

ALPINE COUNTRIES

Featuring **OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY**

Rothenburg, Salzburg, Vienna, Carinthia, Innsbruck, St. Moritz, Lugano, Zermatt, Berne, Lucerne, Heidelberg

The inspiring Oberammergau Passion Play is the featured event of our Alpine adventure. Our itinerary includes the Alp's loveliest scenery, charming villages, and the imperial city of Vienna.

PER PERSON PRICE:

\$5,615.00 Double Occupancy
\$6,051.00 Single Occupancy (limited availability)

Tips Included

DAY 1 DEPART U.S.A.

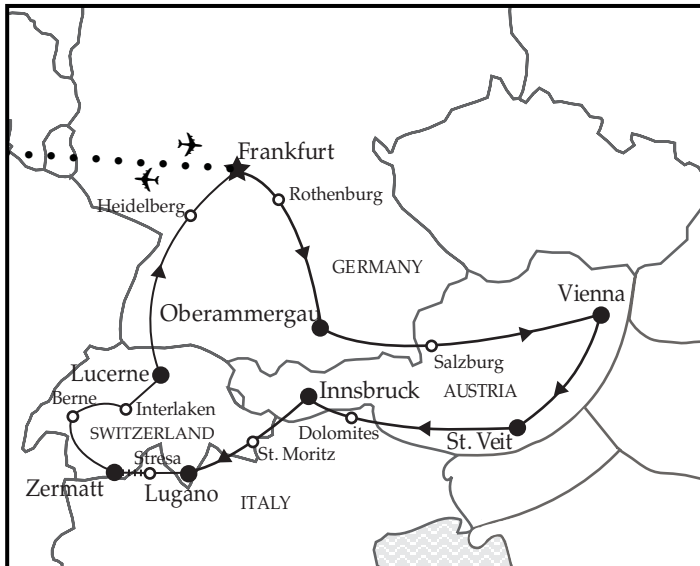
Overnight transatlantic flight.

DAY 2 ARRIVAL IN FRANKFURT, GERMANY D

We arrive in Frankfurt where we lodge one night. There is free time to rest and to explore this bustling city on the River Main. Welcome dinner tonight!

DAY 3 ROTHENBURG / OBERAMMERGAU B,D

We take the "Romantic Road" through the heart of Germany. We visit Rothenburg, renowned for its well-preserved medieval old town with original ramparts, towers, cobbled lanes, and 16th-century houses. It was the location for the village scenes in *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang*. We continue on the "Romantic Road" to Munich and lodge two nights in picturesque Oberammergau in the foothills of the Bavarian Alps. Travelers who are paying the single occupancy rate have to share a room in Oberammergau.



September 13 - 28, 2010

16 Days

New Tour!



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DAY 4 OBERAMMERGAU / PASSION PLAY B,L,D

Oberammergau is a humble village with a pervasive peacefulness in a spectacular setting in the foothills of the Alps. After a free morning to explore the charming village and to peruse the woodcarver studios and shops, we view the Passion Play this afternoon and night.

DAY 5 SALZBURG / VIENNA B

We cross southern Bavaria, cross the border and continue to Salzburg. With a local guide, we stroll through the old center of Salzburg, Mozart's hometown. We admire exquisite Mirabell Gardens, the Great Festival Hall, St. Peter's Churchyard, and the monumental Domplatz. Then we drive through the *Sound of Music* Lakeland of the Salzkammergut, so typically Austrian, and on to Vienna where we lodge two nights.

DAY 6 VIENNA B

A morning driving tour reflects both imperial and contemporary Vienna. Learn about Franz Josef's Hofburg Palace, the State Opera House, the United Nations City, Prater amusement park with its giant Ferris wheel, and so much more. We stop at famous Heldenplatz for a picture of the Hofburg Palace, residence of the Austrian Imperial Family. On our walking tour of Old Town we visit St. Stephen's Cathedral. Afternoon free time. Sacher torte at the Hotel Sacher anyone?

DAY 7 VIENNA / CARINTHIA / ST. VEIT B,D

Scenic Semmering Pass, peaceful baroque crossroad towns in Styria, and then the mountains, lakes, and popular resorts of Carinthia are on today's agenda. We lodge one night in St. Veit.



