

Moostash Joe Tours
Presents

A Week in the Czech Republic

November 6 – 14, 2016

\$2,545 Per Person, Double Occupancy from Omaha
(Airline Taxes and Fees Additional)



This is an exclusive travel program offered by Moostash Joe Tours and InterTrav

Day by Day Itinerary

Sun., November 6 – OMAHA / EN ROUTE

We depart Omaha's Eppley Airfield today for the overnight transatlantic flight on scheduled service of Delta and KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, traveling via Atlanta and Amsterdam, en route to Prague, Czech Republic.

Mon., November 7 – PRAGUE / CARLSBAD (I,D)

As the sun begins to rise on the coast of Europe, we arrive and change planes for the connecting flight to Prague, Czech Republic, where we'll meet our Tour Escort who will accompany us on vacation. Leaving Prague we'll travel to the westernmost part of the historical region of Bohemia to arrive in Carlsbad, the largest of the spa towns, beautifully situated in a deep wooded valley of the Tepla River.

Tue., November 8 – CARLSBAD (B,D)

Carlsbad, also known as Karlovy Vary, was founded in 1358 by the Emperor Charles IV after he stumbled across a hot spring during a hunting expedition. To this day, the town continues to owe its international fame to its mineral springs, the most famous of which is the Vřidlo, with a geyser of water reaching to a height of 10 to 15 meters. A tour of Carlsbad will introduce us to the Market and Castle Colonnades along with their famed mineral springs. We'll also see the town's remarkable monuments, and escape to its green parks before enjoying a funicular ride to the Diana Observation Tower lookout for a beautiful view of the surrounding countryside. Afterward, we'll visit the Moser Glass Factory, established by engraver Ludwig Moser in 1857, where we'll receive a true insight into this time honored Bohemian tradition. A guided tour will take us through the workshops and show us the various stages of the glassmaking process, while observing the craftsmanship of the glasscutters and glassblowers as they go about their work. On our return to Karlovy Vary the afternoon is at leisure to stroll through the picturesque boulevards lined with colonnades, and to visit the charming shops and elegant cafés.

Wed., November 9 – CARLSBAD / CESKE BUDEJOVICE (Pilsen) (B,D)

This morning we depart Carlsbad and travel across the Bohemian countryside to Pilsen. Founded by King Wenceslas II in 1295, Pilsen is home to some of the world's best-known breweries and we'll stop to visit Plzensky Prazdroj for a tour of the brewery. Afterward, we'll continue our journey through the beautiful south Bohemian countryside, interwoven with little villages and enchanting rivers, as we make our way to Ceske Budejovice. Founded in the mid-13th century as a royal city, the capital of Southern Bohemia has managed to preserve its historical character over the centuries. We'll begin our tour of Ceske Budejovice at the square piazza named after King Premysl Otakar II, one of the largest squares in Europe, whose arcades and range of Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque burgher's houses make it one of the most attractive in the Czech Republic. We'll see the symbol of Ceske Budejovice, Samson's Fountain, a magnificent Baroque work incorporating a sculpture of Samson fighting a lion, the Town Hall with its monumental facade enhanced by three towers, and the Cathedral of St. Nicholas, where you'll have an opportunity to climb to the gallery at the top of the Black Tower for a unique panoramic view of the city.

Thu., November 10 – CESKE BUDEJOVICE

(Cesky Krumlov) (B)

Today we travel to the medieval town of Cesky Krumlov. This picturesque town is found in a deep meandering valley along the upper Vltava River, and its architecture has been preserved through the ages thanks to the area's peaceful history. Our tour will include a visit to the Castle and Chateau of Cesky Krumlov founded by the Vitkovec family in the first half of the 13th century. Unusually large for a town of Krumlov's size, the castle complex consists of 40 buildings and palaces, as well as gardens, courtyards, and a moat with resident bears. One of the highlights is the well-preserved Baroque Theater, which dates back to the 1400's, not to mention the view of the Old Town below. Following our tour of the castle, we'll have an opportunity to stroll through the narrow cobblestone streets of the Old Town where we'll find an enchanted atmosphere, surrounded by more than 300 well-preserved historical buildings, centuries old townhomes, inns, shops, and cafes.

