

University of Wisconsin Eau Claire Men's Soccer
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We are pleased to confirm all your team's arrangements for your tour to Europe. Please discuss and/or share the contents of this with all your participants. This is very important, and all of your participants should understand its contents.

Accommodation, meals, and sport:

March 15th-March 19th, 2024 – Munich, Germany

Teams: One college men's team.
Sport program: We will arrange 2 games per team.
Accommodation: Four-star hotel accommodation located a 2-minute walk from an S-Bahn station, this modern hotel in a leafy suburb is 4 km from the 56-hectare Ostpark and 10 km from Marienplatz, Munich's central square. Bright, contemporary rooms come with a private bathroom, free Wi-Fi, flat-screen TVs, and tea and coffeemaking equipment, as well as mini fridges. The hotel offers a lounge, restaurant, and gym. Double rooms are available at a supplement of \$10.00 per person per night. Single rooms are available at a supplement of \$40.00 per person per night. We have requested 3 single, 6 double and 15 triple rooms.
Meals: Daily breakfast and dinner is included.
First meal: Dinner – March 15th, 2024
Last meal: Breakfast – March 19th, 2024
All meals will be served in the hotel.
WiFi costs: Free of charge
Accomm. address: We will inform your group around December 1, 2023, about the hotel name and address.

March 19th-March 23rd, 2024 – Cologne, Germany

Teams: One college men's team.
Sport program: We will arrange 2 games per team.
Accommodation: This four-star airport hotel is a 5-minute walk from Cologne Bonn Airport, and 9 minutes' walk from Köln/Bonn airport railway station, with an S-Bahn stop. The rooms feature free Wi-Fi and flat-screen TVs with satellite channels as well as private bathroom. The hotel offers a lounge, a restaurant, and a gym. Double rooms are available at a supplement of \$10.00 per person per night. Single rooms are available at a supplement of \$40.00 per person per night. We have requested 3 single, 6 double and 15 triple rooms.
Meals: Daily breakfast and dinner is included.
First meal: Dinner – March 19th, 2024
Last meal: Breakfast – March 23rd, 2024
All meals will be served in the hotel.
WiFi costs: Free of charge
Accomm. address: We will inform your group around December 1, 2023, about the hotel name and address.

The above-mentioned accommodations may require a cash/credit card damage/security deposit in local currency (approx. \$ 100.00-\$400.00) from the group upon arrival and check in, so please be prepared for this. This deposit is refundable upon check out provided there is no damage to the accommodation/rooms.

Please note that drinks (such as bottled water, sodas) during the meals are not included. We have requested that our groups be served with tap water on the table, however, in some countries this might not be offered. For breakfast tea and coffee is included and in most cases milk & juice.

Guide services:

A representative (tour manager) will be with your group throughout your stay. This person is the main contact between your group and Premier International Tours. If problems arise, please discuss these with the tour manager first before you call our offices since they are on the ground and more able to resolve issues at the destinations. Your representative will help plan your daily schedule and help in the event of any unforeseen problems or changes. This representative is not a professional city tour guide(s), although he/she will have general knowledge of the cities you are staying in and the surrounding areas. Please find below a job description of our representatives.

- Be with the group from arrival till the last evening. Join them during transfers to the accommodation, location where meals are served, fields, game events and excursions.
- Discuss the program in advance with club contact. Create a good relationship with the club contact and driver (if the group has a private bus available).
- Translate where necessary.
- Make sure the group behaves correctly; attend opening, finals, award ceremonies, and other organized activities.
- Mediate in case of damage or conflicts with/to accommodation, buses, etc. Make sure to make a report on this.
- Support the group in case of visit police station (theft) and/or hospital.

It is very important that the group leader sits down with the guide upon arrival and discusses the daily program and sightseeing activities planned. Then, during the trip the group leader should also discuss each day with the guide the program for the next day in case of any last-minute changes so the guide can communicate any changes to other parties (hotel staff for meals, bus driver, etc.)

