

# **Durgan Travel Service** presents... 10 Days/8 Nights



Featuring... Munich, the Neuschwanstein Castle, Salzburg, Innsbruck ...and more

September 19-28, 2024

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\*Rates are per person, twin occupancy, and INCLUDE \$650 in air taxes and fees, and fuel surcharges *(subject to change)*. Rates are based on a minimum of 20 passengers. For less than 20 passengers, higher rates may apply. SUBJECT TO 2024 AIR RATES.

# **OUR OKTOBERFEST TOUR ITINERARY:**

**DAY 1 – BOSTON~MUNICH:** Board our overnight transatlantic flight to Munich, Germany via intermediate city, with meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, while in flight.

DAY 2 – MUNICH ~INNSBRUCK: Upon arrival in Munich, we will meet our Tour Escort who will help us board our private motorcoach. Sit back, relax, and take in the scenery on our drive to Innsbruck, Austria. Upon arrival enjoy some free time to discover this wonderful city and perhaps have lunch on your own at one of the many outdoor cafes to enjoy some local cuisine. Later check into your centrally located hotel, *Hotel Innsbruck (or similar)*, which will be the base for the next 8 nights. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a traditional "Welcome Dinner" at the hotel then overnight. (D) Hotel website: <u>https://www.hotelinnsbruck.com</u>

DAY 3 – NEUSCHWANSTEIN CASTLE & OBERAMMERGAU: After a delicious breakfast we'll drive through the heart of Bavaria to Neuschwanstein, Germany's most famous and fairytale castle. Located on a rugged hill above the village of Hohenschwangau near Füssen in southwest Bavaria, Neuschwanstein makes for spectacular "post card" picture opportunities. This magnificent castle is probably the best known by King Ludwig's many monumental achievements and we will be hosted on a guided tour of the interior. After lunch on our own, we'll drive to the nearby village of Oberammergau – famous for its Passion Play – which involves more than 2,000 local performers. The Oberammergau Passion Play was first performed in 1634 and is the result of a vow made by the inhabitants of the village that if God spared them from the effects of the bubonic plague, then they would perform a passion play every ten years. Dinner at our hotel and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 4 – INNSBRUCK CITY TOUR & WATTENS CRYSTAL WORLDS: After breakfast this morning, we'll set off to discover the old town of Innsbruck, including all the major sights such as the famous Golden Roof or the Bergisel Stadium (site of the Olympic ski jump). Innsbruck's beautiful old town center has historic buildings dating back more than 800 years. The city, besides being known for hosting the 1964 and 1976 Winter Olympics, is extremely scenic, situated in the Inn Valley between two dramatic mountain chains. In the afternoon we'll drive to Wattens, just a short ride from Innsbruck, where we are going to visit the famous Swarovski Crystal Worlds. Since its opening back in 1995, Swarovski Crystal Worlds in Wattens tops the list of Austria's most-visited attractions. The dazzling crystalline world was created by Austrian artist André Heller to mark the 100th anniversary of Swarovski Company. A giant's head, spewing water into a pond greets you at this fantastical playground, which is set in its own spacious grounds, an amazing wonderland of gardens. Return to Innsbruck late afternoon with free time and lunch on our own. Dinner at our hotel and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 5 – OKTOBERFEST: Today, after breakfast, we will visit the famed "Oktoberfest" in Munich. Enjoy yourself with hundreds of other people singing, dancing, and having fun at the world's greatest folk festival: the Oktoberfest. There will be time to sample the great pretzels, the foaming festival beer, the spit-roasted chicken, beef, and all the other delicious foods available at this, the "world's biggest celebration!" You will have a reservation for lunch at one of the many tents and enjoy "Gemütlichkeit", that Bavarian blend of fun, relaxation, and good cheer! Listen to live brass bands playing traditional Bavarian music and enjoy yourself with hundreds of other people from all over the world, dancing and singing the hours away. Return to hotel this evening for dinner on own and overnight. (B, L)

**DAY 6 – DOLOMITE MOUNTAINS:** After breakfast, our journey today takes us south over Europe's highest road-bridge, across the Brenner Pass and into Italy to the magnificent Dolomite Mountains. We will go on a panoramic scenic drive through the chic resort of Cortina, Val Gardena, and the quaint village of Ortisei, with photo stops alongside spectacular alpine meadows, pristine valleys, and sparkling-clear lakes. Lunch is included at a local restaurant in Val Gardena. Time permitting, a stop in Brixen is the ideal spot for coffee and cake to round out our day before returning to our hotel in Innsbruck for dinner on our own and overnight. (B, L)

