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Franconia, Bavaria & the Passion Play

SCHEDULED DEPARTURE

June 17– 27, 2020



Oberammergau



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Cruising the Rhine near Rudesheim



DAY 1: Depart USA

We begin our journey with a flight to Frankfurt.

DAY 2: Rudesheim, Germany

Upon arrival in Frankfurt, we drive to **Rudesheim** on the Rhine. We soon see that this is a major wine-producing region, particularly known for their Reislings. Rudesheim is towered over by a Medieval castle housing a lovely wine museum, for anyone who would like to stretch their legs on the climb up the hill. 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, we might like to stroll through the Drosselgasse, a small lane filled with wine bars and live music. **B,D**

DAY 4: Rothenburg ob der Tauber

We now drive along the picturesque Rhine Valley to **Heidelberg**, home of "The Student Prince," and Germany's oldest university. Upon our arrival we visit the magnificent castle ruins for a panoramic view of the city and Neckar Valley below. There is also time to explore the Old Town" area as well. After lunch, we drive to **Rothenburg ob der Tauber**, the city that time passed by. A late afternoon tour of this medieval walled city acquaints us with this truly



Heidelberg Castle

On the Island of Mainau



delightful gem. As we admire the handsome, half-timbered buildings and walk the narrow, winding cobblestone streets, we realize that we truly are stepping back 500 years in time! **B,D**

DAY 5: Meersburg

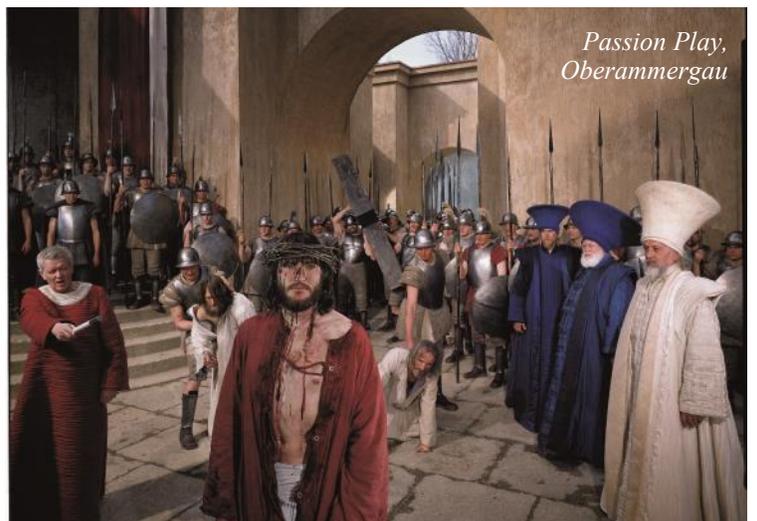
We take a picturesque drive south today along the Romantic Road to Meersburg on **Lake Constance** for our overnight. Meersburg retains its medieval roots, with a lower city along the water once inhabited by the merchants and tradespeople, and the fortified upper city for the gentile classes. We venture out to spend the afternoon on the **Island of Mainau**, located in the middle of Lake Constance. It is known as the "flower island" due to its beautiful gardens. **B,D**

DAY 6: Oberammergau

After a hearty breakfast, we drive through the tiny principality of **Liechtenstein** to **Innsbruck, Austria**. We have a tour of Innsbruck, including the **Wilten Basilica**, the **Golden Roof** and **Court Church**. We overnight in Oberammergau. **B,D**

DAY 7: Oberammergau

We enjoy a relaxed morning in **Oberammergau**, admiring the bright frescoes that adorn many of the homes and businesses, perhaps shopping for a souvenir woodcarving for which the village is famous. We may choose to take the regional bus to nearby Linderhof Castle, the glitziest of King Ludwig II's castles or to Ettal for a visit to the impressive Benedictine abbey. During WWII, the Protestant theologian, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, and the Jesuit Priest, Rupert Mayer, both



