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# **Presents**

# **World War II in the Heart of Germany**

October 12 to 24, 2026 Escorted by Bob Kozlowski









America's Oldest and Most Experienced Military History Tour Operator

In the heady rush of Allied troops across Western Europe in the fall of 1944, the Supreme Command had hopes the War in Europe would be over by Christmas. But, the German offensive in the Ardennes – the Battle of the Bulge – dashed those hopes. As the New Year 1945 dawned, it was clear the War in Europe would continue to be a slow, slugging match.

As the Soviet troops pushed from the East, the other Allies fought from the West. And then, the Concentration Camps were discovered. On top of the brutal fighting, the camps brought home the horror of the War. In this tour, we'll visit Nuremburg, home of the annual Nazi Reich Party Day and later the site of the European War Crimes trials. We'll tour the city and then move on to visit a number of the concentration camp sites, including Buchenwald, Bergen-Belsen, and Nordhausen. As we continue to visit concentration camp sites, we'll journey to Munster and visit the Panzer Museum there. We'll then travel north to Peenemunde, site where the "Wonder Weapon" rockets were developed. We'll then continue on to Berlin where we will see where the Holocaust originated as well as the scene of the final battle in the War in Europe. Also a visit to Seelow Heights. We'll return to Berlin for a farewell dinner.



# WWII In the Heart of Germany tour – Munich to Berlin 2026

## **REGISTRATION FORM**

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Name
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Address
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Zip Phone (days) Email address:
I/we wish to reserve spaces on a twin share basis (two persons to a hotel room), or I am traveling alone and wish to pay the single supplement so as not to share my hotel room, or share with another tour member
Enclosed is my/our check for the deposit in the amount of \$
Please arrange my/our air arrangements from to Europe to coincide with tour in Economy class or business class.
I/we would like additional night's hotel accommodations in:Munich and/or Berlin.
Reason for taking tour, i.e. Veteran, history buff, family member, etc.
Special needs, dietary requirements
Next of kin
I/we have read and understand the terms set forth in this brochure:
Signature Date

#### **Reservations and Final Payment**

Reservations can only be held with a deposit of \$600 per person accompanied by the Application form. Payments accepted in the form of a personal check or credit card. Final payment is normally due by July 10, 2025 unless otherwise stated on confirmation. Reservations will be accepted on a first come – first served basis. Valor Tours, Ltd. does not recommend that children under the age of 12 participate on this tour. Passport required. Visas are not required. Tour cost based on minimum of 10 paying participants. Changes to itinerary may result if we have less than 10 paying passengers. Airfare from the U.S. to Europe not included, however if you need assistance with air arrangements we will be happy to help.

#### **Cancellations and Changes**

If Valor Tours, Ltd. receives cancellation more than 90 days prior to departure your deposit is fully refundable. Cancellations received between 89 to 30 days prior to commencement of tour subject to loss of deposit. Cancellation within 30 days or 'no shows" are non refundable. Refunds may take up to 30 days to process. Cancellation charges also apply to additional travel arrangements such as airfare. If flight changes are requested after airline tickets are issued, revision fees will apply. Travel and emergency insurance is available for purchase. Details will be sent to those who sign up for tour. Available upon request.

#### Baggage allowance

We recommend one suitcase and one carry-on bag per person, please. Porterage for one bag per person is included in the tour cost; however there may be times when you will be responsible for your baggage, so it is to the benefit of the passenger to travel light. Passengers are responsible for carry-on bags, purses, camera bags, briefcases, etc. No responsibility is accepted for loss or damage to baggage, or any of the passenger's belongings.

#### Disabilities

Any personal disability requiring special attention should be reported to Valor Tours at the time of reservation. Valor Tours will make reasonable attempts to accommodate the special needs of disabled tour participants, but is not responsible for any denial of services by carriers, hotels, restaurants and other independent suppliers. Motor coach companies and other carrier employees may not physically lift participants or assist them on or off conveyances. A qualified companion must accompany persons requiring such assistance. Be advised that foreign countries do not have the disabled and handicapped laws that Americans enjoy here at home.

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Single occupancy of hotel rooms is an additional \$1400 over and above the tour cost. If you would like to avoid this expense, you may share with another single traveler. Valor Tours will make every attempt to find you a suitable roommate of the same age and gender, however Valor Tours, Ltd. cannot be held responsible for incompatibility, nor can they guarantee a roommate should one not be available. In that case, the single supplement will apply.

