



DISTINCTIVE TRAVEL FOR 35 YEARS

# 42<sup>ND</sup> PASSION PLAY OBERAMMERGAU

INCLUDING A DANUBE RIVER CRUISE  
HUNGARY ♦ SLOVAKIA ♦ AUSTRIA ♦ GERMANY

**VMFA**  
VIRGINIA MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

EXCLUSIVELY CHARTERED  
DELUXE AMADEUS BRILLIANT



Experience one of the world's greatest dramatic spectacles amid the storybook landscapes of the Bavarian alps—the extravagant Passion Play staged once a decade by residents of the quaint village of Oberammergau. This rare tradition is made even more exceptional with our custom itinerary's specially reserved seating and thoughtfully arranged cultural enrichments, blends remarkable history with stunning scenery, features an exclusively chartered, five-night deluxe cruise along the Danube River, two nights in the idyllic Bavarian Alps and two nights in Munich. Visit four countries—Hungary, Slovakia, Austria and Germany—and enjoy excursions to medieval Salzburg, a UNESCO World Heritage site and scenic backdrop for *The Sound of Music*, and Neuschwanstein Castle, the inspiration for Walt Disney's iconic *Sleeping Beauty's* Castle. Experience five UNESCO World Heritage sites. Tour Budapest's most historic landmarks, the world-class city of Vienna, 11<sup>th</sup> century Melk Abbey and medieval Bratislava.



Neuschwanstein Castle



## ITINERARY

MAY 26 TO JUNE 5, 2020

Day

- 1 Depart the U.S.
- 2 Arrive in Budapest, Hungary/Embark AMADEUS BRILLIANT\*
- 3 Budapest
- 4 Bratislava, Slovakia
- 5 Vienna, Austria
- 6 Melk
- 7 Passau, Germany/Disembark ship/Salzburg, Austria/Oberammergau, Germany
- 8 Oberammergau Passion Play
- 9 Oberammergau/Neuschwanstein Castle/Munich
- 10 Munich
- 11 Munich/Return to the U.S.

\*Cruise itinerary is subject to change.



Passion Play

*In 1634*, the villagers of Oberammergau sought deliverance from the despair of the plague and the Thirty Years War by performing a modest Passion Play, which they vowed to repeat every 10 years in perpetuity. The tradition has been preserved throughout the centuries and has grown in prestige. Today, it is regarded as the most important Passion Play internationally, drawing hundreds of thousands of pilgrims from around the world. Over 2000 village residents now reenact the crucifixion and resurrection of Christ on one of the world's largest stages, a dramatic spectacle like no other.

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## INCLUDED FEATURES

### ON BOARD THE EXCLUSIVELY CHARTERED, DELUXE AMADEUS BRILLIANT

- ◆ Five-night cruise from Budapest, Hungary, to Passau, Germany, with port calls at Bratislava, Slovakia; and Vienna and Melk, Austria.
- ◆ Air-conditioned, river-view Suite or Stateroom, each with a private bathroom.
- ◆ All meals served at single seatings—early-risers' coffee, buffet breakfast, lunch, afternoon tea, four-course dinner and late-evening snack—featuring fine continental cuisine.
- ◆ Complimentary wine and beer are served with lunch and dinner.
- ◆ Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the ship.
- ◆ Captain's Welcome Reception.
- ◆ Tour of **Budapest**, a UNESCO World Heritage site, including visits to the historic landmarks of the Fisherman's Bastion and the ornate St. Matthias Church.
- ◆ Guided walking tour of **Bratislava's** well-preserved, medieval *Staré Mesto* (Old Town).
- ◆ Panoramic tour of the world-class city of **Vienna**, a UNESCO World Heritage site and open-air museum of splendid Baroque architecture.
- ◆ Visit to the UNESCO World Heritage-designated **Schönbrunn Palace and Gardens**, the spectacular summer estate of the imperial Habsburgs.
- ◆ Tour of the magnificent 11<sup>th</sup>-century **Benedictine Abbey of Melk**, a Baroque masterpiece.

Scenic transfer from Passau to Oberammergau with a stop in the UNESCO World Heritage site of Salzburg, the romantic setting for several scenes in *The Sound of Music*, for a walking tour and time to stroll its famous Mirabell Gardens and pedestrian shopping lane, Getreidegasse.

### IN OBERAMMERGAU, GERMANY

- ◆ Two nights in Oberammergau or a nearby village in a charming hotel, with breakfast each morning, one lunch and two dinners featuring authentic Bavarian cuisine.
- ◆ Performance of the 2020 Passion Play, including specially reserved seating.

Scenic transfer from Oberammergau to Munich with a stop en route at the fairy-tale Neuschwanstein Castle, one of the world's most photographed buildings.

### IN MUNICH

- ◆ Two nights in the Five-Star, centrally located HOTEL BAYERISCHER HOF, with breakfast each morning.
- ◆ Walking tour featuring the Patrician houses of Brienner Strasse, the world-famous Hofbräuhaus, the Residenzstrasse and Marienplatz to see the chiming Glockenspiel.



- ◆ Visit to the magnificent Nymphenburg Palace.
- ◆ Farewell Reception.

### ENHANCED TRAVEL SERVICES

- ◆ Transfers and luggage handling abroad if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
- ◆ All excursions and visits as outlined above, with experienced local guides.
- ◆ Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
- ◆ Complimentary bottled water in your Suite or Stateroom aboard ship and on excursions.
- ◆ Hospitality desk aboard ship and in the hotels.
- ◆ Experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors at your service.
- ◆ Complimentary use of an audio headset during guided excursions.
- ◆ Automatic \$250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.

### BUDAPEST PRE-PROGRAM OPTION



### MUNICH POST-PROGRAM OPTION



*The Travel Program outlined here is subject to the features, final pricing and terms and conditions set forth in the published Travel Program brochure. Upon receipt of the published Travel Program brochure, you will be given 10 days to reconfirm your reservation, at which time any deposit(s) will become subject to cancellation fees.*

## RESERVE EARLY!

**From \$4295 per person, double occupancy (approximate land/cruise only)**

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Street Mailing Address (no P.O. Box number please)

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State

Zip Code

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(Business)

(Mobile)

Preferred Name(s) on Badge(s)

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