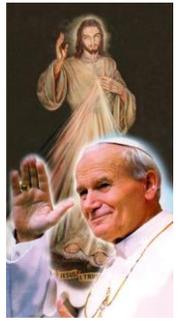


# Holiday in Europe: The Oberammergau Passion Play Amsterdam, Cologne, Munich, Salzburg, Vienna, Budapest June 15 – June 29, 2020



## DAY 1: USA - AMSTERDAM

Departure from USA to Amsterdam, Holland

## DAY 2: ARRIVAL TO AMSTERDAM

Today we will arrive in Amsterdam and will meet our tour Guide prior to checking into our hotel. Dinner and Overnight in Amsterdam.

## DAY 3: VIBRANT AND HISTORIC AMSTERDAM

### Anne Frank House & Rijksmuseum

We will start with a sightseeing tour of Amsterdam and a visit to the Anne Frank house. Then on to the Rijksmuseum for a guided tour of the world-famous collection of 17th century's painters like Rembrandt, Vermeer, Frans Hals, Jan Steen and many others. Dinner and Overnight in Amsterdam.

## DAY 4: AMSTERDAM – COLOGNE

### Van Gogh Museum, home to 200 of Vincent's works

It is widely believed that Vincent van Gogh found it hard to stay friends with people, and so he had a lonely life. But is this true? Not completely. As an artist Vincent was in the center of things. He had countless dealings with his fellow painters. He even worked with some of them, with varying degrees of success. Even in his darkest days he had friends who rallied to support him. Afternoon departure to Cologne. Dinner and Overnight in Cologne.

## DAY 5: COLOGNE

### The Shrine of the Three Kings

Cologne is located on both sides of the Rhine River. The city's famous **Cologne Cathedral** (*Kölner Dom*) is the seat of the Catholic Archbishop of Cologne. The University of Cologne (*Universität zu Köln*) is one of Europe's oldest and largest universities. The Shrine of the Magi is the largest, most artistically significant, and, in terms of its content, most ambitious reliquary of the Middle Ages. The relics were brought to Cologne from Milan in 1164. Dinner and Overnight in Cologne.

## DAY 6: COLOGNE – ALTOTTING

### Sanctuary of our Lady in Altotting

In the heart of Bavaria lies the town of Altotting. It is often called the "Lourdes of Germany" due to the thousands of pilgrims who come here every year in search of healing.

The shrine's reputation began in 1489 when a 3-year old child drowned in a nearby pond. Her mother rushed the dead body to the altar where a statue of Our Lady (the Black Madonna) stood. As the mother pleaded for his life to be returned to him, he opened his eyes and was restored to life. Today the shrine attracts over 1 million pilgrims each year. The many crutches and other votives on display there testify to the healings attributed to the intercession of Our Lady of Altotting. Dinner and Overnight in Altotting.

## DAY 7: COLOGNE – ALTOTTING – MUNICH - OBERAMMERGAU

Munich - Germany's "Secret Capital" comes alive during an orientation featuring the Olympic Stadium, 1,000-foot-high Olympic Tower, and MARIENPLATZ in the historic heart of the city. Dinner and Overnight in Oberammergau.

## DAY 8: OBERAMMERGAU

After Breakfast a comfortable drive brings you to picturesque Oberammergau. Attend morning Mass and then join us for a walking tour of the village. Then take some time to enjoy this quaint mountain village on your own. After lunch take your premium seats for the world-famous Passion Play. The play has a running time of approximately 5 hours. Dinner is served during a 3-hour intermission. Overnight: Dinner and Overnight in Oberammergau.

## DAY 9: OBERAMMERGAU-NEUSCHWANSTEIN-INNSBRUCK, AUSTRIA-SALZBURG

Drive into the garden-like landscapes of the Bavarian Alps and visit King Ludwig's NEUSCHWANSTEIN CASTLE, which inspired Walt Disney. Enjoy magnificent views of the Alps from high up, then, continue to Innsbruck in the Tyrolean mountains for a walk through the quaint medieval lanes to Emperor Maximilian's GOLDEN ROOF. Time to shop for crystal, for which Innsbruck is famous, before continuing to Mozart's hometown, Salzburg. Dinner and Overnight in Salzburg.

## DAY 10: SALZBURG - VIENNA

After Breakfast departure to Vienna. On the way we will visit the PARISH CHURCH in Mondsee, which was used for the wedding scenes in The Sound of Music. Afternoon arrive in Vienna, once the center of the mighty Habsburg Empire. Dinner and Overnight in Vienna.

## DAY 11 - AT LEISURE IN VIENNA

Guided sightseeing features a visit to BELVEDERE PALACE with its famous Klimt collection, a drive along the Ringstrasse, passing the State Opera House, and a stop at the Hofburg Palace, winter residence of the Austrian Imperial family. Marvel at the impressive courtyards, famous HELDENPLATZ. We will visit the spectacular **Stephen's Cathedral**, the most important religious building in Vienna, where you can see the miraculous image of Our Lady of Mariapoch. Dinner and Overnight in Vienna



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### DAY 12 – CONTINUE LEISURE IN VIENNA

We will visit the spectacular **Stephen's Cathedral**, the most important religious building in Vienna, where you can see the miraculous image of Our Lady of Mariapoch. Free Time. Dinner and Overnight in Vienna

### DAY 13: VIENNA – BUDAPEST

After breakfast, we depart for Budapest. Often compared with Paris, this glamorous city has something to offer every visitor. Upon arrival in Budapest, transfer by motor coach to your Hotel. In the evening get acquainted with the highlights of the capital city from the Danube. The cruise passes by the imposing building of the Parliament and you can admire the panorama of Margaret Island. The Castle District, the Royal Castle, the Matthias Church and the Fisherman's Bastion are located on the Castle Hill. The Liberation Monument and the Citadel are on the Gellert Hill. You can also see the bridges of Budapest, the National Theatre and the Palace of Arts. On the boat's return trip you can see the universities of Budapest and the Central Market Hall. Dinner and overnight in Budapest.

### DAY 14 - AT LEISURE IN BUDAPEST

Today, we will tour the older section of the city. After celebrating Mass at the 13th-century Cathedral of St. Matthew, we will see the Citadel on Mount Gellert, the Royal Castle, Fisherman's Bastion, the Parliament, Heroes' Square, and the Church of St. Stephen. Our local guide will share the history of this cosmopolitan city. We will visit Castle Hill at the heart of Buda on the west side of the Danube. Stop at Fisherman's Bastion, Matthias Coronation church, the Citadel on Mt. Gellert and Heroes Square. Dinner and overnight in Budapest.

### DAY 15 – DEPARTURE TO USA

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- Breakfast and Dinner - Sightseeing - Taxes - Services of Professional Tour Director/ Guide - Religious Activities and Daily Holy Mass

**Not Included:** Lunches, Drinks, Insurance, Baggage responsibility, Optional Tours, Single supplement \$730.00 additional

**Note:** All prices quoted in this flyer are based on airfares, land and exchange rates in effect in April, 2019 and on group rates of 35 passengers or more. All prices are subject to change without notice prior to departure due to major currency fluctuations, fuel price increases and/or unforeseen economic conditions.

*We reserve the right to change the price of this tour and to change the hotel and itinerary without previous Notice.*

**Deposit of \$500.00 per person is required at time of booking to secure reservation, not later than May 30, 2019.**

**First Installment - \$850.00 before September 30, 2019**

**Balance is due before February 01, 2020**

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