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Inspiration made easy

**HISTORY TRIPS
for Schools**

“Our tour to Berlin was brilliantly put together – we were extremely impressed with the tailored nature of the programme, with a great choice of options (...) An excellent mix of Third Reich and Cold War elements, with opportunities to shop and relax too.

Gresham's School, East Anglia





Welcome to Travelbound

A school trip abroad can be a giant leap for some children. For Party Leaders the prospect of planning a trip that meets your desired educational aims and learning outcomes can seem equally as daunting. With **over 30 years of experience** working with schools, colleges and universities, we have developed the know-how to support Party Leaders from start to finish.

At Travelbound we take the pressure away from the planning and booking of your tour by providing **tailor-made educational tours** with school travel specialists on hand to help you every step of the way. We allow you the space to remember how special a school tour abroad is in the development of your students and the many happy memories that lie in waiting.

Leading the way in educational group travel, identifying opportunities for learning is high on our agenda. With many of the tours including cross-curricular themes, students' learning can be supported in more than one discipline. Bring learning to life for your students through **real-world situations** – e.g. a trip to a market town to develop language skills or the battlefields of the Normandy coast to tread in the footsteps of fallen soldiers. As proud holders of the Learning Outside the Classroom Quality Badge, we work to enable your school the opportunity to **educate and inspire** students in a new learning environment that extends beyond the confines of the classroom.

Ignite the passion for future learning through discovery on a Travelbound educational tour.

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CLASSICS BROCHURE



We have many more subject specific brochures. We think you might also enjoy browsing through our new Classics brochure.

travelbound.co.uk/ClassicsBrochure

Inspiration Made Easy

We have been around for **over 30 years** and continue to support teachers in their quest to inspire, motivate and educate their students. Our expertise, financial security, operational excellence and dedication to make your trip **as easy as possible** for you to plan, promote and enjoy is what sets us apart from the rest!

- The **health and safety** of our customers is of paramount importance and auditing processes are used for all our accommodation, excursions and transport services. We operate to a PLC standard and our health and safety department is the best in the business.
- We are a full member of the School Travel Forum (**STF**); fully bonded by **ABTA** and **ATOL**; and have been awarded full accreditation to the Learning Outside the Classroom (**LOTC**) Quality Badge scheme.
- With over **30 years of experience**, we pride ourselves on being reliable, knowledgeable and passionate. Most of us have travelled extensively, are fluent in more than one language and are experts in one or more subject fields.
- Our returning Party Leaders have rated the overall **satisfaction** of their trip at 95%.
- We have a fabulous selection of **worldwide destinations** and suggested itineraries that will give your students the most memorable gift – school trip memories that will last a lifetime.

So, wherever in the world you choose to travel with us, our **dedicated team** offers excellent service, unbeatable product knowledge, true expertise and a passion for the benefits of educational travel.



“The most effective service from a travel company I have used. Thank you.
Hayle Community School, Cornwall”

Die Grenze der DDR zu West-Berlin war 155 km lang.
Die äußere Begrenzung als Mauer oder Zaun bis zu 3,40 m hoch.
Zwischen äußerer und innerer Mauer
lag ein Sandstreifen mit verschiedenen Hindernissen.
Er war zwischen 5 m und mehreren 100 m breit,
nachts hell beleuchtet und ständig bewacht.

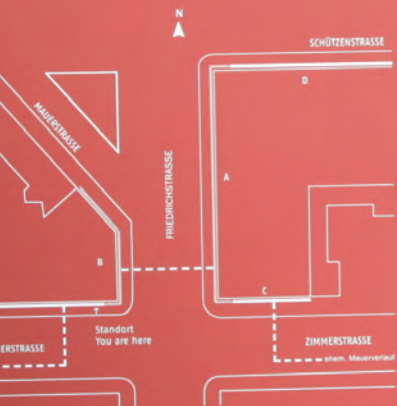
Many and West Berlin was 155 km long;
The fence, was as high as 3.40 m in places,
spanning various obstacles
between walls.
It was several hundred metres wide,
at night and guarded round the clock.



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CHECKPOINT CHARLIE

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CHECKPOINT GALLERY



Am 13. August 1961 begann der Bau der Berliner Mauer.
Die Führung der DDR richtete die Grenze zu West-Berlin ab,
an der Friedrichstraße richtete sie
einen von sieben innerstädtischen Grenzübergängen ein.
Er ist heute ein besonderer Erinnerungsort.
– nicht nur für Deutsche aus Ost und West,
sondern für Menschen aus aller Welt.
Wie die Berliner Mauer insgesamt steht auch dieser ehemalige Übergang
für das brutale Grenzregime der DDR.
Als Alliiertes Checkpoint „Charlie“ ist er zugleich ein Symbol
für die Verteidigung der westlichen Demokratie.

In der geographischen Mitte des Eisernen Vorhangs gelingen
war der Grenzübergang Schauplatz der direkten Konfrontation in Europa
zwischen den Supermächten USA und Sowjetunion.

Das Land Berlin will am ehemaligen Grenzübergang
einen Ort der Dokumentation schaffen,
der die verschiedenen Perspektiven zusammenführt
– persönliche Schicksale,
die deutsche und die europäische Dimension der Teilung
sowie die weltpolitischen Bezüge während des so genannten Kalten Kriegs.

