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+ OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY 2020 + Legendary Blue Danube River Cruise

In 1633, the villagers, of the small Bavarian town of Oberammergau, suffered devastating losses to the Bubonic Plague. Those survivors appealed for Divine Intervention for their families, vowing to God they would perform the Passion Play every ten years if they were spared. Still today, the residents host thousands of travelers as they depict the life and death of Jesus, once a decade.

Tour Date: August 8, 2020







Budapest's Parliament building graces the banks of the Danube

Vienna, Austria – for music lovers and lovers of life

Oberammergau Passion Play Legendary Blue Danube River Cruise

11 Days • 23 Meals Experience the Danube River aboard an Emerald Waterways Star-ship on a seven-night cruise through four countries. A ticket to attend this decade's only performance of the Passion Play in Oberammergau is truly a highlight. End your fantastic cruise with this centuries-old tradition!



CRUISE AND HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Days Two through Eight – aboard an Emerald Waterways Star-ship Day Nine – TBA, Oberammergau area Day Ten – Hotel Eurostars Book or similar, Munich, Germany

Pre-cruise hotel stay available in Budapest. Call for details.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- 23 Meals (8 dinners, 6 lunches, and 9 breakfasts)
- Airport transfers on tour dates when air is provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours
- International Cruise Director and Mayflower expert staff onboard
- Experience the Danube River aboard an Emerald Waterways vessel
- Once onboard, unpack just once in your river view stateroom
- Visit four countries on this holiday while cruising the best of the Danube River
- Included shore excursions escorted by local, Englishspeaking guides in Budapest, Bratislava, Vienna, Melk and Regensburg
- All meals included onboard featuring local and international specialties
- Four course lunches and dinners onboard, served with complimentary regional wines, beer and soft drinks
- Afternoon tea time and late evening snacks served daily in the lounge
- Complimentary WiFi onboard
- All gratuities included for ship's crew
- Spacious public areas with large picture windows
- Enhanced touring experience with the use of audio headsets
- Walk-out balcony featured in the suites on Horizon Deck
- 'Inside balcony' with drop-down window featured in the staterooms on Horizon and Vista Decks
- Witness the spectacular Passion Play in
- Oberammergau with a ticket in category 2 seating
- Orientation tour of Munich
- ✓ \$55 in Mayflower Money

LOCAL INSIGHTS

- Local entertainment performed onboard in Budapest
- Included visit to Melk Abbey
- Mingle with villagers during a home-hosted visit in Slovakia
- Culinary demonstration by the ship's chef



DAY 1 - Depart the USA

Depart the USA on your overnight flight to Budapest, Hungary.

DAY 2 – Arrive Hungary

Upon arrival, transfer to the ship, home for the next seven nights. The afternoon is at leisure to become acquainted with the ship or begin exploring the city on your own. This evening, enjoy a nighttime cruise along the Danube, passing under the city's numerous bridges, while enjoying a traditional Hungarian welcome dinner complete with folk dancing and music. Meal: D

DAY 3 – Budapest, Hungary

Today's included tour presents you with a fantastic opportunity to become acquainted with Hungary's beautiful capital. See the Hungarian Parliament Building, Buda Castle and the Chain Bridge linking Buda and Pest. OR if you choose, set off on an exciting guided hike to Buda Hill. The cruise begins with a leisurely afternoon onboard as the ship departs for Bratislava. Meal: B, L, D

DAY 4 - Bratislava, Slovakia

The day begins with an included walking tour of Bratislava, the capital of Slovakia. See the enchanting Old City with its Main Square, Town Hall, Mirbach Palace and the Gothic Cathedral of St. Martin. After lunch onboard, a highlight of the day will be a home-hosted visit where you are treated to coffee and cake in the home of local Slovakians. What a unique opportunity to meet the locals and learn about life in Slovakia. Meals: B, L, D

DAY 5 – Vienna, Austria

Discover all Vienna has to offer with an included orientation tour. Travel by coach to the city center and drive along the Ringstrasse to see the impressive Opera House, famous concert halls, stately architecture and historic monuments. Afterwards, your guide leads you on a walking tour through the city center. This afternoon, join an optional excursion to Belvedere Palace. This evening, join an optional excursion to a musical concert in one of the famous music venues of the city. Meals: B, L, D

DAY 6 - Dürnstein and Melk, Austria

Awaken this morning in the medieval town of Dürnstein – 'The Pearl of the Wachau Valley' dominated by the magnificent Baroque Stiftskirche. The ruins of Kuenringerburg Castle, which served as a prison to England's Richard the Lionheart, can be seen on the hilltop. You'll have free time in to discover the charms of this picturesque town. Later this morning, enjoy the breathtaking scenery of the Wachau Valley while cruising along the Danube before arriving in Emmersdorf, the port for Melk. On an included excursion, visit the magnificent 900-year-old Benedictine Abbey, a UN-ESCO World Heritage Site, which boasts an opulent Baroque interior. Meals: B, L, D

