



# HAYLLAR MUSIC TOURS

**SYDNEY YOUTH ORCHESTRA:  
FAMILY & FRIENDS TOUR**

4-12 APRIL 2026

# DRAFT ITINERARY

*The quote is based on the following draft itinerary:*

**DAY 1 | SATURDAY 4 APRIL 2026 (EASTER SATURDAY)**  
1ST OF 2 NIGHTS IN BERLIN

ARRIVE BERLIN

Arrive at our hotel, Hotel Adlon Kempinski Berlin, a luxury 5-star hotel located on Unter den Linden, the main boulevard in the central Mitte district, directly opposite the Brandenburg Gate. Hotel check-in is at 4:00pm and we recommend arriving at the hotel at this time.

In the early evening, we gather to enjoy a delicious dinner with fellow tour members.

**DAY 2 | SUNDAY 5 APRIL 2026 (EASTER SUNDAY)**  
2ND OF 2 NIGHTS IN BERLIN

BERLIN

This morning is free to explore Berlin. Guests may be interested to go to Museum Island and visit one of the spectacular museums or the Berlin Cathedral. Immediately beyond Berlin Cathedral is the Spree River, where you can take a river tour of Berlin. On the river tour a guide indicates where East and West Berlin were divided, and points out the varied and imaginative government buildings, including the reconstructed Reichstag.

In the afternoon we attend the SYO's first concert of the tour at the remarkable Berlin Philharmonie, home to the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra, and considered to have one of the finest acoustics in the world. The Philharmonie lies on the south edge of the city's Tiergarten and west of the former Berlin Wall.

**DAY 3 | MONDAY 6 APRIL 2026 (EASTER MONDAY)**  
1ST OF 2 NIGHTS IN PRAGUE

BERLIN TO PRAGUE, VIA DRESDEN

This morning, we leave Berlin and travel by private coach to Prague, making a stop on the way to explore Dresden, one of Europe's greatest Baroque cities, which also has a dramatic and enthralling history.

On arrival we have a guided walking tour. We see the Frauenkirche, completed in 1743 and destroyed during Allied bombing in 1945, and we hear how the ruins of the old building were catalogued and stored for use in its reconstruction, so that when it reopened in 2005, nearly 4,000 original stones had been included. Our stroll includes seeing the dramatic Procession of Princes mural, visiting Theatreplatz, dominated by the Semperoper, and seeing the Zwinger, a magnificent early 18th-century palace in the centre of the city, which houses part of the Dresden State Art Collections.

Following the walking tour, time is allowed for lunch and for some individual exploration of Dresden.

We then continue our journey to the beautiful, historic city of Prague.

On arrival we check into the boutique 5-star Aria Hotel Prague. The hotel is located a short walk from the Charles Bridge and Prague Castle. The hotel is inspired by music with each room dedicated to a specific style of music or a particular artist or composer.

After settling into our hotel rooms, the evening is free to begin your exploration of Prague.



Berlin Cathedral.



The Berlin Philharmonie.



Dresden's Frauenkirche.

**DAY 4 | TUESDAY 7 APRIL 2026**  
2ND OF 2 NIGHTS IN PRAGUE

PRAGUE

This morning, we have a guided tour of spectacular Prague Castle which sits in majesty on a hill looking over the surrounding city and the Vltava River. The castle complex, established in 880 took 700 years to complete. We tour the old castle and St Vitus Cathedral, where royals were christened, married and buried, and where, until 1836, the Kings of Bohemia were crowned. We visit stunning Vladislav Hall, built between 1493–1502, which has a complex stone vault spanning sixteen metres. St George's Basilica, founded in 920, the oldest surviving church building in the castle complex, is also on our tour.

The afternoon is free. One lovely activity would be to stroll over the historic Charles Bridge and walk to Prague's beautiful Old Town Square. The Old Town Square was a marketplace for merchants touring Europe in the 12th-century. Formerly referred to as the Big Square, it grew in significance over the years to become the most important historical site in the Czech Republic and, with its ancient buildings, the Gothic Tyn Cathedral, the Baroque St Nicholas Church and the 80-metre-high Prague Orloj, it is one of the most picturesque sites in Europe.

