

Wendinger Travel

Presents Their

Alpine Holiday

Featuring an Optional Oberammergau Passion Play

September 4 - 13 or 12 - 21, 2022

\$4,475 Per Person, Double Occupancy from Minneapolis



~ Visiting ~
Zermatt, Switzerland
Seefeld, Austria
Rothenburg, Germany



This is an exclusive travel program offered by Wendinger Travel and InterTrav

Day By Day Itinerary

Day 1 – MINNEAPOLIS / EN ROUTE

We depart Minneapolis this evening by scheduled service of Icelandair on the overnight transatlantic flight to Reykjavik, Iceland.

Day 2 – REYKJAVIK / ZERMATT (D)

As the sun rises on the city of Reykjavik, we will arrive in Iceland and change planes for the connecting flight to Switzerland. On arrival, we'll meet our Tour Escort who will accompany us throughout the vacation. Leaving the airport, we'll travel by autobahn to the Upper Rhone Valley. Originally littered with rock debris, the valley floor is now one of the largest centers for fruit, vegetable, and vineyard growing in all of Europe. At the town of Visp, we'll enter the Mattertal Valley and travel to Tasch, from where we journey by rail to the picturesque village of Zermatt, in the shadow of the Matterhorn.

Day 3 – ZERMATT (Gornergrat Railway) (B)

Zermatt and the Matterhorn – two world-famous names closely linked to each other. The life of the village is on the main street, which runs from the railway station to the market square, offering a charming contrast between hotels and elegant shops built in a style reminiscent of Valais chalets and the Seilers family, who launched the resort in 1855. For visitors wanting to see the very best of the Swiss Alps, a trip up the Gornergrat is a true mountain experience. The highest, open-air cogwheel rail in Europe extends for more than five miles and will take us up to a sunny viewing platform, offering a panoramic Alpine view. Upon return to the village, enjoy the atmosphere while in search of that special gift and seek out a rustic stubli or Valaisan pub to enjoy a traditional meal.

Day 4 – ZERMATT / SEEFELD (B,D)

Today, we depart Zermatt aboard the Glacier Express. The scenic journey to Andermatt will navigate steep grades and hairpin curves offering views of Swiss villages, weathered farmhouses, terraced vineyards, and some of the most spectacular Alpine scenery anywhere in the world. The Glacier Express is truly a memorable once in a lifetime experience! On arrival in the town of Andermatt, we'll board our waiting motor coach and travel to the Principality of Liechtenstein, nestled in the countryside between Switzerland and Austria. Then, we're headed over the scenic Arlberg Pass before reaching the Inn River Valley that will take us to the Alpine resort of Seefeld.

Day 5 – SEEFELD (Berchtesgaden) (B)

This morning we travel to the towering Alpine foothills of picturesque Berchtesgaden, Germany. We'll visit the old town center boasting decorated facades, churches, and a Royal Palace. Then, we travel to Obersalzburg to board a postal bus for the breathtaking journey up the Kehlstein road, followed by a luxurious brass elevator ride up through the rock into Kehlsteinhaus, Eagle's Nest as named by the Allied Forces. The site combines a unique example of historic architecture, and on a clear day, there is a magnificent view of the surrounding Alps. On our return to Seefeld, we'll stop in Rattenberg, a beautiful town with a captivating medieval atmosphere, that is home to world-famous Kisslinger Crystal.

Day 6 – SEEFELD (Tarrenz) (B,L)

A leisurely day on tour will take us to the village of Tarrenz, home to the 700-year-old Starkenberg Castle. Here, we'll enjoy lunch followed by a guided brewery tour, blending the history of beer brewing with the modern technology of today's brewing process. Taking advantage of beer's skin-friendly vitamins, Starkenberg even allows visitors to soak in the suds, as the old, vaulted cellar is home to the world's first beer swimming pool - the ultimate experience for any beer enthusiast!

Day 7 – SEEFELD (B)

The day is at leisure in Seefeld. Located on a sunny plateau above the Inn Valley and surrounded by the Karwendel and Wetterstein mountain ranges, few resorts can match Seefeld's unique combination of traditional charm and modern amenities. If you prefer, you may take part in an **optional** excursion to Oberammergau's world-renown Passion Play.

Passion Play (including dinner) \$285 per person

This afternoon we travel to Oberammergau, to attend the Passion Play, the history of which began in 1633. During the Thirty Years' War, after much suffering and many deaths caused by the plague, the surviving population of Oberammergau vowed that they would perform the "play of the suffering, death, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ" every ten years if they were spared from death. At Whitsun in 1634, they kept their promise for the first time. As early as the middle of the 18th century spectators came to Oberammergau from all parts of Germany, attracted by the great power and mystique of the play. In 2022, the village will perform the play for the 42nd time, preserving the continuity of this world-famous event.

Day 8 – SEEFELD / ROTHENBURG (B,L,D)

Today, we depart Seefeld and travel to Munich, the capital city of Bavaria. Cheerful and vivacious, boasting glorious architecture from Bavaria's royal past, Munich is the center of the Bavarian zest for life. We'll tour the streets around the Marienplatz, taking in the Burgersaal, St. Michael's Church, the imposing Frauenkirche, with its landmark dome-topped towers, and the new City Hall with the famed glockenspiel and brightly colored figures. Then, we'll enjoy lunch at the world-famous Hofbrauhaus. Leaving Munich, we're headed to the Romantic Road village of Rothenburg ob der Tauber. As we'll soon find out, this former imperial town is the perfect place to experience medieval and renaissance life.

