

# OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY & ROMANTIC DANUBE CRUISE

21 May – 02 JUN, 2022

#### THE WORLD FAMOUS OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY

The history of the Oberammergau Passion Play dates back to the middle of the Thirty Years War. In 1633, after months of suffering from the Bubonic Plague, the people of Oberammergau took a vow to perform the "Play of the Suffering, Dying and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ" every ten years if they were spared. Miraculously from that point on they all survived and true to their promise, the first performance was in 1634. This simple performance was held in a meadow and acted by the villagers. After 1674 they decided to change the date, so as to fall every ten years beginning in 1680. The only time it was not performed, was during World War II. In 2020 it was rescheduled to 2022 due to the Covid19 pandemic



Overnight transatlantic flight to Budapest, capital of Hungary.

#### Day 2 - SUN 22 MAY: BUDAPEST

Arrive in Budapest and board your luxurious river cruise ship. During the evening, be treated to a special Illuminations cruise past the capital's glittering riverfront. (D)

#### Day 3 - MON 23 MAY: BUDAPEST

You cannot help but fall in love with Budapest, known as the "Queen of the Danube" with her distinct blend of medieval and modern beauty. Get to know the city with a tour that begins at the vibrant Great Market Hall packed from floor to ceiling with vendors selling all types of items from food to souvenirs. You'll then visit the UNESCO-listed Castle Hill district, where you can admire dramatic vistas from 19th-century Fisherman's Bastion, St. Stephen's Basilica, Heroes Square, Houses of Parliament and the famous Chain Bridge. (B,L,D)

#### Day 4 - TUE 24 MAY: BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA - VIENNA, AUSTRIA

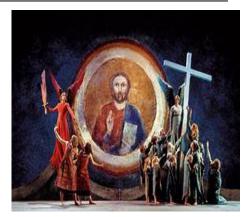
Cruise to the "Coronation City of Kings," where you can join a walking tour or choose to taste local Slovakian specialties and learn how to prepare stuffed potato ravioli. Alternatively, hike up to Bratislava Castle. Later in the day, set sail for Vienna. (B,L,D)

#### Day 5 - WED 25 MAY: VIENNA

The "City of Waltzes" offers a treasure trove of gems and you have two ways to discover them. Join a city tour showcasing its regal splendors, including the majestic Opera House and the former Imperial Palace of the Habsburgs before concluding in Vienna's historic city center and then visiting St. Stephen's Cathedral. For a more active exploration, take a guided bike ride along the Danube. During the afternoon, you can enjoy leisure time or pedal your way to Klosterneuburg Monastery on a guided cycling tour. (B,L,D)

#### Day 6 - THU 26 MAY: WEISSENKIRCHEN - GREIN

Cruise to Weissenkirchen, gateway to Dürnstein located in the heart of the Wachau After reaching Weissenkirchen in the heart of the Wachau Valley, you'll be treated to several choices of excursions. Discover the best of both Dürnstein and Melk with a walking tour in Dürnstein before visiting the UNESCO-designated Melk Abbey. You can also opt for a walking tour of Weissenkirchen followed by a visit to the abbey. For those who would like a more culinary-focused experience, join a walking tour in Dürnstein and then be treated to a wine tasting hosted by a local vintner as well as a visit to a local boutique where you'll enjoy a tasting of special apricot treats. Prefer more active adventures? Join a guided bike tour to Melk. Later in the day, set sail through the scenic Strudengau Valley to the medieval riverside town of Grein. Be treated to an exclusive visit to the more than 500-year-old Greinburg Castle, looming regally above the village. While here, enjoy a folklore show along with a sparkling wine reception. (B,L,D)









#### Day 7 - FRI 27 MAY: LINZ

The ship arrives in Linz where you'll have several choices of excursions. Opt for a half day excursion to Cesky Krumlov in Southern Bohemia. Visit the UNESCO listed 13<sup>th</sup> century castle and walk through picturesque streets. (B,L,D)

#### Day 8 - SAT 28 MAY: PASSAU, GERMANY - VILSHOFEN

Discover the 2,000-year-old city of Passau in one of three ways. Enjoy a walking tour and marvel at Gothic and Italian Baroque architecture and St. Stephen's Cathedral. Guests looking for a more active morning can choose between a guided bike tour along the Danube River, or a guided hike up to the Veste Oberhaus Fortress. Later, the ship cruises to Vilshofen, where you will be treated to a festive Oktoberfest celebration with local beer, Bavarian folk music and dancing. (B,L,D)

# Day 09 – SUN 29 MAY: VILSHOFEN, DISEMBARKATION – MUNICH (Starnberg)

During a half day city tour you will see the Rathaus with the famous Glockenspiel, Marienplatz, the 15<sup>th</sup> century Frauenkirche and the magnificent Residenz Palace. A Bavarian Dinner with beer and music concludes the day.(B,D)