In the evening, we attend the SYO's concert in Prague at the Church of St. Simon and Jude. The Church stands on the site of a former hospital chapel. In the 18th-century, it was adapted in High Baroque style and an organ was installed. The organ had such an excellent sound that important personalities such as Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and Joseph Haydn both played on it. Today the church is administered by the Prague Symphony Orchestra, which uses the space as a concert hall. Following the concert we enjoy dinner together.

**DAY 5 | WEDNESDAY 8 APRIL 2026**  
1ST OF 2 NIGHTS IN BIELSKO-BIALA

PRAGUE TO BIELSKO-BIALA

This morning, we leave Prague and travel by private coach to Bielsko-Biala. This magnificent city in the south of Poland, is home to approximately 170,000 people. It is picturesquely situated just north of the Beskid mountains, and is one of the most fascinating castle towns in southern Poland. The city has only been known by its current name since January 1, 1951, when the two former towns of Bielsko (in the west) and Biała (in the east) officially merged. Prior to that date, the towns were located on opposite banks of the Biała River.

On arrival in Bielsko-Biała we check into the 4-star, Qubus Hotel. This modern hotel is located in the centre of the city, just by the shopping mall Sfera.

This evening, we come together for a delicious dinner of Polish cuisine.

**DAY 6 | THURSDAY 9 APRIL 2026**  
2ND OF 2 NIGHTS IN BIELSKO-BIALA

BIELSKO-BIALA

This morning, we go on a walking tour that will explore the beautiful Old Town of Bielsko-Biała. Our walk will include the charming cobbled streets which lead up from Bielsko-Biała castle and into the town square, the Rynek. The town square is colourful and boasts historic buildings from the 17th and 18th-century with Baroque details, a picturesque fountain with a statue of Neptune, and a lovely bridge over the water feature.

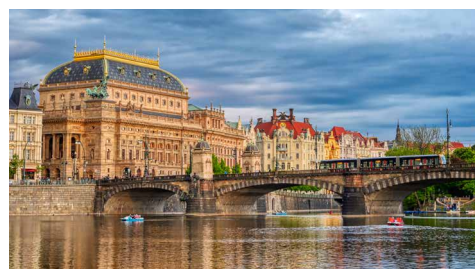
In the evening we attend the SYO's third concert of the tour at the impressive and newly built, Cavatina Hall. The building opened in 2022 and bears the name of the developer and operator, the real estate company, Cavatina, which in turn is named after the Italian song type, Cavatina. The concert hall seats 1,000 people and is the first privately operated concert hall in Poland. In 2024, a resident symphony orchestra was founded. Its inaugural conductor is Stanley Dodds.



The Old Town Square in Prague.



The Charles Bridge and the Vltava River.



The State Opera in Prague.

**DAY 7 | FRIDAY 10 APRIL 2026**  
1ST OF 2 NIGHTS IN VIENNA

BIELSKO-BIALA TO VIENNA

This morning, we depart Bielsko-Biala and travel by private coach to the Imperial city of Vienna.

On arrival we check into our hotel, the 5-star Hilton Vienna Plaza, located on the historic Ringtrasse boulevard opposite the Stock Exchange. The hotel is a 10-minute walk from the elegant Graben shopping street and a 15-minute walk from St Stephen's Cathedral in the heart of Vienna.

This evening, we come together to attend a performance at either the beautiful Musikverein or the stunning Vienna State Opera House.

**DAY 8 | SATURDAY 11 APRIL 2026**  
2ND OF 2 NIGHTS IN VIENNA

VIENNA

This morning, we visit Schönbrunn Palace, where we enjoy a private guided tour of this magnificent 1,441-room Baroque palace, one of the most important architectural, cultural, and historical monuments in Austria. Schönbrunn Palace was built in 1642 as the summer residence of the powerful Habsburg dynasty. This baroque palace, with rooms decorated lavishly in the Rococo style, is now a UNESCO cultural heritage site.

