



**SHARON
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TRAVEL**

OBERAMMERGAU Passion Play

ITALY, AUSTRIA, & GERMANY
AUGUST 16 – 24, 2022
(TOUR DATES)

We realize it's hard to make plans this far in advance but some tours are already sold out and getting space is extremely difficult. The Oberammergau Passion Play only happens every 10 years and we have one group departure. You'll see beautiful Lake Maggiore, Lake Como, Lake Garda, the towns of Bassano del Grappa and Marostica, and the INCREDIBLE Passion Play Performance in Oberammergau. We've also included the Piazza del Duomo in Bergamo and Juliet's Balcony in Verona, the Roman arena in Verona and the famous Golden Roof in Innsbruck.

-Sharon Carr

PRICE

\$3699 pp

double/triple occupancy

(triple occupancy subject to availability)



PRICE INCLUDES

Luxury air-conditioned coach

8 nights of hand-picked accommodations

All hotel service charges and tips, baggage handling fees and local taxes

(Hotels TBA—3.5 to 4 star with private bathrooms)

An expert Travel Director and separate driver

Audio Headsets provided throughout your vacation to enhance your included sightseeing experience

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

Air travel from/to the US. Air fares can be researched around the first week of October and we are happy to help you find the best possible. This also gives you flexibility to go in early or stay later in Europe if you wish.

Transfers from the airport/hotel/airport. You will need to take taxis since the group will be arriving/ departing at different times. We can also book private transfers for you—just ask.

Meals other than specified, alcoholic beverages, gratuities to guides and drivers, and airline baggage fees.

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TRIP GLOSSARY:

VISIT – In-depth sightseeing with a Local Specialist or your Travel Director, includes fast track entry (where applicable).

VIEW – A brief stop to take in the sight and capture photos.

SEE – See the sight while driving by on the coach.

YOUR INCLUDED DINING - 8 breakfasts, 5 dinners

DAY 1 | MON, AUG 15, 2022 | FLY TO MILAN

DAY 2 | TUE, AUG 16, 2022 | ARRIVE MILAN

The favorite summer retreat for the who's who of Italy for centuries provides an enchanting backdrop for your first day in Italy. Transfer from Milan Malpensa Airport to your hotel in the picturesque thermal resort of Baveno on the shores of Lake Maggiore. Enjoy a Welcome Dinner this evening to meet your fellow travel companions and Travel Director before embarking on your At Leisure jaunt through this picture-perfect region. Meals: WD Hotel: Baveno: Hotel Simplon Lago Maggiore Baveno (this hotel may be swapped with their sister hotel, Grand Hotel Dino, closer to departure)

DAY 3 | WED, AUG 17, 2022 | LAKE MAGGIORE (BAVENO) AT LEISURE AND COMO EXCURSION

Ease into la dolce vita, ambling along the glamorous Baveno Marina. The gentle sounds of this picturesque lakeside is a soulful way to start your day before enjoying some free time to explore Baveno with its Romanesque bell tower and octagonal baptistry. Meander through Italy's exquisite Lake District to scenic Lake Como, for centuries the link between Central Europe and the Mediterranean. Its historic atmosphere is palpable as you walk through the beautiful waterfront of Como town or relax alongside the lake sipping cappuccinos and indulging in a tasty gelato before returning to your hotel this afternoon. Meal(s): B Hotel: Baveno: Hotel Simplon Lago Maggiore Baveno (this hotel may be swapped with their sister hotel, Grand Hotel Dino, closer to departure)

DAY 4 | THU, AUG 18, 2022 | LAKE MAGGIORE (BAVENO) — BERGAMO— LAKE GARDA

The enchanting cobblestone lanes of Bergamo, near the foothills of the Alps, yield architectural and artistic treasures which we will have an opportunity to explore this morning. Wander past centuries-old Renaissance façades and into the exquisite Piazza Vecchia built on the site of an ancient Roman Forum to see the ornate Contarini Fountain and 12th century Santa Maria Maggiore Basilica. We continue our love affair with the Italian Lakes, travelling to Lake Garda for a relaxing three-night stay. This evening, we enjoy a leisurely dinner at our hotel. Meal(s): B, D Hotel: Desenzano Del Garda: Hotel Desenzano



