



The Passion Play

with Germany & Austria

Rüdesheim • Meersburg • Innsbruck
Oberammergau • Salzburg • Munich • Rothenburg

June 9 - 20, 2010



- Rhine River Cruise
- Linderhof Palace
- Salzburg Cathedral
- Marksburg Castle
- Passion Play
- The Glockenspiel
- Island of Mainau
- Hitler's Eagle's Nest
- Hofbräuhaus

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HISTORY OF THE PASSION PLAY

The history of the Oberammergau Passion Play begins in 1633. In the middle of the Thirty Years War, after months of dying and suffering from the plague, the people of Oberammergau took a vow to perform the "Play of the Suffering, Dying, and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ" every ten years. At Whitsun in 1634 they fulfilled their promise for the first time. As early as the mid-18th century spectators were already coming to Oberammergau from all parts of Germany, attracted by the great power and fascination of the play. Nowadays, Oberammergau is happy to host guests from all over the world. In 2010 the village will be performing for the 41st time the play that the people of Oberammergau have kept up in unique continuation throughout the centuries.

In a five-hour performance more than 2000 participants enact the story of Jesus of Nazareth on the large open-air stage of the Passion Play Theatre with all its sights and sounds. Almost half of the inhabitants of Oberammergau perform with great dedication the story of the man whose message has given an incredible number of people hope and vitality throughout 2000 years. They play it out from his entry into Jerusalem to his death on the cross and resurrection.

Day 1 • Depart USA

We begin our journey with a flight to Frankfurt.

Day 2 • Rudesheim

Upon arrival in Frankfurt, we drive to Rudesheim on the Rhine. We enjoy a wine tasting welcome party upon arrival. **D**

Day 3 • Rudesheim



We walk to the river this morning and board a ship for an excursion along the most beautiful section of the Rhine. After passing the famous Lorelei Rock, we disembark at **St. Goarshausen**, have lunch, and drive further along the Rhine to the

Marksburg Castle. After dinner this evening, we might like to stroll through the Drosselgasse, a small lane filled with wine bars and live music. **B/D**

Day 4 • Meersburg

We drive south today along the Rhine to the **Black Forest**. We enjoy lunch in **Gutach**, while visiting a fabulous **Open Air Farm Museum**. We continue on toward Lake Constance for overnight. **B/D**

Day 5 • Innsbruck

We continue on to the **Island of Mainau**, located in the middle of **Lake Constance**. Later we drive through **Liechtenstein** to Innsbruck. **B/D**

Day 6 • Oberammergau



This morning we have a tour of Innsbruck, including the **Wilten Basilica**, the **Golden Roof** and **Court Church**. Then we continue our drive to Bavaria, where we visit the **Linderhof**, the glitziest of King Ludwig II's palaces. We overnight in Oberammergau. **B/D**

Day 7 • Oberammergau

The morning is free for exploring Oberammergau. After lunch we attend the Passion Play, the highlight of the tour. There will be an intermission for dinner and then return to the Passion Play theater for the rest of the production. **B/L/D**

Day 8 • Salzburg



We have a beautiful drive to **Berchtesgaden** today, where we visit **Hitler's Eagle's Nest**. We are surrounded by the stunning scenery of the German and Austrian Alps throughout this memorial visit. We

continue on to Salzburg for overnight. **B/D**

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Day 9 • Salzburg



A morning walking tour of Salzburg will introduce us to this city. We visit the **Salzburg Cathedral**, the **Getreidegasse** (pedestrian zone), the **market area**, **St. Peter's Church** and more. We enjoy a musical performance this evening. **B/D**

Day 10 • Munich



We drive to Munich today, where we have a short orientation tour of the city, including the **Olympic Grounds**, the **Glockenspiel**, the grounds of **Nymphenbug Palace**, and the pedestrian zone. We will visit the famous **Hofbräuhaus** in the evening where you can choose from the menu. **B**

Day 11 • Rothenburg

We drive along portions of the **Romantic Road** en route to Rothenburg on the Tauber River. Upon arrival we will have a short walking tour of this medieval walled city. We enjoy a farewell dinner at the hotel this evening. **B/D**

Day 12 • Return

We drive to Frankfurt for our return flight. **B**

Abbreviations for meals:
B=Breakfast **L**=Lunch **D**=Dinner

Tour Price: \$3,299 per person
land only

Price based on 40 participants, double occupancy

Single supplement=\$775

Triples available but not advised

Airfare is not included but will be available 11 months before departure. Single guests may have to share rooms in Oberammergau.