- A Ereignisse am Checkpoint Charlie
und internationale Blockkonfrontation
- B Ausbau des Grenzübergangs und
Fluchten an der Friedrichstraße
- C Andere Gedenk- und Erinnerungsorte
- D Kommentare und Berichte

On 13 August 1961 construction began on the Berlin Wall.
The East German leadership sealed off the border to West Berlin.
Friedrichstraße was one of seven inner-city border crossings it set up.
Today, it is a special place of remembrance
– not only for Germans from East and West,
but for people from all over the world.

Like the Berlin Wall, this former border crossing
symbolises East Germany's brutal border regime.
Under the name given to it by the Allied Forces,
„Checkpoint Charlie“ is also
a symbol of the defence of western democracy.

Situated at the geographical centre of the Iron Curtain,
the border crossing was the scene of the direct confrontation in Europe
between the superpowers, the USA and the Soviet Union.

The Land Berlin aims to create a place of documentation
at the former border crossing,
which will encompass various aspects of the checkpoint's history
– individual stories and destinies,
the German and European dimension of the division
and its global political relevance during what is known as the Cold War.

- A Checkpoint Charlie and
the Confrontation of the Blocks
- B Construction on the Border Checkpoint –
Escapes at Friedrichstraße
- C Other Memorial and Commemorative Sites
along the Berlin Wall
- D Commentaries and Reports



The Number 1 Choice



It is not just our shared passion to travel that inspires our school trips, but a desire to **motivate your students** by providing an engaging and informative tour that will live happily in their memory for years to come.

From the initial booking with our Account Managers to your dedicated Tour Coordinator who will ensure every aspect of your trip is completed, the Travelbound team are on hand so that you can **book with ease**. Our dedicated teams provide you with bespoke tours and a commitment to deliver outstanding service catered to the individual needs of the group. We understand there is a focus on students developing **holistically** over the course of their educational tour abroad with not only attention to subject knowledge but also key **interpersonal skills** emerging through new interactions with places and people.

We provide you with the support to ensure you have a **successful and stress-free** tour experience including personalised posters and presentations to promote your tour, **help with risk assessments** and a **24-hour support** link to support you overseas. Working with Party Leaders to identify learning outcomes against the curriculum goals has seen Travelbound stand out amongst other school travel operators in providing an **exceptional service**.

With partners located around the world, we can provide you with the best transportation and accommodation options, with all hotels and hostels meeting our **stringent health and safety** requirements. Whether it is our expertise, operational excellence or the financial security we have, you can **feel safe** in the knowledge that your tour with us is our number 1 priority.

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Hassle-free and transparent booking process

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95% of our customers rate us as good or excellent

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Over 30 years of experience in educational travel

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Dedicated Account Managers and Tour Coordinators

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24-hour phone support

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Tailor-made trips to fit budget and requirements

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ABTA, ATOL, LOtC and STF accredited

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An experienced team with a passion for travel!



WHY TRAVELBOUND?





“A fantastic trip enjoyed by both students and adults! The really enjoyed the trip to Omaha beach and the WWII veteran talk, as the students learnt so much history in a short space of time. Our educational aims have definitely been met! Thank you to all at Travelbound.

Steeple Claydon School, Buckinghamshire

Learning Outside the Classroom

Continually seeking opportunities to break down barriers to learning, we have designed our educational tours to provide students with a **stimulating environment** that encourages enquiry and promotes further study.

As an accredited **Learning Outside the Classroom (LOtC) Quality Badge** holder, Travelbound are recognised for our ongoing process to sustain high-quality learning outside the classroom. No matter the age, ability or circumstance, we believe every young learner should experience the world outside the confines of the classroom and are confident this forms an essential element of personal development. Educational tours and the experiences gained from them help motivate students, reduce poor behaviour and truancy, while helping schools raise attainment and meet **Every Child Matters** outcomes.

Young people of all ages benefit from **practical experiences**; when they can see, hear, touch and explore the world around them, and have opportunities to engage in challenges and outdoor adventures. Travelbound **brings learning to life** by creating high-quality learning opportunities by dissecting the curriculum and working with educationalists to create tours that support **learning objectives**. By assisting teachers in planning the learning experience effectively, we are able to table a variety of options that follow the needs of the learner and fit within our **stringent safety management** process to manage risk effectively.

Building an ethos in line with the LOtC, our educational tours promote personal, social and health education by:

