Guided tour of Dresden (ends 18:30, hotel 20:00)

Meet at Transport Desk, Level -1

Friday, May 29, 2015, 13:30 - 18:30

Guided tour including a visit to the ‘Zwinger’, the famous historical festival and park area with its gallery, and a walk across the theatre square to the banks of the river Elbe.

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departing Leipzig at 13:30 – returning at 20:00 approximately

(Guests may choose to remain in Dresden at the end of the tour; further information below)

13:30 Bus shuttle from Congress Center Leipzig to Dresden

Dresden offers a wide variety of attractions and combines three aspects which complement one another: art treasures, architectural sights and a charming landscape. Enjoy magnificent promenades on the bank of the Elbe, as well as renowned museums, monuments and charming details.

During the bus transfer from Leipzig, your guide will provide more information about the tour which will include a sightseeing tour, a visit of the ‘Zwinger’ and its gallery and a walk across the theatre square.

15:00 Guided sightseeing tour on foot

Your guide will show you the beautiful city centre of Dresden with all its baroque splendor. It is not only the capital of Saxony but a city of art and culture of high international standing as well. Precious art collections, famous orchestras and significant monuments from different eras attract numerous tourists from home and abroad. Stroll through the historic city centre, with its unique combination of historical buildings and significant cultural sites. See, for example, Semper Opera House, the most famous opera house in Germany and home of the Saxon Symphony Orchestra and admire the ‘Frauenkirche’ church, Dresden’s most potent symbol, with its magnificent bell-shaped dome dominating the city skyline.

16:30 Visit the ‘Zwinger’ with a guided tour through the gallery
The ‘Zwinger’, the most perfect example of late baroque architecture in the country was originally the setting for court festivities. Today it houses the ‘Alter Meister’ or old master gallery through which you will get a guided tour of about 1 hour. Here you can admire incomparable treasures of past times and visit the Sistine Madonna. Afterwards you can take your time to explore the exhibition and the ‘Zwinger’ on your own.

18:00 Walk across theatre square to riverside Elbe

You will see the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Saxony ‘Kreuzkirche’, the biggest ecclesiastical construction in the county. Walking along Brühl Terrace, an important city landmark also known as the Balcony of Europe, you have a wonderful view of the Royal Palace, former seat of the Saxon kings and princes, on the opposite bank.

18:30 Shuttle back to Leipzig (or stay in Dresden)*

20:00 Arrival at Leipzig at your hotel

All inclusive price per participant: 125,00 Euro VAT included

- includes transfer, guided tour, entrance fees
- dinner is not included but a packed lunch/snack box will be provided on the journeys from Dresden

*For participants who wish to stay in Dresden, please, bring your luggage with you on the tour. It can remain in the bus until the end of the tour. For those returning to Leipzig, you can either leave your luggage in Leipzig in your hotel room (if you are staying in the hotel that night, if not leave it with the hotel reception).