



Day 2 of the 5-day walking tour.



View from the 5-day walking tour.

"...this sign, "St. Andrews at Brunnenburg" looms above my head. It's strange to me that the castle, the croft, the sheep, the peacocks, the tourists that wander around the premises are all part of an environment labeled "St. Andrews at Brunnenburg" - meaning that this St. Andrews isn't St. Andrews at all. It's in Europe, thousands of miles away from the Bell Tower, Lake Ansley Moore and Belk. And sometimes the separation is too much for one who loves her home."

-Noramah Burch

"The relics of the Dark Ages abound, with some thirty castles dotting an area smaller than the city where I live. I cannot help but notice the abundance of these ruins. They tease me more than anything, as the boy within me wishes to go running about the ramparts, charging around like a knight in shining armor."

-Robin Omerod

"After weeks of feeling guilty for not wanting to go to new places alone, I finally realized that it's O.K. to admit that I enjoy new experiences more if they are shared with someone else. It took me a long time to admit to myself that I'm not as brave and independent when it comes to going alone in a foreign country-it scares me silly! There I've said it. It's still hard to admit I'm not a self-sufficient European traveler I'd envisioned myself many times but I am much more comfortable with myself now that I've admitted it!"

-Lea Johnson



The group poses with locals at a gasthaus near Molten