



DAY 1 ARRIVE IN VIENNA, AUSTRIA. Welcome to Vienna! At 6 pm, meet your Tour Director and traveling companions for a special welcome dinner at your hotel. (D)

DAY 2 VIENNA. Start your guided sightseeing with a visit to magnificent SCHÖNBRUNN PALACE. Then, drive along the Ringstrasse, pass the State Opera House, the Jewish quarter, and stop at the Hofburg Palace, winter residence of the Austrian imperial family. Marvel at the impressive courtyards, famous HELDENPLATZ, and awesome St. Stephen's Cathedral. Balance of the day is at leisure and you can choose from our exciting optional excursions to enhance your stay. (B)

DAY 3 VIENNA-MELK-MONDSEE-SALZBURG. Enjoy a leisurely DANUBE CRUISE along the prettiest part of the river. Afterwards, catch glimpses of historic Melk Abbey, and continue through the romantic Salzkammergut lakeland, made famous in The Sound of Music movie. Stop in Mondsee to visit the PARISH CHURCH, which was used for the wedding scenes in the film, and continue to Salzburg. Admire exquisite MIRABELL GARDENS, the Great Festival Hall, St. Peter's Monastery, and magnificent RESIDENZ SQUARE, where some scenes of The Sound of Music movie were also filmed. Also, take pictures of Mozart's birthplace in the charming Getreidegasse. A special dinner and Salzburger Nockerl (sweet dessert soufflé) has been prepared for you at the famous St. Peter Stiftskeller restaurant. (B,D)

DAY 4 AT LEISURE IN SALZBURG. Today is your chance to join an optional excursion to spectacular Berchtesgaden and Hitler's Eagle's Nest. (B)

DAY 5 SALZBURG-ST. MORITZ, SWITZERLAND. A scenic day! Via the Tyrolean Alps enter the Swiss Engadine, considerA scenic day! Via the Tyrolean Alps enter the Swiss Engadine, considered by many as the most beautiful mountain area in the world with its deep-blue lakes, airy larch forests that turn golden in the fall, mountain peaks exceeding 12,000 feet, and quaint villages with massive white stone houses in the characteristic Grisons style. The rest of the day is at leisure in ritzy St. Moritz. (B,D)

DAY 6 ST. MORITZ-CHUR-TÄSCH-ZERMATT. Drive through exhilarating Alpine scenery. At Chur, board the first-class panoramic coach of the world-famous GLACIER EXPRESS TRAIN, which connects two of Switzerland's most famous skiing areas: St. Moritz and Zermatt. Enjoy your first-class ride with panorama windows and admire thundering waterfalls, impressive peaks, glacial ice fields, and tiny villages as you pass through the Valais, a region known for its great mountain resorts and excellent wines. Lunch will be served on the train. This afternoon, you are in Zermatt, a picturesque cluster of rustic chalets beneath the majestic Matterhorn. (B,L)

DAY 7 AT LEISURE IN ZERMATT. An entire day at leisure gives you the possibility to join a spectacular optional excursion to the Klein Matterhorn for breathtaking panoramic views of the Matterhorn and the Alps. (B,D)

DAY 8 ZERMATT-BERNE. Board the MOUNTAIN TRAIN to Täsch and motor through the lower RBoard the MOUNTAIN TRAIN to Täsch and motor through the lower Rhône Valley to the shores of Lake Geneva. Here, enjoy a highlight visit to CHILLON CASTLE, the 12th-century water fortress immortalized by poet Lord Byron. Arrive in Berne for your overnight stay. (B)

DAY 9 BERNE-INTERLAKEN-LUCERNE. Your guided tour starts with a stop at the Rose Garden for a panoramic view of the city. Walk through the beautifully preserved medieval Old Town, witness the hourly parade of painted figures at the Clock Tower and marvel at the ornate, flower-adorned fountains. Stop at BEAR PARK, symbol for the name of the town. Next is Interlaken, where you can take pictures of the towering Jungfrau, then continue across Brünig Pass to picturesque Lucerne. An optional evening is available at a folklore party with yodeling and alphorn blowing for a firsthand impression of Alpine merrymaking. (B)

DAY 10 LUCERNE. On your walking tour this morning, admire Thorwaldsen's impressive LION MONUMENT, dedicated to the fallen Swiss Guards who protected the Royal House of France during the French Revolution, and the ornate patrician houses of the walled Old Town. Then, cross the famous covered CHAPEL BRIDGE to the Jesuit church. Afterwards, shop for watches, and you may wish to join an optional excursion to Mount Pilatus. This evening, enjoy a PRIVATE BOAT CRUISE on the fjordlake, followed by a special dinner at a local restaurant. (B,D)

DAY 11 LUCERNE-INNSBRUCK, AUSTRIA. A comfortable drive brings you to Innsbruck, the capital of crystal, in the Tyrolean mountains. Enjoy a pleasant walk through the Old Town to see the GOLDEN ROOF and time to shop for crystal and Tyrolean hats. (B)

DAY 12 INNSBRUCK-OBERAMMERGAU, GERMANY. The afternoon and evening are dedicated to the world-famous PASSION PLAY, held every 10 years and performed by the people of Oberammergau. (B,D)

DAY 13 OBERAMMERGAU-MUNICH. Leave the Bavarian Alps and arrive in Munich, where Germany's "Secret Capital" comes alive during an orientation featuring the Olympic Stadium, 1,000-foot-high Olympic Tower, and MARIENPLATZ, in the historic heart of the city. (B)

DAY 14 MUNICH. Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning. (B)

