



Oberammergau Passion Play Wonders of Germany

Featuring Munich, the Black Forest, Heidelberg, Romantic Road, Rothenburg, Würzburg and Frankfurt

Tour Dates: September 7 – 16, 2022

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The famed glockenspiel towers over Munich's Marienplatz



Visit the picturesque village of Rothenburg

DAY 1 Depart the USA: Today you'll depart on your overnight flight to Munich, Germany – the capital of Bavaria.

DAY 2 Munich, Germany: Upon arrival, you'll be met by a representative of Mayflower Cruises & Tours and transferred to your hotel. The remainder of the day is at leisure for you to begin exploring this fantastic city. This evening, dinner is included.

Meal: D

DAY 3 Munich: Begin the day with an included tour featuring the highlights of Munich. See historic sites and landmark buildings, including the Alte and Neue Pinakotheks (museums), National Theater, Hofbräuhaus and Cathedral. See its popular squares including the beautiful Odeonsplatz and Karlsplatz. During the walking portion, visit the Marienplatz, Munich's central square, housing the City Hall and its famous glockenspiel. The tour concludes with a visit of Nymphenburg Palace, former summer residence of the rulers of Bavaria. Following the tour, the afternoon and evening are at leisure in this capital city. **Meal: B**

DAY 4 Munich / Oberammergau: Depart Munich this morning and travel to Oberammergau. Known as home to the most important Passion Play in the world, Mayflower Cruises & Tours has secured reserved seats in the best ticket category, for you to witness this life-changing event. Performed every ten years by the inhabitants of this small village, the play depicts Christ's Passion, and is held in honor of the village surviving the plague and Thirty Years' War. Over 2000 villagers are proud to participate in this 6-hour spectacle, during its 5-month run. Dinner is included during the performance, and following the play, check in to your hotel for overnight accommodations. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 5 Oberammergau / Lake Constance area: This morning begins with a visit to Neuschwanstein, King Ludwig II's fairytale

castle, in a postcard-perfect setting on the shores of Swan Lake, surrounded by the idyllic Bavarian Alps. Upon arrival, you'll be transferred partially up the hill towards the entrance. Built as a retreat, hear intriguing stories about the reclusive king and learn how he became known as 'Mad King Ludwig' as you explore the interior of this amazing castle. Stunning views of the surrounding countryside await as you peer from the portals of the castle. After the visit, you'll be transferred back down the hill, and continue your journey to the Lake Constance area for 2-nights' accommodations.

Meal: B

DAY 6 Freiburg – Titisee: Today is all about discovering the mountainous Black Forest region, whose name originated due to the dense forests that prohibited the sunlight from shining through. Your local guide will relay history and legends of the area as you travel through small villages and become immersed in the mystique and scenic beauty. Visit its largest town, Freiburg, filled with Gothic buildings and surrounded by vineyards. On a walking tour, see the main town squares, historic gates, Town Hall, and Münsterplatz with its well-preserved buildings and Merchants' Hall. Continuing on, visit the picturesque village of Titisee, on the shores of the largest natural lake in the forest. After a full day of sightseeing, return to the hotel for an evening at leisure. **Meal: B**

DAY 7 Lake Constance area / Heidelberg: Leaving the beautiful lake area, travel north to Heidelberg, the oldest university town in Germany. Upon arrival, enjoy a tour of this historic city. Visit the red-walled ruins of the 14th-century castle which dominates the old town. Enter the castle courtyard via the Gate Tower and marvel at the Gothic, Renaissance, and Baroque façades of the castle 'wings'. See the Great Vat built inside the castle which was the largest wine barrel in the world. During a walking tour of the old town, see the Market Place, Town Center with City Hall, Holy Spirit Church and "House of the Knight St. George", the only private house to survive the destruction of Heidelberg when the castle and



See the Fountain of Justice in Frankfurt

the town were burned down. After the excursion, you'll check in to the hotel for overnight accommodations. **Meal: B**

DAY 8 Heidelberg / Rothenburg / Würzburg: Today's adventure begins with a journey to the picturesque village of Rothenburg, nestled in the heart of Bavaria. On the guided walking tour, enter this 14th-century walled village through the medieval gates and stroll along the charming cobblestone lanes and alleyways. See the beautifully preserved homes, historic market square and Renaissance town hall. Continuing along the celebrated Romantic Road, relax as you travel through the serene, gentle countryside and quaint towns. Arriving in Würzburg, visit the magnificent Residenz – one of the most beautiful Baroque palaces in Germany and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. See its world-famous staircase, amazing Imperial Hall, Venetian Room with gilded mirror cabinet and impressive frescoes. After a day of scenic beauty and towns, the evening is at leisure in Würzburg. **Meal: B**

DAY 9 Würzburg / Frankfurt: Departing Würzburg, travel to Frankfurt am Main, former Coronation City of the German Emperors. On the included excursion, see St. Paul's Church, the old Opera, cathedral, and the banking quarter with its modern skyscrapers standing in contrast to the medieval towers of the former city wall. During the walking portion, stroll through the Romer – the historic heart of city, surrounded by attractive half-timbered houses and home to the Fountain of Justice. After the excursion, you'll check in to your hotel before enjoying an included farewell dinner. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 10 Frankfurt / USA: After discovering Germany and the life-enriching experience of attending Oberammergau's Passion Play, it's time to say 'auf wiedersehen' and depart for the Frankfurt airport for your flight home. **Meal: B**

Itinerary is subject to change.



