



# Oberammergau 2022: Venice, Innsbruck & Munich

9 days | 11 days with Salzburg extension

Explore the vibrant cultures of northern Italy, Austria, and Germany on this one-of-a-kind journey. From romantic Venice, make your way through the Dolomites to multicultural Bolzano. Then, continue on to beautiful Innsbruck and lively Munich. In Oberammergau, watch history come to life during the Passion Play, a local performance that only happens once every ten years.



## Your tour package includes

- 7 nights in handpicked hotels
- 7 breakfasts
- 1 lunch
- 4 dinners with beer or wine
- 5 sightseeing tours
- Expert Tour Director & local guides
- Private deluxe motor coach

## Included highlights

- St. Mark's Basilica
- Bolzano
- Cathedral of St. James
- Passion Play in Oberammergau
- Hohenschwangau Castle
- Nymphenburg Palace

## Tour pace

You will walk for at least 2.5 hours daily across moderately uneven terrain, including paved roads and cobblestone streets, with few hills or stairs.

## Group size

15-35

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## Overnight Flight → 1 night

### Day 1: Travel day

Board your overnight flight to Venice today.

## Venice → 2 nights

### Day 2: Arrival in Venice

*Included meals: dinner*

Welcome to Italy! Meet your Tour Director and fellow travelers at tonight's welcome dinner.

### Day 3: Sightseeing tour of Venice

*Included meals: breakfast*

Admire historic churches, winding canals, and picture-perfect piazzas on a guided tour of the city known as the Queen of the Adriatic.

- Step into the iconic St. Mark's Square and enter St. Mark's Basilica
- View the stately Doge's Palace, built in the Venetian Gothic style in 1340
- Marvel at the Bridge of Sighs, the link between Doge's Palace and the New Prison
- See a glassblowing demonstration to learn about the city's most celebrated art

Spend a free afternoon in Venice or add an excursion.

+ Gondola Ride: Venice Canal Cruise

+ Private Gondola Ride: Canal Cruise for Two

## Austrian Alps → 2 nights

### Day 4: Austrian Alps via Bolzano

*Included meals: breakfast, dinner*

On your way to the Austrian Alps, stop in Bolzano, Italy, a city set against the UNESCO-listed Dolomite mountain range.

- Explore the main square, Piazza Walther
- See the Duomo, which is dedicated to the assumption of Virgin Mary

After, continue on to the Austrian Alps and sit down for an included dinner.

### Day 5: Sightseeing tour of Innsbruck

*Included meals: breakfast*

Head out on a guided sightseeing tour of Innsbruck, a wintertime wonderland that's hosted two winter Olympic Games.

- See the famed Golden Roof and the City Tower in Innsbruck's historic Old Town
- Pass the Hofburg, a former Hapsburg imperial palace, and walk into its cobblestoned courtyard
- Enter the Baroque Cathedral of St. James

## Oberammergau → 1 night

### Day 6: Passion Play

*Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner*

Head to Oberammergau and attend the 42nd performance of the world-famous Passion Play.

- Experience the storytelling and portrayal of the Old and New Testament that has taken place once a decade since 1634
- Enjoy the unforgettable open-air performance put on by the residents of the Bavarian town

Sit down for an included dinner this evening.

## Munich → 2 nights

### Day 7: Munich via Hohenschwangau Castle

*Included meals: breakfast*

Head into the mountains of Bavaria making stops along the way to Munich.

- Make a photo stop at Neuschwanstein Castle, the fairy-tale retreat of "Mad" King Ludwig II
- Revel in scenic views of the Alps as you relax during free time for lunch in the town below Neuschwanstein
- Enter Hohenschwangau Castle, the former summer and hunting residence of the Bavarian royal family

After, continue on to Munich.

### Day 8: Sightseeing tour of Munich

*Included meals: breakfast, farewell dinner*

Get to know the Bavarian capital on a guided tour.

- Travel past the Englischer Garten and fashionable Schwabing district
- Enter the Nymphenburg Palace, the Baroque home to past Bavarian royalty

- Walk from Odeonsplatz through the nearby Hofgarten to view the Residenz, once home to the Wittelsbach dukes of Bavaria
- Explore Marienplatz, Munich's medieval heart, and see the famed Glockenspiel

Spend a free afternoon in Munich or add an excursion.

This evening, celebrate your trip during a farewell dinner.

+ Dachau

## Flight Home

### Day 9: Departure

*Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)*

Transfer to the airport for your flight home or extend your tour to visit Salzburg, Austria.

## + Salzburg extension

It's the birthplace of Mozart and setting for The Sound of Music, but that's not all that makes Salzburg sing. Join your Tour Director and spend a couple days exploring this Austrian city, where Baroque churches and a UNESCO-listed old town will leave you in awe.

