2027 EUROPEAN HANDBELL FESTIVAL

Ringing Through Central Europe

POLAND & CZECHIA

June 16 – 26, 2027

Artistic Director: Deborah Rice
Tour Hosts: Keith Cole & Katie Lockwood

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Handbell ringers and enthusiasts are invited to join leading handbell conductor Deborah Rice and Keith Cole & Katie Lockwood of Witte Tours on a musical adventure in Europe!

This international festival promises to be a colorful musical palette of repertoire, with concerts planned in Poland and Czechia.

The repertoire will include mass selections representing the cultures of all participating nations, some combining handbells and handchimes.

Open to individuals, partial groups, and non-ringers. Don't miss this opportunity!

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Tour Cost
$4,495 per person, land only, based on double occupancy

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Inclusions:

- **Land transportation** by deluxe, air-conditioned motorcoach
- **Accommodations** for 10 nights in moderate first-class hotels
- **Breakfast daily and seven dinners**
- **European tour manager** to accompany the group with Keith Cole and Katie Lockwood as logistics coordinators, and local guides at key sites
- **Sightseeing and admission fees** in accordance with the itinerary
- **Handbell equipment,** including handbells provided by Schulmerich
- **Performance arrangements** for an extended rehearsal and three concerts
- **Performance shirts** with custom logo
- **Tipping & taxes** on all services, including tips to the tour manager and motorcoach driver
- **Whisper guides** (personal headsets)

❶ Frederick Chopin Museum, Warsaw
❷ Ghetto Heroes Monument, Warsaw
❸ Kraków Old Town
❹ Oskar Schindler's Enamel Factory Museum, Krakow *courtesy schindlermuseum.pl/en*
Cover: Charles Bridge, Prague

Planned Performances

Sunday, June 20
Late-afternoon or evening concert in Kraków, Poland

Tuesday, June 22
Evening performance in Lipník, Czechia

Thursday, June 24
Evening concert in Prague, Czechia

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16, Wednesday
Arrive Warsaw

Participants should arrive in Warsaw independently (if desired, Witte is happy to coordinate flight arrangements). One morning and one afternoon transfer will be offered from the airport to the Warsaw hotel, where we check in for a three-night stay. Welcome to Poland's capital city! This evening, we meet our tour manager and fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (D)

17, Thursday
Warsaw

After a good night's sleep and breakfast, we take a walking tour to explore Warsaw's Old Town. Stops include the Uprising Museum and the Ghetto Heroes Monument (both commemorating the efforts of the Polish resistance against Germany during WWII), as well as Wilanów Palace. This is the former royal residence of the King of Poland, built in the 17th century. The afternoon is free to continue exploring the city on our own. (B)

18, Friday
Warsaw

This morning, we have an extended rehearsal in an event space. In the afternoon, continue exploring Warsaw with a visit to the Frederick Chopin Museum, which is housed in the 17th-century Ostrogski Palace. It includes priceless mementoes such as manuscripts, music scores, and letters. The evening is free to choose from one of Warsaw's restaurants for an independent dinner. (B)

19, Saturday
Kielce > Kraków

Today we begin our journey through southern Poland, traveling from Warsaw to the charming town of Kielce. At Castle Hill (Wzgorze Zamkowe), we take in sweeping views of the surrounding countryside before strolling through the peaceful Kielce Botanical Garden, a relaxing introduction to Poland's natural beauty. Continuing to Kraków, we visit Oskar Schindler's Enamel Factory, a powerful museum that tells the story of Kraków during World War II. Our day concludes by checking into our hotel for a two-night stay and relaxing over dinner. (B, D)

Tour Pace

ACTIVE – Travelers considering this tour must be aware of existing challenges in Europe for those with mobility, balance, and respiratory issues. While picturesque landscapes and cultural experiences await, navigating cobblestone streets, uneven terrain and narrow pathways pose difficulties. **Passengers who require any mobility device, must be accompanied by a physically able companion who enables them to keep pace with walking tours on this trip.** Taxis or other transportation used to "catch up" to the group are at the passenger's expense. Activity levels vary from day-to-day. Sightseeing is often a brisk walk ranging from three to ten miles each day on uneven ground. Your safety and comfort are our top priorities. We are committed to ensuring an inclusive and enjoyable experience for all travelers.