Day 9 – ROTHENBURG (B,D)

Our day begins with a walking tour of Rothenburg, considered to be one of the loveliest and well-preserved walled cities in the entire world. Cameras are a must, as you will feel like we have walked back into the 16th century when we stroll along the cobblestone streets. We'll focus our tour on the Marktplatz, the pulsating heart of town where you can enjoy a view of the patrician houses that frame the square. Then, we'll absorb a little bit of Rothenburg's venerable history as we watch the figurines on the clock tower entertain the public with the figurine scene from the legend of the "Master Draught."

Next, we'll visit the Church of St. Jacob that dominates the town's skyline. Here, we'll view the Altar of the Holy Blood, a representation of the Last Supper regarded as one of the finest examples from famous woodcarver Tilman Riemenschneider. We'll also see the Plonlein, one of the most famous postcard images of Rothenburg ob der Tauber, where lovingly restored townhouses create a charmingly picturesque effect. Following our tour, the remainder of the day is at leisure to explore Rothenburg on our own. Visit Kathe Wohlfardt's world-famous Christmas Store with its wonderful displays and peek inside the Museum of Medieval Justice, home to the instruments of torture, punishment, and execution of a bygone era.

Day 10 – ROTHENBURG / MINNEAPOLIS (B)

This morning we depart Rothenburg and travel to Munich Airport in preparation for the return journey home. No better time to reflect on memories of our *Alpine Holiday* vacation that will last a lifetime and new friendships made along the way!

***** Welcome Home *****

Meal Codes

B = Breakfast L = Lunch D = Dinner

The Vacation Price Includes:

- ◆ Economy-class airline transportation by scheduled service of Icelandair.
- ◆ Transportation by deluxe private motor coach with accompanying Tour Escort.
- ◆ First-class hotel accommodations.
- ◆ All meals as shown in the Day by Day Itinerary.
- ◆ Sightseeing as detailed in the Day by Day Itinerary including applicable entrance fees.
- ◆ Luggage handling and portorage charges for one suitcase per person at the hotels.
- ◆ Taxes for included ground services and airline fuel surcharge and taxes totaling \$390 per person.

The Vacation Price Does Not Include:

Items of a personal nature such as passport fees and destination entry requirements; gratuities to the motor coach driver(s), Tour Escort and local guide(s); luggage handling at airports; meals other than those stated above; and Travel Protection.

Reservation Application

Please return to: Wendinger Travel
P.O. Box 386
New Ulm, MN 56073

Telephone: 507/359-3111
Toll-Free: 888/363-9104

Please reserve _____ places for me/us on the **Alpine Holiday** vacation. Please let us know your first choice of tour date by circling the desired departure - **September 4 - 13, 2022** or **September 12 - 21, 2022**. Enclosed is my/our check in the amount of \$_____ (\$500 per person). Travel Protection plans are available on an individual basis, based on the vacation cost and traveler age. If you would like a quote, please call, or email sdhowk@yahoo.com with the tour name and traveler dates of birth.

Please reserve _____ places for me/us on the **optional** Oberammergau Passion Play at \$285 per person. A separate invoice for this excursion will be mailed at a later date.

Please make checks payable to: **INTERTRAV CORPORATION**

Mr. Mrs. Ms. _____
(PLEASE PRINT NAME - IDENTICAL TO PASSPORT)

Mr. Mrs. Ms. _____
(PLEASE PRINT NAME - IDENTICAL TO PASSPORT)

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

TELEPHONE (_____) _____ (_____) _____
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EMAIL: _____

I will room with (if other than spouse) _____

I desire single room accommodations (subject to availability) at the supplementary charge of \$340.

PLEASE INCLUDE A COPY OF THE PHOTO PAGE OF YOUR PASSPORT WITH YOUR RESERVATION.

TOUR CONDITIONS

TOUR DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT: Reservations may be made by check or major credit card. Credit cards can be accepted for payment(s); however, the vacation price reflects a 4% cash discount. Please call InterTrav at 630-377-5840 to arrange payment by credit card; 4% of the payment amount will be assessed on credit card payments. You will be invoiced for the balance of payment due on or before **Friday, May 27, 2022**. Reservation requests received after **Friday, May 27, 2022**, are subject to tour availability.

TOUR PRICING: The tour price is based on a minimum participation of 30 persons and includes planning, handling and operational charges and is quoted on the current rate of exchange, tariff rates and airfares in effect as of November 1, 2021.

CANCELLATION: If after making your initial deposit you find it necessary to cancel from the tour for any reason, there is a cancellation charge equal to the per person deposit up to 100 days prior to departure. For cancellation between 99 and 65 days prior to departure, there is a cancellation charge equal to 50% of the tour cost. For cancellation within 64 days of departure, the cancellation charge is 100% of the tour cost. **IMPORTANT:** Cancellations will not be accepted by telephone and must be sent in writing to: Wendinger Travel, P.O. Box 386, New Ulm, MN 56073, or emailed to sdhowk@yahoo.com.

TRAVEL PROTECTION: You have the option of purchasing Travel Protection through Travel Insured International. Plans help protect you and your travel investment and help provide coverage for unexpected circumstances. Plans are purchased on an individual basis, the premium for the plan is non-refundable after the 14-day free look period and the rates are based on the vacation cost and traveler age. **For a complete description of coverage** and to see all the covered reasons for cancellation, please call 507-359-3111 or e-mail sdhowk@yahoo.com.

PASSPORTS AND VISAS: Your tour requires a passport valid for at least three months beyond the period of stay. If you do not already have your passport, or it will expire before your return date, we suggest you apply for it immediately. No visas are required for your tour. However, if you are a citizen of a country other than the United States, you must advise us in writing with your Reservation Application, as other travel documents may be required.

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