

BYU'S 1999 foreign tour

BYU Women's Volleyball Trip to Europe and Israel was full of many positive experiences, including a 4-2 record and a win over the Czech National Team.

April 23-24: The team traveled from Salt Lake City to Zurich, Switzerland, and into Tel Aviv, Israel.

April 25: The team toured various parts of the area surrounding Jerusalem, including the Qumran, the site of the Dead Sea Scrolls recovery as well as the Dead Sea and Bethany.

April 26: The team visited several Biblical Holy Sites around Jerusalem including the Dome of the Rock, the last supper room and the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem.



April 27: The tour this day in Jerusalem included the pools of Bethesda, the traditional sites of Calvary and the Sacred Tomb, as well as the Via Dolorosa.

April 28: The team left the Jerusalem Center and headed to Jericho, through the Jordan River Valley north to the Sea of Galilee and the traditional site of Christ's baptism.

April 29: The team saw various sites including the Golan Heights, Upper Galilee and the Mount of the Beatitudes.

April 30: The team visited Mt. Tabor and the traditional site of the Transfiguration, as well as Nazareth, the Basilica of the Annunciation and St. Gabriel (Mary's) Well. Afterwards they went to the Wailing Wall to watch the Jews begin the Sabbath.

May 1: After Church meetings, the team traveled to the Garden of Gethsemane, Golgotha and the Garden Tomb.

May 2: The team traveled to Haifa and visited various 19th-Century Latter-day Saint graves, Mt. Carmel and the Bahia Gardens. Afterwards, they traveled to the Haifa Sports Hall, the site of their first volleyball match of the trip.

May 3: After a morning on the Mediterranean Sea coast, the team traveled to Tel-Aviv for their second match against the Israel National Women's Team in the Tel-Aviv Sports Center.

May 4: The day was spent traveling from the Zurich Airport to the Swiss Temple and onto France.

May 5: The team played the local French club team, Asph Mulhouse before traveling to Fussen, Germany.

May 6: In Germany, the team looked at various sites including the Neuschwanstein Castle and the concentration camp at Dachau. Afterwards they traveled to Prague, Czech Republic.

May 7: The team spent the morning touring throughout Prague. Afterwards, they went to the sports center to play the Czech National Team and won against the favored Czechs 3-2.

May 8: Just hours after defeating the national team the night before, BYU lost to the Czech Junior National Team 3-1 before traveling to Vienna, Austria.

May 9: After attending church meetings in Vienna, the team saw various sites including Mozart's grave, several World War II historical sites and a symphonic concert in the Schonbrun Palace.

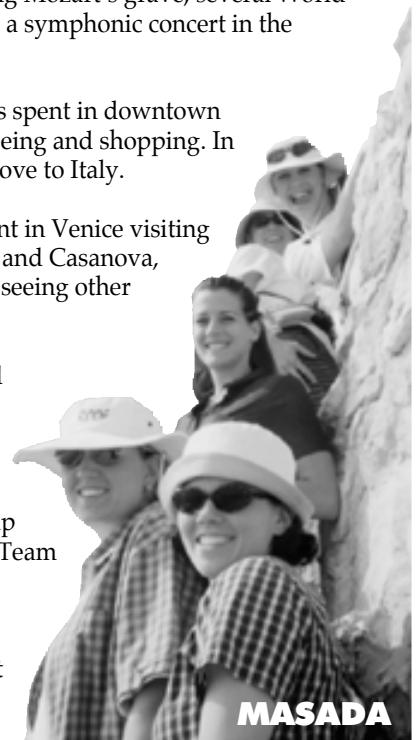
May 10: The morning was spent in downtown Vienna with more sightseeing and shopping. In the afternoon the team drove to Italy.

May 11: The day was spent in Venice visiting the houses of Marco Polo and Casanova, taking gondola rides and seeing other tourist attractions.

May 12: The team headed back to Switzerland, driving through the Alps.