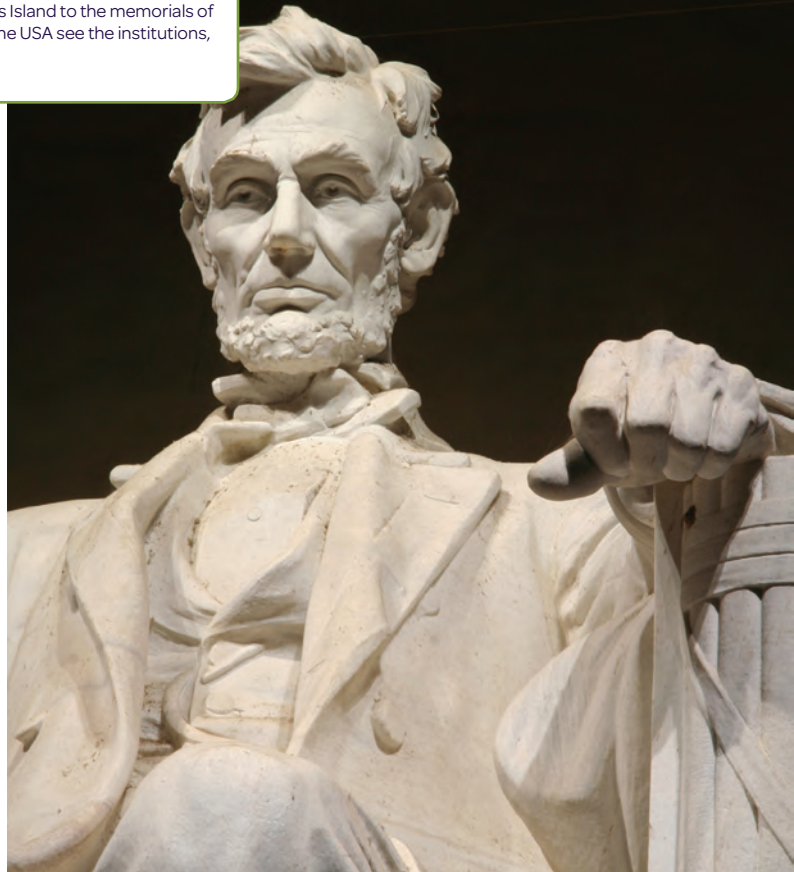
- Allowing young people to face **new challenges** and **overcome fears**.
- Developing effective **communication skills**.
- **Adapting** to new situations and environments.
- Solving problems and taking **responsibility**.
- Encouraging **self-discipline** and self-control.
- Increasing self-esteem and **confidence**.
- Promoting effective **teamwork**.
- Gaining **independence**.

For more information, please visit: **www.lotc.org.uk**



New York and Washington, D.C.

Track the history of New York from the catalogues recording the influx of immigrants through Ellis Island to the memorials of 9/11. Travel to DC via Philadelphia to visit Freedom Hall and see the Liberty Bell. In the capital of the USA see the institutions, monuments and museums that helped to shape American history and political culture.



Top Excursions/Activities



NYC

Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island

Take the ferry from Battery Park to the Statue of Liberty – a symbol of freedom and democracy. Sail on to Ellis Island's Immigration Station – the former gateway to the USA for steamship passengers. Students soon gain a sense of the rich history that has developed the city into a cultural melting pot.



D.C.

Guided Tour of the Capitol and Visitor Centre

Meeting place of the Senate and the House of Representatives, the Capitol is among the most architecturally impressive and symbolically important buildings in the world. Students are welcomed by a short film before stopping by the central rotunda and the National Statuary Hall.



NYC

Lower East Side Tenement Museum

Dedicated to the life of immigrants and aiming to promote tolerance and awareness of the variety of migrant experiences on Manhattan's Lower East Side, students can explore character stories related to work and family life at America's first living-history museum.



D.C.

National Museum of American History

Take a tour through the colourful history of the United States. From the original Star-Spangled Banner, to Abraham Lincoln's top hat to Dizzy Gillespie's angled trumpet, students can explore true national treasures from significant periods and characters in US history.



NYC

National 9/11 Memorial and Museum

This museum examines the implications of the events that unfolded on 9/11, using multimedia displays, narratives and artefacts. Twin reflecting pools and manmade waterfalls mark the spot where the Twin Towers stood, with the names of everyone lost inscribed into bronze panels around the outside.



D.C.

Supreme Court and Library of Congress

Students can see the famous velvet drapes and marble pillars of the Supreme Court where nine court justices hear some of the 6,500 cases submitted each year. The Library of Congress remains the largest library in the world with around 530 miles of bookshelves displaying nearly 128 million items, including historically significant manuscripts.

Did you know

George Washington, the first President of the United States never lived in the White House which was completed a year after his death.

Philadelphia and Washington, D.C.

Take a journey into the history of American democracy in Philadelphia, the first city in the US named UNESCO World Heritage City. Travel to Washington, D.C. via Gettysburg – the site of the bloodiest battle of the American Civil War. In the capital city of the USA see the institutions, monuments and museums that helped to shape American history and political culture.



BLOG Benefits of an Educational Tour to Philadelphia

Find out what the "Athens of America" can offer your students on your next school tour to the USA:

travelbound.co.uk/BlogPhiladelphia



Top Excursions/Activities



Philly

Independence Hall

A UNESCO World Heritage Site due to its historical significance, Independence Hall is seen as the birthplace of America. See the Assembly Room where the Declaration of Independence and the US Constitution were both signed.



D.C.

Guided Tour of Washington Monuments

Take in some of the monuments that stand to honour those who shaped the US nation including the 555-foot high Washington Monument, the Lincoln Memorial and the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial. Commemorate the many lives lost as students stop to visit the Vietnam Veterans, Korean War Veterans, and National World War II Memorials.



Philly

Liberty Bell Center and Liberty Bell

The former bell from the Pennsylvania statehouse (Independence Hall) came to be an extraordinary symbol of freedom through the inspirational inscription it carries. The Center explores the facts and myths around the bell.



D.C.

National Archives

The National Archives in D.C. provides students with a unique opportunity to access the original documents that founded American democracy in 1774. View the US Government's Charters of Freedom – the United States Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, and the Bill of Rights.