Fri., November 11 – CESKE BUDEJOVICE / PRAGUE

(Kutna Hora) (B,D)

This morning we depart Ceske Budejovice and travel to the ancient silver mining town of Kutna Hora. The town originated as a small mining community in the second half of the 13th century when rich deposits of silver were found. Upon discovery, the king took over the licensing of the mines and Kutna Hora later became the second most important town in Bohemia. Our visit will include a walking tour of the medieval town and a visit to the Italian Court, Kutna Hora's former Royal Mint that once produced the Prague groschen. We'll also see a wonderful example of Bohemian Gothic when we visit the Church of St. Barbara with its three massive and tent-shaped spires rising above a forest of flying buttresses. Afterward we'll visit the ghoulish, but fascinating, 12th century Gothic Ossuary Chapel at Sedlec. The site holds 40,000 sets of bones arranged in the shape of gigantic bells and cherubs. However, the main draw is a chandelier made out of all the bones of the human body. Then we're headed to the Czech Republic's "Golden City of the Hundred Spires." One of the world's most impressive capital cities, we'll soon find out that Prague is full of thrilling history and glorious architecture.

Sat. November 12 – PRAGUE (B)

Our introduction to Prague begins high above the Vltava River with a visit to Prague Castle. Despite periodic fires and invasions, Prague Castle has retained historic buildings and towers from every period of its long history. Located inside the castle walls we'll visit the city's most distinctive landmark, St. Vitus's Cathedral, where a guided tour will take us back through a thousand years of history. Afterward, we'll take in the charming artisan cottages along the Golden Lane. Named after the goldsmiths who lived here in the 17th century, and once home to well-known writers including Franz Kafka, the Golden Lane is one of the most picturesque streets in all of Prague.

Sun., November 13 – PRAGUE (B)

This morning an *optional* tour will be offered to Karlstejn Castle, one of the most impressive High Gothic castles in the

Czech Republic. The castle was built by Czech King and Roman Emperor Charles IV as a royal treasury; however both the King and his son Wenceslas frequently used the castle as a country home. Situated on a rocky outcrop surrounded by five low hills, a horse-drawn carriage ride will take us up to the easily defensible location, which combined with its architecture, created a formidable stronghold.

This afternoon we'll walk the magnificent Charles Bridge and explore the Old Town Square. Until 1741, the Charles Bridge was the only crossing over the Vltava River. Today Prague's most familiar landmark is a pedestrian bridge offering locals and visitors alike a virtual outdoor museum of no less than 30 religious statues. In the Old Town Square we'll view the superbly preserved medieval astronomical clock with its moving figures of the apostles, as well as the magnificent houses that surround the square.

Mon., November 14 – PRAGUE / OMAHA (B,I)

Early this morning we travel to Prague's Ruzyně International Airport, where our tour escort will assist with check-in formalities, in preparation for our return journey home, once again traveling via Amsterdam and Atlanta. No better time to reflect on memories of our Czech Republic Heritage Vacation to last a lifetime and new friendships made along the way!

***** Welcome Home *****

The Vacation Price Includes:

- Economy-class air transportation including meals and light beverages served in-flight according to airline schedules.
- Transportation by deluxe private motor coach with accompanying Tour Escort.
- Accommodations in first-class hotels in twin-bedded rooms with private bath or shower.
- European style buffet breakfast each morning at the hotels.
- Meals as indicated in the tour itinerary.
- Sightseeing as shown in the Day by Day Itinerary including applicable entrance fees.
- Luggage handling and portage charges for one suitcase per person at the hotels.
- Taxes for included ground services.

The Vacation Price Does Not Include:

Items of a personal nature such as passport fees; laundry and cleaning; telephone calls; travel insurance; luggage handling at airports; gratuities to the motor coach driver, Tour Escort and local guide(s); meals other than those stated above; drinks with meals other than breakfast; **and airport departure taxes, government service charges, and airline security fees @ \$225 per person.**

RESERVATION APPLICATION

Please detach and return to:

Moostash Joe Tours
P.O. Box 969
Fremont, NE 68026-0969

Telephone: 402/721-7944

Please reserve _____ places for me/us on *A Week in the Czech Republic*. Enclosed is my/our check in the amount of \$_____ (\$300 deposit per person), plus (\$172 per person) to purchase the optional Travel Insurance Program. **Payment for this insurance program can only be made at the time of sign-up for the tour.**

Please make checks payable to: **INTERTRAV CORPORATION**

Mr. Mrs. Ms. _____
(PLEASE PRINT FULL NAME - IDENTICAL TO PASSPORT)

Mr. Mrs. Ms. _____
(PLEASE PRINT FULL NAME - IDENTICAL TO PASSPORT)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone (_____) _____ (_____) _____
Area Code Home Area Code Cell

I will room with (if other than spouse) _____

Other passengers I/we are traveling with _____

I do not have a roommate but will share. If a roommate cannot be found, I will pay the single supplement.

