

*Grüß Gott!*  
(‘God be with you’, Greeting in Bavaria)

# Bavarian Highlights #1

## King Ludwig’s Castles



**BAVARIA: One of Germany’s most popular tourist destinations!**

**€99**

- **Neuschwanstein Castle Guided Tour**
- **Linderhof Palace Guided Tour**
- **Visit Oberammergau in the majestic Bavarian Alps**

<b>March</b> 11	<b>August</b> 1 & 19
<b>April</b> 12	<b>September</b> 9
<b>May</b> 26	<b>October</b> 21
<b>June</b> 10 & 30	<b>November</b> 10 & 24
<b>July</b> 15	

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Neuschwanstein Castle and Schloss Linderhof – both nestled in the incomparable beauty of Germany's Bavarian region – are a “must see” on any European visit! Products of a king who was at once mysterious and lonely, these castles never fail to evoke imaginings of opulence and festivity. Arrival with reserved tickets guarantees admission to both sites on days packed with international visitors.

Seven weeks after King Ludwig's death from as yet unrevealed causes, the **Neuschwanstein Castle** was opened to the public. The shy king had built the castle to withdraw from public life – now vast numbers of people come to view his private refuge. This castle, constructed to shelter Ludwig and his favorite poet-composer Richard Wagner, became Ludwig's symbol of sovereignty as Bavaria was forced into political insignificance.

**Schloss Linderhof** – really a palace, as opposed to a castle – was originally a childhood hunting lodge belonging to Ludwig's father. Sentimental attachment led Ludwig to reconstruct the buildings instead of tearing them down. As a result, the “King's Cottage” became the “Alpine Hut Building” and, eventually evolved into the present day “Royal Villa” known as Schloss Linderhof. It is the only large palace King Ludwig II lived to see completed.

Leisurely drives through the Bavarian countryside allow our guests to enjoy the varied landscape – from majestic mountains to farming villages and fields with haystacks and tiny barns. Visit the painted town of **Oberammergau**, home of the world-famous **Passion Play**, with time for photos and souvenirs.

**Return to points of origin about 11 p.m.**

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## TOUR PRICE INCLUDES:

- Round-trip transportation by deluxe-motor coach; no-smoking
- Neuschwanstein Castle guided tour
- Schloss Linderhof guided tour
- Photo stop in Oberammergau
- Service of an RTT tour guide

## NOT INCLUDED:

- Tips and items of a personal nature
- Meals and beverages

## CHILDREN:

- 3-12 years of age – €79
- Children under 3 years of age, on request only, NOT RECOMMENDED!
- German law requires all child passengers, regardless of size or age, to have a seat on a bus and use an approved safety seat provided by the customer. Infants are required to have their own seat.

## CANCELLATION FEES:

- From time of booking up to two weeks prior: €15 per person
- From 13 days until close of business 1 day prior to the tour date: 50% of the tour price
- Later, no refund.
- No refund for no-shows!

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## DEPARTURE POINT AND TIME:

- Ramstein Air Base Main Chapel parking lot: 3 a.m.  
Please park toward the center of the lot.

## SPECIAL NOTE!

- Don't forget your camera and plenty of film/storage!
- There is much walking involved on this tour! Inside the castle there are staircases to navigate. This is unavoidable.
- Strollers and backpacks are not allowed inside the castles.
- There is an approximately 30-minute walk uphill to Neuschwanstein Castle. Coaches are available for those not wanting to walk (not included).
- Meals may be widely spaced. Bring non-messy snacks for on the bus.



Oberammergau Passion Play

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