# Switzerland & Germany with Oberammergau Passion Play



May 15 - 23, 2022



# HIGHLIGHTS

- Oberammergau Passion Play performance
- Wies Church
- Neuschwanstein Castle
- Black Forest
- Château de Chillon
- Zermatt, Switzerland
- Matterhorn Museum
- Grimsel Pass
- Lucerne, Switzerland

# **INCLUDED FEATURES**

- Free parking with roundtrip transfers to Washington Dulles International Airport
- Roundtrip airfare Washington Dulles to Munich, Germany and Zurich, Switzerland
- Roundtrip transfers airport/hotel
- Seven night's hotel accommodations
- Sightseeing as stated in itinerary by luxury coach
- Services of a Professional AAAMCV Tour Manager and Driver
- Meals: 7 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 5 Dinners
- All local taxes, hotel service charges & porterage for one suitcase per person
- Services of a Discoveries Journey Manager

# PRICING

Occupancy	Rate Per Person
Double	\$6,249
Single	\$8,229

#### All non-members must add \$60 to above rate.

Rates are subject to availability at time of booking and include taxes, fees and fuel surcharges which are subject to change. All pricing and included features are based on a minimum of 15 passengers.

# ITINERARY

# Sunday, May 15, 2022: Depart for Munich, Germany

Motorcoach from Central PA to Washington Dulles International Airport for an overnight flight to Munich, Germany.

## Monday, May 16, 2022: Oberammergau, Germany

Your tour opens in the quaint village of Oberammergau, renowned for woodcarvings and the Passion Play. This evening, meet your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. Hotel: *Oberammergau Regional Hotel* (Dinner)

## Tuesday, May 17, 2022: Oberammergau - Passion Play

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 Plaque 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. Also, the intricate costumes are made locally by the villagers. During a break in the performance, join your fellow travelers for dinner before returning for the remainder of your Passion Play performance. Hotel: *Oberammergau Regional Hotel* (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

## Wednesday, May 18, 2022: Oberammergau - Black Forest

Visit the Church of Wies, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and its miraculous figure of the Scourged Savior, said to have shed tears during prayer in the 18th Century. Today, fairy tales become reality at a picture stop of Bavaria's most famous castle, King Ludwig's Neuschwanstein. Next, you are off to the heart of the stunning Black Forest, a region famous for its artisans who create authentic cuckoo clocks, hummels and wood carvings. Hotel: *Hofgut Sternen, Titisee* (Breakfast & Dinner)

## Thursday, May 19, 2022: Black Forest - Zermatt, Switzerland

Welcome to Switzerland! Your first stop en route to Zermatt is at one of the most photographed castles in the world, the Château de Chillon, located on serene Lake Geneva. Later, enjoy a short train ride aboard the Matterhorn Gotthard Bahn from Tasch to the relaxing pedestrian village of Zermatt in the Swiss Alps. Take a stroll and breathe in the fresh Alpine air. Hotel: *Hotel Alex, Zermatt* (Breakfast & Dinner)

## Friday, May 20, 2022: Zermatt, Switzerland

Today Zermatt is at your fingertips. **It's your choice!** Explore on foot during a guided walking tour - **OR** - experience Zermatt independently before visiting the Matterhorn Museum to learn more about the triumph and tragedy of the first ascent of the Matterhorn imposing peak. The remainder of your day is at leisure. Hotel: *Hotel Alex, Zermatt* (Breakfast)

## Saturday, May 21, 2022: Zermatt - Grimsel Pass - Lucerne

Views of glaciers, crystal clear rivers and snowcapped mountains will invigorate you as you travel through the spectacular scenery of the Grimsel Pass. Your destination is Lucerne, the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake." Hotel: *Radisson Blu Hotel, Lucerne* (Breakfast)

## Sunday, May 22, 2022: Lucerne

This morning, embark on a scenic walking tour of this picturesque city, including a stroll through its romantic Old Town. The remainder of the day is yours to explore independently all Lucerne has to offer. Tonight, come together with your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner featuring local specialties and toast the end of a memorable trip. Hotel: *Radisson Blu Hotel, Lucerne* (Breakfast & Dinner)

## Monday, May 23, 2022: Depart for USA

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight and transportation back to Central, PA. (Breakfast)

Hotels and itinerary are subject to change at any time without notification and/or compensation.

#### Activity Level: 3

This tour includes moderate physical activity. The itinerary blends some longer days with shorter days and more leisure time. Walking tours, as well as walking slightly longer distances, up stairs, or on uneven walking surfaces, should be expected.

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

## **Travel Documents**

Original, signed passport valid for 6 months beyond stay, and with at least one blank visa page for visa stamp(s) is required for this tour. All guests are required to obtain an ETIAS (European Travel Information and Authorization System) travel authorization for travel to Europe's Schengen Zone (not included in the price of the trip). Please see

your AAA travel professional for more information.

## Payment

A **non-refundable** deposit of \$800 per person will confirm your reservation. An additional non-refundable deposit of \$1,500 per person will be due by **May 1, 2021**. Final Payment is due to AAA by **December 29, 2021**.

**Important Conditions:** Your price is subject to increase prior to the time you make full payment. Your price is not subject to increase after you make full payment, except for changes resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees.

#### Solo Travelers Rewards Club maximum voucher redemption: \$100

## **Cancellation/Penalties**

Deposit date to day of departure \$25 per person, plus... Deposit date to April 30, 2021- \$800 per person, plus... May 1, 2021- January 14, 2022- \$2300 per person, plus... January 15 - February 14, 2022- 75% of total trip price, plus additional suppliers' fees

#### After February 14, 2022- NON-REFUNDABLE

#### \*Airfare is non-refundable after final payment

## Flight

Air arrangements are handled by the tour operator. Seat assignments cannot be confirmed until the tour operator releases names to the airlines 30 days prior to departure. Specific seat requests cannot be guaranteed. Some flight schedules may contain code share agreements.

#### Insurance

For your protection AAA recommends travel insurance. Pre-existing medical conditions may be waived with proper coverage if travel insurance is purchased within 14 days of initial deposit only. Other conditions may apply; ask your travel agent. AAA recommends Allianz.

## **Clothing/Climate**

Temperatures for this region in May average in the 60s. Pack for a variety of temperatures. Casual clothes that can be layered work best. Comfortable walking shoes and a small umbrella are recommended.

## Baggage

One suitcase per person will be allowed. You may also bring a carry-on bag small enough to fit under your seat. Baggage fees are not included in the price of the trip. Baggage fees and other charges may be directly assessed by airlines or airport.

## **Travel Assistance**

For personal comfort, group participants who need assistance are required to have a traveling companion who is capable of and totally responsible for providing the needed assistance.

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