Tour Highlights

- 11 meals: 3 dinners and 8 breakfasts
- Airport transfers on tour dates when air is provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours
- English-speaking local guides for all included excursions
- Tour Bavaria's capital city of Munich and visit Nymphenburg Palace
- Witness the spectacular Passion Play in Oberammergau with Category I prime seating location
- Discover King Ludwig's fairytale castle, Neuschwanstein
- Explore Germany's famous Black Forest and enjoy 2 overnights in the area
- Travel along the scenic Romantic Road
- Tour Heidelberg and visit its famous castle
- Enjoy the medieval charms of Rothenburg ob der Tauber
- Visit Würzburg's magnificent Residenz
- Experience Frankfurt's modern metropolis and medieval city center
- \$50 in Mayflower Money

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 2 and 3 – Eurostars Book, or similar, Munich, Germany

Day 4 – TBA, Oberammergau area

Days 5 and 6 – Hotel Halm Konstanz, or similar, Lake Constance area, Germany

Day 7 – Hotel Leonardo City Center, or similar, Heidelberg, Germany

Day Eight – Hotel Maritim, or similar, Würzburg, Germany

Day Nine – Radisson Blu Frankfurt, or similar, Frankfurt, Germany



Oberammergau Passion Play

The small community of Oberammergau with its 5,300 inhabitants is situated in the Ammer Valley close to Garmisch-Partenkirchen, and is known worldwide for the impressive Passion Plays performed every ten years.

Once again in 2022 this unique tradition will attract visitors from all over the world. Only the inhabitants of Oberammergau are allowed to act on stage and to an audience of 4,800.

The artistic background to the set and costumes are provided by the long and still lively tradition of woodcarving and painting, inherited from generation to generation in traditional family businesses since the Middle Ages. Alpine meadows and towering mountains provide a fascinating backdrop as this deeply moving, centuries-old spectacle is played out by the villagers on an open-air stage.

2022 Departure	Per Person Twin	Single Room add
September 7	\$5,309	+ \$1,479

Pricing includes roundtrip transfer to Chicago O'Hare and roundtrip airfare from Chicago.

Singles may be paired up for the 1-night stay in the Oberammergau area.

Air itineraries may not be available until documents are received. Air seats are assigned by the airline for the entire group. Seat changes can only be attempted upon receipt of tickets and documents at which time availability may be limited. If specific seat assignments are vital to your reservation, we recommend individual air reservations rather than booking air with the group.

Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) - \$469 per person (optional)

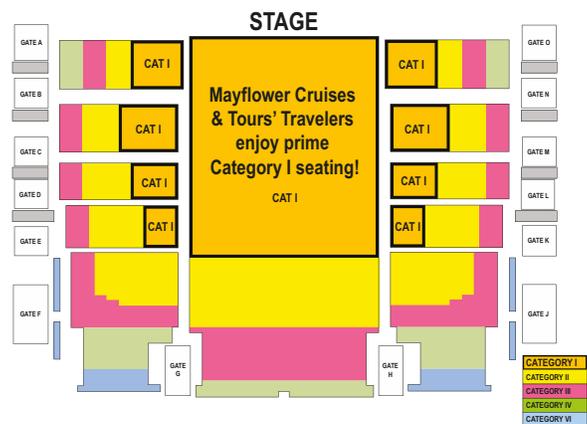
This nonrefundable fee will provide a refund to you during the instance that you have to cancel your trip. The cancellation has to be for a covered reason (see Plan for details on coverage) and we have to be notified at least one day prior to departure. If you must leave the tour early due to personal illness or the illness or death of an immediate family member, TPP will provide a refund for any unused services after the departure of the tour. Other benefits include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, 24 hour hot line and lost or stolen baggage assistance. Return air transportation is included ONLY if your air tickets are purchased through Mayflower Cruises & Tours. Please review the Plan for details on coverage. Should you choose not to purchase our TPP, the following per person cancellation charges will be assessed for all tours and optional excursion costs:

- 181 days or more prior to departure: Deposit Amount
- 180 days to day of departure: 100% of total tour
- No refund on unused portions of the tour

Exclusions: Mayflower Cruises & Tours reserves the right to alter its Refund and Cancellation Policy when a substantial amount of cancellation or postponement of travel is attributable to: conditions resulting from an act of God, natural or man-made disaster, fire, government action, civil disorder, war, hostilities between nations, or unavailability of transportation through no fault of Mayflower Cruises & Tours. *Plan and benefits offered and administered by Trip Mate, Inc.*



Passion Play Theatre Seating Chart



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