Your Tour Includes:

- **Land transportation** via private, deluxe air-conditioned motor coach
- **Accommodations** (double-occupancy) in superior tourist and moderate first class hotels
- **Meals** as indicated in itinerary
- Services of a **professional tour guide** throughout the tour
- **Local step-on guides** for city tours and major attractions
- **Admission** to all activities listed on itinerary
- **Luggage handling:** one piece per person at hotels
- Luggage tags and strap, name badge and trip journal
- **All taxes and tips** for services provided except as indicated below

Your Tour Does Not Include:

- **Airfare** and any related taxes and fees
- Meals not indicated on itinerary
- **Beverages** except with breakfast
- **End of tour gratuity** for coach driver and tour guide
- Items of a personal nature such as passport fees.
(Passport must be valid for six months beyond return date.)
- **Optional insurance** for health, cancellation and baggage.
(This insurance is available and highly recommended.)

Payment Policy:

Early registration is recommended to secure the Passion Play Ticket Package. An initial deposit of \$500 per person will be due with a completed application for each traveler wishing to reserve a space on the trip. That should be done as soon as possible as space on the tour is limited.

Payment Schedule:

Deposit due with application:	\$500 per person
August 1, 2009:	\$1000 per person
120 Days before departure:	Balance Due

Currency:

Currency exchange rates fluctuate constantly. In the event of a significant drop in the value of the dollar, Ed-Ventures reserves the right to add a currency surcharge to the price of the tour.

Cancellation Policy:

All cancellations must be in writing and the date of postmark will determine the amount of refund due.

- From time of deposit until 180 days prior to departure: \$250 penalty, unless the tour is subsequently filled. Then the penalty would be \$50.
- 179 to 45 days before departure: \$500 penalty plus any un-refunded deposits including Passion Play arrangements unless the seat on the tour is filled. If the seat on the tour is filled, only the \$500 penalty will apply.
- 44 days or less before departure: NO REFUND.

We offer low-cost trip cancellation and medical insurance. We strongly urge you to consider this protection.

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Terms and Conditions

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Registration Form

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Passenger Information (1st Traveler)

Please record information exactly as it appears on your passport. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport.

Legal Name: _____

(Nickname): _____

Passport #: _____

Passport Exp. Date: _____

Passport Authority: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Dietary needs: _____

Passenger Information (2nd Traveler)

Please record information exactly as it appears on your passport. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport.

Legal Name: _____

(Nickname): _____

Passport #: _____

Passport Exp. Date: _____

Passport Authority: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Dietary needs: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Work phone/cell: _____ E-mail: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

Deposit Payment Information

(please fill out if paying by check):

Enclosed is my check made payable to *Ed-Ventures, Inc* in the amount of: _____

Deposit Payment Information (please fill out if paying by *credit card*):

Credit Card Number: _____

Visa/MasterCard/Disc: _____ Card ID Code:* _____

Exp. Date: _____ Amount: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

**last 3 digits in signature box on the back of the card*

Sleeping Preference (circle one): Double bed Twin Beds Roommate (name): _____

Single supplement is an additional (\$775): _____ Yes _____ No

Travel Insurance (check one): ___ Yes, sign me up and charge my card below ___ No, I decline

Check enclosed: ___ Credit Card Number: _____

Card ID Code: _____ Visa/MC/Disc: _____ Exp. Date: _____ Amount: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

I have read and agree to the terms and conditions. Please sign me up for the trip!

Signature of 1st traveler: _____ Date: _____

Signature of 2nd traveler: _____ Date: _____

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