

**The Jewish Foundation for the Righteous  
European Study Program to Germany and Poland  
July 1 – 15, 2023 Draft Itinerary**

Saturday, July 1

Leave the United States for Munich, Germany

Sunday, July 2

Arrive in Munich in the morning. We are asking that everyone's flight arrive by 9:00 a.m., so you can clear passport control by 10:00 a.m. Please wear clothes and shoes appropriate for both the plane and for a day of visiting key sites of the Third Reich in Munich. There will not be an opportunity to change clothes or shoes. We will be on our feet for most of Monday.

We will board our bus and will proceed to the center of Munich. We will visit the Feldherrnhalle where the 1923 Putsch was stopped, a memorial to the White Rose, and the Koenigsplatz with the still existing buildings that once housed the Nazi headquarters. Following lunch, we will visit the Munich Documentation Centre for the History of National Socialism. Our visit to the Munich Documentation Centre will be spent primarily on the third floor of the Centre. These places are good introductions to National Socialism.

After our stop at the Munich Documentation Centre, which will be late afternoon, we will proceed to Dachau. Following our time at Dachau, we will leave for Nuremberg where we will spend the night.

Monday, July 3

We have arranged to have the Palace of Justice opened early for our group. We will visit Courtroom 600 and their exhibition. Following our time at Courtroom 600, we will go to the Nuremberg Documentation Centre, which is undergoing renovation, where you will view their Interim Exhibition. We will stop at the Zeppelinfeld.

After our visit to Nuremberg, which will last around four hours, we will leave for Weimar. We anticipate arriving in Weimar late afternoon. Upon our arrival in Weimar, we will take a walking tour. Being in Weimar raises the basic question: how could the Holocaust happen in the land of Goethe, Bach, and Kant? We will have dinner at a local restaurant.

Tuesday, July 4

We will leave our hotel for Buchenwald where we will visit the camp and will walk the memorial. We will have lunch at a restaurant in Weimar and then leave for Berlin. Upon our arrival in Berlin, we will go to the Bayerischer Platz to explore an interesting outdoor Holocaust memorial. We will eat dinner in a local restaurant and then check into our hotel.

Wednesday, July 5

We will begin our day at 7:30 a.m. as we visit the Gr unewald Station memorial. We will arrive at the House of the Wannsee Conference at 9:00 a.m. We will be greeted by staff, which will give a presentation and lead a discussion about the Wannsee Conference (in the room where it took place). We will have an opportunity to see the permanent exhibition (without guided tour) and to discuss the teaching of the Holocaust in Germany.

On our way back to Berlin from the House of the Wannsee Conference, we will visit the Brandenburg Gate and the Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe.

From the Memorial, we will stop at the German Resistance Memorial Center, which has an exhibition that is worth a visit. It raises interesting questions, especially given the JFR’s mission of honoring and supporting the Righteous.

Thursday, July 6

We will visit the Jewish Museum and will have lunch in their caf e. After lunch we will take a train from Berlin to Warsaw, arriving in Warsaw at approximately 10:30 in the evening. We will have dinner on the train. As our luggage will travel by bus to Warsaw, it is requested that each participant bring a carryon for whatever you need for Friday night and Saturday morning. Your luggage will be at your door by Saturday morning.

Friday, July 7

We will start our tour of “Jewish Warsaw” at the site of the former ghetto, the Rapaport Memorial, and the memorial to Zegota. We will visit Mila 18, and the Umshlagplatz. We will visit the grave of Irena Sendler. In the afternoon, we will visit POLIN.

Saturday, July 8

We will leave the hotel by 7:30 in the morning and we will travel to Treblinka. On our way to Treblinka, we will stop at Tykocin, to visit one of the few remaining synagogues in Poland. We will eat lunch in Tykocin and we will walk through the village. We will then proceed to  opuchowo, the site of the mass grave of the Jews of Tykocin. After we leave  opuchowo, we will go to Treblinka. On our return to Warsaw, we will eat dinner in a local restaurant.

Sunday, July 9

We will visit the Jewish cemetery and other memorial sites in Warsaw. We will return to the hotel, where we will change clothes for a luncheon sponsored by the JFR for Righteous Gentiles living in Warsaw. The luncheon will be held at POLIN. Following the luncheon for the Righteous, we will have free time in Warsaw. Everyone will be on their own for dinner.

- Monday, July 10 We will leave the hotel by 8:00 a.m. and will travel to Majdanek Concentration Camp. After we arrive at Majdanek, we will spend approximately three hours touring the camp. With our visit to Majdanek completed, we will proceed to Oswiecim where we will check into our hotel. This will be a long day.
- Tuesday, July 11 We will spend our first day in Auschwitz I. We will walk through the town so we can get a better understanding as to how Himmler was going to Germanize Oswiecim.
- Wednesday, July 12 We will spend our second day at Birkenau.
- Thursday, July 13 Birkenau and Auschwitz – you will have an opportunity to go back to either Birkenau or Auschwitz. You will be on your own this day. Late afternoon, we will meet to debrief and reflect.
- Friday, July 14 We will leave our hotel early, so we can stop at Himmler’s carp ponds after which we travel to Krakow. We will tour Jewish Krakow and we will have some free time in Krakow. We will have our good-bye dinner in Krakow.
- Saturday, July 15 We will proceed to the Krakow airport where we will fly to North America.