



WORLD WAR II HISTORY ROUND TABLE



Victory Tour – V day 2022

July 14 – 30, 2022

17 days / 15 overnights

Day 1: Thursday, July 14, 2022

Depart the USA for the International Airport Frankfurt, Germany.

Day 2: Friday, July 15, 2022

Arrive at International Airport Frankfurt Germany. Meet your tour escort at the arrival gate before we depart by bus for Trier, Germany. Arrive at our Trier hotel in the city center and check-in. Free time at your leisure to visit the city center.

3 overnights Trier, Germany (Dinner)

Park Plaza Hotel Trier - Nikolaus-Koch-Platz 1, 54290 Trier, Germany

Day 3: Saturday, July 16, 2022

This morning we depart for Luxembourg which is believed to go back to the year 963. Upon arrival, we take a **Luxembourg city sightseeing tour**. Then we have free time for an early lunch. After lunch, we depart for the **Luxembourg American Cemetery**. To end the day we will also visit the nearby **Sandweiler German War Cemetery**.

Overnight Trier (Breakfast)

Day 4: Sunday, July 17, 2022

After breakfast, we depart on a **Moselle River Cruise** from Trier “On the tracks of the Romans”. In the afternoon we return to Trier for a **Roman History Sightseeing Tour** which will include the former city wall, the Roman Bridge (which is the only UNESCO World Heritage site still used in its original function), the Amphitheater, the Imperial Baths, and the Porta Nigra. We will also touch on the WW2 events from 1940 until March 2, 1945, when the city fell into the hands of the advancing US troops.

Overnight Trier (Breakfast)

Day 5: Monday, July 18, 2022

This morning we depart to Aschaffenburg. In World War II, the town was heavily bombed by the Allied forces and extensive reconstruction had to be done on several big buildings – including the Johannisburg Palace. German forces fought hard to not lose the city in late 1945, causing even greater destruction than towns close by. After lunch, we will have a short introduction on “**Operation Hammelburg**” by our historian **Peter Domes**. The rest of the afternoon and the next day we will be following the route of the Hammelburg Raid.

2 overnights Hammelburg, Germany (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Hotel Weinland Hotel – An der Walkmühle 11, 97762 Hammelburg, Germany

Day 6: Tuesday, July 19, 2022

This morning we continue the **Hammelburg Raid** with our historian Peter Domes. We plan to cover Camp Hammelburg which had been built in 1895 as a training installation for the Royal Bavarian Army. It had been a POW camp during World War One. After 1935 it was a training camp and military training area for the German Army. In World War Two the German Army used parts of camp Hammelburg again for two POW camps. To end the day we will visit the **German Infantry Museum Hammelburg** which includes an extensive collection of the Bundeswehr infantry school in the camp Hammelburg.

Overnight Hammelburg (Breakfast, Dinner)

Day 7: Wednesday, July 20, 2022

After breakfast, we depart for **Rothenburg ob der Tauber** en route to Nuremberg where we will overnight. Rothenburg ob der Tauber is one of the best-preserved medieval towns in Europe, the old Bavarian Imperial city is considered as one of the most attractive towns in Germany. It is picturesquely positioned on the steep banks of the River Tauber, its walls and towers look much as they did in the 16th century, while many of the buildings inside the walls are even older. The city was spared in WW2 from only particle bombing.

3 overnights Nuremberg, Germany (Breakfast, Dinner)

Holiday Inn Nürnberg City Center - Engelhardsgasse 12, 90402 Nuremberg, Germany

Day 8: Thursday, July 21, 2022

Today we head east by train to visit the **Flossenbürg Concentration Camp**. When soldiers of the US Army discovered the Flossenbürg Concentration Camp on April 23, 1945, neither they nor the liberated prisoners had any idea how the memory of the mass crimes in this place could be kept alive. We will return late afternoon with free time in the Nuremberg city center.

Overnight Nuremberg (Breakfast)

Day 9: Friday, July 22, 2022

This morning we wake up in the beautiful Medieval city of Nuremberg dating back to 1050 with an Imperial Castle. It is also well known in the 21st century as the site of major Nazi rallies, and it provided the site for the Nuremberg trials, which held to account many major Nazi officials. We will first start the day with a **sightseeing tour of Nuremberg** which will include a visit to the Documentation Center and a guided tour of the Nuremberg 3rd Reich sites to include the Luitpold Arena, Congress Hall of the Nazi Party, and the Zeppelin Field. We will end the day with a visit to the Nuremberg Courthouse and explore the new exhibition "**Memorium Nuremberg Trials**", and Courtroom 600.

Overnight Nuremberg (Breakfast)

Day 10: Saturday, July 23, 2022

We bid farewell to Nuremberg and continue to Linz, Austria. Upon arrival in Linz, we will check into our hotel. In the afternoon, we will have a **WW2 sightseeing tour of Linz** to include the Period of National Socialism (1938 - 1945). The first half of the 20th century was a time of massive historical change in Linz. The city of Linz has been committed to coming to terms with its more recent past and has devoted several publications and exhibitions to the topic of Nazism in Linz.