Philly

National Constitution Center

Interactive multimedia exhibits explore the history of this important and influential document, the four most powerful pages in America's history. One of the rare original public copies of the Constitution is on display. The multimedia live performance 'Freedom Rising' brings history to life for students.



D.C.

White House and Visitor Centre

Built between 1792 and 1800, the sprawling 132-room mansion has been home to every US President – except George Washington. Groups are not able to visit the interior of the White House but they can visit the nearby visitor centre with exhibits relating to the White House and First Families.

Did you know

The first ever American flag was designed and sewn in Philadelphia by Betsy Ross, an upholstery shop owner.

American West

The perfect opportunity for students to learn how the American West was settled. Students will gain a better understanding of the westward movement to the frontier and the conflicts that resulted from the clash of different cultures and lifestyles between Native Americans and the settlers and between the different groups of settlers.



Top Excursions/Activities



Las Vegas

Start your trip at the entertainment capital of the USA. The area became US territory after the war with Mexico in 1848 and the city expanded due to railroad development and the State Land Act of 1885. Today themed hotels compete with eye-popping spectacles.



Pioneer Living History Village

This old west town from the 1800s covers an area of 90 acres in Phoenix – complete with authentic and reproduction buildings including a blacksmith shop, a Sheriff's Office, a jail, a ranch complex, a school house and a miner's cabin. Costumed interpreters help students understand how early settlers existed in these harsh conditions.



Hualapai Native American Tribal Area

Visit the tribal area of the Hualapai at the Grand Canyon. See a village and dwellings depicting multiple tribes, handmade crafts and live performances. Enjoy spectacular views of the Grand Canyon and the Colorado River. At the Hualapai ranch learn some Old West skills!



Cowboy Ranch

Enjoy a stay on a cowboy ranch – a chance to reconnect with nature, appreciate the great outdoors and understand the harsh natural conditions faced by the early settlers. You will have the opportunity to learn some traditional cowboy skills such as rope techniques, hiking, cattle husbandry and archery.



Grand Canyon and Grand Canyon Skywalk

The Colorado River has created one of the most well-known natural formations in the world, the awe-inspiring Grand Canyon. The Skywalk is a glass bridge suspended 4,000 feet above the Colorado River on the edge of the Canyon offering a unique and breathtaking experience.



Tombstone

Take a guided tour around notorious Tombstone, founded as a silver mining town in 1877. Many of the Wild West's most infamous characters including the Earp brothers and Doc Holliday lived here. See the location of the Gunfight at the O.K. Corral, the Bird Cage Theatre and learn more about the town's history.

Did you know

One of the world's natural wonders, the Grand Canyon contains rock that is 1.75 billion years old, revealing 40% of Earth's history through sediments and fossils.

Berlin

Berlin has been at the centre of many key events of modern European history, including World War II, the Cold War, the Fall of Communism, and the German reunification. Step back in time to better understand the impact of Berlin's past and how it has influenced the modern city as it is today.



BLOG

Discover the History of Berlin

There is greater value to a school trip to the capital of Germany than to try currywurst. Berlin is an open-air museum featuring landmarks significant to key periods in the history of Europe and the wider world. Discover the benefits of bringing learning to life in Berlin:

travelbound.co.uk/BlogBerlin

Top Excursions/Activities



Topography of Terror

This outdoor museum and information centre is on the site of the former headquarters of the Gestapo and the SS. By finding out about the destructive effects of Nazi state terror, students gain a humanising insight into the history of totalitarianism in Germany, and its implications for the world today.



Checkpoint Charlie and Museum

Checkpoint Charlie represents the famous border crossing of the Berlin Wall which separated East from West Germany for 28 years. At the museum, students discover the objects that were used to try to escape over, under and through the wall, highlighting the great lengths individuals went in order to settle in the West.



Jewish Museum

One of the largest Jewish museums in Europe, students are taken on a journey through two millennia of German Jewish history. Students will learn about the impact of the Holocaust on German Jewish culture and see how Jews in Germany have responded to their history using the medium of art.



DDR Museum

Beyond the border checkpoints and secret police, the DDR Museum displays the everyday economic, social and recreational elements of life on the other side of the wall. The museum provides opportunities for students to interact with exhibits allowing for them to better understand what daily life was like in East Germany.



Sachsenhausen

35km north of Berlin, this Nazi concentration camp was established in 1936. Students can see the horrifying conditions in which inmates were forced to live, observe the artefacts that victims left behind and consider how Germans have tried to come to terms with their recent history.



Berlin-Hohenschönhausen Memorial

Between 1951 and 1989, before the fall of Communism, the Stasi secret police used this site as a detention centre for those suspected of being an enemy of the state. The museum allows students to explore the interior of this former prison, which was famous for its regime of physical and psychological torture.

Kraków

Poland's former royal capital brings a feast of Gothic and Renaissance architecture, in addition to landmark memorials which commemorate events of World War II. Exploring some of the most important sites in Europe, students will be able to ponder how repetition of tragic events from the past can be avoided in the future.