The afternoon is free. You might like explore Vienna's Old Town or visit Mozarthaus Vienna, where Mozart lived from 1784 to 1787. This is Mozart's only surviving Viennese residence and it is now a museum, presenting information about the composer in combination with historical exhibits and audio-visual installations. It was in this imposing first floor apartment that Mozart wrote some of his greatest compositions, including one of his most popular operas, *The Marriage of Figaro*.

This evening, we come together to enjoy a farewell dinner. Following this we attend the SYO's final concert of the tour at spectacular St Stephen's Cathedral, a Romanesque and Gothic cathedral with its multi-coloured tile roof being one of the city's most recognizable symbols.

**DAY 9 | SUNDAY 12 APRIL 2026**

TOUR ENDS

Following our final breakfast at the hotel, the tour concludes.



Belvedere Palace in Vienna.



The Vienna State Opera.



St Stephen's Cathedral in Vienna.

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- **Hotels:** 8 nights' accommodation in 4-star and 5-star hotels.
- **Travel:** Land travel by private air-conditioned coach.
- **Meals/Drinks:** Breakfast each morning at the hotel. Four dinners with wine, water and tea/coffee.
- **Tour Manager:** An experienced Tour Manager to accompany the group throughout the tour.
- **Performances:** Tickets for concerts listed in the draft itinerary. Please note: There may be some changes to the itinerary depending on the final confirmation of performances.
- **Entry Fees and Guided Tours:** Entrance fees for museums, art galleries etc. as stated in your itinerary. Expert local guides will be used at some sites.
- **Tips:** Tips for drivers, local guides and for meals included in your itinerary.
- **Information Pack:** Comprehensive pre-tour information pack.

## TOUR EXCLUSIONS

- **International/Domestic Travel:** Hayllar Music Tours can provide you with a quote. Phone 02 9669 9181 / +61 2 9669 9181 (Australia / International) or email [contact@hayllarmusic tours.com](mailto:contact@hayllarmusic tours.com)
- **Airport Transfers:** Transfers to/from airports and hotels at the beginning and end of the tour. Airport transfers can be arranged at an additional cost.
- **Special Taxes:** Special taxes and airport levies that can only be paid in cash at the destination. We will endeavour to advise you of these charges (if any) before you depart.
- **Visas:** Costs associated with obtaining visas for countries visited on your tour. Please note that Australian passport holders are required to complete an ETIAS travel authorisation to enter Germany, the Czech Republic, Poland and Austria.
- **Travel Insurance:** Please note that you are required to have comprehensive travel insurance to cover you for the duration of your tour. If you live in Australia, Hayllar Music Tours can organise your travel insurance for you. Please contact them at phone 02 9669 9181 / +61 2 9669 9181 (Australia / International) or email [contact@hayllarmusic tours.com](mailto:contact@hayllarmusic tours.com)
- **Meals:** Lunches and dinners not nominated in your itinerary.
- **Personal Expenses:** Personal expenses such as laundry, phone calls and mini-bar.
- **Activities in Free Time:** Costs associated with any activities suggested for you in your free time.



Berlin's Brandenburg Gate.



A view of Prague and St Vitus Cathedral.



Schönbrunn Palace in Vienna.

## GROUP SIZE

This tour will operate with a minimum of 15 guests.

## FITNESS LEVEL REQUIRED - LEVEL 2

All members of the tour must have the ability to:

- undertake walking tours of two-three hours duration, including using stairs and walking on uneven ground;
- stand for long periods in museum, art galleries etc;
- climb staircases of 100 or more steps;
- embark / disembark coaches, trains and other methods of transportation without assistance.

## BOOKING TERMS & CONDITIONS

Please note that booking terms and conditions apply. These can be found at the following link:

<https://hayllarmusictours.com/terms-conditions>

## TOUR COST

**AUD\$7,250 PER PERSON TWIN SHARE**

*Single supplement: AUD\$1,800*

*Deposit payment 1:* Deposit AUD\$1,500 per person  
(due at time of booking, bookings must be made by Friday 14 February 2025)

*Deposit payment 2:* Deposit AUD\$1,500 per person (due on 4 December 2025)

*Final payment due:* 30 January 2026

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