### Day 10 - MON 30 MAY: MUNICH (Starnberg) - OBERAMMERGAU

After breakfast board your coach for a 1 hour ride through the lovely Bavarian countryside to Oberammergau. Check into your hotel and enjoy time to explore the picturesque village and shop for local items. After lunch at 1:00pm attend the world famous Passion play performed by the town's people every 10 years since1633. (B,D)

#### Day 11 - TUE 31 MAY: OBERAMMERGAU - NEUSCHWANSTEIN

Visit Neuschwanstein castle this morning. Then visit picturesque Wies Church before returning to your Oberammergau hotel. (B,D)

#### Day 12: - WED 01 JUN: OBERAMMERGAU - SALZBURG - MUNICH

Leave Oberammergau after breakfast and drive through lovely Alpine scenery to the city of music: Salzburg. Enjoy a guided walking tour through the historic center of Salzburg, see Mozart's birth house, Mirabell Palace & Gardens and Salzburg Cathedral. In the afternoon we drive a short distance to Mondsee at the heart of "Sound of Music" pastures, located on a serene Alpine lake surrounded by mountains. Then drive to Munich and arrive there late afternoon. Visit historic medieval Mondsee Abbey. The cloister church was used for the site of the wedding in The Sound of Music film. Late afternoon drive to Munich. (B,D)

#### Day 13: - THU 02 JUN: MUNICH - USA

After breakfast prepare for your flight back home (B)

# Included Cruise Features SPACIOUS STATEROOMS

7 nights luxury accommodation in an outside stateroom (most with twin balconies), Computer for internet access

Entertainment-On-Demand in all staterooms featuring free high-speed internet access, movies, a music library and English language TV stations Mini-fridge, desk and sitting area, Bottled water replenished daily

#### AN ARRAY OF AMENITIES

Personalized service from a highly trained Cruise Manager during both cruise and land programs, Free Internet and Wi-Fi access, Sun deck pool with swim-up bar and walking track, Fitness room, massage services and hair salon,

Main Lounge with panoramic views and bar

Daily entertainment including cultural performances

#### **AWARD-WINNING DINING**

All onboard dining in a variety of venues, Regionally inspired cuisine made with locally sourced ingredients, The Chef's Table specialty restaurant

Welcome Cocktail, Welcome Dinner, La Chaîne des Rôtisseurs Dinner, Captain's Cocktail and Gala Dinner

La Chaîne des Rôtisseurs exclusive dining experience

Unlimited fine wine, beer and soft drinks with lunch and dinner

Unlimited sparkling wine and fresh juice with breakfast

Sip & Sail Daily Cocktail Hour with complimentary wine, beer, spirits and soft drinks Tapas, sandwiches, snacks and refreshments served daily in the Main Lounge









#### A WORLD OF EXPLORATION

Immersive tours in every destination, Gentle, regular, active and late-riser tour options, Bike tours and hikes, Special Interest Tours with Knowledgeable guides

Personal headset for easy exploration

## **Included Oberammergau Package Features**

2 nights First Class accommodation in Munich with full breakfast and dinner daily plus 2 nights in Oberammergau in First Class accommodation (as designated by Passion Play Organization) with full breakfast and dinner daily, Passion Play performance with category II tickets, all sightseeing with entrance fees as outlined in itinerary,



# Your Cruise Ship: AmaLea

Built in 2018, the 156-passenger AmaLea represents a concept to elevate the modern luxury market with beautifully appointed living spaces, dining options, bars, a large sun deck with whirlpool, a spacious fitness room, massage and hair salon, a leisure and viewing platform and much more.



# **Land & Cruise Program Prices per person:**

inclusive port taxes (\$ 210.00) and gratuities (\$ 145.00)

E- category D- category CA-category BB-category BA-category	<ul><li>fixed window</li><li>fixed window</li><li>French balcony</li><li>balcony</li><li>balcony</li></ul>	lower deck lower deck main deck main deck main deck	160 sq.ft. 160 sq.ft. 170 sq.ft. 210 sq.ft. 210 sq.ft.	\$ 5,995.00 +\$ 299.00 +\$ 999.00 +\$ 1,599.00 +\$ 1,799.00
AB-category AA-category	<ul><li>balcony</li><li>balcony</li></ul>	upper deck upper deck	235 sq.ft. 235 sq.ft.	+\$ 1,999.00 +\$ 2,199.00
SS-category	- balcony	upper deck	350 sq.ft.	+\$ 3,599.00

#### 3% BONUS DISCOUNT!

per person if final payment is made by check. A non-refundable deposit of \$ 800 per person is required within 7 days after submission of a reservation form. Transatlantic airfare can be provided upon request. Stateroom categories are booked on a first come first served basis and are subject of availability at the time a reservation is received. Program is fully escorted.

## OPTIONAL HUNGARY PRE-CRUISE PROGRAM: 21 May - 22 May

To reserve a spot please fill in a Reservation Form and submit. Please review Terms & Conditions

Space is limited due to the uniqueness of the Passion Play

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