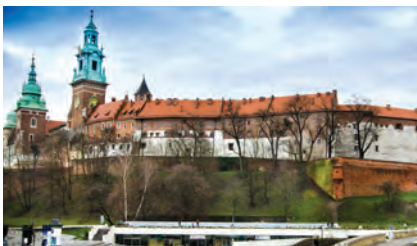
BLOG Shebbear College's Poland Trip Report

Shebbear College's Mark Charman recounts his students' educational tour to Kraków and the wide range of experiences that have supported their learning. Taking in both historical landmarks and cultural traditions, find out what really stood out from their trip to Poland:

travelbound.co.uk/BlogPolandReport



Top Excursions/Activities



Old Town Walking Tour

Develop an overview of Kraków's rich history with a guided tour of the Old Town including Europe's largest market square the Cloth Hall, dating back to the Renaissance. See the unique carved wooden altar of St. Mary's Basilica before experiencing the royal tombs of Wawel Cathedral and Sigismund Bell.



Galicia Jewish Museum

This museum presents a contemporary look at Poland's Jewish past. As well as commemorating the victims of the Holocaust, the museum celebrates the Jewish culture of Polish Galicia and provides students with a new perspective on Jewish history. There's an option for students to meet a Holocaust survivor.



Jewish Quarter

The Kazimierz district of Kraków was home to a large Jewish community from the 14th century until the Holocaust in World War II. Visit the restored synagogues, the Jewish Cemetery and the Galicia Jewish Museum, which explores Poland's Jewish past.



Auschwitz-Birkenau

More than 1.1 million men, women and children lost their lives in the largest Nazi concentration camp of World War II. Much of the camp remains as a memorial and museum which has been preserved to bring dramatic authenticity to this truly eye-opening and educational experience (not recommended for students under 14).



Oskar Schindler's Enamel Factory

Visit the former factory where Oskar Schindler employed hundreds of Jewish people to protect them during the Holocaust. Now a museum about the history of Kraków under Nazi occupation. The museum recreates aspects of every day life during this period.



Nowa Huta

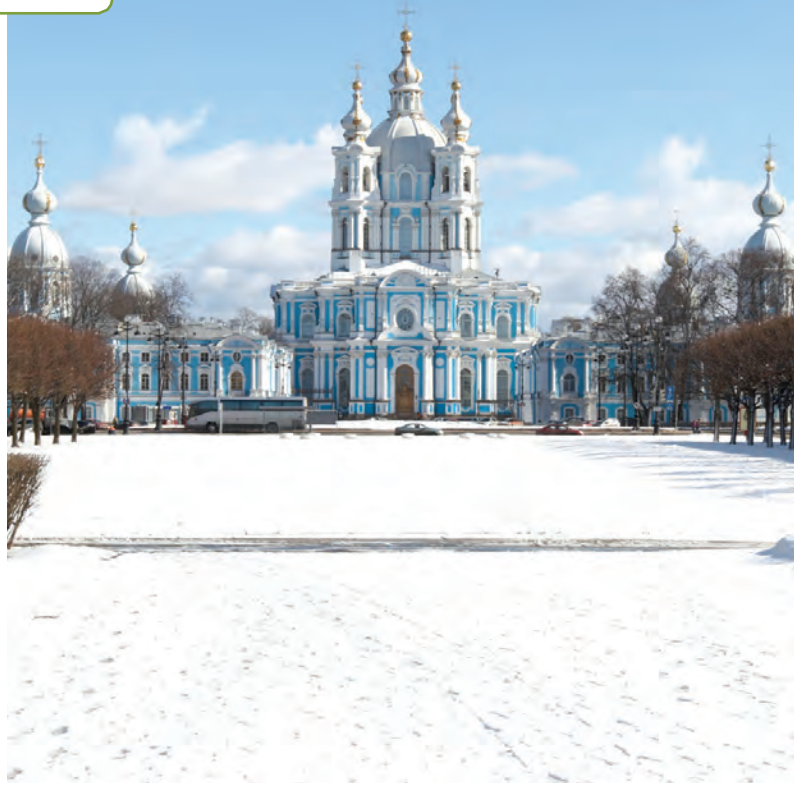
Nowa Huta is Kraków's largest, easternmost district, which translates as 'New Foundry'. Conceived in the 1940s under the ruthless communist rule of Poland, the district was designed to represent an ideal 'proletarian city'. Explore a range of relics dating from the prehistoric Wanda Mound to Soviet-era architecture.

Did you know

A trip to Kraków can be combined with Berlin and Wrocław to discover the details behind Hitler's secret plan: Project Riese.

Moscow and St. Petersburg

Students interested in the Russian Revolution, the Tsars, Stalin, WWII, Communism and the Cold War will relish the opportunity to visit the fascinating cities of Moscow and St. Petersburg. Both cities are full of incredible art, architecture and informative museums and have a hugely significant history – particularly relevant for those studying the 20th century.



Top Excursions/Activities



Moscow

Red Square

Scene of grand military parades during the Soviet era, the Red Square is Moscow's bustling centre. Admire Lenin's Mausoleum where he has lain in state since his death in 1924. Red Square is also home to the onion-domed Saint Basil's Cathedral – an amazing feat of religious architecture.



St. Petersburg

The Hermitage

This is the largest museum in Russia with over 3m items including the largest collection of paintings in the world. The collection is housed in six historic opulent buildings including the Winter Palace, former official residence of the Tsars. The storming of the palace in 1917 became a symbol of the Russian Revolution.



