

Walton High School Orchestra American Celebration of Music in Austria and the Czech Republic

Custom Tour #5 (8 nights/10 days)

Day 1 Feb 15 (Th)

Depart via scheduled air service. The destination is Munich, Germany

Day 2 Feb 16 (F) Munich / Salzburg (D)

Arrive in Munich

Meet your MCI Tour Manager, who will assist the group to the awaiting motorcoach for the transfer to Salzburg

Check into a conveniently located hotel

Welcome Dinner and overnight

Salzburg, Mozart's birthplace, is a delight from the first sight of the outline of the Hohensalzburg Fortress, the symbol of the power of the prince-archbishops. The city's picturesque streets with their wrought-iron signs, its spacious squares with sculptured fountains and the noble architecture of its buildings inspired by bishops with a passion for construction, leave memories which linger for years

Day 3 Feb 17 (Sa) Salzburg (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Enjoy a morning guided tour of Salzburg including Mirabell Palace and Gardens, Mozart Square, the Dom (cathedral), University Church, entrance to the Mozarthaus (Mozart's birthplace) and a cable car ride up to the Fortress (for an unparalleled view of the city below)

Lunch, on own

Concert as part of the American Celebration of Music in Austria*

Evening dinner and overnight

Day 4 Feb 18 (S) Salzburg / Mondsee / Vienna (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Transfer to Mondsee to visit St. Michael's Church (site of *The Sound of Music* wedding)

Continue to Melk to visit the world-famous Abbey. The Abbey of Melk which crowns a rocky bluff overlooking the Danube more than 150 ft. above the river, is the apogee of Baroque architecture in Austria

Lunch, on own

Then it is off to Vienna for dinner and overnight

Vienna is still considered the music capital of the world. It is a city of refined tastes, grace, style and unmatched artistic accomplishments. For a thousand years, Vienna was the capital of the far-flung Holy Roman and Hapsburg empires. Though its people and ways have changed, Vienna has retained its imperial monuments, not as reminders of past glories, but as living symbols of its present freedom



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Day 5 Feb 19 (M) Vienna (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Half-day guided tour of Historical Vienna includes the Ringstraße, Imperial Palace, State Opera, Town Hall, Burgkapelle (home of the Vienna Boys Choir), Palace Stables, Strauß Monument, and entrance to Schönbrunn Palace, built by the Hapsburgs in imitation of Versailles

Lunch on own

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Evening dinner and overnight



Day 6 Feb 20 (T) Vienna / Eisenstadt (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Excursion to Eisenstadt. Everything in Eisenstadt reminds one of the brilliant composer Haydn. Entrance is included to Esterhazy Palace with its Haydn'saal, where many of Haydn's works were premiered, and also to Haydn's House, which is now a museum

Lunch, on own

Concert as part of the American Celebration of Music in Austria

Evening dinner and overnight



Day 7 Feb 21 (W) Vienna / Terezin / Prague (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Transfer to Prague via Terezin (former fortress and Nazi Concentration Camp for children), including entrance to the fortress and Museum of the Ghetto. Terezin offers poignant insights for musicians because of the music written here by prisoners

Lunch, on own

Continue to Prague for evening dinner and overnight

Prague achieved much of its present glory in the 14th century, during the long reign of Charles IV, king of Bohemia and Moravia and Holy Roman Emperor. During the Middle Ages, Prague enjoyed a golden age - a time when Prague was larger than Paris or London! The Hapsburgs also left their artistic and architectural mark. Today, Prague is universally declared one of the most beautiful cities in Europe



Day 8 Feb 22 (Th) Prague (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Half-day guided tour of Prague includes a visit to Hradcany Castle, including its St. Vitus Cathedral, the Old Royal Palace, the Golden Lane, and the Daliborka Tower

Lunch, on own

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Evening dinner and overnight



Day 9 Feb 23 (F)

Breakfast at the hotel

Half-day tour of *Musical Prague* including entrance to the Mozart Museum and Dvorak home. On display at the Bertramka Museum are all available memorabilia of Mozart, namely personal keepsakes, musical instruments, manuscripts, letters, and other documents testifying to Mozart's close relationship to Prague and to distinguished personalities of the then affluent Czech culture, have been gathered in this exhibition. The Dvorak Museum