DAY 7 – Salzburg, Austria (optional

excursion) OR Passau, Germany From a brief stop in Brandstatt, depart on the optional excursion to Salzburg to see sights from The Sound of Music and walk along the famous Getreidegasse Lane past Mozart's birthplace. After some free time, the coach returns to the ship in Vilshofen. Those not joining the optional excursion will have an included walking tour in Passau to explore the narrow alleys and visit St. Stephen's Cathedral, home of Europe's largest pipe organ, and rejoin the ship by coach in Vilshofen. Meals: B, L, D

DAY 8 – **Regensburg, Germany** After breakfast, explore Regensburg on a guided walking tour. During a stroll through the historic center, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, experience its beauty and history firsthand. Travel by coach to Kelheim to rejoin the ship and continue sailing to Nuremberg. **Meals: B, L, D**

DAY 9 – Nuremberg / Oberammergau

After breakfast, disembark the ship and journey by coach to Oberammergau, home to the historic Passion Play. Upon arrival, settle into your seat and prepare to be inspired by this amazing event. During the performance there will be an intermission with an included dinner on site. After the play, transfer to your hotel for overnight accommodations. Meals: B, D

DAY 10 - Munich

This morning, depart by coach for Munich, the capital of Bavaria. Upon arrival, a local guide will show you the highlights of the city during an orientation tour. Pass landmark buildings, including the National Theater, Hofbräuhaus and Cathedral. See popular squares including Odeonsplatz and Karlsplatz. During the walking portion, see the Marienplatz, the city's central square, housing City Hall and its famous glockenspiel. The remainder of the afternoon and evening are at leisure. **Meal: B**

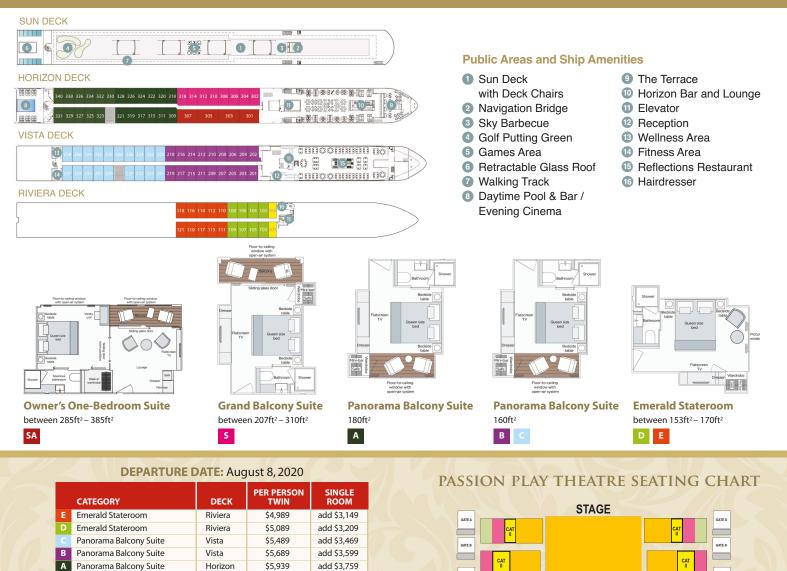
DAY 11 - Munich / USA

Bid a fond farewell to Europe and return home with wonderful memories of life enriching experiences from your cruise along the Danube River and the remarkable Passion Play in Oberammergau. Meal: B

Itinerary is subject to change.

merald Waterways Star-Ship

Built: 2014-2017 Speed: 15.5 mph Staterooms: 80 Suites: 12 Length: 443 ft. Crew: 47



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TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

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Horizon Please add \$185 per person for port charges. Rates include all gratuities for ship's crew.

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Grand Balcony Suite

Owner's One-Bedroom Suite

Round trip airfare from Austin, TX. FREE AIRFARE if booked and deposited by December 31, 2018

After December 31, 2018, call for airfare rates from your city to Budapest, Hungary, returning from Munich, Germany

\$6.589

\$7,189

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Air itineraries may not be available until documents are received. Air seats are assigned by the airline for the entire group. Seat changes can only be attempted upon receipt of tickets and documents at which time availability may be limited. If specific seat assignments are vital to your reservation, we recommend individual air reservations rather than booking air with the group.

Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) for River Cruises - \$449 per person (optional)

This nonrefundable fee will provide a refund to you during the instance that you have to cancel your trip. The cancellation has to be for a covered reason (see Plan for details on coverage) and we have to be notified at least one day prior to departure. If you must leave the tour early due to personal illness, illness or death of a member of your immediate family, TPP will provide a refund for any unused services after the departure of the tour. Other benefits include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, 24 hour hot line and lost or stolen baggage assistance. Return air transportation is included ONLY if your air tickets were purchased through Mayflower Cruises & Tours. Please review the Plan for details on coverage.

Cancellation Charges Without Traveler's Protection Plan (TPP) 100% of the total tour

• No refund on unused portions of the tour

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