Moscow

The Kremlin

Home of Tsars and Commissars and official residence of Russia's President, the Kremlin has been at the centre of Russian history since the 15th century. This fortified complex includes five palaces, four cathedrals and the enclosing Kremlin Wall with towers.



St. Petersburg

Peter and Paul Fortress

Built between 1712 and 1733 under Peter the Great, this complex contains the cathedral that served as St. Petersburg's symbol for centuries and also the prison that held many prominent Bolsheviks captive. Students can compare the similarities and differences between the regimes and also explore the importance of religion to the Tsars.



Moscow

Bunker-42

Built in the 1950s as a nuclear bomb shelter 65m underground and covering over 7000m², the shelter is now a Cold War museum. Visitors will learn about weapons, communications and protection during the period when nuclear war was a real threat.



St. Petersburg

Piskaryovskoye Memorial Cemetery

This cemetery serves as a poignant reminder of the scale of the tragedy St. Petersburg endured through World War II and the 900-day Siege of Leningrad under the Nazis. About half a million of those who died – mostly of cold and starvation – are buried in the cemetery's 186 mass graves.

Did you know

St. Petersburg, founded by Peter the Great in 1703, was the capital of Russia from 1712 to 1918.

Beijing and Xi'an

View a wide range of sites and monuments commemorating China's history from the opulent imperial sites of buzzing Beijing to the epicentre of early Chinese civilisation, Xi'an. Students will enjoy an unforgettable tour to China where they can explore the treasures of an ancient civilisation and experience a living lesson in modern political history.



BLOG Uncovering the Benefits of a School Trip to China

China continues to attract school groups looking to gain an insight into the history and culture of one the world's largest economies. Providing students with new and engaging experiences, China's major cities allow for teachers to extend their learning through curricular links that encompass both lessons from a booming technological era and an ancient civilisation:

travelbound.co.uk/BlogChina



Top Excursions/Activities



Beijing

Forbidden City

The Forbidden City was home to the emperors for over 500 years. Dating back to 1420, students will see the biggest palace complex in the world. Full of rare curiosities and outstanding decorative design, the Forbidden City is a labyrinth of halls, rooms and gardens just waiting to be explored.



Xi'an

Xi'an City Tour

This cosmopolitan city was the capital of China for over a thousand years during the Tang Dynasty and the start of the ancient Silk Road. The city walls flanked by a deep moat are the largest example of ancient military defences in the world.



Beijing

Temple of Heaven

Once used by emperors in the Heaven worship ceremony, the temple park in Beijing is now one of the grandest examples of China's sacrificial buildings open for tourists. First built in 1420, the temple has been enlarged and rebuilt by both the Ming and Qing dynasties.



Xi'an

Terracotta Warriors

Wander through this fascinating exhibition of treasures at the archaeological dig of Emperor Qin Shi Huang's tomb. During his reign (246-221 BC) an army of nearly 7,000 warriors were constructed and later buried in pits to guard the emperor in the afterlife. Look carefully at the Terracotta Army and you will see that each warrior has individual facial characteristics!



Beijing

Great Wall of China

One of the wonders of the world, this impressive 600km long wall was built to protect the Chinese Empire from northern invaders. An amazing feat of defensive architecture, sections within easy reach of Beijing have been restored so that visitors can walk on the wall and see the watch towers.



Xi'an

Big Wild Goose Pagoda

Located in southern Xi'an, this Buddhist pagoda was originally built in 652 AD during the Tang Dynasty. The Big Wild Goose Pagoda has many functions, one of which was to hold sutras and figurines of the Buddha brought back by the Chinese Buddhist monk, Xuanzang, upon his return from India.

Did you know

Predating Taoism and Confucianism, Heaven worship is a ritualistic religious belief in which the emperor oversees sacrifices at an altar of Heaven – the most famous being the Temple of Heaven, Beijing.

Vietnam

Bursting with colour, life and culture, Vietnam is one of the most captivating and easily navigable of the Southeast Asian countries. Our school trips to Vietnam take you and your students on a journey from Hanoi to Ho Chi Minh City providing students with the chance to explore the Vietnam War and the battlegrounds that show the impact of war on the people of Vietnam.



Top Excursions/Activities



War Remnants Museum

Comprising of a series of themed rooms students can explore amazing photographic displays as well as tanks, jet planes and many examples of explosives dropped by American and allied war planes during the Vietnam War.



Quang Tri and the Demilitarised Zone

Located in the Central Region of Vietnam, Quang Tri marks one of the most significant battlefields in the Vietnam War. The area includes Khe Sanh Combat Base and the Quang Tri Citadel which stands as a symbol of the resilience and courage of the local people.



Hien Luong Bridge

Stretching across the Ben Hai River, the Hien Luong Bridge marked the military demarcation line between North and South Vietnam established by the Geneva Accords of 1954. Students can still see sculptures that symbolise the improvised methods of communication developed by families either side of the river.



Reunification Palace

A landmark within Ho Chi Minh City, Reunification Palace was once the home of the President of South Vietnam. The palace was also the site of the official handover of power during the Fall of Saigon in 1975 and remains brilliantly preserved within its 1960s-style architecture.



