

# Germany #3

**Field Hockey Tour** 

Munich & Berlin

10 Day / 8 Night Program

## **SUGGESTED PROGRAM**

**PLEASE NOTE**: Actual sequence and timing of activities will revolve around your game & practice schedule,

which will be finalized in the weeks prior to your team's arrival at its destination. All times are approximate and may vary according to flight schedules and other logistical factors.

**ALL FIELD HOCKEY ACTIVITIES ARE HIGHLIGHTED IN RED.** 

Day 1 <u>USA – MUNICH</u>

Evening Depart USA on your overnight flight to Munich with possible change of plane enroute.

Dinner and breakfast served aloft.

Day 2 MUNICH

Morning Arrive in Munich.

Greeting by your highly-qualified **Tour Manager**. The Tour Managers we select are chosen for their high-energy and commitment to customer satisfaction. For the duration of your stay, your Tour Manager will be coordinating and managing all of your scheduled activities and will be available to you on a 24-hour basis should you need special assistance.

Munich is the capital of Bavaria, the state in southern Germany best-known for its beer halls, the Bavarian Alps, King Ludwig II's fanciful castles, and FC Bayern Munich, Germany's most famous and successful soccer team.

Transfer to your Three-Star Hotel in Munich for check-in.

Afternoon Free time to explore the neighborhood around your hotel and have lunch on your own.

Afternoon PRACTICE SESSION

Evening Dinner at Hotel (included in tour program).

Day 3 MUNICH

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

Morning & Afternoon Olympic Park, BMW Museum & Nymphenburg Castle - Full-Day Tour







Olympiapark complex

**Nymphenburg Castle** 

**Old Town Skyline** 

Board your private motorcoach with English-speaking guide to visit northern Munich and its main attractions.

First stop is the <u>Olympiapark complex</u>, host of the 1972 Summer Olympic Games, featuring the 290-meter tall <u>Olympia Tower</u>, the <u>Olympic Stadium</u> with tented roof, the Olympic Hall and swimming center. Take a tour of the stadium and climb the tower for spectacular views of the city.

Top off your visit to the Olympic complex with a visit to the nearby **BMW Museum** for a fascinating look into the history and development of this legendary automobile, including the impressively modernistic building housing **BMW World** where you can arrange a factory tour.

Final stop is the 17<sup>th</sup>-century **Nymphenburg Castle**, featuring lavish gardens, the "Gallery of Beauties", and an impressive display of royal coaches.

**Evening** 

Dinner at Hotel (included in tour program).

## **Evening**

### MATCH # 1 vs. a GERMAN FIELD HOCKEY TEAM







## Day 4 MUNICH

Morning

Breakfast at Hotel.

Morning & Afternoon

## <u>Castles & Oberammergau – Full-Day Tour</u>







Linderhof

Neuschwanstein

Oberammergau

Explore the fascinating Castles of German Bavaria. Visit <u>Linderhof Castle</u>, a rococo style construction built by <u>King Ludwig II</u> of Bavaria in the late 1800's. Continue on to

**Neuschwanstein Castle**, also commissioned by Ludwig II and open to the public in 1886, right after his death. More than 60 million people have visited the castle since its opening. Later visit the district of **Oberammergau**, famous for its long tradition of woodcarving, and home to the "Passion", a play the town performs every 10 years, where they tell the story of Christ, with more than 2000 people involved between actors, musicians and singers.

Evening Dinner at Hotel (included in tour program).

> After dinner, enjoy the world-famous **Hofbrauhaus**, which perfectly fits the image of a Bavarian beer hall with its cavernous interior and multitudes of visitors enjoying the festive atmosphere with servers dressed in traditional Bayarian dress and a band playing typical Bavarian music to lots of singing and dancing!

### Day 5 **MUNICH**

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

Free time to experience Munich's sights. Visit the Old Town and nearby attractions. Morning







**New Town Hall** 

New Town Hall Façade Cathedral of Our Dear Lady

Walk around Marienplatz in Munich's Old Town to take in the medieval flavor of this historic site including the imposing medieval **Neues Rathaus** (New Town Hall) and **Church** of St. Peter. Watch the 12-minute long Glockenspiel (carillon) show by painted wooden characters playing out a medieval storyline on the side of the Town Hall and climb its 275-foot tall tower for great views of the city. Visit the **Viktualienmarkt**, a large food market known for its quality products with pubs, beer halls, and restaurants nearby.

