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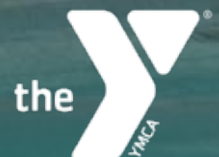
- \$5,029/double occupancy
- Price valid through Mar. 3, 2026
- Final pmnt. due Jun. 4, 2026
- 13 meals included
- Air fair included in price
- \$698 non-refundable deposit required at registration.

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Day 1: Discover spectacular Switzerland, Austria and Bavaria on a tour featuring 4-night stays in two cities.

Day 2: Arrive today in Bern, the capital of Switzerland. This UNESCO World Heritage site rests in the Swiss countryside. The cobbled Old Town section is so well preserved that residents who lived here 500 years ago would still find it familiar today. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner featuring local cuisine.

Day 3: Explore delightful Bern on a panoramic sightseeing tour, led by a local guide, passing by the Bundeshaus (the Swiss Parliament), the famous Bear Pit, the Rose Gardens and the gothic cathedral which dominates Old Town's skyline. The remainder of the day is yours to explore independently. Perhaps you'll take a ride in the red carriages of the Gurtenbahn funicular railway, climbing Gurten Mountain to an altitude of 2,574 feet (858 meters) for impressive views of Bern, the surrounding towns and mountains.

Day 4: Today, visit Habkern, the small mountain village outside of Interlaken boasting classic postcard imagery of Switzerland. Enjoy a tour with a local workshop owner to learn how the alphorn is made and even entertain your musical side by playing one, and explore the world of yodeling through a professional demonstration — perhaps you're a natural and never knew! Finish your afternoon with a fondue lunch at a local restaurant before heading back to Bern. Enjoy the rest of your afternoon at leisure.

Day 5: Set out for Lucerne, the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake." Enjoy a leisurely paced walking tour, exploring the hidden treasures of this 800-year-old city such as the covered Chapel Bridge; the famous Water Tower, which has served as a prison, watchtower and treasury; the Renaissance-style Town Hall; the baroque Jesuit Church; and the Lion Monument, carved from natural rock to commemorate the heroic Swiss Guard. Spend the free afternoon in this magnificent city or perhaps join an optional tour to the legendary Mount Pilatus. Tonight, upon return to Bern, dine at one of Bern's great restaurants.

Day 6: En route to Innsbruck, make your way through Liechtenstein, the smallest German-speaking country in the world and the only country to lie entirely within the Alps. Spend some time in this tiny capital and wander the winding cobbled streets of Mitteldorf, Vaduz's little old quarter and walk down Stadtle, the center of Vaduz, referred as "small town" by the locals. Continue towards Austria, and savor a free afternoon to settle into the beautiful city of Innsbruck.

Day 7: This morning, it's your choice! Select one of two leisurely walking tours: join a local guide as you discover the city's history and culture while passing popular attractions including Maria-Theresien-Strasse, the Hofburg, and the "Golden Roof" —OR— you may embark on a tour focusing on Innsbruck's unique architectural structures including its famous ski jump. Spend the afternoon at leisure in this charming town or perhaps you'll choose to join an optional tour to the charming village of Seefeld. Tonight, experience the rich musical tradition of mountainous Austria during a Tyrolean folklore show hosted by a well-known local musical family.

Day 8: Travel through the picturesque Austrian countryside to Salzburg. Enjoy a walking tour featuring Mirabell Gardens (seen in *The Sound of Music*), the quaint Getreidegasse (birthplace of Mozart), and many other highlights of this beautiful city. Complete your afternoon with a delightful lunch at the 1,200-year-old St. Peter's Restaurant, the oldest in Austria and still owned by the monks.

Day 9: Tour Linderhof Palace, the only palace out of three that King Ludwig II lived to see completed. Walk the extraordinary halls that were modeled after Versailles with an expert guide and bask in the luxury of past royals. After, make your way to the Ettal Abbey* — a Benedictine monastery founded in 1330 by Louis IV. Here, you'll tour the Basilica followed by a brewery tour complete with tastings. Next, return to Innsbruck. Tonight, you are treated to a farewell dinner at a traditional Tyrolean restaurant.

Day 10: Your tour comes to an end in Innsbruck.

Optional Cancellation Waiver and Travel insurance of \$549 available.

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