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DAY 8 ITALIAN DOLOMITES / INNSBRUCK B,D

Majestic Alpine scenery today! We drive via panoramic Iselsberg Pass to the Italian border and Cortina d'Ampezzo, the Olympic skiing village in the shadow of the limestone towers of the Dolomite Mountains. We continue via Tre Croci Pass and Lake Misurina to Brunico, then the Brenner Pass to Innsbruck in the Tyrolean Alps. Here we enjoy a quiet walk through the quaint medieval lanes to Emperor Maximilian's Golden Roof.

DAY 9 INNSBRUCK / ST. MORITZ B,D

We drive through the Swiss Engadine, considered by many to be the most beautiful mountain area in the world, passing deep-blue lakes, airy larch forests, mountain peaks exceeding 12,000 feet, and quaint villages with massive white stone houses. We reach St. Moritz, a favorite playground of the jet set, to enjoy some leisure time and to lodge one night.

DAY 10 ST. MORITZ / LUGANO B,D

We cross a pretty corner of Italy along Lake Como to reach the southern tip of Switzerland and Lugano where we lodge one night. Here on the southern side of the Alps, the climate and vegetation are Mediterranean. A free afternoon in the lakeside town of Lugano is ideal for strolling, then lounging in an outdoor café on the flower-festooned Piazza Riforma.

DAY 11 LUGANO / STRESA / ZERMATT B,D

From Lake Lugano we cross another pretty corner of Italy to elegant Stresa on the Italian shore of Lake Maggiore. Then we climb the lofty Simplon Pass back into the high Alps. In Täsch we board a mountain train to reach Zermatt, a picturesque cluster of flower-bedecked chalets beneath the majestic Matterhorn. We lodge two nights in Zermatt.

DAY 12 ZERMATT FREE DAY B

A full day of leisure takes us out of the ordinary in one of the most famously beautiful places on earth. Cars are banned, the historic farmhouses and sheds are protected, and the Matterhorn peeks through the clouds. An optional rack-railway ride goes up the 10,272-foot Gornergrat for a breathtaking view of the Matterhorn and the Alps.



Zermatt's Matterhorn

DAY 13 BERNE / INTERLAKEN / LUCERNE B,D

We drive through the vineyards and apricot groves of the lower Rhone River Valley to the shores of Lake Geneva and on to the dairy country of Gruyère, and to the Swiss capital, Berne. Here we see the Federal Palace and the Bear Pit before continuing via Interlaken (beautifully situated beneath the towering Jungfrau), and across Brüning Pass to picture-book Lucerne where we lodge two nights.

DAY 14 LUCERNE B

We discover the charm of Lucerne and its medieval heritage on a guided walking tour. We see the Lion Monument, the ornate patrician houses of the walled Old Town, and we cross the famous covered Chapel Bridge to the Jesuit church. The afternoon is free for shopping, exploring, or taking optional tours to the nearby mountains.

DAY 15 HEIDELBERG / FRANKFURT B,D

We see the thundering Rhine Falls at Schaffhausen, then cross into Germany. In the pine-clad hills of the Black Forest we enjoy a woodcarving demonstration. We stop in Heidelberg, made famous by the *Student Prince*, to see its red-walled castle. We continue on to Frankfurt to lodge one night and have a farewell dinner with new friends made in the last two weeks.

DAY 16 RETURN TO U.S.A. B

We fly home, arriving the same day.

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PASSPORT REQUIRED

TOUR PRICE INCLUDES:

Roundtrip Airfare Albuquerque to Frankfurt
Airport Transfers in Frankfurt
Transportation by Deluxe Motorcoach
14 Nights' Lodging in First-Class Hotels
14 Buffet Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 10 Dinners
Local Guides in Salzburg and Vienna
Sightseeing as Described
Admission to All Attractions Underlined
Baggage Handling at Hotels (for one piece)
Professional European Tour Director
\$100,000.00 Flight Insurance
Your SUN TOURS Escort (with 20 or more travelers)
All Taxes and Tips for Included Items

DEPOSIT: \$400.00 Per Person NOW Holds Your Place
SECOND DEPOSIT: \$1,000.00 due by November 6, 2009
FINAL PAYMENT DUE: February 8, 2010
CANCELLATION FEES:

\$250.00Through November 6, 2009
\$1,250.00November 7, 2009 - February 10, 2010
60% of Total PriceFebruary 11 - May 9, 2010
80% of Total PriceMay 10 - July 9, 2010
100%.of Total PriceAfter July 9, 2010

Cancellation Insurance is Recommended
Itinerary is subject to change. Prices are firm.