

Germany and Austria are a perfect combination of European countries to visit as we return to travel in 2022! We will see fairy tale castles, medieval cities, the Alps and the Oberammergau Passion Play just to name a few highlights. Many exciting experiences have been carefully planned to make the most of your trip to Bavaria. Take a look at the itinerary and consider joining me for this exciting tour!

Martha Norman- Take Me to Europe



Featuring the Oberammergau Passion Play

The world famous Oberammergau Passion Play is only performed once every ten years. Starting in 1634, the villagers vowed to honor God through this play if they were spared from the plague that swept through Europe in the 1600's. They lived and so has their promise. Now, you along with many other visitors from around the globe will be able to see the best known Passion Play in the world.



<u>Hotel Bayerischer</u> Standard Room Category w A/C

> Munich August 2 - 4

5* Hotel in the Historic City Center

Hotel Rappen
Deluxe Room Category w A/C

Rothenburg ob der Tauber August 4 - 6

The Rappen was first documented as a tavern and inn in the year 1603. The hospitality continues today at this popular family run inn.

Hotel Altstadt Superior Rooms w A/C

> Salzburg August 6 - 8

Medieval Salzburg building from the 1300s restored to create 5-star accommodation in the coveted historic district of Salzburg.

Park Hotel- Bayersoien

Oberammergau Passion Play Arrangements
Hotel Category A
August 8 -10

Located in the small farming village of Bad Bayersoien right next to the lake in the Ammergau Alps. Tranquility!

Hilton Hotel Munich Airport
Deluxe Rooms w A/C

Munich Airport August 10

We'll arrive early evening just in time to prepare for you flight home tomorrow!











Daily Itinerary

Monday, August 1

Departure day from the USA. Please arrange your international, overnight flight to Munich, Germany.

Tuesday, August 2

Arrival into Munich. Please taxi to the <u>Hotel Bayerischer</u> located in the historical center of Munich. Join us in the hotel lobby at 4:00 PM for a short walk to the perfect spot for an included afternoon treat at famous Cafe-Bistro Dallmayr. We'll have our "meet and greet" time as we officially start the tour. The rest of the evening is free to explore.





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Wednesday, August 3

This morning we will enjoy a walking tour of the Bavarian capital of Munich.

Some of the sights we'll see:

- Marienplatz with the Famous Glockenspiel
- Mariensaule Statue
- Odeonsplatz
- The Residenz
- Sendlinger-Tor-Platz
- Viktualienmarkt- Open Air Market

The remainder of the day is yours to enjoy. Maybe relax in the English Gardens or make a visit to the Dauchau Concentration Camp (optional - a group of us will meet and go together by train in the afternoon, details forthcoming).

Our hotel is conveniently located to get out tonight with lots of options for dinner and strolling.



Travel to Rothenburg ob der Tauber via the Romantik Road



Sightseeing Day in Rothenburg ob der Tauber

Friday, August 5

This morning we will have a walking tour of Rothenburg which is one of the oldest and most beautiful historical towns on the Romantik Road. The paved streets, the old houses, the fountains and the street signs are plunged into the atmosphere of the 16th century.

One of the highlight stops will be at the most important church in town, St. Jacob's. The towers are impressive as well as the 500 year old Altar of the Holy Blood by the famous wood carver, Tilman Riemenschneider.

The rest of the day is yours to explore this very walkable and enjoyable city. You'll love all the local shopping especially the famous Kathe Wohlfahrt Christmas store (almost certain you'll come home with a few new German Christmas ornaments!).

Some ideas for free time:

- Medieval Crime and Punishment Museum
- German Christmas Museum (upstairs in the Kathe Wohlfahrt Christmas Village Shop)
- Walk along the town wall

You are welcome to join us in the Market Square tonight for an 8:00 PM Night Watchman Tour. This entertaining one hour walk through town with the "night watchman" is a Rothenburg favorite! (€8 per person, €4 per teen to pay on spot)





Saturday, August 6

Today we travel from Rothenburg ob der Tauber to Salzburg. We will arrive in the afternoon so you will have plenty of free time for exploring this charming old town which is a World Heritage City. The best part of Salzburg is simply wandering the cobblestone streets, gazing upon the magnificent medieval buildings and taking a look inside the many Baroque churches. Our hotel is in the old historical center of Salzburg which will give you center stage!

Salzburg is the birthplace of Mozart and is still a musical city so you may want to check out a concert in a Baroque hall or other evening musical events tonight in your free time. Click here for a nice venue in the Marble Hall of the Mirabell Palace. Both the ambience and the music are always a special treat.

