



# Castles, Alps & Passion Play!

August 13-20, 2022

In 1684 the Bubonic plague was sweeping the Bavarian region where Oberammergau, Germany, is located. The easily-spread disease had killed some 75 million in Europe when one of the local Oberammergau residents contracted the disease and died. As the plague quickly spread through the town, the writing was on the wall—they could expect half or more of the residents to die. But the town cried out to the Lord and a somewhat bizarre vow was publicly announced: If God would spare the town, they would perform a play about the last week of Jesus every 10 years.

Astonishingly, those who were already sick recovered and no one else died of the plague. A grateful populace was true to its vow and every ten years since has faithfully produced what is now referred to as “The Passion Play.” Only local residents are used—2000 actors, singers, technicians and instrumentalists participate.

The Passion Play has become a world-wide phenomenon, and we’ve put together an incredible 8-day trip to see the play and visit two incredible castles (one that inspired Walt Disney’s famous castle in California), a palace, the Alps and Salzburg, Austria, of *Sound of Music* fame. We’ve reserved tickets in Category 2 for the play, the most desired and optimal seating. (The stage is so large, if you’re too close you miss seeing all of the production!). You can also add a pre-trip Viking River Cruise to your trip!

**But don’t delay, get your deposit in today as we have a limited number of spots!**

# A Once in a Lifetime Event!



Scenes from the 2010 performance of the Passion Play.

## Oberammergau

Some 500,000 people from almost every country in the world will be flocking to Oberammergau in the summer of 2020 to see the 42nd performance of the 5-hour Passion Play. The play has taken place continuously for over 380 years (1940/WW2 & 2020 COVID-19 excepted). The play begins in the afternoon, breaks for its famous 2 1/2 hour dinner and concludes in the evening. Amazingly, all participants must have lived in Oberammergau for a minimum of 20 years. We'll spend two nights in Oberammergau and even though we're traveling there in August, the cool summer breezes of the Bavarian Alps make bringing a sweater a necessity!

## Salzburg, Castles, Palaces and Munich

We travel through the Bavarian Alps to Salzburg, Austria. We'll see famous sites that appeared in the *Sound of Music* and stroll through the historic Old Town, home to some of the best-preserved medieval buildings in Europe. We'll visit two incredible castles: Neuschwanstein, a picturebook clutch of turrets and chambers that inspired Walt Disney's famous Disney castle and stunning Hohenschwangau, built by Maximilian of Prussia. In Munich we'll visit the regal 18th century Nymphenburg Palace and eye-opening museum. We'll see the Dachau Concentration Camp and Olympic Village and also take a walking tour through the city's most significant Third Reich sites of the Hitler era and take time to shop in legendary Marienplatz district.



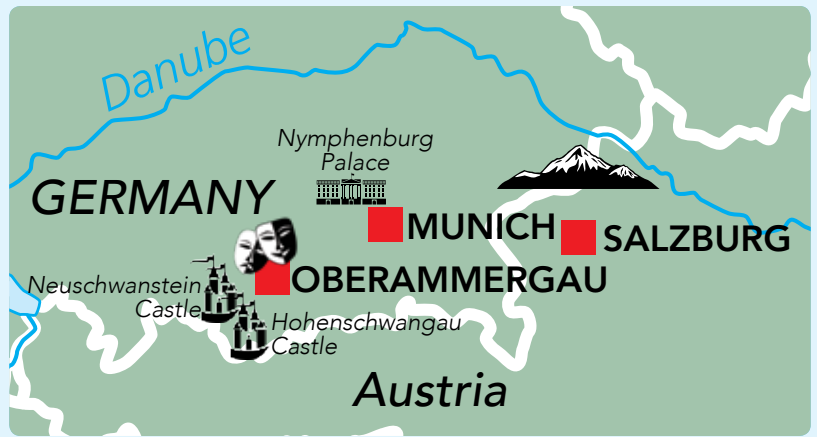
We're excited to be able to put this trip together as this is something that's on a lot of people's bucket list! Susie and I traveled to Oberammergau in the fall of 2017 to research the best schedule, hotels and complementing sites to include. And it's going to be a GREAT expedition! From our eye-popping hotel in Munich, our trip to the Alps, visits to stunning castles in the area and some awesome local nighttime dinners, it's a phenomenal eight-day journey! Plus the option of a fantastic Viking River Cruise pre-trip extension. So join us on this exciting trip to watch 2000 local Oberammergau residents continue their 400-year-old vow to produce a play about Jesus' last week before His crucifixion.



