



# Oberammergau 2020

16 May to 4 October 2020

*Nearly 400 years ago the history of the Passion Play began. The plague raged in many parts of Europe and did not spare Oberammergau either.*

## THE HISTORY

In 1633 the Oberammergau villagers promised to perform the suffering, death and resurrection of Christ every tenth year, in so far as no one was to die of the plague anymore. The villagers were answered by God and therefore in 1634 the first Passion Play took place. By the middle of the 18th century, spectators from all over Germany came to Oberammergau attracted by the great power and atmosphere of the play. 2020 will see the 42nd instalment of the play that the citizens of Oberammergau have maintained through the centuries with unique continuity.

In a five-hour-performance, more than 2000 participants bring the story of Jesus of Nazareth to the impressive open-air stage of the Passion Play Theatre. Almost half of Oberammergau's population will devotedly act out the story of the man whose tidings for more than 2000 years have brought hope and power of life to an incredible number of people. They will play it from his entry into Jerusalem until his death at the cross and his resurrection.

All this against the backdrop of the words of the evangelist Luke at the end of his description of the tale of suffering: "And all the crowds that had assembled for this spectacle, when they saw what had taken

place, returned home beating their breasts." (Lk 23,48)

In total, Oberammergau expects 450,000 visitors at 103 playing dates. The Passion Play is uniquely connected to the culture of Bavaria and its well-preserved tradition. Ever since 1634, the world's most successful amateur dramatic performance keeps finding new ways to tell the story of the last days in the life of Jesus of Nazareth. The text versions are always a reflection the respective time period and its political circumstances. "The staging changes fundamentally every time", says Christian Stückl, who will direct the Play for the fourth time in 2020. 102 days commencing 16 May 2020.



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**PASSION  
PLAY**  
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## OBERAMMERGAU LINK

Join us on this once in a lifetime opportunity to attend the Oberammergau Passion Play in 2020.

Simply add the following land cost supplement to your preferred Harvest pilgrimage. Your Harvest consultant can advise you of the best available airfare from the final stop of your pilgrimage to Munich. Look for the Oberammergau Option symbol  listed against selected 2020 pilgrimage departures throughout this brochure.

### 2 Night / 3 Day Package (share twin or double)

# \$1790

Per Person / Plus best available airfare to Munich

## INCLUSIONS

### 2 Night / 3 Day Package

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Return Private transportation from Munich to Oberammergau</li> <li>+ 2 Nights Oberammergau vicinity Hotel Category B or C in comfortable high standard accommodation. <i>NOTE: Certain departures may comprise of 1 night in Munich and 1 night Oberammergau.</i></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Admission ticket to the 2020 Passion Play (Category TC1 or TC2)</li> <li>+ 2 Dinners and 2 Breakfasts</li> <li>+ Programme Book for 2020 Passion Play</li> <li>+ Shuttle bus service to the performance venue from your accommodation</li> </ul> |
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- + Single supplement available on application
- + Some departures will comprise of 1 night Munich and a 1 night Oberammergau package – your Harvest Consultant will advise if this applies to your dates
- + An additional bridging night(s) may be required at the commencement of your package in Munich on some departures (approximately \$140AUD per person / per night / twin share)
- + Seats are strictly limited and therefore we cannot guarantee that displayed options are available at the time of your booking
- + Price does not include flight(s) to / from Munich at the beginning or end of this programme. Most airlines offer regular flight options from Munich to Australia after your Oberammergau 2020 package
- + Prices above may vary slightly where certain package departures are based on an alternate standard of accommodation or performance seating

Priest travels free / SAVE \$200pp

### PARISH PLAN

See page 10/11 for more details

## PACKAGE PLANNER 2020

Tour Series	Page	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct
1. Footsteps of Jesus	14	✓	✓			✓	✓
2. Visitations of Mary	20	✓				✓	
3. Graces of France	22	✓	✓			✓	
4. Treasures of Italy	26	✓	✓			✓	
5. St Francis & Rome	30	✓	✓			✓	
6. St Paul & the Early Church	34	✓		✓	✓	✓	
7. Graces of Eastern Europe	36		✓	✓			
8. Soul of Ireland	38					✓	
9. Queen of Peace	40	✓	✓			✓	

*“The highlight spiritually for me was the Oberammergau Passion Play. It was a powerful and emotive presentation in speech and song which reminded me of what had happened to Jesus and how it deeply affected the disciples, Mary and the local people both then and for thousands of years since.”*

— **Cherry Jackson**