It's worth a ride on the funicular to the Hohensalzburg Fortress for some amazing views of the city.

One of the best advantages of staying in the old city is strolling through the streets at night all lit up as if Salzburg wants to "show off" a bit. Enjoy.



Sightseeing Day in Salzburg

Sunday, August 7

Always a favorite sightseeing day! We will tour the most popular sites in the city of Salzburg and its surroundings including the scenic Lake District that has some beautiful scenes from the **Sound of Music** .

- Mirabell Garden
- Leopoldskron Castle
- Hellbrunn Garden
- Nonnberg Abbey
- Mondsee Wedding Chapel
- · and more!



A Stop at Herrenchiemsee Castle on the Way to Oberammergau



Monday, August 8

Departing from Salzburg this morning, we will stop on our way to Oberammergau with a visit to Herrenchiemsee Castle built by King Ludwig II as a replica of Versailles in France. It is situated on an island on Lake Chiemsee so we'll also enjoy a lovely boat ride on one of the largest lakes near Munich. You will find the castle, as well as it's beautiful park grounds, many water fountains and picture perfect setting of lakes and mountains, a delight to visit.

This afternoon we will arrive into our accommodations *arranged* by the Oberammergau Passion Play.

Passion Play Arrangements Include:

- Two Nights Accommodations with Breakfast, Hotel Category A
- Dinner on Arrival Day
- Entrance fee to the Passion Play- Ticket Category 1
- 1 Textbook
- 3 Course Lunch on the Day of the Passion Play Performance
- Tourism Tax





In 1633, the Oberammergau villagers promised to perform the suffering, death and resurrection of Christ as an expression of gratitude to God. That promise has been kept. In 1634, the first Passion Play occurred. In 2022, the 42nd Passion Play will take place in Oberammergau.

Wednesday, August 10- Bavarian Touring Day

We will depart our hotel mid-morning and work our way back to the Munich Hilton Airport Hotel with several stops along the way including the fairytale castle of King Ludwig II of Bavaria and the Neuschwanstein Castle. This is Bavaria's most popular tourist destination. After all, it inspired Walt Disney to create castles resembling it in his movies and parks! You'll have time to walk out to Mary's Bridge for some great photos.

We'll also make a stop at Germany's most famous Rococo style church, Wieskirche, a gem of baroque architecture. The church is located in a meadow and today is a pilgrimage church which draws many visitors.

After our final day of touring, we will arrive at our Munich Airport hotel late afternoon. We'll say "Auf Wiedersehen" to our tour guide, Rosanna, and to each other. This will give you time to pack up and prepare for your departure in the morning.



Thursday, August 11

Departure Day

Please arrive at your departure gate in ample time to meet your flight. The hotel is located between terminals 1 and 2.

Thanks for letting me take you to Bavaria!



Terms and Conditions

Tour Price for the Best of Bavaria Tour 2022: 3698 Euro per person in a shared room No single occupancy option is available for this tour

These are land only prices. You will be responsible to purchase your airline ticket.

Choose a roundtrip option ticket departing the USA on Monday, August 1 for an overnight flight and arrive into Munich, Germany on Tuesday, August 2. Book your returning flight on Thursday, August 11 from Munich, Germany.

Please feel free to send your proposed flight schedule for review to martha@takemetoeurope.com before purchase if you have any questions. Flight recommendations can be provided upon request.

Best of Bavaria Price Includes:

- Hotel accommodations including all breakfast, all service charges, taxes and tips
- Two dinners, One lunch
- Hotel porters in & out who handle your luggage
- Private English speaking certified guide for the tour
- All transportation as mentioned in the program by private motor coach with air-conditioning, toilet, including tolls, taxes, parking fees, driver's expenses
- Sightseeing as per stated itinerary along with entrance fees
- All tips to hotel staff, guide and driver
- Whisper Headsets

Not included in Tour Price:

- Airfare. This is a land only tour price. Tour participants are responsible to purchase airline tickets.
- Meals that are not stated as included in the itinerary.
- Any activities such as shopping, admissions, concerts, or museum visits not included in the above list of covered expenses.
- Any charges incurred for special individual services or incidentals will be paid by the tour participant to the hotel.
- Any transportation for the activities the client might choose during leisure time and not specifically included in the tour.