Please note that it is customary to tip the guide at the end of the trip if the guide has done a good job. We highly recommend collecting approx. \$3.00-\$5.00 per person per day (local currency) for each guide for the trip.

Ground transportation:

During your stay, a private bus will be available exclusively for your group. The motor coach can be used for excursions and all local transportation (such as transfers to/from the friendly game locations and for sightseeing). You have a maximum of 800 kilometers available. The following restrictions have been set by the European transportation departments:

The bus driver can drive a maximum of 9 hours per day and can be on duty for 12 hours (so 3 hours wait/rest time during a day). Twice a week the driver may use the bus for 10 hours. This is mostly used for long transfers from country to country.

- Each day the bus driver must have an 11-hour rest period between his transportation duties.
- During transfers every 4 hours the driver must make a 45-minute required rest stop.

It is also customary to tip the bus driver if you have a private bus throughout the trip and the same bus driver throughout the trip. We recommend approx. \$2.00 - \$3.00 per person per day (local currency) for this, see below for when you have different bus drivers:

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- If you only have the driver one day and no special services – tipping isn't necessary.
- If you have a driver for 2 or more days – highly recommend tipping.
- You can ask the tour manager to check with the driver on day one if they will be with you the whole trip and if not, they can confirm when the change will be made. Based on this you can tip accordingly.

Sightseeing activities/excursions:

Included below are the excursion options we offer. We offer the service to pre-book 1 or more of these excursion options but not later than **120 days (November 15, 2023)** prior to departure.

Day by Day Itinerary

Putting together your day-by-day itinerary is a complicated process since there are various items/tour components to take into consideration which makes it a multi-step process.

1. We have created a provisional itinerary which will be similar to the itinerary included in the proposal you received from us before booking your tour. After that, we would like to know at least 90 days before departure which specific excursions your group would like to book. We will not be able to book these excursions right away because we need to wait for the game schedule which will be available approx. two weeks before departure. So, they are subject to availability at that time.
2. Then we start working on your team's game schedule.
It is common that we won't know your team's game schedule until approx. 1-3 weeks prior to your departure because:
 - a) Many international teams - local teams at your travel destinations - will only find out 3-4 weeks prior to your tour dates what kind of league games they need to play and when they are available to play against your team.
 - b) Many of the clubs in Europe use community/municipal courts and these cities won't release these courts until 2-3 weeks prior to the assigned games.
 - c) After your games are assigned, we need some additional days to plan the excursions you would like to have pre-booked.

This is all time consuming since it is a lot like a puzzle which will come together bit by bit/piece by piece. This the reason we are not able to send you the final itinerary as soon as you and your travelers would like. We strive to have a final itinerary available between 1-3 weeks prior to departure.

Referees:

For your games, a referee(s) will be provided.

People not booking arrangements through Premier International Tours:

Please be aware that we cannot provide any transportation from or to the airport or for any pre-arranged group tour activities (sightseeing excursions, etc.) or any transportation arranged for the group for individuals which did not book the tour package with Premier International Tours. Because of liability/law issues with our suppliers (Bus Company, etc.) people who booked their own flights and accommodation are not allowed to just join the group on bus transfers arranged for the group.

If you have anyone who wants to join the group later in the booking stage, please contact us no later **than 90 days (December 15, 2023) before the departure** date and we will try to accommodate the requests.

General Participation Conditions:

We again strongly encourage your participants to review the General (Cancellation) Conditions and General Information document on your group website page to make sure all participants are aware of/understand these conditions to avoid any misunderstandings.

Final payment:

Please note that delayed payments (within 6 weeks prior to departure) must be done by cashier's checks or credit cards. We will release the travel documents and travel information after receipt of full payment of ALL travelers.

Group arrangements:

This is a group tour arrangement. The participant prices are based on the number of people traveling. If this number goes up or down the participant prices will be adjusted as per your proposal.

