Oberammergau Passion Play

Featuring Switzerland, Austria & Bavaria

The hills are alive on this enchanting journey through spectacular mountains and picturesque cities. Experience three Alpine countries, along with the spectacular performance of the Oberammergau Passion Play. Hidden amongst the low hills of Bavaria, this quaint village transforms once-in-a-decade to present their rendition of Jesus Christ’s last days on Earth – from His entry into Jerusalem to the Resurrection.

Day 1  Overnight Flight
The distinct cultures of Switzerland, Austria, and Bavaria await us. This itinerary features beautiful scenery, traditional entertainment, world-class cuisine and the epic Oberammergau Passion Play. Our extraordinary adventure begins with an overnight flight to Switzerland.

Day 2  Bern, Switzerland
Arrive in the charming city of Bern, the capital of Switzerland and a UNESCO World Heritage site nestled in the Swiss countryside. The cobbled Old Town section is so well preserved that residents who lived here 500 years ago would still find it familiar today. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner featuring local cuisine such as traditional cheese fondue.

Day 3  Bern, Switzerland
Explore delightful Bern on a panoramic sightseeing tour featuring the Bundeshaus (the Swiss Parliament), the famous Bear Pit, the Rose Gardens and the Gothic Cathedral, which dominates Old Town’s skyline. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore on your own. Perhaps you will take the funicular ride up Gurten Mountain which affords beautiful views of Bern.

Day 4  Bern, Switzerland
Travel along the shores of Lake Geneva to the legendary, medieval Château de Chillon. This princely residence faces the lake but puts forth the image of an imposing fortress from the mountains. Later, enjoy inspiring Alpine views with a ride on the GoldenPass Panoramic Train from Montreux to Gstaad. Discover the delightful ambience of this world-famous Alpine ski resort with its numerous traditional wood chalets. This evening’s dinner is included at one of Bern’s great restaurants.

Day 5  Innsbruck, Austria
Set out for Lucerne, the “Swiss Paradise on the Lake.” Enjoy an Altstadt (Old Town) walking tour, and discover the hidden treasures of the city. Lucerne has more than 800 years of history. Explore such medieval treasures as the covered Chapel Bridge (1833); the famous Water Tower which has served as a prison, watchtower and treasury; the Renaissance-style Town Hall; the Baroque Jesuit Church; and the Lion Monument, carved from natural rock to commemorate the heroic Swiss Guard. Then, we make our way Innsbruck through Liechtenstein, the smallest and richest German-speaking country in the world and the only country to lie entirely within the Alps.

Day 6  Innsbruck, Austria
This morning, the choice is yours! Choose one of two leisurely tours: (1) Join a local guide as you discover the city’s rich history and cultural heritage; including Maria Theresien Strasse, the Hofburg and the Golden Roof -OR- (2) Embark on a tour focusing on Innsbruck’s unique architectural structures including famous Bergisel Ski-Jump Area.

Day 7  Innsbruck, Austria
Travel through the picturesque Austrian countryside to Salzburg. Enjoy a walking tour featuring Mirabell Gardens (seen in The Sound of Music), the quaint Getreidegasse (birthplace of Mozart), and many other highlights of this beautiful city. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure to independently explore and enjoy Salzburg’s fabulous sights. A delightful dinner awaits, at the 1,200-year-old St. Peter’s Restaurant, the oldest in Austria, and still owned by the monks today.

Day 8  Oberammergau, Germany
This morning, travel the Czech countryside to Germany as we make our way to the picturesque village of Oberammergau, beautifully situated in the Bavarian Alps. This afternoon, witness a performance of the epic Passion Play. The original performance dates back to 1634. During the Thirty Year War, Oberammergau was spared the Black Plague and for this reason, the citizens vowed that every ten years they would give a play to honor the last days of the life of Christ. The performers of this once-in-a-decade event are all native to the village. To lend authenticity to the performance, the cast starts to grow their hair and beards more than a year in advance. During a break in the performance, join your fellow travelers for dinner.

Day 9  Munich, Germany
Begin your day with a visit to Linderhof Palace, one of the most artistic and stylistically complex ensembles of the 19th century. It is the only palace King Ludwig II of Bavaria was able to complete. Behind the Baroque façade is a Rococo world, rich in abundant ornamentation, with many sculptural elements showing workmanship of an incomparable artistic quality. Next, enjoy free time to explore medieval Fussen, the romantic town in the foothills of the Bavarian Alps. Make a special picture stop at Neuschwanstein Castle before gathering for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of a remarkable journey.

Day 10  Home
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Tour Activity Level: 1 2 3

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