ Optional visit to Arlington Cemetery on the way to the airport
- Afternoon** ○ Flight home
- Evening** ○ Arrive home

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# New York & Washington DC

Capture the spirit of 'the land of the free and home of the brave' on a two-centre tour to New York and Washington DC. Discover how immigration has shaped New York to become a magnificent mash-up of cultures, cuisines and people; and be moved by the tragic events of September 11. Whilst Washington DC's never-ending collection of memorials, monuments and museums will immerse you in the evolution of America's political history.



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## SUPPORTED THEMES

- ✓ British imperial history and governance
- ✓ The founding of the US
- ✓ The American War of Independence
- ✓ The Declaration of Independence
- ✓ The American Civil War
- ✓ The USA and the First World War
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- ✓ The Second World War
- ✓ The Cold War and American Soviet relations
- ✓ The Civil Rights era
- ✓ The US policies 1990-2010

## RECOMMENDED VISITS

### Irish Hunger Memorial, New York

The Irish Hunger Memorial is dedicated to the many Irish immigrants that travelled to New York to escape the Irish famine. Its limestone plinth has nearly 2 miles of text wrapped around it, using quotations from autobiographies, letters and poems.

### United Nations Visitor Centre, New York

Discover the international organisation from within via a guided tour and have the chance to interact with one of the multilingual guides.

### White House Visitor Centre, Washington DC

A living museum of American history, the White House Visitor Centre will introduce you to past and present occupants, fun facts about the White House and an exploration of its history.

### Ford's Theatre, Washington DC

Learn the story of Lincoln's remarkable presidency, explore the museum's artefacts and stories of his assassination and honour the man whose words and deeds have inspired generations of leaders.

### Arlington National Cemetery, Washington DC

Pay your respects to those who have served the American nation at this peaceful, scenic resting place which honours over 400,000 active duty service members, veterans and their families.



See more visits in New York & Washington DC on pages 28-31

## SAMPLE ITINERARY

- DAY 1**
  - Morning** Flight to New York and transfer
  - Afternoon** Tenement Museum
  - Evening** Times Square
- DAY 2**
  - Morning** Statue of Liberty & Ellis Island Cruise
  - Afternoon** 9/11 Memorial & Museum
  - Evening** Top of the Rock
- DAY 3**
  - Morning** Transfer to Washington DC
  - Afternoon** Ford's Theatre
  - Evening** Lincoln Memorial & Reflecting Pool
- DAY 4**
  - Morning** White House Visitor Centre and Capitol Hill
  - Afternoon** Smithsonian Museum(s) or the National Archives
  - Evening** Evening meal at the Hard Rock Cafe
- DAY 5**
  - Morning** Arlington National Cemetery
  - Afternoon** Airport transfer
  - Evening** Flight home

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## London

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## Liverpool

A trip to the city of Liverpool is a great option for students studying the Second World War. Explore the spirit of the people, the hardship they faced and the crucial role of the city during the Second World War. From the Liverpool War Museum and the Merseyside Maritime Museum to the city's cultural hotspots, there's lots to fill your itinerary with.



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## 1. Get in touch

Whether you've got the perfect destination in mind or you simply want to find out more about what's involved, we're the right people to help you start planning. The best way to get in touch is by calling us on **01332 347 828** to discuss your options.

## 2. Tailoring your trip

Your dedicated Tour Consultant will take the time to understand the objectives of your trip, talk through your requirements and offer specialist advice. They'll then deliver a completely tailor-made proposal that's just right for you and your group.

## 3. Support as you launch your trip

We'll do everything we can to support you when you're launching your trip to your group. As well as answer any questions, we'll provide you with our Party Leader Launch Pack which includes everything you need to help get your tour off the ground.

## 4. Securing your trip

Time to secure your plans as people sign up for the trip, deposits are collected, simple online booking forms are completed and your vision becomes a reality. It's that simple.

## 5. Leave it to us

At this stage you'll be introduced to your dedicated Tour Co-ordinator who will work with you to book the key elements of your package, support you with administration and fine-tune every element in the lead up to your departure.

## 6. Bon voyage

Plans complete, it's time for you and your group to embark on a much anticipated trip! When you get back, we'll be in touch to hear all about it.



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