This tour offers travelers the unique opportunity to visit the villages of their German-Russian ancestors near Odessa, Ukraine.

Tour members will walk where their ancestors walked and have their eyes opened to village life.

"I really enjoyed the trip. It was a rewarding experience on many different levels — spending time with other people with the same background and on the same quest, learning more about the history and current situation in the Black Sea area, as well as seeing, meeting and talking to people from the area were worth the trip."

JANIS WEISZ PIOTROWSKI
Tallahasee, Florida

"It certainly has given me a better understanding of my background... Indeed, we are blessed that our ancestors had the courage to leave home and family to seek a new life in an unknown country and thrive! Again thank you for all the effort you put into this trip and preserving the culture of the Germans from Russia."

MARIE C. TANDESKI DELIZONNA
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TOUR
The North Dakota State University Libraries’ Germans from Russia Heritage Collection (GRHC) is pleased to offer the Journey to the Homeland Tour to Germany and Ukraine. Since 1996, over 500 people have joined our tour to visit their ancestral villages near Odessa, Ukraine.

Leading the tour will be Michael M. Miller, GRHC Director, and Jeremy Kopp, GRHC Special Collections Associate.

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Day 1-3  Berlin, Germany
Day 4  Travel from Berlin to Odessa
Day 4-7  Odessa, Ukraine & former German villages**
Day 8  Travel from Odessa to Stuttgart
Day 8-10  Stuttgart, Germany  (Includes a day tour to Alsace, France)
Day 11  Depart

**Travel to the former Crimean, Volga, Mennonite, Volynian and Hutterite villages are not included on this tour.

WHAT YOU WILL SEE
Brandenburg Gate
Checkpoint Charlie
Berlin Wall
Odessa Opera House
Potemkin Steps
Your Ancestral Villages
Shores of the Black Sea
Outdoor Markets
German Russian Museum
Historic Churches
Alsatian Architecture
Much more!

Registration & Information
Additional information as well as details about how to register can be found on our website: library.ndsu.edu/homeland-tour

*Price per person, international airfare not included.
†Inclusions are subject to change from year to year, visit our website for up-to-date information.

PACKAGE INCLUDES†
Welcome supper in Berlin.
Ukrainian meal in Odessa.
Three nights lodging in Berlin.
Four nights lodging in Odessa.
Three nights lodging in Stuttgart.
Nine buffet breakfasts.
Two days of ancestral village visits (Includes translator, driver, and bag lunch).
Tours of Berlin, Potsdam, and Odessa with professional guides.
Flight from Berlin to Odessa and return flight to Stuttgart.
Visit to a Germans from Russia museum in Stuttgart (includes lunch).
Excursion to Alsace, France (includes lunch at a traditional Alsatian cafe).
Bus transfer from Berlin hotel to airport.
Bus transfer to and from Odessa Airport and hotel.
Bus transfer from Stuttgart Airport to hotel.
Tips for all group activities (drivers, tour guides, translators, wait staff, etc.).