Documents you will receive from us:

- Final itinerary: 1-3 weeks prior to departure.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

Loek van Zijl
President Premier International Tours

SIGHTSEEING IN MUNICH AND SURROUNDINGS 2024

Recommended excursion(s) to pre-book:

- Allianz Arena Tour
- Nymphenburg Palace or Neuschwanstein Castle
- Dachua Concentration Camp

1) **Allianz Arena**

Adult price (14 and older): \$34.00 per person

Child price (6-13): \$30.00 per person (children 5 and under free)

The Allianz is a football stadium in Munich, Bavaria, Germany with a 69,901 seating capacity. Widely known for its exterior of inflated ETFE plastic panels, it is the first stadium in the world with a full color-changing color exterior. Located at the northern edge of Munich's Schwabing-Freimann borough, it is the third largest arena in Germany behind Signal Iduna Park in Dortmund and the Olympiastadion in Berlin.

2) **Nymphenburg Palace**

Prices: April 1-Oct 15: \$ 20.00, Oct 16-Mar 31 \$ 16.00 per person and Under 18's Free

With this ticket you can visit the palace, the Marstallmuseum (carriages and sleighs), the Museum of Nymphenburg Porcelain and the park palaces (Amalienburg, Badenburg, Pagodenburg, Magdalenenklause). The Nymphenburg Palace, i. e., "Castle of the Nymph (or Nymphs)", is a Baroque palace in Munich, Bavaria, southern Germany. The palace was the main summer residence of the rulers of Bavaria of the House of Wittelsbach.

3) **Dachau Concentration Camp**

Adult price: \$54.00

Student/senior price: \$51.00

(Minimum age: 14) Dachau concentration camp was the first of the Nazi concentration camps opened in Germany, intended to hold political prisoners. It is located on the grounds of an abandoned munitions factory near the medieval town of Dachau, about 16 km (9.9 mi) northwest of Munich in the state of Bavaria, in southern Germany. Opened in 1933 by Heinrich Himmler, its purpose was enlarged to include forced labor, and eventually, the imprisonment of Jews, ordinary German and Austrian criminals, and eventually foreign nationals from countries that Germany occupied or invaded. It was finally liberated in 1945.

4) **Olympic Park of Munich**

Price: Free of charge

The Olympiapark in Munich, Germany, is an Olympic Park which was constructed for the 1972 Summer Olympics. Found in the area of Munich known as the "Oberwiesenfeld" ("upper meadow-field"), the Park continues to serve as a venue for cultural, social, and religious events such as events of worship. The Park is administered by Olympiapark München GmbH, a holding company fully owned by the state capital of Munich

5) **Neuschwanstein Castle**

Max. group of 14 people.

Adult price: \$24.00

Under 18 price: \$4.00

Seven weeks after the death of King Ludwig II in 1886, Neuschwanstein was opened to the public. The shy king had built the castle in order to withdraw from public life – now vast numbers of people came to view his private refuge. Today Neuschwanstein is one of the most popular of all the palaces and castles in Europe. Every year 1.4 million people visit "the castle of the fairy-tale king". In the summer around 6,000 visitors a day stream through rooms that were intended for a single inhabitant. The setting of Neuschwanstein could not be more idyllic. However, movement in the foundation area has to be continuously monitored, and the sheer rock walls must be repeatedly secured. The harsh climate also has a detrimental effect on the limestone façades, which will have to be renovated section by section over the next few years.

