

Art & Culinary Tour of Berlin





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Why Exeter International?

Our experience

At Exeter International we have been creating memories and crafting custom-designed journeys since 1993. We are a team of specialists committed to providing the best travel experiences in our destinations. Each of our experts has either traveled extensively on reconnaissance trips, or has lived in their area of expertise, giving us unparalleled first-hand knowledge. Because we focus on specific parts of the globe, we return to the same destinations many times, honing our experience over the years.

Knowledgeable up-to-the-minute local information

We are best placed to give you advice about traveling to Europe and beyond; from logistics and new protocols in museums, hotels and restaurants in each country. We are here to expertly guide you through the new normal in travel.

Original custom programs, meticulously planned

Our experts speak your language both literally and culturally. Our advice and recommendations are impartial, honest, and always have the individual in mind. We save valuable time in pre-trip research and focus on developing experiences that enrich and enhance your experience. Once on your journey you will have complete peace of mind with our local 24-hour contact person who is on hand to coordinate any changes in your program or help you in the case of any emergency.

Hand-selected guides

We know that guides are one of the most important components of any travel experience. That is why we only use local experts who have a history of working with our guests and whom we know personally. We are extremely particular in selecting our guides and are confident that they will be one of the most memorable aspects of any of our trips.

Day 1



Arrival in Berlin

Arrival into Berlin, where you will be met by your driver for your transfer to your hotel in the center of the city, Mitte.

The largest and most modern of the Central European capital, Berlin has reinvented itself since reunification into Europe's powerhouse city. Each area has its own unique character, from the historical heart in Mitte to the hipster center of Kreuzberg. With over 80 museums from contemporary art to WWII history, and the outstanding Berlin Philharmonic, now joined by the Frank Gehry designed Pierre Boulez Saal concert hall, high culture predominates.

EXETER SERVICES: Arrival Transfer

HOTEL: Chateau Royal

Day 2



Berlin Exploration by Bike

Today, your bike guide will meet you for a tour of Berlin on two wheels, delving into the city's rich history and the impact of the Berlin Wall. You will explore remnants of the Wall, tracing its path through the city and uncovering poignant stories of division and resilience. Gain insight into the Cold War era and the struggle for freedom as you pedal through iconic landmarks and learn about the significance of this historic barrier.

Alternatively, you may choose to explore the vibrant and eclectic side of Berlin. You'll venture off the beaten path to discover the city's underground art scene, alternative lifestyles, and unconventional spaces. From street art to hidden gems, immerse yourself in Berlin's avant-garde culture and gain a unique perspective on this dynamic city's thriving subcultures.

EXETER SERVICES: Bike Guide (up to 4 hours)

HOTEL: Chateau Royal



Berlin Art Day

Enjoy your morning at leisure.

Exeter Extraordinary Experience

This afternoon, you have a private tour of the Boros Gallery. This former Nazi bunker houses the private contemporary art collection of Polish-born entrepreneur Christian Boros. It features works from international artists from 1990 with ever-changing exhibitions.

Later today, you will also visit the Museum Island, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that is the home to many of Berlin's top museums, including the Neues Museum. Here you will find the bust of Nefertiti in her stunning new environment. This museum houses the contents of the Egyptian museum, as well as the Museum of Pre- and Early-History. Neues Museum afterhours tour available upon request - please inquire for details.

EXETER SERVICES: Guide (up to 4 hours); Boros Gallery Guide

HOTEL: Chateau Royal

Day 4



Berlin Culinary Day

Today, you will experience Berlin and Germany's contemporary food culture and lifestyle accompanied by a culinary insider. Begin with a market tour in the lively neighborhood of Schöneberg, located in former West Berlin. After browsing through the different stands, you will select the products you will be savoring during lunch today. Afterwards, head to the chef's home and begin the cooking adventure! You will elaborate some of the finest German dishes, while learning about the culture and history of the city, the products, and the local life.

EXETER SERVICES:

Culinary Insider (up to 6 hours); City Transfers

HOTEL:

Chateau Royal

Day 5



Depart for home!

This morning after check-out, your driver will meet you in the lobby of your hotel for your transfer to the airport to catch your onward flight.

EXETER SERVICES:

Departure Transfer

HOTEL:

Not included

WHAT'S INCLUDED



Pricing

Starting from \$4,150 per person, based on two people traveling.

Included In your Journey

LODGING

- Four Nights at Chateau Royal in Junior Suite

SERVICES

- Itinerary planning and design of the tour according to the exact needs of the traveler. Logistical recommendations and help with decisions on every aspect of the timing of the trip, including routing, museum openings, national holidays, etc.
- All touring, and transfers noted, a private vehicle here planned, an expert guide where noted, and entrance fees to all museums in the program.
- We provide electronic documents via the AXUS app.
- 24-hour local emergency contact in each destination, staffed by our local English speaking manager.