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# TRIP ITINERARY

- Sat, Aug 13** Depart USA.
- Sun, Aug 14** Arrive/overnight Munich.
- Mon, Aug 15** Munich, Olympic Village, Nymphenburg Palace.
- Tue, Aug 16** Tour Salzburg, Austria, and the Swiss/Bavarian Alps.
- Wed, Aug 17** Visit Breathtaking Hohenschwangau Castle.
- Thur, Aug 18** Shopping and Passion Play in quaint Oberammergau.
- Fri, Aug 19** Tour Neuschwanstein Castle that inspired Walt Disney's castles.
- Sat, Aug 20** Fly home.



SUNDAY      MONDAY      TUESDAY      WEDNESDAY      THURSDAY      FRIDAY      SATURDAY

OBERAMMERGAU <i>August 2022</i> CASTLES, ALPS & PASSION PLAY				4	5	6
					Depart USA for Viking River Cruise	Arrive Budapest, board ship
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Budapest, Hungary	Vienna, Austria	Vienna, Austria	Krems, Austria	Passau, Germany	Regensburg, Germany	Travel to Munich to start tour  Depart USA for tour only
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Arrive/ Overnight Munich	Munich & Nymphen- burg Palace	Salzburg/ Swiss/Bavarian Alps	Hohensch- wangau Castle	Passion Play Oberam- mergau	Neuschwan- stein Castle	Return Home

## Optional Viking River Cruise!

Make this incredible trip even better by adding this awesome 8-day Viking River Cruise on the picturesque Danube River. This Budapest to Regensburg trek along the border of Austria includes two full days in Vienna.



# Sign me up!

# Oberammergau

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**Castles, Alps & Oberammergau \$5,995** *Per person, double occupancy*

**Includes:**

- Category 2 (of 5) tickets to Passion Play.
- Three private guided castle & palace tours in & around Munich.
- Two nights/three days in an Oberammergau boutique hotel.
- Guided day trip to Salzburg, Austria & Bavarian Alps.
- 3 nights in Munich at the Bayerischer Hotel.
- Roundtrip Airfare from NYC.
- All airport and ground transfers.
- Breakfast each day and four group dinners.
- Entrance fees to castles & palace.
- Compass staff.

**Not included:** Tips, VAT, domestic air to/from NYC, lunches & two night-out dinners, personal expenses.

- Single room (no roommate) + \$1,759
- Trip insurance (*Recommended, we will send you a quote to approve.*)

**I am also registering for the Viking River Cruise** (add an additional \$750 deposit per person, all prices dbl occ)

Stateroom desired:  Standard \$3,795  French Balcony \$4,695  Veranda \$4,995  Suite \$6,995

**DEPOSIT \$750 per person** Balance due: 50% August 13, 2021, 50% due October 30, 2021.

Check enclosed. *Make payable to "Compass"*  MasterCard  Visa  Discover  American Express  
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*(Email is important! We use it to communicate when possible and never sell or rent our lists!)*

**I accept the "Terms and Conditions" of this trip listed at [Compass.org/articles](http://Compass.org/articles).**

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**Passport has been applied for** (please call with info as soon as it is received).

Name(s) (for name tags) \_\_\_\_\_ 1) \_\_\_\_\_ 2) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Roommate (if different from above) \_\_\_\_\_

Group (if any): \_\_\_\_\_ Friends/Family (for bus, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

**Questions?**  
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