

*Martha's Travel Corner Presents:*  
*Martha's European Adventure*  
**September 1 - 12, 2025**



**Tour Highlights :**

**Stay 3-nights in Seefeld, Austria**

- Journey aboard the Achensee Railway, Cruise the Achensee and visit the Kristallwelten; tour Linderhof Palace, visit the Passion Play village of Oberammergau, and tour Ettal Abbey
- Visit Bolzano, the capital of Italy's Trentino Alto Adige

**Stay 2-nights in Treviso, Italy**

- Tour the legendary city of Venice
- Visit the hilltop village of Bergamo

**Stay 2-nights in Stresa, Italy**

- Tour the legendary Borromean Island of Isola Bella and visit Palazzo Borromeo
- Travel over the magnificent St. Gotthard Pass

**Stay 3-nights in Lucerne, Switzerland**

- Tour Lucerne and travel the Golden round trip to the summit of Mt. Pilatus

*“Travel is the only thing you buy that makes you richer” ~Unknown*  
*“While traveling, be prepared to expect the “unexpected” ~*  
*Myself*

## Day By Day Itinerary

### **Mon., Sept. 1 – CHICAGO / EN ROUTE**

We will depart Chicago's O'Hare International Airport this evening by scheduled service of Lufthansa German Airlines on the overnight transatlantic flight to Munich, Germany. **(I)**

### **Tues., Sept. 2 – MUNICH / SEEFELD**

On arrival in Munich we meet our Tour Manager who will accompany us throughout the vacation. Leaving Munich Airport we'll travel by autobahn south across the Austrian border to the Alpine resort of [Seefeld](#), located on a sunny plateau above the Inn River Valley amidst the grandeur of the imposing Karwendel and Wetterstein mountain ranges. As you'll soon find out, Seefeld is one of the most charming towns in Tyrol. With its compact town center, artistic homes, casino, restaurants and shopping options, few resorts can match its unique modern amenities and traditional charm. **(I,D)**

### **Wed., Sept. 3 – SEEFELD**

**(Achensee Railway and Cruise & Wattens)** A leisurely day on tour will take us to the village of Jenbach where we'll board the **Achensee Steam Cog Railway**. Sit back, relax and take in the scenery as this highly nostalgic and romantic experience will take us along lush meadows and through Alpine forests with impressive views of the Tyrolean Alps. On arrival in the village of Seespitz, we'll embark on a [Cruise of the Achensee](#), often called the "Fjord of the Alps." We'll disembark in Pertisau, once the private summer retreat of the Austrian Emperors, where free time will be set aside for a bite to eat and shopping along the lakeside promenade. On our return to Seefeld we'll stop in the market town of Wattens for a visit to [Swarovski's Kristallwelten](#), truly fantastic journey that will take us past works in crystal by world-renowned artists and into the six "chambers of Wonders." **(B)**

### **Thurs., Sept. 4 – SEEFELD (Fairytale Bavaria)**

Today we travel to the forests, meadows and peat bogs whose gentle undulations characterize the final slopes of the Ammergau Alps. Here we'll visit [Linderhof Palace](#), perhaps the most interesting of the castles built towards the end of the 19th century by "Mad" King Ludwig II of Bavaria. Our next stop will take us to **Oberammergau**, nestled in a wonderful landscape in the Ammergau Alps. Oberammergau is known not only for its Passion Play, but also for its wood carvings and

the so-called Luftmalerei, the paintings that decorate many of the walls of the old houses. We'll set aside time to wander the quaint downtown, an opportunity to visit the baroque Parish Church, to view the beautifully painted homes, many in fairytale design depicting scenes from Little Red Riding Hood and Hansel and Gretel. On the return to Seefeld, we'll stop to visit the Benedictine [Ettal Abbey](#) where the monks have been preparing special liqueurs for centuries. A visit will reveal the magnificent Rococo vestry and treasures in the monastery library that attract thousands of visitors each year. **(B)**

### **Fri., Sept. 5 – Fri., Sept. 5 – SEEFELD / Bolzano / TREVISO**

This morning we say "tschüss" to Seefeld and Austria as we travel south over the magnificent Brenner Pass and the Italian border to visit the city of Bolzano, the capital of Trentino Alto Adige. Bolzano's medieval city center, Gothic and Romanesque churches, and bilingual signage give it the flavor of a city at the crossroads of Austrian and Italian cultures. This afternoon we set our sights on [Treviso](#), (the birthplace of Tiramisu) Treviso is ideal for discovering the artistic and natural beauty of the Veneto region **(B,D)**