6) **Marienplatz**

Price: Free of charge

Marienplatz (en: Mary's Square, i.e. St. Mary, Our Lady's Square) is a central square in the city centre of Munich, Germany. It has been the city's main square since 1158. In the Middle Ages markets and tournaments were held in this city square. Marienplatz was named after the Mariensäule, a Marian column erected in its centre in 1638 to celebrate the end of Swedish occupation. Today the Marienplatz is dominated by the New City Hall (Neues Rathaus) on the north side. The Glockenspiel in the tower of the new city hall was inspired by these tournaments, and draws millions of tourists a year. At the east side Munich's Old City Hall (Altes Rathaus) is located. It's a gothic council hall and ballroom and tower, which have been reconstructed. The pedestrian zone between Karlsplatz and Marienplatz is a crowded area with numerous shops and restaurants.

Prices and availability for these excursions may change a little at the time of booking.

SIGHTSEEING IN COLOGNE AND SURROUNDINGS 2024

Recommended excursion(s) to pre-book:

- RheinEnergieSTADION Tour – Fee

1) **HISTORIC OLD TOWN**

Cologne's Old Town has a distinctive historic charm. Visitors are drawn by its rustic narrow alleyways lined with traditional old houses. Located directly along the Rhine, the Old Town, together with Cologne Cathedral, the Romanesque church Great St. Martin and the tower of the historic Coty Hall, makes up the world famous Rhine panorama. As you stroll through the narrow alleys, you will come across many museums, such as the Romano-Germanic Museum, the Museum Ludwig and the Farina Fragrance Museum. You can also discover many monuments and fountains in Cologne's Old Town.

Historical remains, such as the Archaeological zone, the St. Alban Memorial, and the Stapelhaus invites you to go on an exciting journey of discovery into the city's past.

2) **RHEINENERGIESTADION TOUR**

Student Group: \$194.00, Adult group: \$220.00 per group

The RheinEnergieStadion is a German football stadium in Cologne. It was built on the site of the two previous Müngersdorfer stadiums. It is the home of the local Bundesliga team, 1. FC Köln. The stadium was one of the 12 hosting the 2006 FIFA World Cup. The stadium's name comes from a contract with the local power supplier RheinEnergie AG.

3) **COLOGNE CATHEDRAL**

Guided tour up to 20 people:

Adults - \$174.00

University students - \$120.00

Children or school-groups - \$94.00

Cologne Cathedral is a Roman Catholic cathedral in Cologne, Germany. It is the seat of the Archbishop of Cologne and of the administration of the Archdiocese of Cologne. It is a renowned monument of German Catholicism and Gothic architecture and was declared a World Heritage Site in 1996. It is Germany's most visited landmark, attracting an average of 20,000 people a day and currently the tallest twin-spired church at 157 m (515 ft) tall.

Construction of Cologne Cathedral commenced in 1248 and was halted in 1473, leaving it unfinished. Work restarted in the 19th century and was completed, to the original plan, in 1880. The cathedral is the largest Gothic church in Northern Europe and has the second-tallest spires. The towers for its two huge spires give the cathedral the largest façade of any church in the world. The choir has the largest height to width ratio, 3.6:1, of any medieval church.

Cologne's medieval builders had planned a grand structure to house the reliquary of the Three Kings and fit its role as a place of worship for the Holy Roman Emperor. Despite having been left incomplete during the medieval period, Cologne Cathedral eventually became unified as "a masterpiece of exceptional intrinsic value" and "a powerful testimony to the strength and persistence of Christian belief in medieval and modern Europe".

4) **COLOGNE CABLE CAR**

Adult round-trip price: \$8.00

Children (4-12 years) round-trip price: \$5.00

Since its establishment in 1957 as the first European cable car to cross a river - in this case, the Rhine - the Cologne cable car has carried a whopping 15 million passengers. The views are, of course, the big draw, particularly those of the Old Town and Cologne Cathedral. Easily accessible by public transport, one of the best ways to tackle this fun attraction is to consider it a one-way trip, walking back to your starting point on the east or west bank of the Rhine. For more great views, a visit to Cologne Telecommunications Tower is worthwhile. Located northwest of Cologne's Old Town, Colonius, as it's known locally, is 243 meters high with a superb viewing platform and a revolving restaurant.

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