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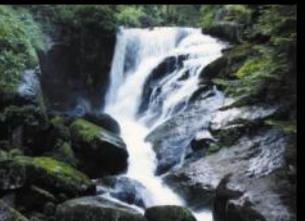
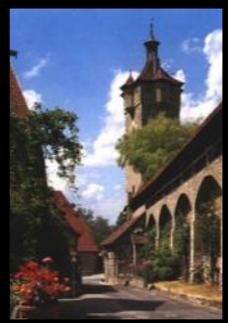
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Liechtenstein • Sarnen • Lucerne • Zurich

September 5 - 15, 2013



- Night Watchman Tour
- Glockenspiel
- Dachau Memorial Site
- Sound of Salzburg Dinner
- Salt Mine Tour
- Hitler's Eagle's Nest
- Palace Linderhof
- Castle Neuschwanstein
- Wieskirche
- Swiss Folklore Show
- Cogwheel Train Ride
- Trummelbach Waterfall

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Thursday, September 5, 2013 • Depart

Our adventure begins as we depart on our international flight to Frankfurt, Germany.

Friday, September 6, 2013 • Rothenburg



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Upon arrival in Frankfurt we collect our luggage and after departing customs, we drive to Rothenburg ob der Tauber, one of the few remaining walled cities in Europe. We will check into our hotel and have some free time to relax or to explore this medieval walled city.

After a welcome dinner at our hotel, we take a stroll through the city with the **Night Watchman**. **D**

Saturday, September 7, 2013 • Munich

After breakfast we depart for Munich, home of the Oktoberfest and “Gemütlichkeit,” that Bavarian blend of fun, relaxation, and good cheer! Our tour of Munich begins with an **orientation tour of Munich’s highlights**. We will then enjoy a pleasant walking tour of the old town sites, including the **Marienplatz**, the **Rathaus** and its famous **Glockenspiel**.



This afternoon we have some leisure time for shopping or independent sightseeing, or just relaxing at one of the famous “Biergarten.” We end our tour of Munich with dinner at the famous **Hofbräuhaus**. **B/D**

Sunday, September 8, 2013 • Salzburg

This morning drive to Dachau to visit the memorial at the infamous concentration camp. After some time to reflect on a part of history never to be forgotten, we drive south into Austria. The hills are alive with the sounds of music and Mozart as we approach Salzburg, our home for the next two nights. Dinner tonight is at our hotel. **B/D**

Monday, September 9, 2013 • Salzburg



This morning a local guide joins us for a walking tour that includes the **Salzburg Cathedral**, the **Catacombs**, the **Mirabell Gardens**, the **Getreidegasse** (the city’s quaint shopping area), and much more. Salzburg’s grand

past is evident in the immense Dom Cathedral, with its statues and ornamentation. After an opportunity for lunch we continue to **Schloss Hellbrunn** and **Mondsee** where we see the church that was included in some of the scenes in the *Sound of Music*. We return to Salzburg for our **Sound of Salzburg Dinner Show**. **B/D**

Tuesday, September 10, 2013 • Oberammergau

Our day begins with a drive to **Berchtesgaden** in the Bavarian Alps. Here we board a smaller bus and traverse the narrow roads up the **Kehlstein Mountain (Eagles Nest)**. Our trip continues with a walk into the mountains and an elevator ride to the summit, site of the tea house. The view on a clear day is spectacular! Back at the base of the mountain, we visit a salt mine: a working mine and museum. Then we drive further west to Oberammergau where we stay for the next two nights. Dinner tonight is at our hotel. **B/D**



Wednesday, September 11, 2013 • Oberammergau

First on our agenda today is a short drive to the **Palace Linderhof**, the smallest, but favorite residence of the eccentric King Ludwig II. We walk through the castle and the grounds where we see the enchanting “**Blue Grotto**,” and the **Moorish Tea-house**. Next we drive through the Austrian Alps and re-enter Germany to visit the **Castle Neuschwanstein**. A medieval knight’s castle, it is one of the most photographed and visited attractions in all of Europe. It is said that Walt Disney copied it as a symbol for his Fantasy-world Castle at Disneyland. Each room is a splendor of carved oak and tapestries. We will take time for a guided tour of the castle and then continue to back to **Oberammergau**. En route we stop to visit the **Wieskirche** (Meadow Church), considered the most beautiful rococo church in Europe. **B/D**



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Thursday, September 12, 2013 • Sarnen

We drive westward today and enter Switzerland, that magical land of crystal-clear lakes and snow-capped alpine vistas. We stop in **Liechtenstein** for lunch and an opportunity to explore this tiny “postage stamp” country! Then it’s on to **Sarnen** our home for the next two nights. We arrive in time

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to relax at our hotel before dinner. After dinner we enjoy a **Swiss folklore show**. **B/D**

Friday, September 13, 2013 • Sarnen



After our Swiss breakfast, we travel to **Lauterbrunnen** where we visit the **Trummelbachfaelle**, a waterfall inside a mountain, formed by the draining of seven glaciers. Then we drive to Lauterbrunnen where we board a cogwheel train and ride to the

Kleine Scheidegg for a beautiful view of the top of Europe – **Jungfrauoch**. We ride back to **Grindelwald** where meet our coach again before returning to our hotel for dinner. **B/D**