#### Not included in tour cost

Meals not indicated in itinerary, airfare from the U.S., passport fees, items of a personal nature such as laundry, telephone calls, alcoholic beverages, tipping to driver & guide, foreign airport departure taxes, cancellation/trip interruption/emergency travel insurance coverage, air fare to/from Germany.

Valor Tours Ltd. reserves the right to substitute hotels listed with alternate hotels of similar quality, or of lesser quality should our passenger numbers fall below 10 passengers. Regardless our passengers will always have hotel rooms with private ensuite.



Bob has escorted over eight tours to Europe for Valor Tours, including Poland, Bulge and Normandy.

Bob Kozlowski, is a Financial Advisor in the Phoenix Arizona area with over 40 years experience. Originally from Chicago, he attended Arizona State University and has a BS and MBA. Bob is a Lifetime Member of the ASU Alumni Association. An avid history buff, he has been a war-strategy gamer since he was 11 years old. Bob has spent the last 25 years traveling throughout Europe. His living motto is "always in search of the truth."

# <u>Itinerary – subject to change</u>

## October 12 Monday (D)

Independent arrivals in Munich. Meet at the Louis Hotel, Munich for three night stay. Welcome dinner at local restaurant.

# October 13 Tuesday (B)

Walking tour of Nazi sights. Afternoon Dachau Concentration Camp outside of Munich. Overnight Louis Hotel.

# October 14 Wednesday (B)

Morning drive to Berchtesgaden and Eagle's Nest, Hitler's retreat. Return to Munich and Louis Hotel.

# October 15 Thursday (B)

This morning we check out of our hotel and drive to Nuremberg where we visit the Nazi Party Rally grounds, Documentation Center, Luitpold Arena, Palace of Justice Museum (Nuremberg Trials).

Overnight ELCH Hotel, Nuremberg.

# October 16 Friday (B)

Leave Nuremburg for Nordhausen Rocket facility and camp. Then head to Hannover and the Mercure Hanover Hotel.

# October 17 Saturday (B)

Morning visit to Bergen Belsen Concentration camp where Ann Frank perished. Then onto Munster to see the Panzer Museum. Leave Munster for Bremen. Steigenberger Hotel on the river.

# October 18 Sunday (B)

Visit Valentine U-Boat production facility. Then onto Hamburg and the Sub Pens, 2 Flak towers, air-raid shelter turned restaurant. Drive by Port of Hamburg to see where the Battleship Bismarck was constructed. Overnight Hyatt Hotel.

## October 19 Monday (B)

Leave Hamburg for Laboe where there is a Naval Memorial and visit actual U-boat 995 turned into a museum. Lunch in Laboe and depart for Pennemunde (3 hour 45 minute drive). Check in at Hotel Asgard.

## October 20 Tuesday (B)

This morning visit the Pennemunde Museum. Then onto Beelow Woods to visit memorial of Sachsenhausen camp exodus. Then on to visit Sachsenhausen camp. Onto Berlin in the afternoon.

Maritim proarte Hotel, Berlin.

# October 21 Wednesday (B, L)

All day touring Berlin: site where citizens burned books, Hitler's Bunker, Bradenburg Gate, Riechstag, Von Staffenberg's execution site, Checkpoint Charlie. Lunch at Clarchens Ballhaus a dance hall that existed in the war. Holocaust Museum, "Topography of Terror" museum, Gestapo Museum and the Wansee Conference Museum, where the Holocaust was planned and Templehof Airport (Berlin Airlift). Overnight Ellington Hotel, Berlin.

# October 22 Thursday (B)

Today drive to the Seelow Heights and museum. Then onto Torgau to see the bridge where the US and Russians linked up. Back to Berlin.

# October 23 Friday (B, D)

Drive to Seelow Heights battleground and Museum. Stop at the Wansee conference museum before heading back to Berlin and farewell dinner.

# October 24 Saturday (B)

Check out of our hotel and depart Berlin. Tour ends.



# Travel insurance

Emergency medical/sickness, missed connections, baggage loss/delay, worldwide travel assistance insurance coverage and cancellation/trip interruption insurance coverage with Travelex is made available to all participants within the U.S. and Canada. We strongly recommend this coverage.



Panzer Museum, Munster

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# Tour Cost \$4950.00 per person, twin share – land only October 12 to 24, 2026 Single supplement \$1400.00

Includes: 12 nights hotel accommodations, ensuite; breakfast daily; welcome and farewell dinners; one lunch; services of Bob Kozlowski as tour leader throughout; private coach/driver from October 13 to 24; all entance fees; porterage at hotel; local taxes.

Based on minimum of 10 full fare passengers.

Early booking discount policy applies.

Left: Berchtesgaden