Not Included

- Meals.
- Airfare.
- Gratuities.
- Any personal expenses at hotels or elsewhere.
- Optional trip cancellation service.

ACCOMMODATIONS

CHATEAU ROYAL

BERLIN, GERMANY

This new boutique hotel opened in 2022 with a perfect location in the heart of Mitte. It is just a short walk to Unter den Linden and puts guests in the heart of the most cultural spot in Berlin. Opened by the cofounder and manager of famed Grill Royal, you will find a classically elegant focused on choice and sustainability.

The hotel features 93 rooms with custom-made furniture designed and produced exclusively for the hotel. The style is that of understated luxury with signature pieces of contemporary art throughout. It all harkens back to Berlin's heyday at the turn of the 19th and 20th centuries. Bathrooms feature hand-crafted tiles in green, petrol, blue or sand, coupled with colored marble sinks and are kept warm by underfloor heating. No two rooms at Château Royal are alike, whether in the historic part of the building, the new wing or our two-floor rooftop annex, and every effort has been made to ensure that each room is free of plastic and is made from sustainably sourced materials. Rooms offer coffee and tea service with ingredients sourced from local partners.

The hotel offers a vibrant hotel bar, restaurant, fireside lounge, and winter garden.

Accommodation in Large Room with guaranteed upgrade to **Junior Suite**.

Junior Suite: Featuring 390 square feet of space on average, junior suites are extremely varied with individual floor plans. All rooms have generous bathrooms with a walk-in rain shower, hand-made furniture designed specifically for the hotel, and gorgeous herringbone parquet flooring. Bedding is either a king or twin bed.

Meals

No meals included, other than breakfast as described above. Your final documents will include our top recommendations.

Services

Private vehicle, driver and guide at your service as described. The timing for each day is noted in your program.

Exeter International's local offices are available for emergency assistance 24 hours per day while you are traveling.

Transportation

Transportation is included as noted. Unless otherwise noted, all transfer service is with a driver only, not a guide. In general, drivers have limited English-speaking skills. Timing for each day is noted in your program.

Guides

Hand chosen for their knowledge on local history, art & architecture. Guides are at your disposal as noted in your itinerary.

Tickets

All entrance tickets as described in the program.

Exeter International Travel Information

BAGGAGE

The vehicles reserved for your itinerary can accommodate up to two medium-sized suitcases per person. If you intend to travel with additional luggage, please advise your travel consultant so appropriate arrangements may be made. In general, we schedule a sedan for parties of two, a minivan for parties of three to four and a minibus for parties of five or more.

SIGHTSEEING

Sightseeing arrangements have been made with your special interests in mind. Your drivers and guides are at your disposal as indicated in the itinerary. Within those time and mileage guidelines, you are free to modify your program as you please. Should you require additional time or mileage, the costs will be quoted on request and may be paid for locally in the local currency or U.S. Dollars.

Every effort has been made to confirm that scheduled sightseeing venues will be open at the time you plan to visit them. However, individual estates, museums, gardens and other points of interest can change their hours of operation at short notice. In the event that a particular attraction is closed on the day or time of your visit, your guide will offer alternative arrangements or rearrange your sightseeing to accommodate these unexpected events.

OPTIONAL EXPENSES

Charges for extra meals, transport, sightseeing services or other optional additions to your established itinerary are your responsibility and must be paid locally in the local currency.

GRATUITIES

Gratuities are not included in your tour price and are at your own discretion. Please see your final documents for tipping suggestions.

DINING WITH YOUR GUIDE

On days when dinner and lunch costs have not been included in your itinerary (or in your tour cost), you may, at your discretion, choose to invite your guide to dine with your party. You are under no obligation to do so but, if you do extend such an invitation, the guide is your guest and you will be responsible for the cost of his/her meal.

REFUNDS

We regret that refunds cannot be issued for arrangements confirmed on your itinerary but unused once your tour has begun.

INSURANCE

Exeter International strongly recommends the purchase of travel insurance to protect your investment. You will find insurance costs noted on your invoice and insurance coverage information in your original booking packet.

PRICES AND ARRANGEMENTS

The tour price includes planning, handling, and operational charges. Rates are quoted in US Dollars on the current rate of exchange and tariff as of 2024. Exeter International reserves the right to increase tour prices to cover increased costs, tariffs, and taxes, and to reflect fluctuations in foreign exchange markets. The devaluation of a foreign currency will be weighed against any tariff increases imposed. Exeter International does not break down costs involved in any Small Group or Individual Travel Program.

All arrangements are subject to availability and modification if necessary.

Prices are subject to change if necessary until paid in full.

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