Passion Play, Oberammergau



Tea house known as
the "Eagle's Nest"

active in the resistance against the Nazi regime and later martyred, were given refuge here. This afternoon we attend Part I of the **Passion Play**, the legacy of a vow made by the Oberammergauers in 1633 to enact the Passion story. Due to the ravages of the Thirty Years War, the plague had taken its toll in lives. But many of the people were spared, and the following year, the first Passion Play was performed on a stage set up in the cemetery. We have a dinner break before attending part II. **B,L,D**

DAY 8: Salzburg, Austria

We have a beautiful drive through the alpine region to **Berchtesgaden** today. Near the site of the former Nazi mountain retreat, **Obersalzberg**, we board a smaller bus and traverse narrow roads up the Kehlstein Mountain. Our trip continues with a walk through a tunnel into the mountain and ends with an elevator ride to the summit. We arrive in the tea house known as the "**Eagle's Nest**," which was presented as a birthday gift to Adolf Hitler in 1933. The view on a clear day is magnificent! Listen for the hills to come alive "with the sound of music" as we continue on to Salzburg for our overnight. **B,D**

DAY 9: Salzburg

A morning walking tour of **Salzburg** introduces us to this city. We visit the **Salzburg Cathedral**, the **Getreidegasse** (pedestrian zone), the **market area**, the **Peter's Church** and more. After time for lunch, we enjoy an excursion to the **Mondsee area**. With its beautiful mountains and lakes and picturesque valleys, it is a very popular vacation destination for many Austrians. Tonight, we are treated to dinner and a **concert** in the **Stiftskeller St. Peter**, the perfect setting to enjoy Austrian food and the music of Mozart. **B,D**

DAY 10: Munich, Germany

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

DAY 11: Return

We transfer to Munich Airport for our return flight. **B**

Abbreviations for Meals
B=Breakfast **L**=Lunch **D**=Dinner

TOUR COST: \$3,349* per person
Land Only

*Price is based on a minimum of 25 paying participants, double occupancy
Single supplement = \$775

Your Tour Includes:

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

Your Tour Does Not Include:

- **Roundtrip airfare** to Frankfurt, Germany and return from Munich, related taxes and fees
- Meals not indicated on itinerary
- **Beverages**, except with breakfast
- **End of tour gratuity** for tour manager and coach driver
- Items of a personal nature such as passport fees. (Passport must be valid for 6 months beyond return date.)
- **Optional insurance** for health, baggage and cancellation. (This insurance is available and offered by Ed-Ventures.)

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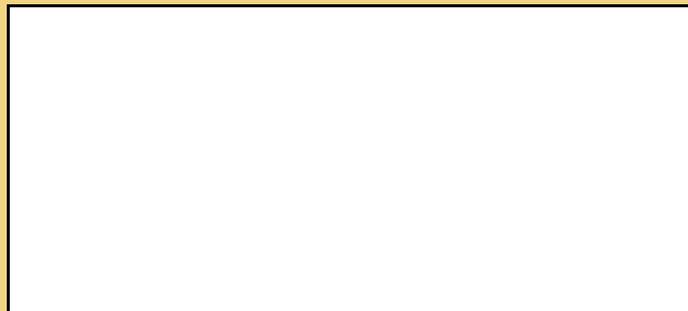
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- Single Supplement • \$775
- Airfare from _____

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Legal Name: _____

(Name for name badge): _____

Passport #: _____

Passport Exp. Date: _____

Passport Authority: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Gender: Male Female

Dietary Needs: _____

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Legal Name: _____

(Name for name badge): _____

Passport #: _____

Passport Exp. Date: _____

Passport Authority: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Gender: Male Female

Dietary Needs: _____

Address: _____

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

Work phone/cell: _____ E-mail: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

Sleeping Preference (circle one): Double bed (1 bed) Twin Beds (2 beds)

Roommate name: _____ OR Single supplement: Yes No

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Signature of 1st traveler: _____ Date: _____

Signature of 2nd traveler: _____ Date: _____



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