



Amsterdam-Hamburg-Berlin March 20-29, 2026

March 20, 2026 Depart DTW Flight 5:00 P.M.

March 21, 2026 Arrive AMS 6:00 A.M.

(other departure cities have similar timing)

Amsterdam is the Netherlands' capital, known for its artistic heritage, elaborate canal system and narrow houses with gabled facades, legacies of the city's 17th-century Golden Age. Its Museum District houses the Van Gogh Museum, works by Rembrandt and Vermeer at the Rijksmuseum, and modern art at the Stedelijk. Cycling is key to the city's character, and there are numerous bike paths

7:00 AM – 4:00 PM Tour the city, check into your hotel, take a nap, or go to the spa

Places of interest:

ANN FRANK HOUSE



VAN GOGH MUSEUM



RIJKSMUSEUM



5:00 PM Dinner at De Belhamel (or similar)



7:00 – 9:00 PM Post Dinner Canal Cruise with drinks



March 22, 2026 – Sunday

8:00 AM Breakfast at Mortimer (or similar)



10:30 AM Latin Mass (w/Gregorian Chant) De Krijtberg RC Church



12:00 PM Quick lunch or snack

1:00 PM Countryside tour of Volendam, Edam, Zaanse Schans (guided or with e-Bikes)



4:00 PM Dinner at De Hoop op d'Swarte Walvis in Zaanse Schans (or similar)



Daylight hours in Amsterdam are from 6:30 AM to 7 PM in late March

March 23, 2026 – Monday

7:59 AM Rail Europe Train to Hamburg Germany

1:14 PM Arrive in Hamburg

Second only to Berlin in size and population, the city of Hamburg is home to one of the biggest harbors in Europe. A stroll along its many waterways and canals illustrates why it has been called the "Venice of the North." Don't miss a trip to the local fish market (Fischmarkt), the Merchants District (marked by its imposing red-brick architecture), a fine dining experience along the river or a night out in the university quarter. And did we mention the Reeperbahn (red light district)? It's quite famous for its... red lights.

2:00 PM – 8:00 PM Tour the city, check into your hotel, take a nap, or go to the spa

Places of Interest

The Speicherstadt in Hamburg, Germany, is the largest warehouse district in the world where the buildings stand on timber-pile foundations, oak logs, in this particular case. It is located in the port of Hamburg – within the HafenCity quarter – and was built from 1883 to 1927



Old Elbe Tunnel or St. Pauli Elbe Tunnel, which opened in 1911, is a pedestrian and vehicle tunnel in Hamburg. The 426 m long tunnel was a technical sensation; 24 m beneath the surface, two 6 m diameter tubes connect central Hamburg with the docks and shipyards on the south side of the river Elbe.



Miniatur Wunderland is the world's largest model train exhibit, and still growing. See trains running through recreations of Hamburg and the coast, Austria, the Grand Canyon and Scandinavia.



9:00 PM Cotton Club – Jazz and Cocktails

March 24, 2026 – Tuesday

9:00 AM Breakfast

10:30 AM 2 Hour Guided Walkng Tour

See Hamburg by exploring the city with a private guide on this efficient walking tour. Your route will pack in Hamburg's most essential landmarks, including the Speicherstadt and the Elbphilharmonie, in addition to lesser-known local attractions. Along the way, your guide will explain the history and culture of the bustling port city.

-The Hamburger Townhall completed in 1897 is a must see focal point of Hamburg's old town.

-St. Petri Kirche

Built on the historical core of Hamburg's city this church has a rich and interesting history.

-Trostbrücke

The former divide between the old and the new town brings Hamburg's history to life.

-St Nikolai Memorial

This burnt out church stands as a constant reminder to the devastation of WW2

-Deichstrasse

A journey back in time to 17th century Hamburg.

-Speicherstadt, Brook, 20457 Hamburg Germany

Built in 1888 and now a UNESCO world heritage site.

-Elbphilharmonie

The crowning jewel of Hamburg's harbour, the beloved Elbphi!

-Landungsbrücke

The old heart of Hamburg's Harbour. A great place to see the whole city.

1:00 PM Lunch

2:30 PM Enjoy the rest of the day on your own

Take in a show -Der König, Der Löwe, Opera, Ballet, or Symphony. Find a local music venue, or just unwind at the park.

March 25, 2026 – Wednesday

7:00 AM Breakfast

9:37 AM Depart Hamburg – Train

12:19 PM Arrive in Berlin



Berlin, Germany's capital, dates to the 13th century. Reminders of the city's turbulent 20th-century history include its Holocaust memorial and the Berlin Wall's graffitied remains. Divided during the Cold War, its 18th-century Brandenburg Gate has become a symbol of reunification. The city's also known for its art scene and modern landmarks like the gold-colored, swoop-roofed Berliner Philharmonie, built in 1963.