20, Sunday

Kraków

This morning, we explore Kraków on foot, wandering through the beautifully preserved Old Town filled with cobblestone streets and vibrant squares. We also visit Kazimierz, the historic Jewish Quarter, where centuries of culture, resilience, and tradition come alive through its architecture and stories. Following some free time to explore Kraków on our own, we prepare for rehearsal followed by a late-afternoon or evening concert in Kraków. (B, D)

21, Monday

Auschwitz-Birkenau > Olomouc

Our day begins with a visit to Auschwitz-Birkenau Concentration Camp near the town of Oswiecim. This sobering visit provides insights into the Holocaust and its lasting impact. We then continue across the border to Czechia, making a stop along the way and ending our day in the historic Moravian city of Olomouc, where we check in for a two-night stay. The evening is at leisure for an independent dinner. (B)

22, Tuesday

Olomouc > Lipník > Olomouc

This morning, we enjoy a walking tour of Olomouc followed by some free time to wander through the Old Town with its Baroque monuments, pretty fountains, and elegant squares. We then travel to nearby Lipník nad Bečvou. We plan to rehearse and perform a concert in Lipník, sharing our handbell music with a new audience. Return to Olomouc for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

23, Wednesday

Kutná Hora > Prague

Departing Olomouc, we make our way to the beautifully preserved town of Kutná Hora, once a major center of silver mining wealth in medieval Europe. Here, we explore the historic Old Town, including the stunning St. Barbara's Cathedral, whose soaring Gothic design reflects the town's former prosperity. After time to enjoy independent lunch and wander the streets, we continue to Prague, the "City of a Hundred Spires." Later, we settle into Prague and prepare for a special evening—a dinner cruise on the Vltava River. As we glide past illuminated bridges, castles,

and cathedrals, we gain a magical perspective of the city's highlights while enjoying a shared meal. (B, D)

24, Thursday
Prague

Our day begins with a guided walking tour of Prague, exploring iconic sites such as Prague Castle, Charles Bridge, and the charming Old Town Square. We experience a city shaped by centuries of history, from medieval kings to modern cultural revival, all set against a backdrop of stunning architecture. The afternoon is free—perfect for exploring museums, sampling Czech cuisine, or finding a quiet moment in one of the city's many hidden corners. In the evening, we come together again for our final rehearsal and evening concert in Prague. (B, D)

25, Friday
Prague

We delve into Prague's historic Jewish Quarter today, where centuries of Jewish life, tradition, and resilience are preserved in synagogues, memorials, and a cemetery. As we walk through this powerful and reflective area, we gain deeper insight into a community that has profoundly shaped the city's cultural and intellectual life. The afternoon offers free time to revisit favorite spots, shop for local crafts, or simply soak in Prague's timeless atmosphere at our own pace. This evening, we gather for a special farewell dinner at a restaurant, where we celebrate the music we've shared, the places we've experienced, and the memories we've created together. (B, D)

26, Saturday
Depart

We make our own way to the Prague Airport to travel home, certain to return with many wonderful memories of Poland & Czechia! (B)

Daily activities are subject to change due to local circumstances.

Meals included:
B=breakfast, L=lunch, D=dinner

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❶ Old Synagogue, Kraków
❷ Auschwitz-Birkenau Concentration Camp
❸ Olomouc
❹ St. Barbara's Cathedral, Kutná Hora
❺ Prague Castle, Prague
❻ Jewish Cemetery in the Josefov ghetto, Prague

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The cost of your tour includes:

Land transportation. A deluxe air-conditioned motorcoach is used for transfers, excursions, and travel between cities. Because motorcoach travel is restricted in many European cities, sightseeing is often done on foot or via public transportation.