May 13: The team played their final match of the trip against the Cheseaux VB Team before heading to Zurich.

May 14: The team left Zurich and arrived in Salt Lake City in the evening.





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very neat feeling. Nothing had been changed so you could feel the spirit. When we first went out it was calm and then the wind picked up and there were more waves so I better understood how the apostles felt. It was cool." – Anna-Lena Smith

"I loved the gathering we had at the Mount of Beatitudes. It is always so nice to be with our team and read the scriptures and share experiences with each other. Our team has the strongest spirits and we are all so individual in sharing our spirits with others. I love how our team is so unified and compatible." – Jackie Bundy

"My feelings were pretty mixed. I was excited to go to Europe, but I was even more sad to leave Israel. I had so much fun. I had really gotten used to the people and the variety of cultures. I know that my visit to the Holy Land has forever changed my life."
– Mari Carpenter



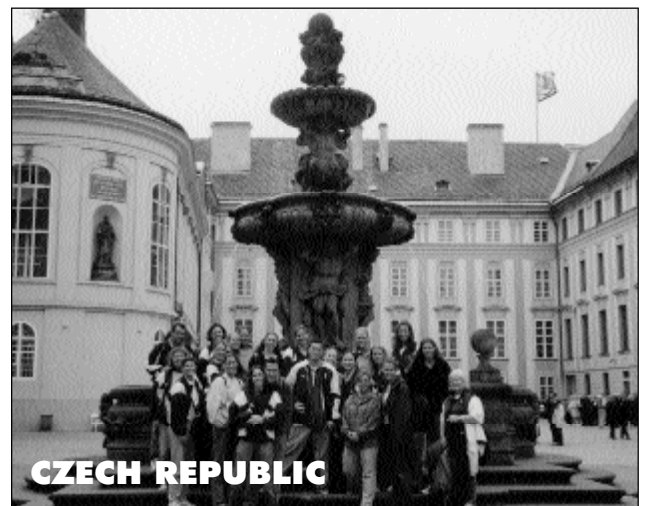
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"As we drove through the mountains I was in awe of the beauty. The trees were so lush and green. There were waterfalls coming out of the mountains everywhere. There were so many quaint little villages on the sides of mountains, the edges of lakes, and on rolling hills of grass. It makes you wonder if the people who live there ever leave their village and if they appreciate all the beauty around them." – Amy Rhead

"The most wonderful place we went (to me) was Bethany and in Lazarus's tomb and where Mary and Martha dwelled. This was amazing to me because that was where Christ walked and stopped to talk. That is where Christ felt peace and I felt an overwhelming peace about me." – Martha Brinton

"Many were touched along Via Dolorosa and thinking of Christ as he walked up and down the streets in such agony. . . imagining Christ's journey was much more plausible." – Alyssa Barrus

"On the boat ride to Galilee we stopped in the middle and talked about Jesus calming the sea. It was a



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"I love this team. They work so hard and I really admire all my teammates. Each one of them teaches me something very valuable and different."
– Martha Brinton

"Going inside the castle I couldn't believe the amount of work and talent that was put into building it. The ballroom was just amazing! You started to feel a bit dizzy going up and down the spiral stairs. The views from the castle windows were just awesome. The waterfall, mountains, fog and the green trees were all what it would look like in a postcard."
– Emily Kennedy

European Trip Volleyball Match Results

May 2 -- Israel National Team, BYU won 25-20, 25-20, 18-25, 25-19.

May 3 -- Israel National Team, BYU won 25-22, 25-27, 28-26.

May 5 – Asph Mulhouse (French Club Team), BYU lost 0-3.

May 7 – Czech National Team, BYU won 17-25, 18-25, 25-23, 25-17, 15-8.

May 8 – Czech Junior National Team, BYU lost 20-25, 19-25, 25-23, 20-25.

May 13 – VBC Cheseaux (Swiss Club Team), BYU won 25-20, 25-20, 25-19.