DAY 5 | FRI, AUG 19, 2022 | VERONA EXCURSION

Romance in the air, we meander to Verona, engaging in the tragic tale of Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers at Juliet's Balcony during a walking tour of the town with a Local Specialist which will also take us past the Roman Arena, still in use today. We have time to enjoy a gentle exploration of the city on your own terms. See the seven medieval towers of Castelvecchio, relax under the shady trees in Verona's expansive Piazza Bra or clamber up Lamberti's Tower for magnificent views of this beguiling city. This evening, we enjoy a delicious Be My Guest dining experience with a local family. Meal(s): B, BG Hotel: Villa Maria Hotel Desenzano Del Garda or similar

DAY 6 | SAT, AUG 20, 2022 | MAROSTICA AND BASSANO DEL GRAPPA EXCURSION

We embark on a full-day excursion today to the ancient walled town of Marostica, most renowned for its living chess event held every second year, although the gigantic chessboard is visible in the Piazza Castello all year round. We enjoy a leisurely exploration of the city's fascinating sights, including its old city walls, Lower and Upper Castles and Romanesque bell tower. We venture to the banks of the River Brenta for an unhurried visit to Bassano del Grappa, renowned for its white brandy (Grappa) and magnificent scenery. This evening we return to the picturesque lakeside setting of Lake Garda. Meal(s): B Hotel: Desenzano Del Garda: Hotel Desenzano

DAY 7 | SUN, AUG 21, 2022 | LAKE GARDA—INNSBRUCK

This morning say 'arrivederci' to Italy as you cross the Brenner Pass into Austria. Stop in Innsbruck in the Austrian Tiro, famous for its spectacular scenery. See the famous Golden Roof and enjoy free time to explore this interesting town before checking in to your hotel. Meal(s): B Hotel: Innsbruck: Grauer Baer Hotel Innsbruck



DAY 8 | MON, AUG 22, 2022 | INNSBRUCK—OBERAMMERGAU

After a leisurely start, enjoy free time in Innsbruck where you can explore the city and discover its ties to the Winter Olympic Games. Later travel to the picturesque town of Oberammergau where the Passion Play will be performed tomorrow. This evening, dine at your hotel. Meal(s): B, D Hotel: TBD – Because most hotels are very small, group could be split.

DAY 9 | TUE, AUG 23, 2022 | OBERAMMERGAU (PASSION PLAY PERFORMANCE)

Enjoy the unique atmosphere in town before taking your premium seat for an inspired and moving performance of the Pasion Play this afternoon. Dine at a local restaurant this evening before experiencing the captivating second half of this unique event as night falls.

Please note that group may be separated in Oberammergau hotels.

DAY 10 | WED, AUG 24, 2022 | OBERAMMERGAU TO MUNICH

It's farewell to your newfound friends at the end of your memorable vacation Meal(s): B

A VALID PASSPORT IS REQUIRED FOR THIS TRIP. AS OF 3/8/21 EACH CLIENT MUST BE VACCINATED AGAINST COVID 19 AND HAVE A NEGATIVE COVID TEST 72 HOURS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE.

Your passport cannot expire for at least **6 months** after your return. If you are not an American Citizen, you are responsible for having proper documentation to enter any of the ports of call. Failure to do so may result in being denied boarding.

PAYMENTS: A non-refundable deposit of \$400 per person is due with booking. A 2nd nonrefundable payment of \$700 per person is due April 1, 2021. A 3rd nonrefundable payment of \$1200 is due November 1, 2021. Final nonrefundable payment is due January 15, 2022. Payments may be made by check or by credit card (with a 5% fee). We accept AX, Visa, & MC. Legal full names must be given as stated on your passport. Name changes made from May 15-July 15 will be charged \$200 per name change. After July 15, 2022, no name changes allowed.

CANCELLATIONS: Please understand that vendors are very strict with regards to cancellations

FULL LEGAL NAMES: must be given as stated on PASSPORT. Please send us a copy of your passport. Please do not fax.

INSURANCE: Cancellation insurance is highly recommended. Insurance information will be provided to you. If for some reason you have not been given an insurance application, please call our office immediately. Please read the information brochure carefully before sending payment to the insurance carrier. If you have a pre-existing condition, insurance must be purchased before final payment is made. If you wish to purchase "cancel anytime" insurance, it must be done when deposit is received. Insurance does not cover a pandemic.

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