Accommodations in moderate first-class to standard first-class hotels based on two people sharing a room with private facilities. When hotels in these categories are not available, top-quality superior tourist-class properties are selected. **The supplement for single accommodations is $810.** If you register alone but want a roommate, we will do our best to assign one. Shared accommodation bed configurations vary by destination. Separate twin beds cannot be guaranteed. If a single room must be assigned to any member of the group for any reason, even if it is at the last minute or while on tour, we will need to charge the single supplement. Changes in rooming arrangements requested by the participant 45 or fewer days prior to departure may result in additional charges.

Meals. Breakfast daily and dinners as indicated in the itinerary. Dinners do not include beverages.

Tour Personnel. A multi-lingual tour manager to accompany the group from arrival in Warsaw until departure from Prague. The tour manager will be assisted by local guides as needed. Keith Cole and Katie Lockwood will accompany the group as logistics coordinators.

Sightseeing and admission fees in accordance with the itinerary.

Performance shirt with a custom logo to wear during concerts.

Handbell equipment, including handbells provided by Schulmerich.

Tipping and taxes are included for all services, including the tip for the tour manager and motorcoach driver.

The tour cost does not include passports, flights, ETIAS Authorization required to visit Schengen countries, porterage of luggage, optional travel protection plan including luggage and trip cancellation coverage, optional excursions, independent meals, and any other items not mentioned as included.

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Schedule of Coverages	**Maximum Coverage Amount** (up to the limits shown below)
Trip Cancellation	100% of Insured Trip Cost
Trip Interruption	150% of Insured Trip Cost
Trip Interruption - Return Air Only**	$750
Travel Delay (6 hours)	$750 ($150/day)
Missed Connection Air & Cruise Only (3 hours)	$750
Baggage & Personal Effects	$2,000
Baggage Delay (12 hours)	$250
Sporting Equipment Delay (8 hours)	$ 600
Emergency Medical Expense***	$50,000
Emergency Dental Expense***	$500
Emergency Evacuation and Repatriation	$250,000
Accidental Death & Dismemberment	$25,000
Exposure & Disappearance	$25,000
24 Hour Travel Assistance*	Included

*Travel Assistance Services are provided by the designated provider listed in the Policy.

**Trip Interruption and Trip Interruption - Return Air Only cannot be combined for residents of CT, IN, KS, MO, MT, & VT.

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Documentation: Passports, Visas, and Travel Consent for Minors. All U.S. citizens are required to have a valid passport book to travel internationally. If you already have a passport book, check its expiration date now since the countries visited on this tour require passports to be valid for at least three months beyond the traveler's intended return date. If your passport is due to expire earlier, you will need to obtain a new one. **If you do not have a passport book or need a new one, apply as soon as possible as processing times can take time.** If you plan to visit other countries on your own, contact Witte for any special requirements. **Effective beginning 2027, US citizens do not need a visa to visit Schengen countries but must obtain ETIAS Authorization via the ETIAS online application process, before travel.** When applying using the official ETIAS website, https://travel-europe.europa.eu/etias, you will be charged a fee of EUR 20. Applicants who are under 18 or over 70 years of age are exempt from this payment. All non-U.S. citizens should contact Witte for their special requirements. We will check the requirements for non-U.S. citizens at the time they register and again approximately 45 days prior to departure. Witte is not responsible for any changes in requirements for non-U.S. citizens that occur after our final check.

When travelling domestically or internationally, the U.S. Transportation Security Administration (TSA) and U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) advise that everyone carry at least two forms of acceptable identification in order to board a flight found http://www.tsa.gov/traveler-information/acceptable-ids. Examples: DHS-designated enhanced driver's license, U.S. Passport, a foreign government passport. The name, date of birth and gender that appears on the identification card must exactly match the same data listed on airline ticket(s) and booking records

Minor children traveling internationally without both parents are strongly encouraged to carry a notarized note signed by both parents stating that they have permission to travel without one or both of them. It has become increasingly necessary to possess such a note, and will save time if questions arise departing from the U.S. or to exit a foreign country. In order to download a sample minor consent form go to: https://www.us-passport-service-guide.com/minor-travel-consent-form.htmlThe sample form is a guide only. Parents who share custody of their children should carry copies of the legal custody documents. Important note: Parents are responsible to contact the embassy of the country or countries the minor child will be visiting to confirm all travel entry and exit requirements, which may include obtaining additional notarized documentation.