1:00 PM – 8:00 PM Tour the city, check into your hotel, take a nap, or go to the spa

8:00 PM Dinner at Restaurant Buschbeck's (or similar)

March 26, 2026 – Thursday

Breakfast on your own

Things to see, tours to take

The Reichstag

Reduced to rubble after one of history's most infamous fires in the 1930s, and then rebuilt decades later, the stately Reichstag is arguably Germany's most iconic landmark. The building has been home of Germany's parliament (the Bundestag) since 1999 and now serves as a symbol of the country's reunification. Today, a glistening glass dome designed by starchitect Norman Foster sits atop the grand old structure, and anyone with an advanced booking can ascend its 755-foot-long ramp for sweeping views over the city. The Reichstag dome is one of the most enriching free experiences for first-time visitors to the city, where a troubled past exists side by side with a trendsetting future. Few places employ this juxtaposition quite as well as this monument to freedom and openness, which was literally built atop the site that saw Nazis rise to power.



The Brandenburg Gate

This triumphant neoclassical arch is Berlin's most famous monument and the only remaining gate of the 14 that originally surrounded the city when it was a proud Prussian metropolis. Since then, Napoleon and Hitler have stormed through it and the world watched as thousands of Berliners swarmed the site with sledgehammers to topple the nearby Wall in 1989. Ever since, this Acropolis-inspired 1791 monument has come to symbolize German reunification. Conveniently located within easy walking distance of a trio of boldfaced Berlin sites (Tiergarten Park, the Reichstag, and The Holocaust Memorial), the Brandenburg Gate serves as a central meeting place for tourists.



Charlottenburg Palace

Built in 1699 as a summer residence for Sophie Charlotte, wife of King Friedrich I, this massive, multi-winged baroque structure is Berlin's largest palace. Heavily damaged in World War II and rebuilt and restored over several decades, the palace is home to a number of priceless collections, including royal porcelain and silver, crown jewels, and important 18th-century French paintings by artists such as Antoine Watteau. The rooms themselves, most of which were entirely reconstructed, feature ornate plasterwork, gilding, and frescoes, all based on original designs. The highlight is the gardens, created in the French and English style, with orderly hedges, fountains, ponds, and tree-lined gravel paths.



Others: Berlin Wall Memorial, Humboldt Forum, Check Point Charlie, Museum Island, East Side Gallery, and Tiergarten to name a few.

6:00 PM Evening on your own

March 27, 2026 – Friday

Stay in Berlin to continue see the city landmarks or take a day trip to Dresden

8:00 AM -6:00 PM Dresden



Dresden is the capital of the German state of Saxony. It was the heart of the Wettin monarchy – a bastion of culture and architectural splendor in the north-east of Germany. The city also became notorious during the Second World War as the victim of savage Allied fire-bombing raids in February of 1945, which effectively wiped the city centre off the map. This 9-hour excursion drives you from Berlin to Dresden and back, and includes a tour of the city centre and free time for you to explore on your own. You will be met by your guide and your driver at your hotel in Berlin and then taken from Berlin to Dresden (circa 2.5 hours). Your guide will provide a commentary of any sites of significance you pass, and also background information to prepare you for your visit to the Saxon capital. When you reach Dresden you will be led on a walking tour of the city centre. You will have some time to explore more of Dresden on your own before finally, you will be taken back to Berlin.

Dinner on your own

8:00 PM – Berghain is a nightclub in Berlin, Germany. It is named after its location near the border between Kreuzberg and Friedrichshain in Berlin, and is a short walk from Berlin Ostbahnhof main line railway station.^[2] Founded in 2004 by friends Norbert Thormann and Michael Teufele,^[3] it has since become one of the world's most famous clubs and has been called the "world capital of techno."

March 28, 2026 – Saturday

Stay in Berlin to continue see the city landmarks or take a day trip to a nearby city

March 29, 2026 – Sunday

6:00 AM Depart for home

11:05 AM Arrive in Detroit

2:09 PM Arrive in Denver

2:47 PM Arrive in New Orleans

4:33 PM Arrive in Charleston

NOTES

Flights	\$1800/each	Delta Comfort+
Europe Rail Pass	\$570/each	Travel any 7 days/First Class
Hotels	\$1200	King Bed
Food	\$1500	Estimate
Tours	\$1500	Estimate
Extras	\$750	Estimate
Total per couple	\$ 9,690	