

European Reformations Study Tour

Indicative program outline: This itinerary is subject to change and should be used as a guide only.

Draft Proposed Program				
Day	Date	Activity	Location	
1	8/11/2024	Group to arrive in Berlin Transfer to hotel. (Dinner)	Berlin	
2	9/11/2024	After breakfast at the hotel, enjoy a panoramic tour of Berlin with a local guide, including Brandenburg Gate, Berlin Wall, and Checkpoint Charlie. Afternoon free time in Berlin. (Breakfast Dinner)	Berlin	
3	10/11/2024	Free day in Berlin (Breakfast)	Berlin	
4	11/11/2024	Breakfast at the hotel and check-out. Board your coach and depart to Wittenberg. Upon arrival visits of the Castle Church and St Mary's Church (tickets included). After time for lunch on own, visit the famous Luther's house (ticket included)*. Then, enjoy some free time, before dinner and overnight. *Due to renovation the Luther's house is closed until 2025. An exhibition is available for visit in the Augusteum. (Breakfast Dinner)	Wittenberg	
5	12/11/2024	Depart to Eisleben to visit the Luther's house, the Sterbehaus Museum (where Luther died), the Peter Paul Church where Luther was baptized, and St Andrew's Church (view only) where he preached his last sermon. In the afternoon, continue to Eisenach to visit the Wartburg Castle (ticket included). After, proceed to Erfurt for dinner and overnight. (Breakfast Dinner)	Wittenberg, Eisleben, Eisenach, Erfurt	
6	13/11/2024	The morning is free to attend a worship service. Afternoon visit to the Augustinian Monastery (ticket included) where Luther first lived and worked as an Augustinian monk, Erfurt Cathedral (where Luther was ordained priest in 1507), and the well-preserved medieval Old Town. Some free time before late afternoon drive to Mainz for dinner and overnight. (Breakfast Dinner)	Erfurt, Mainz	
7	14/11/2024	Morning visit to the Mainz Cathedral and the Gutenberg Museum (tickets included) where we discover how the invention of the printing press and mass media was crucial to the rapid expansion of the Reformation. Transfer to Worms to tour the Cathedral, which was the site of Luther's famous hearing before the Emperor Charles V and then view the Reformation Monument. Afternoon transfer to Strasbourg. The remainder of the day is free. (Breakfast)	Mainz, Worms, Strasbourg	
8	15/11/2024	In the morning, enjoy a tour of Strasbourg, including visits of the vast and beautiful Cathedral, St Thomas Church where Bucer preached and is buried, St Nicholas's Church (outside view only) which Calvin planted, and St. Pierre le Jeune Protestant Church. After time for lunch on own, board your coach and depart to Basel. Enjoy a short, guided walking tour of the medieval Old Town, including the cathedral burial place of Erasmus of Rotterdam, the great Christian Humanist and intellectual forerunner of the Reformation. Then, continue to Geneva for dinner and overnight. (Breakfast Dinner)	Strasbourg, Basel, Geneva	
9	16/11/2024	After breakfast at the hotel, meet your local guide for a walking tour to see Reformation Monument, St Peter's Church (where Calvin preached and from where he led the Genevan Reformation), the Genevan Academy, Calvin's home and grave, and the Reformation Museum beneath St Peter's Church (ticket included). The remainder of the day is free. (Breakfast)	Geneva	
10	17/11/2024	Transfer to Geneva Airport for the flight to Rome. Upon arrival in Rome, you will be met by your Tour Escort and transferred to your hotel. Free afternoon and evening in Rome. (Breakfast)	Geneva, Rome	

11	18/11/2024	This morning we commence a walking tour where we explore a cross- section of Christian history from some of the greatest ancient treasures of antiquity to the artistic and architectural riches of the Renaissance, Counter-Reformation and baroque Catholic Church. We visit St Peter's Basilica, the world's largest cathedral, begun by Constantine in AD 320 and the resting place of the Apostle Peter and many martyrs and popes. We also visit the famous Vatican Museums (ticket included) and Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel on a guided tour. In the afternoon we continue on foot to discover the deep layers of Christian history in Rome through the Palatine Hill and the Roman Forum, site of military processions, elections, trials, and the beating heart of Roman public life for centuries. The precinct includes the Arch of Titus and Arch of Constantine, and the ruins of early Christian churches. Nearby is the Mamertine Prison (where, according to church tradition, Paul and Peter were imprisoned before their executions). In the evening we gather at a local restaurant for our farewell dinner. (Breakfast Dinner)	Rome
12	19/11/2024	Breakfast at the hotel and check-out. (Breakfast)	