## Salzburg → 2 nights

### Day 9: Transfer to Salzburg & sightseeing tour

*Included meals: breakfast*

Travel to Salzburg this morning. When you arrive, head out to explore the city, which is famed for its churches and musical history, on a guided walking tour of the Old Town.

- View the University of Salzburg and the churchyard of St. Peter
- See the Kapitelplatz, Residenzplatz, and Alter Markt, in the city's Old Town
- View Salzburg Cathedral and the home where Mozart was born
- Pass through scenery from The Sound of Music
- Ride the Mönchsberg Lift and enjoy panoramic views of the city and its fortress

Spend a free evening in Salzburg or add an excursion.

+ Mozart Concert & Dinner

#### **Day 10: Free day in Salzburg**

*Included meals: breakfast*

Spend a free day in Salzburg or add an excursion.

+ Eagle's Nest & Salt Mines

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### **Flight Home**

#### **Day 11: Departure**

*Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)*

Transfer to the Munich airport for your flight home.

# Customize your experience

Customize your tour by adding excursion options. Excursions offered on the same day will occur at different times, so there's no need to choose. Save \$10 when you book your excursion up to three days before your tour departs.\* Excursions requiring advance reservation only list this discounted price. Call or go online to customize your tour: [goaheadtours.com/IAO](https://goaheadtours.com/IAO) | 1-800-597-0350

## Day 3: Gondola Ride: Venice Canal Cruise

\$89/\$99\* (25 minutes, departure time varies)

More than 100 canals crisscross Venice, and boarding a sleek, black gondola to explore them has become a time-honored tradition. On this memorable excursion, join your fellow travelers for a tour through the canals of Venice, with a gondolier deftly guiding your boat along. Please note: This excursion runs as weather permits, and travelers should feel comfortable getting into and out of the gondolas. A private, two-person gondola ride is available for an additional cost.

along steep gorges offers gorgeous views of the snow-capped Alps. Then, take an elevator ride up to the Eagle's Nest, an Alpine retreat built for Adolf Hitler. Please note: This excursion is seasonal and runs from mid-May through September. If the Documentation Center is closed it will be replaced with a Schnapps tasting.

## Day 3: Private Gondola Ride: Canal Cruise for Two

\$165/\$175\* (25 minutes, departure time varies)

More than 100 canals crisscross Venice, and boarding a sleek, black gondola to explore them has become a time-honored tradition. On this memorable excursion, you'll enjoy a private gondola cruise for two through the canals of Venice, with a gondolier deftly guiding your boat along.

Please note: This excursion requires two passengers. Cost is per person, and each traveler must book the excursion. Travelers should also feel comfortable getting into and out of the gondolas. This excursion runs as weather permits.

## Day 8: Dachau

\$55/\$65\* (4 hours, departs in the afternoon)

Once a typical German town, Dachau served as the first Nazi concentration camp during World War II. Visit this somber site, which has since been transformed into a Holocaust memorial museum that serves as a testament to the strength of the human spirit. You'll take a self-guided audio tour through Dachau's poignant exhibits, which are echoed by the memorials to the victims that adorn the grounds.

## Extension excursion options

### Day 9: Mozart Concert & Dinner

\$149/\$159\* (4.5 hours, departs in the evening, dinner included)

Step inside the 1,200-year-old St. Peter Stiftskeller, located within St. Peter's Abbey, to enjoy an evening of fine dining and music. Mozart composed over 600 works in his short life, and tonight, you'll hear his masterpieces accompanied by opera singing as you sample local delicacies during a three-course dinner. Please note: The temperature in the room can be hot in the summer, therefore we recommend dressing accordingly based on the season.

### Day 10: Eagle's Nest & Salt Mines

\$135/\$145\* (8 hours, departs in the morning)

Drive through the Bavarian Alps to the mountain village of Berchtesgaden, where you'll tour the 450-year-old salt mines that brought wealth to Bavaria and Salzburg. Explore the mines during an underground boat ride on Mirror Lake before enjoying free time for lunch. Continue to Obersalzberg, where a scenic bus ride

\*Optional excursions may be purchased up to three days prior to departure or while on tour. Pre-purchased optional excursions cannot be canceled within three days prior to departure or while on tour. Select optional excursions require advance booking and cannot be purchased or canceled after the advanced reservation deadline. GAT accepts payment by cash, Visa or MasterCard for optional excursions purchased on tour. Additional fees may apply for optional excursions purchased on tour. Excursions require a minimum number of participants to operate. Details and prices are subject to change. Due to seasonal hours of operation and availability, some excursions may not operate. If this occurs, you will be refunded any payments made for that excursion post-tour. Learn more at [goaheadtours.com/terms](https://goaheadtours.com/terms)