#### **CLINIC with German Professional Coaches. Afternoon**

#### Afternoon <u>Dachau Concentration Camp Visit</u> (Optional – not included in tour price)

Go to the former concentration camp. Visit the memorial site, the museum and learn from the documentary film shown inside. It is recommended to wear attire appropriate to the solemnity of the site.

Evening Dinner at Hotel (included in tour program).

#### **Evening** MATCH # 2 vs. a GERMAN FIELD HOCKEY TEAM







## Day 6 <u>MUNICH – BERLIN</u>

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

Check out of hotel and transfer to Munich's Airport for your flight to Berlin.

Arrive in Berlin and transfer by private motorcoach to your Three-Star Hotel in the city.

Berlin is best-known as the point where East met West during the Cold War between the Western Allies (France, Great Britain, and the U.S.) and the Soviet Union. From 1961 to 1990, the infamous Berlin Wall divided West Berlin from East Berlin with many people losing their lives trying to escape the communist regime. Today, Berlin is the modern capital of a reunited free and democratic Germany ruled by a bohemian spirit as exhibited by artists, musicians, and others in the city's bars, coffeehouses, nightclubs and similar gathering places of creative types.

Afternoon Free time for lunch on your own and to explore the neighborhood around your hotel.

Evening Dinner at Hotel (included in tour program).

## Day 7 BERLIN

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

Morning Berlin City Tour







**Checkpoint Charlie** 



**Berlin Wall** 

Board your motorcoach with your local English-speaking tour guide for an overview of Berlin's major sights.

Start at the <u>Reichstag</u> building, historic seat of the German government until the country was divided but that reclaimed this position after reunification. Continue to the iconic <u>Brandenburg Gate</u>, symbol of Berlin located close to where the <u>Berlin Wall</u> used to stand. Nearby are the <u>Holocaust Memorial</u>, the famous <u>Checkpoint Charlie</u> wall crossing point, and the former site of <u>Hitler's Bunker</u>.

Backtrack to Berlin's main avenue, the <u>Unter den Linden</u>, lined with historic and graceful buildings and drive past the "<u>Five Museums</u>" with treasures ranging from classical antiquities to 19<sup>th</sup> century European art. Finish your introduction to Berlin in the <u>Scheunenviertel</u> district, the historic Jewish quarter highlighted by the <u>New Synagogue</u> with its gleaming gold dome.

Afternoon Free time for lunch on your own and to explore Berlin's sights more in-depth.

<u>Suggestions</u>: Visit the <u>Reichstag</u> building and take the elevator to the dome for great views of the city and view the nearby <u>Wall Victims Memorial</u> and the <u>Holocaust</u> <u>Memorial</u> with its 2711 concrete columns rising from the ground.

Evening Dinner at Hotel (included in tour program).

## Evening MATCH # 3 vs. a GERMAN FIELD HOCKEY TEAM







## Day 8 <u>BERLIN</u>

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

Morning & Afternoon

**<u>Suggestions</u>**: Visit the **<u>Potsdamer Platz</u>** shopping district and take the elevator to the outdoor observation deck of the **<u>Panoramapunkt</u>** located on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> stories of the Kollhoff Tower office building. Enjoy great views of surrounding landmarks.







**Charlottenburg Palace** 

**Potsdamer Platz** 

**TV Tower** 

Walk to the nearby **Topography of Terror** exhibit on the former site of the Gestapo and SS central command, two of the Nazi regime's most-feared institutions, for displays documenting the horrific impact they had on innocent citizens.

Continue to Charlottenburg in western Berlin to visit the **Charlottenburg Palace**'s three main buildings featuring extravagantly decorated and ornamented rooms in the baroque style reflecting the opulent lifestyle of Sophie Charlotte, wife of King Friedrich I, for whom the palace was built as a summer residence.

Evening Dinner at Hotel (included in tour program).

