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Magical Christmas Markets

of Austria and Germany

December 7 – 14, 2019

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8 Days • 10 Meals: 6 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 3 Dinners

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For bookings made after Jun 01, 2019 call for rates.

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Collette's Flagship: Collette's tours open the door to a world of amazing destinations. Marvel at must-see sights, sample regional cuisine, stay in centrally located hotels and connect with new and captivating cultures. These itineraries offer an inspiring and easy way to experience the world, where an expert guide takes care of all the details.



Collette Experiences

- Experience the 600-year-old holiday tradition of the “Christkindlesmarkt.”
- Venture by train to Seefeld for a horse-drawn carriage ride and taste of schnapps.
- Unwind and shop for handmade crafts in the heart of the Alps.

Must-See Inclusions

- Tour Munich to see the Glockenspiel* and Olympic Park.
- Visit the picture-perfect Bavarian Alpine village of Oberammergau.

Culinary Inclusions

- Delight in dinner at the 1,200-year-old St. Peter's Restaurant, Austria's oldest.
- Experience a strudel demonstration and learn the history behind the traditional dessert.

Highlights: Innsbruck, Choice on Tour, Seefeld, Carriage Ride, Salzburg, St. Peter's Restaurant, Oberammergau, Christmas Markets, Munich

Day 1: Saturday, December 7, 2019

Overnight Flight You're on your way to uncover the unique charms of Austria and Germany, and the incredible “Christkindlesmarkt” (Christmas market)!

Day 2: Sunday, December 8, 2019

Innsbruck, Austria - Tour Begins

Welcome to the town of Innsbruck, capital of the Alps. Spend the next five nights here, nestled in the heart of the mountains. Tonight, accompany your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner to celebrate your arrival in Austria. (D)

Day 3: Monday, December 9, 2019

Innsbruck - Seefeld - Innsbruck This morning, **it's your choice!** Embark on an incredible walking tour, led by a local expert who highlights the landmarks to Innsbruck's history and culture **-OR-** choose a tour to see the architectural structures, like its famous ski jump, that make the city so unique. Either way, you're guaranteed to see Innsbruck's magnificent Golden Roof. Next, **journey by train 3,600 feet above sea level to the idyllic village of Seefeld**, one of the world's great ski resorts thanks to its miles of lakes and trails. Step off the train in to the pure Alpine air to find an authentic horse-



drawn carriage – and a traditional gift of Schnapps – waiting for you. Don't be shy to belt out a carol or two as you're whisked across the snow to meet our good friend, Peter, who invites you to participate in an interactive demonstration of how to make (and eat!) traditional strudel. Say "Aufweidesehn, Peter!" and glide your way back to Innsbruck. (B)

Day 4: Tuesday, December 10, 2019 Innsbruck - Salzburg - Innsbruck Salzburg, a storybook Old Town, waits for you over the mountains and through the woods of the Austrian countryside. Head over to Mirabell Gardens and the iconic "Do-Re-Mi steps" from *The Sound of Music*. Then, journey through the baroque heart of the Old City, and the famous thoroughfare where Mozart was born. Head off to enjoy a free afternoon with the locals, affectionately known as "Salzburgers." Be sure to enjoy a traditional Mozart chocolate (or two) and do some treasure hunting at any of six Christmas markets. **Your day concludes at St. Peter's Skiftskeller, the oldest continuously-serving restaurant in Europe.** Inside this centuries-old gem, indulge in a

traditional dessert that's described as "sweet as love and soft as a kiss." (B, D)

Day 5: Wednesday, December 11, 2019 Innsbruck Enjoy a full day at leisure in Innsbruck. Go treasure hunting at the Christmas markets, brimming with the sights, smells, and sounds of the season. Be on the lookout for St. Nicholas and even Krampus as they march through the market stalls. Revel in good cheer while brass bands play from the towers, and indulge in some *gluhwein* and *stollen*, while chestnuts roast on open fires. (B)

Day 6: Thursday, December 12, 2019 Innsbruck - Neuschwanstein, Germany - Oberammergau - Innsbruck View the magnificence of Neuschwanstein Castle as you enjoy a photo stop of the fairytale creation of Bavaria's "Mad King." **Your journey continues to Oberammergau**, where you'll spend some time on your own getting to know this picture-perfect Bavarian village. Tonight, enjoy an unforgettable evening at a family-owned restaurant. (B, D)



Day 7: Friday, December 13, 2019

Munich *Wilkommen* to Munich!

Embark on a city tour of this Bavarian capital where Olympic Park and the famous Glockenspiel* are just some of the sights you'll see along the way. Your tour comes to an end at the famous Hofbrauhaus, where you may wish to take a seat and enjoy a *bier* before heading to a jolly farewell lunch! The rest of the day is yours to enjoy. Do some final holiday shopping at the largest Christmas market of the whole tour, and delight

in the merriment of the season one last time. *(B, L)*

Day 8: Saturday, December 14, 2019

Munich - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. *(B)*

Itinerary at a glance

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 6	Hotel Grauer Bar, Innsbruck
Day 7	Movenpick Hotel Munich Airport, Munich

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Experience It! Seefeld

Perched on a plateau high in the Alps is the charming Tyrolean town of Seefeld. Reminiscent of a fairy-tale Christmas village, this magical place offers a quintessential Austrian wintertime experience in one of the world's greatest ski resorts. The perfect location for snow sports, it has proudly hosted several Olympic and World Ski Championship competitions. Seefeld is particularly festive during the holiday season, and is an ideal time to take in crisp mountain air, epic views of villages covered in a white blanket of snow, and the spectacular mountain scenery. Enjoy a relaxed atmosphere in this Alpine setting with miles of walking trails, lakes, fine shopping, dining and pure, fresh Alpine air.

For important reservation information visit <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/940597>.

You can also find this information on your tour documents.

Please Note:

IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Due to annual fluctuations on the opening dates of some Christmas Markets and tour scheduling, if one is unavailable on a specific departure, other regional Christmas Markets may be substituted.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis. Triple accommodations are not available.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers.

Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

*Due to unforeseen schedule changes, witnessing the performance of the Glockenspiel might not be possible.

This tour requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven grounds and cobblestone streets.

Our air passengers will arrive into and depart from Munich, Germany, airport. All transfers will depart from/return to this airport.

Approximate travel time between Innsbruck and Munich is 2 hours.

Due to tour scheduling, flights must arrive prior to 3:30 PM.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$500 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of June 01, 2019 are based upon availability. Final payment due by October 08, 2019. Deposits are refundable up until June 01, 2019.

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SPECIAL TRAVEL PRESENTATION

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2019

TIME 6:00 PM

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