**DAY 7 – SALZBURG, AUSTRIA:** This morning after breakfast, we will drive to Salzburg, home of Mozart and "The Sound of Music". A UNESCO World Heritage Site and surrounded by scenic Alpine mountains, Salzburg has some renowned baroque architecture and one of the best-preserved city centers. Salzburg is storybook Austria. Standing beside the fast-flowing Salzach River, your gaze is raised inch by inch to the Altstadt's mosaic of graceful domes and spires, the formidable cliff-top fortress, and the mountains beyond. It's a view that never disappoints. You will then set off on a guided walking tour, during which we will learn about the city's most important sights. Afterwards, there will be some free time for shopping and lunch on our own in Getreidegasse. Return to Innsbruck. Tonight, enjoy another dinner at our hotel and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 8 – EAGLE'S NEST & LAKE KONIGSSEE: After breakfast today, we'll cross back over into Germany to Berchtesgaden. Framed by six formidable mountain ranges, the Berchtesgadener Land is a drop-dead-gorgeous corner of Bavaria steeped in myths and legends. Local lore has it that angels given the task of distributing the earth's wonders were startled by God's order to get a move on and dropped them all here. These most definitely included the Watzmann, Germany's second-highest mountain, and the pristine Königssee, perhaps Germany's most photogenic body of water. Much of the area is protected within the Berchtesgaden National Park, which was declared a 'biosphere reserve' by UNESCO in 1990. Visit Hitler's Mountain retreat "Eagle's Nest", a lodge built for Hitler and now a major tourist destination, and Dokumentation Obersalzberg, a museum that chronicles the region's sinister Nazi past. Afterwards, enjoy a relaxing boat cruise on Lake Konigsee, the deepest and cleanest lake in Germany, including a lunch at Gaststätte St. Bartholomä. Return to Innsbruck for dinner on our own. Overnight. (B, L)

**DAY 9 – INNSBRUCK DAY...TOP OF INNSBRUCK AND TYROLEAN EVENING DINNER:** After breakfast we take the Nordkettenbahnen (funicular/cable car) from Innsbruck city center to the TOP of Innsbruck. The Innsbruck cable car trip takes us from the city center to the Hafelekar - the top of the Nordkette mountain. The cable car ride is broken up into 3 stages: The Hungerburg funicular departs from Congress station into stage 1 up to Hungerburg. We disembark at Hungerburg to stage 2 and change to the Seegrube cable car. The Seegrube, at an altitude of 1,905 m invites us to relax, unwind and take in nature at its very best. Lunch is on our own today and lucky for us that the Seegrube restaurant here offers traditional, homemade dishes in a historical ambience with breathtaking mountain views! Then, we continue to stage 3 and take the Hafelekar cable car to Top of Innsbruck. Once we have reached the Hafelekar mountain station, we'll have the opportunity to walk up to the Hafelekarspitze (2334 m) which is a 15 minutes' walk. The breathtaking 360° view leaves a lasting impression. Thanks to a direct connection from the city, we can enjoy this unique experience within a morning (about 3 hours total). The afternoon is at leisure and free for your own activities. Tonight, we enjoy a fun-filled Tyrolean evening with the Gundolf family at the new Alpensaal and der Messe. Enjoy typical Austrian cuisine and let the Gundolf Family entertain you with an amazing folk show. Overnight in Innsbruck. (B, D)

**DAY 10 – INNSBRUCK~BOSTON:** Time to say "Auf Wiedersehen" to Austria & Germany and transfer to Munich Airport to board our return flight to Boston (*via intermediate city*), with meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, available while in flight. (B)

## OUR 10-DAY/8-NIGHT OKTOBERFEST TOUR INCLUDES ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

- Round-trip regularly scheduled flights Boston-Intermediate City-Munich and return, with meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, available while in flight. The identity of the carrier, which may include the carrier's code-share partner, will be assigned and disclosed at a later date.
- ✤ All transfers aboard a private, deluxe, temperature-controlled motorcoach.
- 8 nights at a 4-start hotel, Hotel Das Innsbruck (or similar), based on double occupancy. The single supplement is an additional \$699 per single. Limited availability may be unavailable or subject to surcharge. Triples same as twin.
- Porterage of luggage at the hotel.
- Breakfast (B) daily, 3 lunches (including lunch at an Oktoberfest tent) (L) and 5 dinners (D).
- Sightseeing as outlined in the itinerary with the service of a local guide/host.
- Local expert English-speaking guides, where required.
- All room taxes and gratuities to bellmen. A small per-night city tax may have to be paid directly to the hotel.
- Complimentary Durgan Travel Services travel accessory and a complete packet of required travel documents.