2 overnights Linz, Austria (Breakfast, Dinner)

Austria Trend Hotel Schillerpark - Rainerstraße 2-4, 4020 Linz, Austria

Day 11: Sunday, July 24, 2022

This morning we depart for **Mauthausen Concentration Camp and Memorial Site**. The concentration camp complex consists of the camp on a hill above the market town of Mauthausen plus a group of nearly 100 further subcamps located throughout Austria and southern Germany. In the afternoon you will have free time to visit some of the many historical sites in Linz.

Overnight Linz (Breakfast)

Day 12: Monday, July 25, 2022

Our day will consist of first visiting Braunau am Inn, a town in Upper Austria, on the border with Germany. We will visit a stone plaque outside Hitler's birthplace which honors the victims of fascism and take a tour "**discovering Braunau's contemporary history**" which includes the history, current problems and gives an insight of Braunau at the end of WW2 (the last days of the war from April 30 to May 2, 1945) and about the past (the Days of Contemporary History in Braunau, Stumbling blocks in Braunau and the Jägerstätter Park – resistance in and around Braunau). After lunch, we depart on a **Berchtesgaden sightseeing tour**. The area holds much historical value concerning World War II. The tour will cover many of the historically important sites on the Obersalzberg, including the more hidden locations that most individual never hears about, an authentic account of the fascinating history of this area.

2 overnights Berchtesgaden, Germany (Breakfast, Dinner)

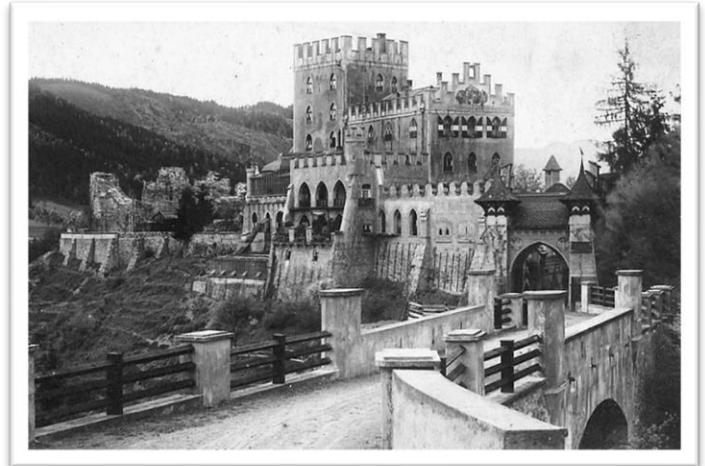
Alpen Hotel Kornprinz - Kälbersteinstraße 8, D-83471 Berchtesgaden, Germany

Day 13: Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Today we visit the **Obersalzberg Documentation Center** which offers visitors the opportunity to study and reflect on the history of Obersalzberg and the history of National Socialism. Our tour today will also include the **Platterhof Bunker Complex** (a good example of the underground fortified system) and the **Eagle's Nest** mountaintop diplomatic teahouse, considered an engineering feat.
Overnight Berchtesgaden (Breakfast, Dinner)

Day 14: Wednesday, July 27, 2022

Today we re-live the **Battle for Castle Itter, Austria** which was fought in the Austrian village of Itter on 5 May 1945, in the last days of World War II in Europe. We will visit the castle and area to relive the battle known as the strangest battle of World War 2. Troops of the 23rd Tank Battalion of the 12th Armored Division of the US XXI Corps led by Captain John C. "Jack" Lee, Jr., several Wehrmacht soldiers led by Major Josef "Sepp" Gangl, SS-Hauptsturmführer Kurt-Siegfried Schrader, and recently freed French prisoners of war defended Castle Itter against an attacking force from the 17th SS Panzergrenadier Division until relief from the American 142nd Infantry Regiment of the 36th Division of XXI Corps arrived.



The French prisoners included former prime ministers, generals, and a tennis star. It is the only known time during the war in which Americans and Germans fought side-by-side. In the late afternoon, we depart for Munich Germany.

3 overnights Munich, Germany (Breakfast)

Maritim Hotel München - Goethestr. 7, 80336 München, Germany

Day 15: Thursday, July 28, 2022

After Breakfast we will travel through Bavaria's magnificent scenery and visit the castles of **Linderhof, Neuschwanstein, and Hohenschwangau**. The castles of Neuschwanstein and Linderhof were created by the 19th-century King Ludwig II. Linderhof Castle is a rococo-style hunting lodge and the last home of King Ludwig II. Then we continue to Neuschwanstein, a 19th-century Romanesque palace on a rugged hill above the village of Hohenschwangau. Free time in nearby Hohenschwangau village for lunch and the option to visit the Hohenschwangau Castle nearby. It was the childhood residence of King Ludwig II of Bavaria and was built by his father, King Maximilian II of Bavaria. Those not interested in the castles can stay in Munich or visit the nearby Dachau Concentration Camp.