<u>Why not set a US dollar price now?</u> Due to the possible fluctuation of the dollar between now and when the payment is due, the tour price must be set with the Euro. A statement will be mailed to you 10 days in advance of each payment due with estimated current exchange rate in US dollars.

Deposit and Payment Deadlines

- A deposit of \$750 per person is required to hold space for the Best of Bavaria tour. This will be applied to the full price of the tour. The tour will be filled in the order the deposit and registration forms are received. There are 15 double rooms available for the tour.
- A signed copy of the Terms and Conditions Form (last page of this document)
- Application Form- click here.

Payment can be made by check payable to: Take Me To Europe 3103 Poplar Place Sugar Land, TX 77479

Please note that you have the option to pay by credit card with Pay Pal but there will be an additional 3% charge as the price quoted for the tour is a cash only price.

After the deposit is made, your remaining balance will be divided into two payments:

- First payment due by February 1, 2022
- Second payment due by May 1, 2022

Cancellation and Refund Policy

- *From time of deposit until 101 days prior to departure date: a \$200 penalty will be charged for cancellation.
- *Cancellations 100-71 days prior to departure date: 25% of package rate retained by Take Me to Europe, LLC
- *Cancellations 70-46 days prior to departure date: 50% of package rate retained by Take Me to Europe, LLC
- *Cancellations 45-16 days prior to departure date: 75% of package rate retained by Take Me to Europe, LLC
- *Cancellations 15 days or less before departure date or no-show: 100% of package rate retained by Take Me to Europe
- *No refunds will be made to tour participants for unused package services once travel arrangements begin.
- *If Take Me to Europe, LLC for any reason whatsoever cancels the trip, all partial and/or full payments will be refunded in full without any further obligation on their part.

Safety and Responsibility

Please be aware that during your participation in tours operated by Take Me to Europe, LLC, certain risks and dangers may arise beyond our control including travel by boat, train, automobile, aircraft, subway, bus or other means of transportation; the forces of nature; political unrest; and accident or illness in areas without means of rapid evacuation or medical facilities. Take Me to Europe, LLC will not be liable regarding provision of medical care or the adequacy of any care rendered. It is understood that Take Me to Europe, LLC will use its best efforts to ensure that adequate measures are taken.

Please note that handicapped facilities do not always exist in Europe therefore passengers must be able to negotiate steps and be able to walk several miles each touring day without assistance or difficulty.

It is each tour participant's responsibility to obtain the required travel documents. U.S. citizens are required to have a valid passport for travel outside the US. The U.S. State Department requires that your passport be valid 6 months from the date of your return. Also recommended is registration with the <u>Smart Traveler Enrollment Program</u>.

Verify with your health insurance provider of coverage available while abroad. Take Me to Europe, LLC strongly recommends that you purchase travel insurance that will provide a peace of mind with your travel investment.

Take Me to Europe, LLC is responsible to you in making arrangements for the services offered in the package itinerary. The carriers, hotels and other suppliers providing package services are independent contractors and are not principals, agents, employees, partners, or joint ventures of Take Me to Europe, LLC. The tour participant agrees that Take Me to Europe, LLC shall not be liable for any damage, loss (including personal injury, death, and property loss) or expense occasioned by any act or omission of any supplier providing package services, or any insurer or insurance administrator or any other person.

If the services included in the tour cannot be supplied or there are changes in an itinerary for reasons beyond the control of Take Me to Europe, LLC, Take Me to Europe, LLC will arrange for the provisions of comparable services, when possible.

Concerning: Travel Insurance

Travel insurance packages vary and are available to suit your comfort level from basic to comprehensive coverage. While some might just want additional medical coverage others may want to add cancellation and/or interruption insurance in the case you should need to return or delay your trip because of a medical need or other covered reasons.

The easiest way to decide what plan you may need for your trip is to talk directly to the travel insurance company. A recommendation is <u>Travel Guard</u> 1-800-826-5248. Of course, you may decide to take the risk of not purchasing a policy at all - that is your call to make.

You are strongly encouraged to check your current health plan to see what is covered overseas in case a medical need should arise. Most travel insurance companies have a very affordable "medical benefits only" policy. This would not, however, cover your tour cost if cancellation penalties exist.

Hopefully by talking directly with a company representative, you will be better able to make a decision concerning travel insurance that works best for you. Since Take Me to Europe does not sell travel insurance or gain any compensation from Travel Guard, you are welcome to explore other travel insurance companies.

I Have Read and Agree to the Terms and Conditions of this Tour

Signature of Participant #1	
Signature of Participant #2_	
Date of Contract	

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