Vinh Moc Tunnel

Strategically located on the border of North and South Vietnam, this maze of tunnels were built to protect people from the heavy bombing the area faced. Students will learn how the villagers of Vinh Moc burrowed more than 20 metres in order to survive the shelling by US forces.



Cu Chi Tunnels

The complex network of tunnels, beneath the Cu Chi district, were developed during the Vietnam War by the North Vietnamese. Serving as a communications channel, supply route plus food and weapons caches.

Did you know

Your students can explore the Cu Chi tunnels provided a guide accompanies them at all times.

Normandy

Much better than simply reading about it in textbooks, our history and battlefields tours to Normandy offer your students an exciting opportunity to come face to face with the past. From the events of 1066 to the famous D-Day landing beaches, Normandy's history has been long and often turbulent, leaving a rich heritage of listed monuments, world-famous sites and superb museums.



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Top Excursions/Activities



Arromanches 360 and D-Day Landing Museum

The Arromanches 360 film spectacularly tells the story of the terrible Battle of Normandy thanks to archive images gathered from around the world. The D-Day Landing Museum exhibits salvaged artillery guns and a detailed model of the harbour floated across the Channel by the Allies.



Pegasus Memorial

A visit to the Pegasus Memorial tells the story of the men of the 6th British Airborne Division, composed of parachutists and glider-borne troops who were the first to land on D-Day. The original Pegasus Bridge and a full-size replica of a Horsa glider are on display in the grounds of the museum.



Omaha Beach and American Cemetery

The impressive memorial and American cemetery contains 9,387 white crosses, a commemorative wall to the 1,557 Americans who couldn't be named, and an informative visitor centre. The Overlord Museum nearby chronicles the period of the Allied landing until the liberation of Paris.



Falaise Castle

Discover the birthplace of William the Conqueror and follow the prosperous times and disasters the castle has seen. Recognised as a monument historique by the French Ministry of Culture, students can explore the ruins that have witnessed the Hundred Years War and 1944 bombing raids.



Le Mémorial de Caen

The museum takes students on a journey from the end of WWI to the end of the Cold War and sets the D-Day landings in a historical context. Groups can opt for a guided visit of just the D-Day landings and Battle of Normandy areas lasting 1 hour 15 minutes. Workbooks and workshops are also available.



Bayeux Tapestry

This long embroidered scroll is the most important relic to survive from the 11th century. Students can see – in comic-strip style – the epic story of William of Normandy's conquest of England in 1066, and consider the French and British interpretation of events.

Did you know

Our exclusive Château du Molay is a great location for exploring Normandy and has its own wartime history as it was occupied by the Germans during World War II. Go to travelbound.co.uk/Chateau250 to find out more.

Somme and Ypres

A trip to the trenches, battlefields, cemeteries and memorials of Ypres and the Somme deepens students' understanding of the sacrifices of WWI. Visiting the frontlines that saw an inconceivable amount of casualties, groups will learn more about the quest for international peace and the impact war has on societies.



Top Excursions/Activities



Ypres

In Flanders Field Museum

Through a blend of interactive exhibitions and relics from the Great War, students are able to explore history on a peer-related level. The permanent exhibit traces the invasion of Belgium while educational programmes allow groups to delve further into the war's past.



Somme

Thiepval Memorial

The names of 73,357 British and South African men who fell between July 1916 and March 1918 are inscribed at Thiepval, the largest war memorial in the world. The arch of the memorial represents the Anglo-French alliance and the resting place for those men with no known grave.



Ypres

Tyne Cot Cemetery

Tyne Cot remains the largest Commonwealth cemetery in the world with around 11,954 soldiers laid to rest. It marks an area of huge strategic importance to both the Allied and Central Powers in the Great War, which was finally liberated on 28th September 1918.



Somme

Beaumont-Hamel

The village of Beaumont-Hamel was one of the fortress holds situated behind the German lines. The 1st July 1916 saw the 29th Division push to take a line beyond the village. Trapped by German machine gun fire there were only 68 survivors. Today, students can explore the tracks that remain from the trenches.



Ypres

Memorial Museum Passchendaele 1917

With 500,000 casualties in 100 days to gain just 5 miles, Passchendaele became an international symbol of senseless military violence. Using a collection of historical artefacts, images, movies and life-like dioramas, this museum exhibits the battles as well as the conditions for the soldiers.