Overnight Munich (Breakfast)

Day 16: Friday, July 29, 2022

On our last day in Germany, we will take a **sightseeing tour of Munich** to include the history of the birthplace and former headquarters of the Nazi Party. Some main points will include Feldherrnhalle - the site of the famous Beer Hall Putsch of 1923 when officers of the Bavarian State Police clashed violently with Adolf Hitler supporters trying to storm the Bavarian Defence Ministry. Following the failed coup, Hitler was arrested after the failed coup, and sentenced to a term in prison. Headquarters of the German Workers Party - Forerunner of the National Socialist Party was founded in Munich's Hotel Fuerstenfelder in January 1919. Brown House - was the former headquarters of the National Socialist German Workers' Party. It was here, from 1930, that Hitler ran an office and the Nazi Party planned rallies that changed the path of history in Europe and the world. The tour will include much more to satisfy the WW2 history buffs. In the afternoon we have lunch planned in the **Hofbräuhaus Beer Hall** where Hitler and the National Socialists held their first meeting in 1920.

Overnight Munich (Breakfast, Farewell dinner)

Day 17: Saturday, July 30, 2022

After breakfast, individual departure home at your leisure.

Highlights included in the tour program:

- Deluxe air-conditioned coach transportation
- Full time tour escort John Rogers with over 30 years of guiding experience in Europe
- 17 days / 15 overnights in 4 star and upper-middle-class hotels as per the itinerary
- Daily breakfast buffet
- 8 dinners and 1 lunch
- Luxembourg City Sightseeing Tour
- Luxembourg American Cemetery
- Sandweiler German War Cemetery
- Moselle River Cruise "On the tracks of the Romans"
- Trier Roman History Sightseeing Tour
- Operation Hammelburg by our historian Peter Domes
- Hammelburg Raid Camp, Hammelburg
- German Infantry Museum, Hammelburg
- Guided tour of the medieval city of Rothenburg ob der Tauber
- Nuremberg Sightseeing Tour
- Nuremberg Documentation Center, guided tour of the Nuremberg 3rd Reich sites to include the Luitpold Arena, Congress Hall of the Nazi Party, and the Zeppelin Field
- Nuremberg Courthouse, Courtroom 600, and new exhibition "Memorium Nuremberg Trials"
- Flossenburg Concentration Camp with local guide/historian
- WW2 Sightseeing tour of Linz, Austria
- Mauthausen Concentration Camp and Memorial Site with local guide/historian
- Braunau's contemporary history tour with local guide/historian
- Berchtesgaden sightseeing tour with local guide/historian
- Obersalzberg Documentation Center including the Platterhof Bunker Complex and Eagle's Nest
- Battle for Castle Itter, Austria overview
- WW2 Sightseeing tour of Munich with dinner in the Hofbrauhaus Beer Hall
- Visit of Castles Linderhof and Castle Neuschwanstein or Castle Hohenschwangau



Tour price per person: US \$ 4,595

(minimum of 20 persons)

* price does not include flight arrangements

Single room supplement: US \$ 670,-

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I would like to book the following tour	Date	Price p.p. double/twin room
<input type="checkbox"/> Victory Tour – V Day 2022	July 14 - 30, 2022	US \$ 4,595.- *Reduced rate, if paying by check (if paying by credit card: \$ 4,820.-) US \$ 670.- single supplement

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Please check one: Deposit can be paid by credit card and the balance by check.

I have enclosed a check for \$ 200.- per person for a deposit to reserve a place on the tour.

Please bill my credit card in the amount of \$ _____ My credit card information is included below.

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Minimum of participants: 20

We reserve the right to cancel any tour up to 1 month prior of the travel date if the minimum group size is not met.

Signature(s)/Date: _____

With the safety of our travelers in mind, this tour requires all travelers to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19, with the final dose given at least 14 days prior to the first day of your tour. By proceeding with your booking, you are acknowledging that you are or will be fully vaccinated prior to departure. You may be requested to provide proof of vaccination upon arrival.

Narrow Gauge Paradise - As a condition to acceptance of any application, each applicant must agree to, and sign, the statement set forth below: The undersigned has read the schedule of activities for this tour and recognizes and accepts any risk thereof. The undersigned also understands and hereby agrees for and on behalf of himself, his dependents, heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns to abide by the conditions set forth under the History Round Table Tour 2022 Terms and Conditions, and to release and hold harmless Narrow Gauge Paradise and any of their officers, agents, licensees or representatives from any and all liability for delays, injuries or death, for the loss of or damage to, his property, however occurring during any portion of, or in relation to, the History Round Table Tour 2022. After receiving your application, the detailed conditions will be sent to you together with a confirmation of your application. *(Subject to changes and errors)*

Please mail the check for final payment to: (secure P.O. Box)

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