#### A DEPOSIT OF \$650 IS DUE UPON RECEIPT OF FLYER. THE BALANCE IS DUE 75 DAYS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE.

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**RESPONSIBILITY:** Durgan Travel and their agents, in accepting bookings for this tour, clearly stipulate that they are not liable for faults or defaults of other companies and persons that may be used in the carrying out of the tour services, also for accidents, baggage losses, delays, or cancellations, strikes, political unrest, riots, and acts of God and war, and changes in schedules. In the event it becomes necessary or advisable, for the comfort or well-being of the passengers, or for any reason whatsoever, to alter the itinerary or arrangements, such alterations may be made without penalty to the operator. Additional expenses, if any, shall be borne by the passengers. The right is reserved to withdraw the tour due to insufficient participation or for any reason whatsoever; also, to decline to accept or to retain any person as members of the tour. The airlines and bus lines concerned are not to be held responsible for any acts, omissions, or events during the time the passengers are not onboard. The pass contract in use by the airlines or bus companies concerned constitutes the sole contract between the company and purchase of this tour and/or passengers. The issuance and acceptance of receipt tickets and/or tour membership coupons, along with making the initial deposit, shall be deemed to be consent to and acceptance of the foregoing terms and conditions. Durgan Travel is not responsible for any disruption or cancellation of services due to erroneous identification information provided to Durgan Travel by clients.

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□XES\_insure my trip with Trip Mate Travel Protection\*1 The Travel Protection plan will be added to the plan the plan taxes.* 

❑YES, insure my trip with Trip Mate Travel Protection\*! The Travel Protection plan will be added to the package at \$529 premium per person twin/single and will be prepaid from my deposit. (See policy inclusions on Page 2.) *The insurance premium is non-refundable and non-transferrable.* ❑NO, I do not wish to include the premium for Trip Mate Travel Protection Plan. *I realize that I am NOT covered by Travel Protection Plan.*

Please find enclosed a deposit of **\$650** per person for \_\_\_\_\_ person(s) due as soon as possible, as space is limited and available on a first come, first served basis. Make your check payable to **DURGAN TRAVEL SERVICE**. I/we understand that the balance is due 75 days prior to tour departure and that full refunds, minus a \$25 service fee and the cost of the travel protection plan, will be returned to passengers if cancellation is given up to 90 days prior to tour departure date. Between 89 – 76 days prior to departure, the full deposit is non-refundable. Between 75 – 60 days prior to departure, 25% of the total tour price is forfeited. Between 59 – 45 days prior to departure, 50% of the total tour price is forfeited. Within 35 days of departure – no refund. \* The Travel Protection Plan cost includes the plan premium and a fee for non-insurance assistance services. You may obtain information on the plan fees by emailing assistancefees@tripmate.com.

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Please remit a photocopy of the photo page of your passport with your reservation form for purposes of clarity.

Name (as it appears on passport):				
Passport #:	Place of Issue:	Citizenship:	Exp. Date:	//20
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Best Phone #:	□HOME □CELL □WORK	Alt.Phone #:		
Date of birth:// City &	State of birth:			
In Case of Emergency, Notify:		Phone #		
Roommate #1: Name (as it appears on pass	sport):			
Passport #:	Place of Issue:	Citizenship:	Exp. Date:	//20
Address:		City:	State: ZIP:	
Best Phone #:		Alt.Phone #:		
Date of birth: / / City &				
Roommate #2: Name (as it appears on pass	sport):			
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Best Phone #:		Alt.Phone #:		
Date of birth: / / City &	State of birth:	E-mail:		
Credit Card #: (if depositing on card):			Exp. Date:/ CVV	/ code:
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#### \*\*Please Note: Payment by cash or check is discounted.\*\*

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