HEALTH DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS. You are responsible to make absolutely certain to have the proper immunizations and required documentation of such immunizations before travel. Witte shall not assume responsibility for the accuracy of health requirements or vaccination documentation prior to departure or upon landing at the final destination. See your health practitioner for advice. Prior to travel, required inoculations, if any, must be recorded by your health practitioner on a valid vaccination certificate, and you must carry for proof of inoculation where required. If you are concerned about taking any medications or receiving certain inoculations, and adequate timing of such inoculations relative to your travel booking, consult your health practitioner BEFORE booking. Check the U.S. State Department websites http://travel.state.gov for relevant information relating to travel to specific destinations, the USA Centers for Disease Control http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/list/ and the World Health Organization http://www.who.int/en/ relating to health issues.

Luggage allowance. You may take one suitcase with a maximum size of 62 linear inches (height plus width plus depth) and weight of 50 lbs. You may also carry a purse, a camera and one piece of hand luggage with a maximum size of 45 linear inches and weight of 15 lbs. Hand luggage does not fit in the overhead bins on the motorcoach. There may be room for it in the storage compartment under the coach or by an empty seat on board. If not, it will need to be placed on the floor in front of your feet. You will be responsible for your own luggage throughout the tour so don't bring more than you can comfortably lift and carry. Backpack-style and over-the-shoulder luggage is recommended.

Tour cost. The tour cost is based on a group of 47 passengers and current tariffs for land arrangements.

Please note that these travel arrangements are subject to possible price increases due to additional charges imposed by a supplier or government. You may be charged additional sums by Witte to offset increased fees, fuel surcharges, taxes, fluctuations in foreign exchange markets, and/or changes in group size. Before passing on an increase, Witte will use its best efforts to minimize the amount. If it is necessary to increase the tour cost, participants will be advised at final billing and provided with a summary of the contributing factors. Your signature on the registration form indicates consent to any post-purchase price increases.

Reservations and payments. To make reservations on this tour, complete the Registration Form and return it as indicated. Reservations cannot be accepted over the telephone. Payments are due as follows:

Deposit of $500 per person with Registration Form. Early registration is encouraged!

Payment of $1,250 per person by January 15, 2027

Payment of $1,250 per person by March 15, 2027

Balance due on receipt of final invoice sent approximately 30 days prior to departure

If you are registering for the tour after one of the above payment dates, increase your deposit amount accordingly so your account will be up to date. Please note that checks returned due to insufficient funds are subject to a $30 service fee.

Credit card payments. Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express credit cards are accepted for the deposit. The deposit charge is processed shortly after receipt of your registration form.

Cancellations and refunds. Witte must receive notice of cancellation in writing. Penalties are per person and will be based on the date of receipt, as follows:

More than 90 days before departure	$300
Between 90 and 46 days before departure	$600
Between 45 and 31 days before departure	$900
30 or fewer days before departure	No refund

The service fee noted under "Special Flight Arrangements" and the nonrefundable portion of any special arrangements, or any other non-refundable arrangements made on behalf of the canceling participant, are also added to the above penalties. Allow four to six weeks for processing of refunds. Note that payments made by check are refunded by check to the person or organization that made the payments, and payments charged to a credit card are credited back to the same credit card.

Membership/Passenger's Responsibility. You acknowledge Witte is responsible for a comfortable and respectful atmosphere that protects the health of all travelers, creating a positive tour experience. This requires commitment from every individual on the tour to assume personal responsibility for

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Special meal requests and food allergies. Note special meal requests and food allergies on your registration form. Witte cannot be responsible if special requests are not met but we will pass them on to the hotels and restaurants. If you have dietary restrictions or food allergies, be sure to carry your medications with you at all times. Also, discuss your special needs with your tour personnel and ask the wait staff about the foods you are served.

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Consult your physician if you have any concerns about your ability to participate.

Time away from the tour. Advise Witte in writing at least 45 days before departure if you plan to spend some time away from the tour. Wherever possible, you will be credited for missed hotel nights.

