



Travel Itinerary

13 – 24 June, 2020

Exploring European Christian Witness Oberammergau and a Danube River Cruise with Professor Ross A. Lockhart

Join Dr. Lockhart and fellow travellers on a journey through the heart of Christian witness in Europe on a delightful river cruise that concludes with the once in a decade Oberammergau passion play dating back to the 1630's.



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DAY 1: JUNE 13

Departure

Tonight, we depart on our, non-stop, overnight flight from Vancouver to Munich. Complimentary in-flight service is provided en-route.



DAY 2: JUNE 14

Coming Together in Germany

Upon arrival at Munich Airport, we are met and assisted with customs and immigration formalities. From this point, our tour manager and driver will transfer us to our hotel in Munich.

Once checked-in, we will enjoy our Welcome dinner. A wonderful time to start the journey together in anticipation of a most memorable journey!



DAY 3: JUNE 15

Munich and embark on Danube Cruise

After breakfast at the hotel, we shall take a panoramic guided tour of the City of Munich, with a stroll through Marienplatz, the heart of old Munich.

From Munich, we take the scenic drive to the Danube river and our floating hotel.

This afternoon, we board our Danube River cruise ship, The MS DANUBE VISION. This will be home for the next 7 days. Later this evening, we set sail along the Danube.



DAY 4: JUNE 16

Ybbs an der Donau, Wachau and Vienna

This morning we arrive at the hamlet of Ybbs an der Donau for our first stop on the river cruise. This quaint and beautiful town is indicative of the many towns and villages that, for centuries, have relied on the Danube for livelihood and trade. There is an option available to visit a site of pilgrimage at Maria Taferl.

This afternoon, we will sail along the UNESCO World Heritage designated waterways of the Wachau Valley. The valley received such a designation for its medieval landscape that depicts architectural monuments, settlements and stunning agricultural landscapes.

Later this afternoon, we will arrive at Vienna.



DAY 5: JUNE 17

Vienna

This morning, we wake up in Austria and the wonderful City of Vienna. Today, we will enjoy a 'Highlights of Vienna' guided tour, including St. Stephen's Cathedral, Hoberg and the Ringstrasse.

This afternoon has been left open for you to enjoy the city's sites. Visits to Schonbrunn Palace and/or a Mozart Recital can be arranged for you onboard.

Later this evening, we set sail for Budapest.



DAY 6: JUNE 18

Budapest

This morning, we wake up in Hungary and the capital city of Budapest. Like Vienna, this former Habsburg controlled region of Europe has a plethora of sites to see during our time on shore. We begin our day with a guided city tour and walk through the beautiful city centre.

The afternoon and evening have been left free for you to enjoy the many sites, shops or stroll along the banks of the Danube, punctuated by many cafes and restaurants. If you enjoy architecture, there is an optional tour on offer: "Most beautiful buildings in Budapest." (This you reserve onboard.)





DAY 7: JUNE 19

Budapest

This morning, we will take an excursion to Kalocsa and experience the Hungarian Horse Show, with Magyar cowboys and their Puszta horses. If you wish, you can opt to stay and enjoy more sites of Budapest.

Later this afternoon, we set sail from Hungary to Slovakia.



DAY 10: JUNE 22

Disembark and Bavaria

This morning, we disembark from our Danube River cruise ship and head for Oberammergau. En-route to southern Bavaria, we shall stop at the location of the world famous Neuschwanstein Castle. Originally built by King Ludwig I, the castle was finally opened to the public after the death of King Ludwig II. From here, we shall take the short drive to the area of Oberammergau and check-in to our hotel.



DAY 8: JUNE 20

Bratislava

Today, we wake up in Slovakia and its capital city, Bratislava. This morning, we will take our guided coach tour to the ancient city and its castle. Nestled below the Carpathian mountains, the city has over 6000 years of history, dating back to the Neolithic times. Since then, many people have inhabited this strategically located land, such as Celts, Romans and Ottomans (to name a few.) Our guided tour includes a visit to the castle.

This afternoon, we set sail from Slovakia to Austria.



DAY 11: JUNE 23

Oberammergau Passion Play

Today is dedicated to the Passion Play of Oberammergau! Our programming for today allows you free time in the morning to peruse this world renowned village before taking our seats for the play. Performed solely by residents of the village, this performance of Jesus' final days in Jerusalem is the longest continuous Christian drama in the world. During the intermission, we will enjoy dinner together at a local restaurant.



DAY 9: JUNE 21

Melk and Danube

Today, we wake up in the Wachau Valley and the Austrian town of Melk. With over a thousand years of history, this Benedictine Abbey has seen many changes during its existence. Despite numerous regional wars, destruction, fires, plagues and famine the baroque abbey that you see today was constructed between 1702 and 1736.

Later this afternoon, we set sail along the Danube and make our way south towards Passau.



DAY 12: JUNE 24

Departure

Today, we say good-bye to our new found friends and leave Oberammergau and depart for Vancouver. Complimentary in-flight service will be provided.





INCLUDED

Air travel: Round trip from Vancouver.
Fares from other cities available upon request.

Accommodations: 5* Munich Hotel
MS Danube Vision
4* Oberammergau Hotel

Cruise cabin category: Main Deck

Meals: Full breakfast and dinner daily with tea and coffee. Lunches included whilst onboard the Rhine cruise.

Transportation: Air conditioned luxury coach service throughout the tour.

Sightseeing: Comprehensive program as per itinerary, including all entrance fees.

Oberammergau Passion Play: Tickets to play along with program booklet.

Tour Guide: Government licensed Tour guides will accompany the group.

Porterage: One large suitcase per person. Each person is responsible for his/her other luggage.

"Whisper" headsets throughout the journey.

Embarkation package: An informative package will be mailed one month prior to departure.

Air Transportation Taxes: Currently \$600 (Flying from Vancouver) subject to change.

Gratuities: Equivalent to USD\$160.

NOT INCLUDED

Lunches (unless mentioned in the itinerary)

Comprehensive Travel Insurance: Christian Journeys requires that you must have - "out of country" - emergency medical insurance, equivalent to (or greater than) \$250,000. We have many insurance policy options to offer which include cancellation and interruption coverage. Please contact our office for policy details and premiums.

Cruise Cabin Upgrades: Middle Deck: USD\$339
Upper Deck aft: USD\$565
Upper Deck Front: USD\$622
Upper Deck Mid: USD\$678

GENERAL INFORMATION

Passport: Tour participants must be in possession of a valid passport with at least 6 months validity. Canadian and USA passport holder do not need a visa for entering Europe.

Reservations: Telephone and email reservation requests will be taken but only upon receipt of deposit and completed tour registration form will your place be confirmed.

Deposit and final payment: An initial non-refundable deposit of \$750 is required with the registration form. A subsequent interim non-refundable deposit of \$1000 is due on 01 December 2019.

Currency surcharge: Christian Journeys reserves the right to introduce a currency surcharge. If applicable, this would be assessed 90 days prior to departure.

Fuel surcharges: The air transportation costs include a 'fuel surcharge' component. This amount is subject to change and will be reviewed at time of final billing 90 days prior to departure.

Travel Insurance: Your Comprehensive Travel Policy includes 'trip cancellation' coverage to protect you against the cancellation penalties. Conditions apply so please ask for more details.

General Health: All tour members should be in sufficient good health to enjoy the tour. Christian Journeys reserves the right to refuse participation in certain instances.

Journey Pricing

VANCOUVER PRICE: \$5999CAD
GRATUITIES: \$ 220CAD
TOTAL: \$ 6219CAD

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