### **Sat., Sept. 6 – TREVISO (Venice)**

Today we journey to Venice. As we'll soon find out, Venice is singular among the world's cities, situated on a broad lagoon and built over a sprawling archipelago of little islands separated by more than 150 canals and 400 bridges. We'll see the Statue of Vittorio Emanuele II, the first king of a united Italy, and pass by the Hotel Danieli, a 19th century haunt for writers and artists alike, before reaching the Ponte della Paglia. Also known as the "Straw Bridge," it is here where we'll find the best views of the neighboring [Bridge of Sighs](#). Our walking tour will continue into the Piazza San Marco, a great marble saloon with covered galleries, famous cafes, and luxury shops. Here we'll see the Campanile, a 325-foot-high tower that provides an unforgettable view of Venice, and the remarkable Basilica San Marco. **(B,D)**

**Sun., Sept. 7 – Treviso / Bergamo / STRESA** This morning we will depart Ponzano and travel across the

Plains of Lombardy to visit the delightful hilltop village of Bergamo. Although the town is divided into two distinct parts, [Bergamo Alta](#) crowning the hill and airy Bergamo Bassa lying below, we'll spend our time in Bergamo Alta. Surrounded by 16th century Venetian walls, the Piazza Vecchia is home to one of the most appealing architectural collections in the region. We'll see the 12th century Torre del Comune, 16th century Biblioteca Civica, and the attractive 12th century Palazzo della Ragione, the oldest town hall in Italy, adorned with a statue of the lion of Venice. Following our visit, we'll continue our journey to the western shore of Lake Maggiore and the Italian Lake District resort of Stresa. Its beautiful countryside, architectural gems and mild climate combine to make Stresa one of the most popular destinations in the Piedmont region. **(B,D)**

### **Mon., Sept.8 – STRESA (Isola Bella)**

The [Borromean Islands](#), lying at the center of Lake Maggiore, are small jewels of natural beauty augmented by artificial grottoes, architectural follies, and landscaped parks. A relaxing day in Stresa will begin with a trip by motor launch to the legendary Borromean Island of Isola Bella, where we'll visit the **Palazzo Borromeo**, the epitome of opulence and luxury. Afterward, we'll return to Stresa, or you may prefer to venture off to Isola dei Pescatori and Isola Madre. Despite the Alpine setting, the islands share a pleasant climate, but each offers a very different experience. The afternoon is free in Stresa to explore the picturesque Old Town with its maze of narrow streets, or to simply stroll along the splendid flower-decked lake promenade and enjoy one of Italy's most beautiful lake and mountain views. **(B)**

### **Tues., Sept.9 – STRESA / Gotthard Pass / LUCERNE**

This morning we depart Stresa and say "arrivederci" to Italy as we travel across the Swiss border - and weather permitting - ascend the magnificent St. Gotthard Pass, often referred to as the "King of Mountain Passes". This majestic Alpine crossing forms a weather, water and cultural divide between north and south and has fascinated those passing through for centuries. We'll stop for lunch high atop the Gotthard Pass before descending into central Switzerland on our way to the sparkling blue shores of Lake Lucerne, unquestionably one of Europe's most charming destinations with stunning lake and mountain scenery. Our destination is the city of Lucerne, the gateway to central Switzerland, ideally situated in the historic and scenic heart of what many believe to be the 'true' Switzerland. **(B,D)**

### **Wed., Sept. 10 – LUCERNE**

Our introduction to Lucerne will begin with a leisurely

walk along the Reuss River past the Jesuits' Church to the Spreuer Bridge, whose painted gables portray the "**Dance of Death**" commemorating a plague outbreak in the 17th century. Next, we'll stroll across the famous **Chapel Bridge** adorned with paintings that depict the history of Lucerne and Switzerland. From here our walking tour continues into Altstadt with its charming houses, painted facades and flower-decked fountains. We'll pause in the Weinmarkt and take in Hirschenplatz Square, Lucerne's Town Hall and the painted Pfistern guildhall on Kornmarkt Square.

Following our tour, free time will be set aside to explore Lucerne on our own. Enjoy a walk along the lakeside promenade between the Schweizerhofquai and Nationalquai for views of Mount Pilatus, and view the Lion Monument, hewn out of natural rock in memory of the Swiss Guard. **(B)**

### **Thurs., Sept. 11 – LUCERNE (Mt. Pilatus)**

Another leisurely day on tour begins with a **Cruise on the Vierwaldstättersee** to Alpnachstad from here we board the [Pilatus Railway](#), the steepest rack railway in the world, to the summit of Mount Pilatus. On a clear day you can see beyond Switzerland to Austria, France, Germany, Italy and Liechtenstein. Our descent will take us on an exciting aerial cableway and panoramic gondola down to the village of Kriens. This evening, we'll end our vacation in grand style with an evening of singing, dancing, yodeling and other fun activities.

### **Fri., Sept. 12 – LUCERNE / Zurich / CHICAGO**

This morning we will say "auf wiedersehen" to Lucerne and travel to Zurich Airport in preparation for our journey home. No better time to reflect on memories of our vacation to last a lifetime and celebrate the beginning of new friendships made along the way!