I desire single room accommodations (subject to availability) at the supplementary charge of \$290.

PLEASE ENCLOSE A COPY OF THE INFORMATION PAGE OF YOUR PASSPORT

TOUR CONDITIONS

TOUR DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT: Payment is accepted by personal or bank checks. **YOU WILL BE INVOICED FOR THE BALANCE OF PAYMENT DUE ON OR BEFORE FRIDAY, AUGUST 5, 2016.**

ARRANGEMENTS: The tour price is based on a minimum participation of 30 persons and includes planning, handling and operational charges and is quoted on the current rate of exchange, tariff rates and airfares in effect as of January 1, 2016. In the event of a marked increase or decrease in foreign currency or in tariff rates, the cost is subject to revision.

TOUR PRICING: This is a package tour in which land tour costs and special group airfares have been combined in the most advantageous way. Should you wish to take the land tour only or deviate from the package tour by changing your departure and/or return dates of travel, this will eliminate the advantages of the package tour price and special group airfares. There will be a service charge of \$100 per person for altering the airline itinerary, plus any additional charges assessed by the airlines.

TRIP CANCELLATION, BAGGAGE AND MEDICAL INSURANCE: You have been given the option of purchasing trip cancellation, baggage and medical insurance **at the time you sign-up for the tour.** The insurance includes: Trip Cancellation Insurance up to the full price of the tour cost; Trip Interruption up to 150% of the tour cost; Travel Delay - \$750; Baggage - \$1,500; Baggage Delay - \$400; Emergency Accident/Sickness Medical Expense: \$50,000; Emergency Medical Transportation - \$250,000. **The insurance premium is non-refundable (after the 10 day free-look period) and is based on a minimum participation of 10 travelers.** For a complete description of coverage and to see all the covered reasons for cancellation, please visit our website, www.grouptripsandtravel.com under the FAQ section.

CANCELLATION: If after making your initial deposit you find it necessary to cancel from the tour for any reason, there will be a charge of \$100 per person up to 90 days prior to departure. For cancellation between 89 and 60 days prior to departure, there will be a cancellation charge of \$300 per person. For cancellation within 59 days of departure, in addition to the \$300 per person charge, there may be additional cancellation charges from the airline, hotel(s) or ground service companies up to the full value of your tour cost. **IMPORTANT:** Cancellations will not be accepted by telephone and must be sent in writing to: InterTrav Corporation, 203 State Avenue, St. Charles, Illinois 60174, faxed to: 630/584-1573, or emailed to: mary@intertravcorp.com.

PASSPORTS AND VISAS: Your tour requires a passport valid for three months after the return date of the tour. If you do not already have your passport, or it will expire within three months of the tour return date, we suggest you apply for it immediately. No visas are required for your tour. However, if you are a citizen of a country other than the United States, you must advise us in writing with your Reservation Application, as other travel documents may be required.

AIRLINE TICKETING: For ticketing purposes InterTrav requires a copy of the information (photo) page of your passport. Once airline tickets have been issued and if a ticket requires a name change because of incorrect information supplied to our office, the client is responsible for any applicable airline charges.

SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING PRICING: The tour price as quoted is based on tariffs in effect for estimated 2016 prices as of January 1, 2016. Tour prices do increase every year, and it is therefore possible that increases could occur after the printing of this brochure in advance of your tour's departure. InterTrav Corporation will do everything possible to avoid an increase in the tour cost. However, should increases occur in airfares, hotel prices, and/or coach transportation costs, they will be added to the tour cost and passengers will be notified accordingly. Should an increase in price occur, notifications will be sent to tour members in writing no later than 15 days prior to departure.

RESPONSIBILITY

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