Saturday, September 14, 2013 • Zurich

A wonderful day of sightseeing awaits us as we drive over the Brunig Pass to Lucerne, which lies on the magnificent **Vierwaldstättersee**. A **walking tour** of Lucerne features the **Chapel Bridge**, the **Jesuit Church**, and the **Lion Monument**, designed



by the Danish sculptor Thorwaldsen as a memorial to Swiss mercenaries that lost their lives defending the King of France. This afternoon we experience the **Rigi** where “you can see forever.” The experience includes a **cruise** over the lake and a **Cogwheel Train** ride to the summit with outstanding views and a restaurant. We continue to **Zurich**, our last destination for overnight before returning home. **B/D**

Sunday, September 15, 2013 • Return

We transfer to the Zurich Airport this morning and board our homebound flight. **B**

Abbreviations for included meals:
B = Breakfast D = Dinner

TOUR COST: \$3,879* per person

**Includes estimated air from Minneapolis • Land only: \$2,499*

**Price is based on a minimum of 25 paying participants, double occupancy*

Single supplement = \$625

Triples are available but not advised

YOUR TOUR INCLUDES:

- **Estimated Airfare** from Minneapolis to Frankfurt, Germany with return from Zurich, Switzerland, including related taxes and fees
- **Land transportation** via private, deluxe air conditioned motor coach
- **Accommodations** (double-occupancy) in superior 3 and moderate 4-star hotels
- **Meals** as indicated in itinerary
- Services of a **professional tour leader** throughout the tour
- **Step-on guides** for tour highlights such as Neuschwanstein and city tours
- **Admission** to all activities listed on itinerary
- **Luggage handling** of one piece per person at hotels
- All **taxes and tips** for provided services, except as indicated below

NOT INCLUDED:

- Meals not indicated on itinerary
- **Beverages** except with breakfast
- **End of tour gratuity** for tour leaders and driver
- Items of a personal nature such as passport fees.
Passport must be valid for six months beyond return date.
- **Optional insurance** for health, baggage and cancellation.
(This insurance is available and recommended.)

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

A deposit of \$500 per person is due with reservation. Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure date. Invoices will be sent out prior to final payment. Generally airlines do not increase the price of a ticket after it has been contracted. However, prior to the issuance of a ticket, airlines may impose fuel, tax or security surcharges. In the event a surcharge is imposed after Ed-Ventures has received a final payment, Ed-Ventures will send an additional invoice for the surcharge amount. Early registration is encouraged.

CURRENCY:

Currency exchange rates fluctuate constantly. In the event of a significant drop in the value of the dollar, Ed-Ventures reserves the right to add a currency surcharge to the price of the tour.

REFUND/CANCELLATION POLICY:

All cancellations must be in writing. The date of postmark will determine the amount of refund due. Refunds are based on the number of days prior to departure date. From the time of deposit to 90 days before departure a \$50 administrative fee plus airfare penalties will be assessed. From 89-14 days, a \$300 cancellation penalty plus any unrecoverable deposits to ground suppliers as well as any penalties imposed by airlines will be assessed. Anyone cancelling less than 14 days prior to departure will receive **NO REFUND**. Airline tickets once written are usually not refundable.

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Registration Form

PLEASE CHECK ONE:

- \$3,879 pp, includes estimated air from Minneapolis
- \$2,499 pp, land only

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Passenger Information (1st Traveler)
 Full name must be exactly as it appears on your passport or passport application. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport.

First Name: _____
 Middle Name(s): _____
 Last Name(s): _____
 (Nickname): _____ Gender _____
 Passport #: _____
 Passport Exp. Date: _____
 Passport Authority: _____
 Date of Birth: _____
 Place of Birth: _____
 Dietary needs: _____

Passenger Information (2nd Traveler)
 Full name must be exactly as it appears on your passport or passport application. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport.

First Name: _____
 Middle Name(s): _____
 Last Name(s): _____
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 Passport #: _____
 Passport Exp. Date: _____
 Passport Authority: _____
 Date of Birth: _____
 Place of Birth: _____
 Dietary needs: _____

Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____
 Work phone/cell: _____ E-mail: _____
 Emergency Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

Deposit Payment Information
 (please fill out if paying by **check**):

Enclosed is my check made payable to **Ed-Ventures, Inc.** in the amount of: _____.

Deposit Payment Information (please fill out if paying by *credit card*):

Credit Card Number: _____
 Visa/MasterCard/Disc: _____ Card ID Code:* _____
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 Signature: _____ Date: _____
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Sleeping Preference (circle one): Double bed Twin Beds Roommate (name): _____
 Single supplement is an additional (\$625): _____ Yes _____ No

Travel Insurance (please check one): Yes, sign me up No, I decline

Insurance Payment Information: Charge my card below Check enclosed

Credit Card Number: _____
 Card ID Code*: _____ Visa/MC/Disc: _____ Exp. Date: _____ Amount: _____
 Signature: _____ Date: _____

I have read and agree to the terms and conditions. Please sign me up for the trip!

Signature of 1st traveler: _____ Date: _____
 Signature of 2nd traveler: _____ Date: _____