

Discover Switzerland, Austria and Bavaria with Oberammergau's Passion Play



Highlights....

Engelberg • Bern • Bear Pit • Lucerne • Innsbruck • Austrian Alps • Salzburg • Mirabell Gardens • St. Peter's Restaurant
Bavaria • Oberammergau • Passion Play

10 Days • 15 Meals: 8 Breakfasts • 1 Lunch • 6 Dinners

COLLETTE EXPERIENCES

- ★ Visit Bern and explore this delightful capital city, including the intriguing Bear Pit.
- ★ Enjoy some of Switzerland's finest shopping in Lucerne, the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake".
- ★ Travel to Bavaria and see the famous Neuschwanstein Castle.
- ★ Spend a day exploring Salzburg's historic past and charming old town.

Day 1: Overnight Flight

Discover spectacular Switzerland, Austria and Bavaria on a tour featuring multiple night stays in three cities. The Alpine city of Engelberg is your host for three nights while you explore the many cultural aspects and spectacular scenery that only Switzerland offers. Then, an extended stay in Innsbruck offers the perfect vantage point for exploring the delights of Austria and Bavaria. Your tour of the region concludes with a stay in the Bavarian village of Oberammergau which includes the amazing Passion Play.

Day 2: Engelberg, Switzerland - Tour Begins

Your tour begins in Engelberg, a mountain-side resort nestled at the foot of Mt. Titlis. Relax in this beautiful village as you stroll the streets that are surrounded by white snowcapped peaks. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner.

Today dinner will be included.

Day 3: Engelberg - Bern - Engelberg

This morning you travel to the capital of Switzerland, Bern. ★**Explore delightful Bern on a panoramic sightseeing tour featuring the Bundeshaus (the Swiss Parliament), the famous Bear Pit, the Rose Gardens, and the gothic cathedral, which dominates the Old Town skyline.**★ Your visit to the Bear Pit will answer the question as to why bears are so revered in this beguiling city. ★**LANGUAGE DISCOVERY: Today, your Tour Manager will help you discover the origin and history of the language(s) you will experience on your tour along with key words and phrases that will help you communicate with the locals.**★ Tonight, enjoy a traditional Swiss cheese fondue dinner in one of Bern's local restaurants.

Today breakfast and dinner will be included.

Day 4: Engelberg - Lucerne - Engelberg

Today you travel to Lucerne, the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake." Enjoy a leisurely-paced Altstadt (Old Town) walking tour exploring the hidden treasures of the city. In addition to its natural charm and

tranquility, Lucerne has more than 800 years of history. ★**Explore such medieval treasures as the covered Chapel Bridge (1833); the famous Water Tower which has served as a prison, watchtower and treasury; the Renaissance-style Town Hall; the baroque Jesuit Church; and the Lion Monument, carved from natural rock to commemorate the heroic Swiss Guard.**★ *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 5: Engelberg - Innsbruck, Austria

Travel the picturesque highways of Switzerland to the Austrian border and the striking Olympic city of Innsbruck, the "Capital of the Tyrol." ★**A local guide leads a panoramic Innsbruck city tour highlighting the popular thoroughfare, Maria Theresienstrasse; the Hofburg, now a museum, but once the seat of Habsburg princes; and the "Golden Roof," all set against the imposing backdrop of the lovely Austrian Alps.**★ This evening, join your fellow travelers for dinner featuring local specialties.

Today breakfast and dinner will be included.

Day 6: Innsbruck - Salzburg - Innsbruck

Travel through the picturesque Austrian countryside to Salzburg, a city filled with beautiful gardens and wondrous architecture. Upon arrival, enjoy a leisurely-paced walking tour featuring Mirabell Gardens (seen in the "Sound of Music"), the quaint Getreidegasse (site of Mozart's birthplace), and many other highlights of this beautiful city. The afternoon is at leisure to explore and enjoy Salzburg's fabulous sights. ★**The day concludes with a delightful dinner in the historic city center at the centuries-old St. Peter's Restaurant, Austria's oldest, which may have hosted both Charlemagne and Columbus.**★ *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

Day 7: Innsbruck

Today is at leisure for you to enjoy this beautiful city. You may choose to stroll through the old town and shop at many of the city's outstanding stores or perhaps venture into one of the city's many interesting museums. Or, you may just relax and breathe in the fresh mountain air while enjoying a beverage in the many cafés that truly make Innsbruck the charming city that it is.

Today breakfast will be included.

Day 8: Innsbruck - Bavaria, Germany - Oberammergau

Fairy tales come to life today with a picture stop at Bavaria's most famous castle, Neuschwanstein. Next, visit Wies Church, proclaimed a World Heritage site, before proceeding to Oberammergau. Upon arrival, enjoy a brief orientation tour of this quaint, picturesque village. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

Day 9: Oberammergau - Passion Play

The morning is yours to enjoy at leisure. ★**This afternoon, witness the performance of the Passion Play.**★ The original performance dates back to 1634. During the Thirty Year War, the village of Oberammergau was spared the Black Plague and for this reason, the villagers vowed that every ten years they would give a play to honor the life of Christ. The performers are native Oberammergauers. To lend authenticity to the performance, the cast start to grow their hair and beards more than a year in advance. Also, the intricate costumes

are made locally by the villagers. During the break of the performance, join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of a memorable trip.

Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.

Day 10: Oberammergau/Garmisch-Partenkirchen-Tour Ends

Today breakfast will be included.

YOUR ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day	1	Overnight Flight
Day	2 - 4	Europaischer Hof - Hotel Europe, Engelberg
Day	5 - 7	Innsbruck Hotel, Innsbruck
Day	8, 9	Oberammergau or Garmisch, Partenkirchen

Please Note:

If you have not purchased air through Collette and wish to purchase transfers, you must transfer at our pre-scheduled times.

At Collette, we pride ourselves on bringing travelers the very best experiences a destination offers. Our itineraries include many activities and may consist of walking on uneven terrain or significant walking at times. Some of the most unique sightseeing can mean accessing locations that restrict motorcoaches, especially in historic areas. For your comfort, we recommend bringing walking shoes.

Collette air passengers will arrive into the Zurich, Switzerland airport and depart from the Munich, Germany airport. All Collette transfers will depart from/return to these airports.

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

"Leisure Stays" are tours in which the itineraries are designed to allow for multiple-night stays in two or more cities. This allows you a more leisurely pace and more time to explore the destinations on your own.

Please note that single accommodations are extremely limited and are available on a first come, first served basis. If you wish to secure single accommodations it is highly recommended that you book early. Also, triple and child rates are not available.

All tours will be subject to the finalization of play tickets. In the event that Collette cancels the tour, you will be refunded 100%.

Due to flight restrictions, you may require an early morning departure from your hotel.

Included Breakfasts are Buffet Breakfasts.

IMPORTANT RESERVATION INFORMATION

PAYMENTS:

A per person deposit is due with passenger names.
Second Deposit of \$1,000 Per Person is Due One Year Prior to Departure.
The second deposit is applicable for all tours that include Oberammergau.
Final payment is due 120 days prior to departure.

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