

Capital Region Chamber *presents...*

Discover Switzerland, Austria & Bavaria with Oberammergau Passion Play

May 27 – June 5, 2022



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10 Days • 14 Meals: 8 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 5 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Bern, Château de Chillon, Montreux, GoldenPass Panoramic Train, Gstaad, Lucerne, Innsbruck, Austrian Alps, Salzburg, Mirabell Gardens, St. Peter's Restaurant, Bavaria, Oberammergau Passion Play, Linderhof Palace, Fussen, Neuschwanstein Castle

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4	Hotel Baeren Bern, Bern
Days 5 – 7	Hotel Innsbruck, Innsbruck
Day 8	Oberammergau region hotel , Oberammergau Region
Day 9	Movenpick Hotel Munich Airport, Munich
	<i>On some dates alternate hotels may be used.</i>



"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.

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.

Day 1: Friday, May 27, 2022 Overnight Flight Set out to experience Switzerland, Austria, Bavaria and the Oberammergau Passion Play.

Day 2: Saturday, May 28, 2022 Bern, Switzerland - Tour Begins Your tour opens in Bern, the capital of Switzerland and a UNESCO World Heritage site nestled in the Swiss countryside. The cobbled Old Town section is so well preserved that residents who lived here 500 years ago would still find it familiar today. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner featuring local cuisine such as traditional cheese fondue. (D)

Day 3: Sunday, May 29, 2022 Bern Explore Bern on a panoramic sightseeing tour featuring the Bundeshaus (the Swiss Parliament), the Bear Pit, the Rose Gardens and the Gothic cathedral which dominates Old Town's skyline. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore independently. Perhaps you will take the funicular ride up Gurten Mountain which affords beautiful views of Bern. (B)

Day 4: Monday, May 30, 2022 Bern - Château de Chillon - Montreux - Gstaad - Bern Travel along the shores of Lake Geneva to the legendary, medieval Château de Chillon. This princely residence faces the lake but puts forth the image of an imposing fortress from the mountains. Later, enjoy inspiring Alpine views with a ride on the GoldenPass Panoramic Train from Montreux to Gstaad. Discover the delightful ambience of this world-famous Alpine ski resort with its numerous traditional wood chalets. This evening's dinner is included at one of Bern's great restaurants. (B, D)

Day 5: Tuesday, May 31, 2022 Bern - Lucerne - Innsbruck, Austria Set out for Lucerne, the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake." Enjoy an Altstadt (Old Town) walking tour, and discover the hidden treasures of the city. 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. En route to Innsbruck we make our way through Liechtenstein, the smallest and richest German-speaking country in the world and the only country to lie entirely within the Alps. (B)

Day 6: Wednesday, June 1, 2022 Innsbruck This morning, **it's your choice!** Choose one of two leisurely walking tours: join a local guide as you discover the city's history, culture and popular attractions including Maria Theresien Strasse, the Hofburg and the Golden Roof **-OR-** you may embark on a tour focusing on Innsbruck's unique architectural structures including its famous ski jump. (B)

Day 7: Thursday, June 2, 2022 Innsbruck - Salzburg - Innsbruck Travel through the picturesque Austrian countryside to Salzburg. Upon arrival, enjoy a leisurely paced walking tour featuring Mirabell Gardens (seen in *The Sound of Music*); the quaint Getreidegasse (birthplace of Mozart); and many other highlights of this beautiful city. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure to independently explore and enjoy Salzburg's fabulous sights. Complete your day with a delightful dinner at the 1,200-year-



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old St. Peter's Restaurant, the oldest in Austria and still owned by the monks. (B, D)

Day 8: Friday, June 3, 2022 Innsbruck - Oberammergau, Germany - Passion Play Cross the border into Bavaria, Germany to the quaint village of Oberammergau. This afternoon, witness a performance of the epic Passion Play. The original performance dates back to 1634. During the Thirty Years' War, Oberammergau was spared the Black Plague and for this reason, the citizens vowed that every ten years they would give a play to honor the last days of the life of Christ. The performers of this once-in-a-decade event are all native to the village. To lend authenticity to the performance, the cast starts to grow their hair and beards more than a year in advance. During a break of the performance, join your fellow travelers for dinner before returning for the remainder of your Passion Play performance. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Saturday, June 4, 2022 Oberammergau - Linderhof Palace - Fussen - Munich Begin your day with a visit to Linderhof Palace, one of the most artistic and stylistically complex ensembles of the 19th century. It is the only palace King Ludwig II of Bavaria was able to complete. Behind the Baroque façade is a Rococo world, rich in abundant ornamentation, with many sculptural elements showing workmanship of an incomparable artistic quality. Next, enjoy free time to explore medieval Fussen, the romantic town in the foothills of the Bavarian Alps. Make a special picture stop at Neuschwanstein Castle before gathering for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of a memorable trip. (B, D)

Day 10: Sunday, June 5, 2022 Munich - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

Experience It! GoldenPass Panoramic Train

This legendary train ride, one of Switzerland's many scenic rides, connects central Switzerland and Lake Geneva. Departing from Montreux, the train makes an exhilarating ascent through vineyards and country estates, traveling along the shimmering lake. This journey takes you past weathered timber chalets with their flower-bedecked windows to Gstaad. It's just as you always imagined Switzerland. Towering peaks and majestic fir trees reach toward a limitless sky. Immerse yourself in all the breathtaking magnificence from the comfort of your seat on board the train.

For more information visit <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/827209>

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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.

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.

The days and order of sightseeing may change to best utilize your time on tour.

Single accommodations are extremely limited. Triple and child accommodations are not available.

This itinerary is subject to change.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (1-2 hours) isn't a big deal. You can navigate hills and uneven ground, climb into various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, Zodiac, etc.), and could possibly

anticipate changes in elevation. You can expect some longer days balanced with free-time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. Please note, if you require a walker or wheelchair, or have difficulty walking, you may not be able to access some of these areas and may want to consider an alternate tour.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

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

Transfers from Zurich airport to Bern is approximately 90 minutes.

Due to tour scheduling, arrival flights must arrive prior to 4:00 p.m.

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

A deposit of \$800 per person is due upon reservation. A second deposit is required 1 year prior to departure, in the amount of \$1,500 per person. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of November 17, 2020 are based upon availability. Final payment due by January 27, 2022. Deposits are refundable up until November 24, 2020.

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