Final tour documents—including itinerary, hotel list, passenger list, and luggage tags—are sent about 10 days prior to departure.

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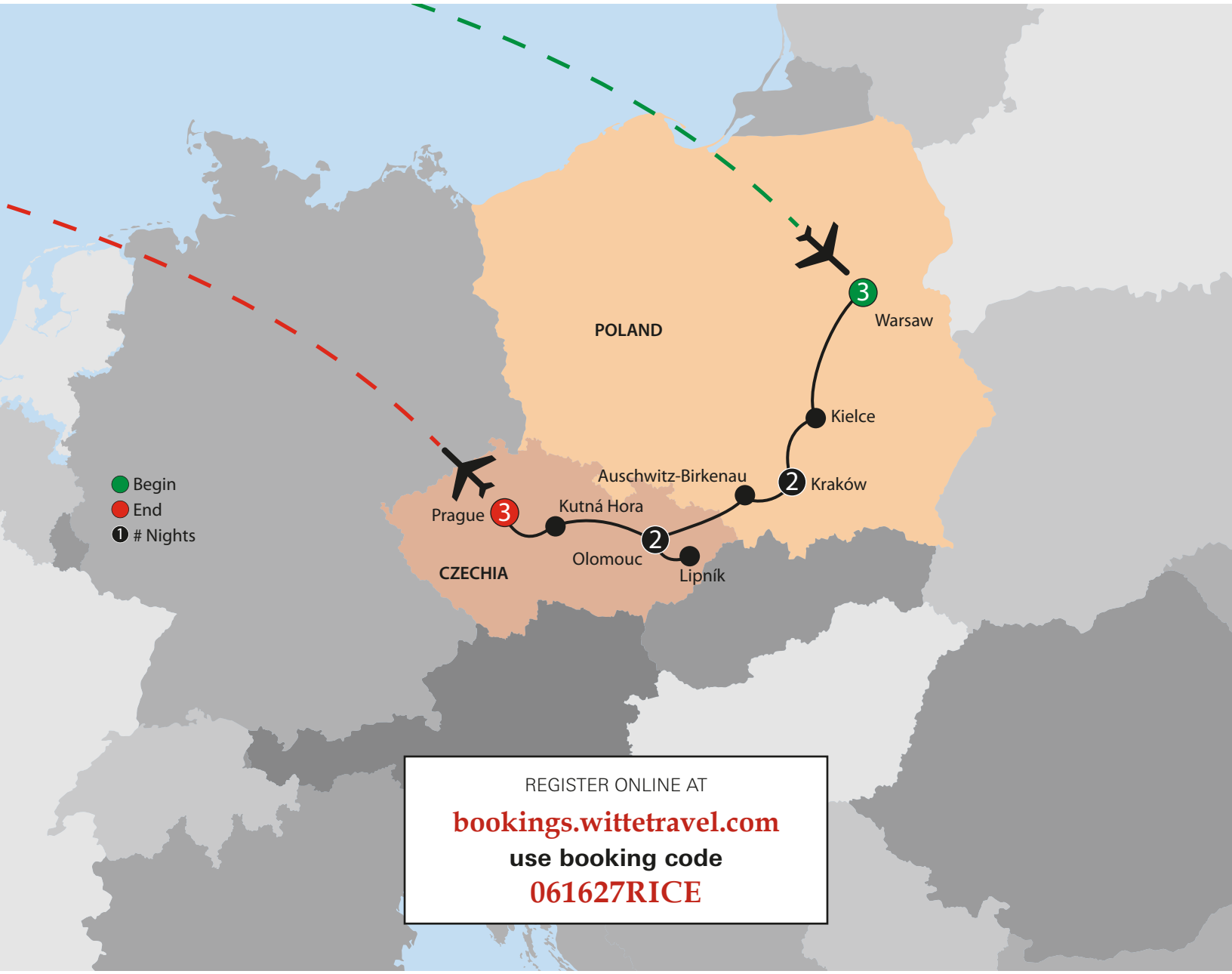

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