

McCabe Pilgrimages

Oberammergau Short Break

27-29 September 2010

Price: £695

LET US GET YOU THERE ! Our short break makes it easy for you to attend a last week performance of the Passion Play in the shortest practical time.

We offer return flights from your chosen airport to Munich or Memmingen and transportation both ways between airport and Oberammergau.

You will be accommodated for two nights in a villagers home or guest house actually in the village of Oberammergau, walking distance from the theatre - or you can use the complimentary shuttle bus system operating in the village.

Meals are included. Dinner on arrival, breakfast, lunch and dinner on play day, and breakfast on your departure day.

You will receive a Grade Two ticket for the Tuesday performance of the Passion Play and extras include a guide book and ticket to the local museum.

McCabe staff will assist at airports and in Oberammergau. This is your opportunity to be part of a unique event which only happens every ten years.



The Oberammergau story

Gripped by war, poverty and plague, the villagers of Oberammergau, in Bavaria, southern Germany vowed to put on a 'Passion Play' every ten years...

That was back in 1633. They survived, and performed the first Oberammergau Passion Play in 1634. Ever since, their descendants have carried out that pledge. For the past four centuries the tradition has been continued every ten years. Only villagers have been allowed to take part. And that is what will happen yet again in 2010. They devote a year of their lives to re-enacting the life, death and resurrection of Christ.

Jesus is a psychologist in real life...

Mary Magdalene is a flight attendant...

Like everyone else in the village, 'Jesus' and 'Mary' are ordinary people. By taking on these roles, they are fulfilling the promise to God made by their ancestors, celebrating their faith and sharing it with the world

... as Oberammergauers have for some 375 years.

McCabe accommodation is within the village and walking distance to the theatre. One of our hosts is Markus Kopf, who will play Herod in the performance; Anton Zwink another of our guest house proprietors will play Simon. His brother, Dominikus, is the narrator. The Dedlerhaus (pictured) is still owned by the family of the composer of the Passion Play music. It is connections like these which make the Oberammergau experience unique.

We arrive in the afternoon on the day before the play with dinner provided that evening. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are included around the performance, with departure after breakfast the following day. Your play ticket also includes local transportation, entry to the museum and a book about the play.

Tickets for the performance are linked to the grade of accommodation provided. The top tickets are reserved for those staying in first-class hotels. The lowest grade tickets are attached to some rooms in villager's homes. All of the McCabe accommodation is in the middle grades and comes with tickets in in the middle Grade Two. The theatre has no pillars and everyone will have an excellent view.

For more detailed information and to view preview videos please go to the excellent official Oberammergau website

www.oberammergau-passion.com

Itinerary

Monday Your chosen flight option. You will be met on arrival and driven by coach to Oberammergau. Accommodation is in various houses throughout the village. Dinner is included tonight.

Tuesday Morning free. Lunch is included before the performance at a restaurant near the theatre. The Passion Play performance begins at 2.30 and finishes at 10.30 with a three hour break in the middle when an included dinner is served at a local restaurant.

Wednesday Free to explore the village. Late afternoon coach back to Munich airport for your return flight option.



The price of your short break includes:

Flights; airport taxes; two nights accommodation in an Oberammergau guest house sharing a twin-bedded room; two breakfasts, one lunch and two dinners; return transport between Munich or Memmingen airport and Oberammergau; a Grade Two ticket for the Passion Play and the services of McCabe staff at airports and in Oberammergau.

Rooms are generally "Austrian style" twins: separate mattresses and bedding contained in a single bed-frame. A few single rooms are available.



To make a reservation call Freephone 0800 107 3 107

Please complete a booking form and return it with a deposit cheque of £350 per person (or we are happy to receive payment by credit card). Cheques should be made payable to "McCabe Pilgrimages."

McCabe booking Conditions apply and can be found attached to the Booking Form.

Comprehensive travel insurance can be added for a premium of £34 per person, or feel free to purchase insurance independently. We will send you a policy booklet and if for any reason you are unhappy with the cover, you may cancel without charge within ten days of purchase.

Flight Times

Heathrow to Munich	British Airways	Depart 0935	arrive 1225
Munich to Heathrow		Depart 1820	arrive 1920
Gatwick to Munich	Easyjet	Depart 0620	arrive 0905
Munich to Gatwick		Depart 2150	arrive 2245
Stansted to Memmingen	Ryanair	Depart 1230	arrive 1510
Munich to Stansted	Easyjet	Depart 2135	arrive 2225
Edinburgh to Memmingen	Ryanair	Depart 1020	arrive 1340
Munich to Edinburgh	Easyjet	Depart 2125	arrive 2245
Manchester to Munich	Lufthansa	Depart 0655	arrive 0955
Munich to Manchester		Depart 2130	arrive 2235

UPGRADE !

For a £150 supplement choose to stay in the Blaue Gams Hotel in Ettal, ten minutes drive from the theatre. Full hotel facilities and local transfers included. On play day, meals will be provided before and during the performance at a restaurant near the theatre. This option includes a Grade One ticket for the Passion Play performance. www.blaue-gams.de

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