### **WELCOME HOME!!!**

#### **Meal Codes:**

**I = In-flight B = Breakfast L = Lunch D = Dinner**

#### **Requested Hotels**

Seefeld = [Hotel Hocheder](#)

Treviso = [Treviso Maggior Consiglio Hotel](#)

Stresa = [Grand Hotel Bristol](#)

Lucerne = [Hotel Seeburg](#)

## **Pricing Information:**

**Air and Land price for double occupancy: \$5300.00(includes air from Chicago ORD) rates from other gateways can be provided.**

**Single Supplement: \$650.00**

**The Vacation Price Includes: PER PERSON (air from Chicago O'Hare included) •** Economy-class airline transportation by scheduled service of

• Transportation by deluxe private motor coach with accompanying Tour Escort. • Accommodations in four-star hotels.

• Buffet breakfast each morning and all meals as shown in the Day by Day Itinerary. • Sightseeing as detailed in the Day by Day Itinerary including applicable entrance fees. • Luggage handling and portorage charges for one suitcase per person at the hotels. \* • Taxes for included ground services.

**The Vacation Price Does Not Include:** Items of a personal nature such as passport fees; **travel insurance;** (Can be provided by Martha's Travel Corner, ask for details) luggage handling at airports; and meals other than those stated above. Anything listed as **Optional Excursions** are not included in pricing.

### **Tipping Suggestions:**

**Suggested gratuity for the tour manager is \$10.00 per person, per day.**

**The driver's suggestion is \$5.00 per person, per day.**

**For local city guides, the suggestion is 1 Euro per person for a half day tour.**

**RESERVATION APPLICATION**

**PLEASE ENCLOSE A COPY OF THE PHOTO PAGE OF YOUR PASSPORT WITH YOUR RESERVATION.**

Please return to: Martha's Travel Corner P.O. Box 1116 Oswego, IL 60543

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ places for me/us on **The European Tour September 1 - 12, 2025** Enclosed is my/our check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (\$500.00 deposit per person)

**Final Payment due for Tour: July 15, 2025 (tour pricing of \$5300.00 per person includes air out of Chicago ORD)**

Please make checks payable to: **MARTHA'S TRAVEL CORNER. Payments can be made by credit card; however a 3.5% per transaction surcharge applies on all transactions.**

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount to Be Charged: \_\_\_\_\_

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Area Code Home Area Code Cell

I will room with (if other than spouse ) \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one: **Twin room** \_\_\_\_\_ ( **Two beds** ) **Double room** \_\_\_\_\_ ( **one bed**, usually a King size depending on hotel) **Single room** \_\_\_\_\_ (one bed for single)

I do not have a roommate but will share. If a roommate cannot be found, I will pay the **single room supplement of \$650.00.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact** \_\_\_\_\_ **Telephone** \_\_\_\_\_

Wheelchair assistance? \_\_\_\_\_ List Dietary Restrictions \_\_\_\_\_



## TOUR CONDITIONS

**TOUR DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT:** Reservations may be made by check or major credit card. Credit cards can be accepted for payment(s); however, the vacation price reflects a 4% cash discount. Please call InterTrav at 630-377-5840 to arrange payment by credit card; 4% of the payment amount will be assessed on credit card payments. You will be invoiced for the balance of payment due on or before **Friday, May 30, 2025**. Reservation requests received after **Friday, May 30, 2025**, are subject to tour availability.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** The tour price is based on a minimum participation of 25 persons and includes planning, and operational charges and is quoted on the current rate of exchange, tariff rates and airfares in effect as of December 1, 2024. In the event of a marked increase in foreign currency or in tariff rates, the cost is subject to revision.

**TOUR PRICING:** This is a package tour in which group airfares and land tour costs have been combined in the most advantageous way. Should you wish to deviate from the package tour by changing your departure and/or return dates of travel, this will eliminate the advantages of the package tour price. There will be a service charge of \$100 per person for altering the airline itinerary, plus any additional charges assessed by the airlines.

**CANCELLATION:** If after making your initial deposit you find it necessary to cancel from the tour for any reason, there is a cancellation charge equal to the per person deposit up to 100 days prior to departure. For cancellation between 99 and 65 days prior to departure, there is a cancellation charge equal to 50% of the tour cost. For cancellation within 64 days of departure, the cancellation charge is 100% of the tour cost. **IMPORTANT:** Cancellations will not be accepted by telephone and must be sent in writing to: InterTrav Corporation, 203 State Avenue, St. Charles, IL 60174, or emailed to [travel@intertravcorp.com](mailto:travel@intertravcorp.com) or [marthajconover@gmail.com](mailto:marthajconover@gmail.com)

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