PASSION PLAY
OBERAMMERGAU
CRUISE THE DANUBE RIVER

Gohagan & Company Exclusives

♦ This distinctive, custom-designed itinerary is available only through Gohagan & Company and features a unique river journey through the heart of Central Europe and a limited opportunity to attend the legendary Passion Play in Oberammergau, performed every 10 years.

♦ The cruise takes participants along the fabled “Blue Danube” aboard one of the deluxe m.s. Amadeus Premium Fleet ships, one of the most elegant passenger fleets to ply the waterways of Europe.

♦ Special arrangements for the 2010 Oberammergau Passion Play include tickets, transfers to and from the hotel, traditional Bavarian lunch and dinner and the assistance of a guide throughout your stay.

Summer 2010

Itinerary

Day Destination

1 Depart from the U.S. or Canada
2 Budapest, Hungary/Embark the ship
3 Budapest
4 Bratislava, Slovakia
5 Vienna, Austria
6 Melk
7 Passau, Germany/Disembark the ship/Oberammergau
8 Oberammergau (Passion Play)
9 Oberammergau/Munich/Return to the U.S. or Canada

Pre-Program Option in Budapest
Post-Program Option in Munich

On this delightful nine-day journey, discover an incredible blend of tradition and history in the heart of Europe. Cruise in style and comfort along the Danube River through the fabled realms of the Habsburg Empire. Visit a timeless world where Gothic cathedrals soar above medieval cities and rivers wind through lush forests and vineyards. Conclude by attending an inviting performance of the Passion Play in Oberammergau, a cultural tradition like no other dating back to 1633.
**INCLUDED FEATURES**

**ON BOARD THE DELUXE AMADEUS PREMIUM FLEET**

- Five-night cruise on the scenic Danube River from Budapest, Hungary, to Passau, Germany, with port calls at Bratislava, Slovakia; and Vienna and Melk, Austria.
- Comfortable accommodations in a tastefully appointed outside stateroom with private bathroom facilities and air conditioning.
- All meals each day, featuring fine Continental cuisine—early risers coffee, American breakfast buffet, lunch, dinner and late-evening snack served at a single, unassigned seating.
- Welcome and farewell toasts aboard ship.
- Tour of Budapest®, highlighted by visits to the Matthias Church and the Fishermen’s Bastion.
- Guided tour of Bratislava’s medieval Old Town, with visits to the Opera House and the Primatial Palace.
- City tour of Vienna®, featuring Stephansdom Cathedral and the Hofburg Palace.
- Tour of the magnificent Benedictine Abbey of Melk, a Baroque masterpiece.
- Walking tour of Passau’s Old Town.

**Scenic motorcoach transfer from Passau to Oberammergau.**

**IN OBERAMMERGAU**

- Two nights in a charming hotel, located in close proximity to Oberammergau.
- Full buffet breakfast daily.
- Dinner each night featuring authentic Bavarian cuisine.
- Walking tour of historic Oberammergau.
- Visit to the Oberammergau Museum, which houses a fascinating array of local art and handicrafts, including many exquisite woodcarvings, that relate to the history of the Passion Play.
- Spectacular performance of the 2010 Passion Play.
- Lunch and dinner to coincide with the Passion Play intermissions.
- Guided assistance throughout your stay.

**THE 2010 PASSION PLAY**

In 2010, the people of Oberammergau will perform the powerful, five-hour Passion Play for the 41st time in 376 years. More than 2000 participants enact this fascinating rendition of the story of Jesus Christ on the large, open air stage of the Passion Play Theatre, a performance that is given every 10 years and takes almost a year to rehearse. Magnificent costumes, scenery and orchestral accompaniment, in addition to the dedicated players make this a unique event.

**M. S. AMADEUS PREMIUM FLEET**

Crafted by Europe’s finest shipbuilders, the vessels of the prestigious AMADEUS PREMIUM FLEET combine deluxe accommodations and exceptional service to provide an ideal venue for exploring Europe’s rivers and canals.

Each ship offers approximately 74 elegant outside staterooms and suites tastefully appointed in classic styles while encompassing at least 160 square feet. All staterooms and suites feature private bathroom facilities, air conditioning and modern amenities.

Meals are served at a single open seating in an elegant dining room, where skilled chefs prepare exquisite Continental cuisine incorporating local flavors and ingredients, while guests view the passing landscape through floor-to-ceiling windows.

Throughout the cruise, the ship’s international crew provides guests with a high level of personalized and attentive service.

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