

TEN COUNTRIES WITHOUT A PASSPORT

Greece - Poland - Germany - India - Ukraine - Ireland Czech Republic - Scotland - France - Lithuania - Mexico

Four Days / Three Nights - Available Year-Round



Dancers at German-American Society

Day One: Germany

6:15-8:30pm German Dinner & October Fest Entertainment

Enjoy an evening of German dancing, singing and ethnic food. Groups love the authentic meal and entertainment at Omaha's German American Society. Choose from a meal selection of rouladen, sauerbraten or jagerschnitzel. After dinner, the German American Society's dance troupe performs, and the German men's choir will lead your group in a traditional German sing-a-long. This is an energetic, audience participation-filled evening. \$31.95 per person

Day Two: Lithuania, Poland, Ireland

8:30-11:00am Omaha City Tour with Step-On Guide

Enjoy a guided driving tour of Omaha's past, present and future. A professional guide will join your group for an overview of Omaha's top points of interest. Tour highlights include; the historic Old Market Entertainment District with its cobblestone streets and unique boutiques; Lewis & Clark Landing, the historic spot where the exploring duo landed; the historic Gold Coast District, listed on the National Register of Historic Places; Billionaire's Warren Buffet's home; a 1903 Scottish Castle; The Blackstone Hotel, the birthplace of the Reuben sandwich; St. Cecilia's Spanish Cathedral; TD Ameritrade Park Omaha, home of the annual NCAA Men's College World Series; the Omaha Community Playhouse, the theatre where actor Henry Fonda started his acting career; Fertile Ground mural, one of the largest murals in the country; Hollywood Candy, filled wall-to-wall with retro candy....and much more. Groups will also have an opportunity to experience Pioneer Courage Park. The park features more than 100 larger-than-life sized bronze sculptures that tell the story of the pioneer's westward journey. \$150 per coach plus guide tip



12:30-2:00pm Polish Luncheon Presentation

Learn about Omaha's Polish community with a visit to the Polish home for an authentic Polish meal prepared by the Polish Heritage Society of Nebraska. Your group will also enjoy a special dance presentation celebrating the culture of Poles in the Nebraska/Iowa area. \$15.00 per person

10:00am-12:00pm Joslyn Castle

Be transported to Scotland with a visit to the historic 1903 Joslyn Castle. This 30-room stone mansion resembles a traditional Scottish castle. As your group enters through the huge front doors, they will be amazed by the craftsmanship of the elaborate wood interior, which comes from all parts of the world. Your group will hear the fascinating story of George & Sarah Joslyn and how the couple shared their wealth with the community. \$8.00 per person

OR St. Cecilia's Spanish Cathedral

Visit Saint Cecilia Cathedral, beginning with the museum followed by a guided tour. Learn about its famous architect, Thomas Kimball, and the fifty year struggle to complete the structure. View beautiful stained glass windows, amazing Spanish colonial artwork, and a massive three ton pipe organ. \$2 per person.

8:30-9:30am Lithuanian Bakery Presentation with Samples

This is an inspirational visit to Lithuania through the eyes of the owners of Omaha's Lithuanian Bakery. Your group will hear from the Machevicius family about how their family escaped Germany in WWII and moved to Omaha to start a bakery business. Taste famous breads and enjoy their signature dessert which takes three days to make. \$5.43 per person

4:45-6:00pm Rest Period at Hotel



River City Star - Irish Dinner Cruise

6:30-8:30pm Irish Dinner Cruise

Enjoy a Missouri riverboat cruise and Irish buffet as you listen to the music of Irish folk singer, Dave Marsh. Dave plays more than 12 different Irish instruments as he tells the tales of the Irish people and their music. \$49 per person inclusive

OR An Irish Evening at the Hotel Property

From Galway Bay to Dublin, Irish folk singer David Marsh presents various musical styles from the Emerald Isle. The evening continues with a performance by the dancers of Marty Dowds Irish Dance Studio. For more than 15 years, Dowd was the lead dancer for River Dance, today Dowd teaches students to dance in national Irish dance competitions. Hotel must have performance area/dance floor. \$375.00 entertainment fee per group - meal cost by menu selection

Day Three: Czech Republic, France, India, Mexico, Greece

8:45am-10:45am Father Flanagan's Boys Town Tour

Tour the expansive campus of Boys Town, a National Historic Landmark District. Preserved in time inside this world-renowned village are the Hall of History museum, historic chapels, gardens, and Father Flanagan's 1920s home. In fact, it's the stuff that movies are made of; Boys Town, the 1938 movie starring Spencer Tracey and Mickey Rooney, won two Academy Awards (one of which is on display in the Hall of History). \$3 per person

11:00am-12:30pm French Luncheon at Le Voltaire Restaurant

Experience France at Le Voltaire with host chef, Cedric Fichepain. Fichepain will prepare a traditional three course French meal and give a presentation about the customs and traditions of his native country. When he is not at the restaurant, Fichepain is an instructor at the Omaha Institute for Culinary Arts. \$27.43 per person

12:45-2:00pm Hindu Temple Tour

Explore the Hindu culture through its artistry. The temple consists of beautiful hand-carved elephants and religious figures inside and out. Information about the Hindu faith is provided so visitors can understand the symbolic expression in the temple. As is tradition, your group will need to remove shoes prior to entering temple. Shoe covers for those who aren't able to walk without shoes will be provided. \$101 per group



2:30-3:30pm Omaha Czech and Slovak Museum

The Omaha Czech and Slovak Cultural Museum features exhibits honoring Nebraska's early Czech and Slovak immigrants. Groups will learn about Czech culture and enjoy traditional Czech kolaches and coffee. Groups can add to the authentic experience with the option of having a local accordion player provide music during the Kolaches and coffee break. This intimate museum offers an extensive gift shop featuring hand-decorated eggs, books, jewelry and more. \$4.00 per person for tour & kolaches

4:00-5:00pm Rest Period at Hotel

5:30-7:00pm Greek Dinner & Dance Performance

Visit St. John's Greek Orthodox Church for a homemade Greek meal and dance performance. Father Chris will give you a tour of this Byzantine Style church. Groups are amazed by the décor of gold and traditional icons. The tour includes a presentation of the meaning of the décor and the history. After the tour, travel downstairs where members of the congregation will join your group for a meal and Greek dancing. After some quick lessons, take part in the traditional Greek wedding dance - a prize is given to the best dancer. \$27.50 per person

7:15-8:30pm Mexican Folk Dance Performance at El Museo Latino

Enjoy traditional dances and elaborate costumes from various regions of Mexico. The program begins with colorfully costumed Aztec Dancers. Next experience the Mexican Revolution as Poncho Villa's rebels enter, with bullets draped over their chests you'll feel the passion in every movement. The final set is the traditional Mexican polka dance with brightly colored dresses and large sombreros. \$12.50 per person

Day Four: Ukraine

7:30-8:30am Ukrainian Linens & Traditions Presentation

Learn how simple linens can bring the Ukrainian culture to life. Olesia Reprichowskyj provides an entertaining presentation about the linens connection to Ukrainian history, customs and traditions. Olesia will have your group laughing while educating them about life in the Ukraine. Olesia will also talk about her experiences as a slave laborer for the German Army during WWII. \$4.00 per person plus taxi fare.



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