Somme

Lochnagar Crater

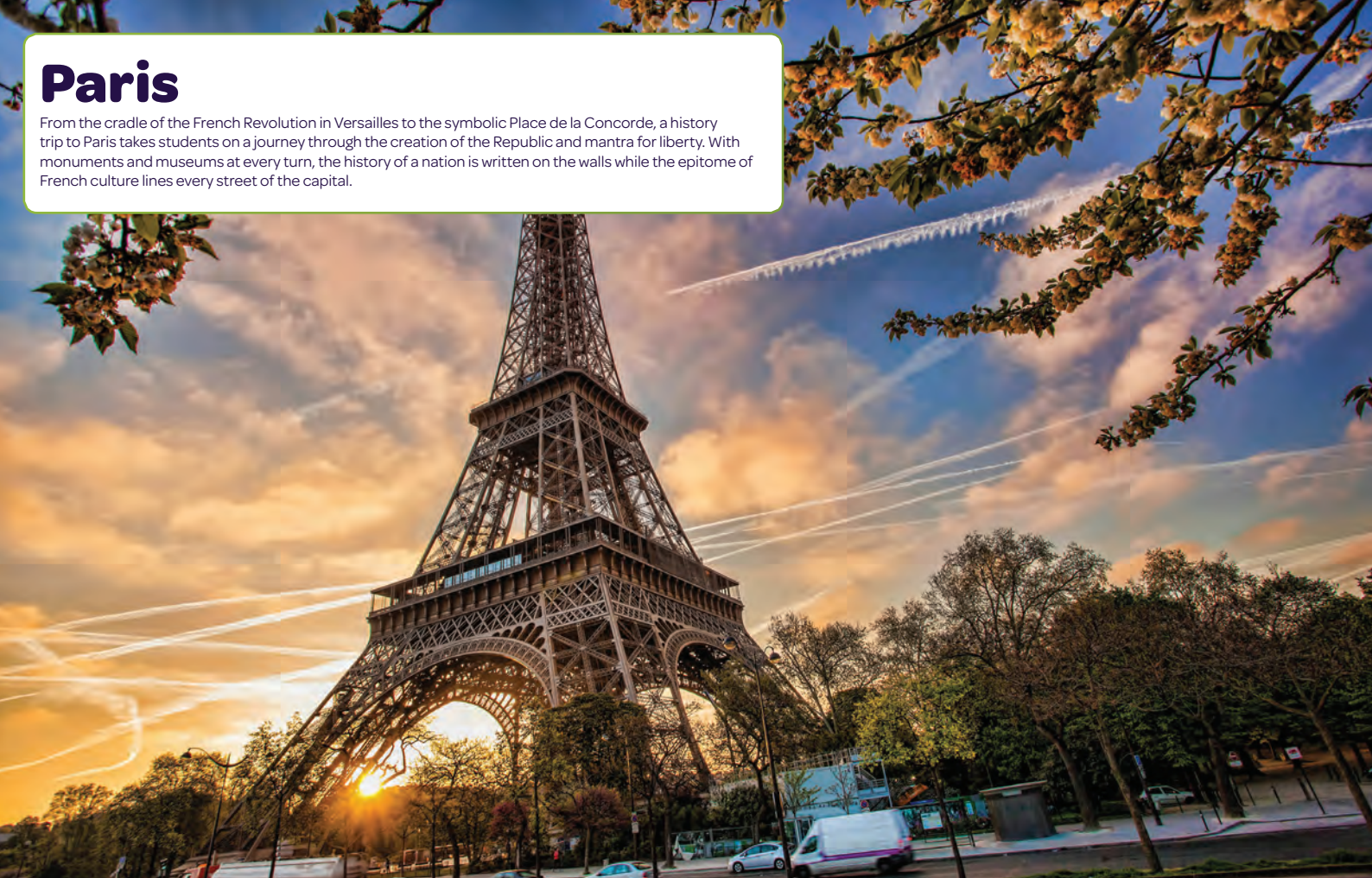
Though many craters along the Western Front have since been filled in for farming purposes, Lochnagar was preserved in 1978. The crater formed on the 1st July 1917 as the British Army's 179th Tunnelling Company Royal Engineers set a charge of 26.8 tonnes of explosives, signalling the British offensive against the German lines.

Did you know

To further enhance your group's experience, we can arrange for half- or full-day specialist battlefield guides.

Paris

From the cradle of the French Revolution in Versailles to the symbolic Place de la Concorde, a history trip to Paris takes students on a journey through the creation of the Republic and mantra for liberty. With monuments and museums at every turn, the history of a nation is written on the walls while the epitome of French culture lines every street of the capital.



Top Excursions/Activities



Musée de l'Armée at Les Invalides

The Baroque complex known as Les Invalides was built to house disabled soldiers and part of it is still a veterans' residence and hospital. You can take a tour of the Dôme des Invalides – containing Napoleon's tomb – and marvel at the huge collection of antique armour and weapons at the Musée de l'Armée.



Musée du Louvre

The origins of the former fortress and royal palace date back to the 12th century. Discover more about the history of France through its vast collections, including essential French masterpieces such as those by Jacques-Louis David.



La Conciergerie

Located on the banks of the River Seine, La Conciergerie remains the oldest part of the Palais de la Cité. Students uncover the significance of this building: from being the royal residence for the first French king to becoming the first royal palace in Paris to be used as a prison during the French Revolution.



Place de la Concorde and Tuileries Gardens

Visit Place de la Concorde, where the revolutionary government erected the guillotine. Close by are the Tuileries Gardens, the former site of the Royal Tuileries Palace, the Parisian residence of most French monarchs until it was burned by the Paris Commune in 1871.



Notre-Dame Cathedral

Completed in 1345, this beautiful Gothic cathedral was badly damaged in the French Revolution and later restored in the 19th century. You can climb the 387 stone steps of the south tower up to the famous bell tolled by the fictional Quasimodo, in Victor Hugo's *The Hunchback of Notre-Dame*.



Versailles

Originally the hunting lodge of Louis XIII, Versailles was transformed by Louis XIV to become the seat of political power and the unofficial capital of France. Students can explore the history of the old monarchy and gain a better understanding of the events which led to the Revolution.

Did you know

The best way for your students to take in the many iconic buildings and sights of the French capital is to arrange for a river cruise.

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