## Evening MATCH # 4 vs. a GERMAN FIELD HOCKEY TEAM







## Day 9 <u>BERLIN</u>

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

# Morning & Afternoon

<u>Suggestions</u>: Visit the "Five Museums" located adjacent to one another near the Unter den Linden. These are the <u>Alte Nationalgalerie</u> featuring 19<sup>th</sup>-century European art, the <u>Pergamonmuseum</u>, with Babylonian, Greek, Islamic, Middle eastern and Roman antiquities, the <u>Altes Museum</u> with Greek and Roman art and sculpture, the <u>Bodemuseum</u> with Byzantine art and European sculpture, and the <u>Neues Museum</u>, with primarily Egyptian works.







Alte Nationalgalerie

**Bodemuseum** 

**Altes Museum** 

Continue east to the <u>Scheunenviertel</u> where you can visit the <u>Anne Frank Center</u> and in the same building, the <u>Museum Blindenwerkstatt Otto Weidt</u>, which documents how Mr. Weidt saved blind and deaf Jewish workers from the Nazis in his broom and brush factory. A poignant reminder of the Nazi era is the many small brass paving stones with the names of victims of the regime inscribed on them and placed in front of the victims' former homes. Finish your day visiting the <u>New Synagogue</u> and climbing its gold dome.

Evening

Dinner at Hotel (included in tour program).

Enjoy your last evening in Berlin taking advantage of the city's many entertainment facilities.

## Day 10 BERLIN – USA

Morning

Breakfast at Hotel.

Check out of Hotel and transfer by private motorcoach to Berlin's Tegel Airport for your flights to the USA. Possible change of plane enroute.

Arrive in the USA.

Your German Field Hockey & Cultural Adventure comes to a close with great memories to cherish for a lifetime!

## **TOUR INCLUSIONS:**

## **Travel Services:**

- Economy-class Air Transportation USA Germany round trip
- Economy-class Air Transportation Munich Berlin one way
- Round-trip Airport / Hotel transfers by private motorcoach in Munich & Berlin
- Four Nights at a Three-Star Hotel in Munich, Germany
- Four nights at a Three-Star Hotel in Berlin, Germany
- Breakfast and Dinner Daily (including one drink at each dinner)
- Olympic Park, BMW Museum & Nymphenburg Palace Full-Day Tour
- Castles & Oberammergau Full-Day Tour
- Berlin City Tour
- Bilingual Guide for all the tours
- Transfers for all of the above activities by private motorcoach.
- Tour Manager available as necessary in Germany and 24/7 access in case of emergency.
- 24/7 Emergency Support from <u>Victory Sports Tours'</u> Operations Office.

## **Field Hockey Program:**

- Four Games vs. German Teams
- One Practice Session at an astroturf field
- One Clinic with German Professional Coaches
- Water provided at games
- Round-trip transfers to the above Sports Activities by private motorcoach

## **Summary of Included Meals:**

- 8 Breakfasts
- 8 Dinners

## **Tour Price:**

For the most up-to-date pricing information on this tour, please visit our website:

http://www.victorysportstours.com/sport/field-hockey/

Scroll down to the tour named "Germany #3"

- Price is per person based on a minimum of 20 paying travelers.
- Prices are subject to availability of airfares at time of booking.
- One FREE COACH'S TRIP is included based on 20 paying travelers (21st is free).
- Coach would share twin room with a paying traveler and pay only the taxes / fees.

### **Notes:**

- The itinerary text outlines both included services and suggested free time activities. For a definitive indication of what is included in the tour price, please refer exclusively to the "TOUR INCLUSIONS" section above.
- No booking has been made yet. Tour dates are subject to availability.
- Tour price is based on current U.S. dollar/foreign currency exchange rate. Price may vary if the exchange rate were to change significantly prior to receiving your tour deposit.
- Air taxes/fees are determined by the various governments/airlines involved and are those currently in effect. By government regulation, actual air taxes/fees collected will be those in effect at ticketing, approx. 45 days before departure.
- Airlines may add a fuel surcharge if the price of fuel increases significantly.
- Final fuel surcharge is determined approx. 30 days prior to departure.
- Full Terms & Conditions to be provided upon acceptance of this proposal.