



LONGER STAYS | SMALLER GROUPS | 2026-2027

European Christmas

New Year & Northern Lights



Tours departing November 2026 – March 2027 from
Australia's Multi Award-Winning Specialised Tour Operator

CELEBRATING



YEARS

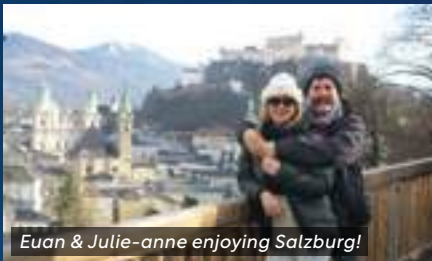
Has it really been **thirty years** since I led our very first Christmas tour to Europe? I look back at the simple joys that excited us then: the Christmas markets, the warmth of mulled wine, the fun in the snow, and strolling – or sliding – through those small Alpine towns and villages. But it's that feeling that truly sticks with me – the rich mix of excitement, love, gratitude, beauty, and anticipation, and the sheer joy of making memories.

Now, we want to celebrate and rekindle all those emotions. So, we've planned something truly extraordinary for 2026. It's so absolutely unique that I'm not sharing all the details in this brochure!

If you have a sense of adventure, love surprises, laughter, and playing in the mountains, you'll want to join us! All I'll reveal is that it begins early December in Zurich and concludes... mid December in Munich! Keep your eye on our website or sign up to the enewsletter for more!

Euan

Euan Landsborough, Founder & Tour Designer



Euan & Julie-anne enjoying Salzburg!

COME SHARE OUR LOVE OF EUROPE

Europe at Christmas is an unparalleled joy. Medieval cities transform into twinkling, aromatic wonderlands with world-famous markets. Wander cobblestone streets with warm mulled wine, discovering local treats. The magic continues into the New Year, offering an extra layer of festive celebration. Whether it's the cozy charm of Christmas or the spectacular fireworks of New Year's Eve, it's an unforgettable European escape.

Decades of dedication have gone into meticulously perfecting every one of these established itineraries, crafted exclusively for the Australian and New Zealand traveller.

Each journey is an annual event, most limited to a single departure date and capped at just twenty-eight travellers. This deliberate focus on scale and quality assures you an unforgettable, unhurried, and truly magnificent experience that simply can't be replicated on larger tours or on numerous departures.



Dresden Christmas Market, Germany

Choose your perfect festive holiday



Visit fabulous Christmas Markets, enjoy exciting activities and be home before Christmas Day.

Days	Tour name	Start date	End date	Start city	End city	Page
13	Swiss Alpine Christmas Markets	29 Nov 26	11 Dec 26	Munich	Milan	19
11	German & Austrian Christmas Markets	30 Nov 26	10 Dec 26	Frankfurt	Munich	21
11	Bohemian Christmas Markets	4 Dec 26	14 Dec 26	Berlin	Munich	20
12	Swiss Christmas Markets, Mountains & the GoldenPass Express	4 Dec 26	15 Dec 26	Zürich	Zürich	18



Enjoy the ultimate Christmas holiday spending 6 or 7 nights in one specially selected hotel and use this as your base.

Days	Tour name	Start date	End date	Start city	End city	Page
8	Austrian Christmas Holiday	19 Dec 26	26 Dec 26	Munich	Munich	24
9	Swiss Christmas Holiday	19 Dec 26	27 Dec 26	Zürich	Luzern	23
8	German Christmas Holiday	21 Dec 26	28 Dec 26	Frankfurt	Luzern	25



For the ultimate European festive escape, our expertly-crafted Christmas Tours are the perfect choice.

Days	Tour name	Start date	End date	Start city	End city	Page
17	An Alpine Christmas Adventure	12 Dec 26	28 Dec 26	Milan	Munich	36
16	Bohemia and Christmas in the Tyrol	12 Dec 26	27 Dec 26	Frankfurt	Munich	33
15	Austria, Slovenia & Christmas in Croatia	14 Dec 26	28 Dec 26	Vienna	Venice	27
14	Swiss Alps and Christmas in Bavaria	15 Dec 26	28 Dec 26	Zürich	Munich	35
12	A Medieval Bohemian Christmas	16 Dec 26	27 Dec 26	Frankfurt	Munich	32
11	A Swiss Christmas in Grindelwald	17 Dec 26	27 Dec 26	Zürich	Luzern	38
11	A Swiss Christmas in Zermatt	17 Dec 26	27 Dec 26	Munich	Luzern	39
12	Christmas in the Swiss Alps	17 Dec 26	28 Dec 26	Munich	Luzern	37
12	Christmas in the Slovenian Alps	17 Dec 26	28 Dec 26	Munich	Munich	29
11	Christmas in the Austrian Tyrol	17 Dec 26	27 Dec 26	Munich	Munich	31
11	Christmas in an Italian Castle	18 Dec 26	28 Dec 26	Munich	Milan	28
10	Austrian White Christmas	19 Dec 26	28 Dec 26	Vienna	Munich	30
10	German Fairytale Christmas	19 Dec 26	28 Dec 26	Frankfurt	Luzern	34



Enjoy either a ‘stand-alone’ tour or extend your Christmas Tour or Christmas Holiday and celebrate the New Year in Europe.

Days	Tour name	Start date	End date	Start city	End city	Page
8	A Swiss New Year Adventure	28 Dec 26	4 Jan 27	Luzern	Zürich	41
7	New Year in an Italian Castle	28 Dec 26	3 Jan 27	Munich	Milan	42
9	New Year in an Italian Villa & Tuscany	28 Dec 26	5 Jan 27	Milan	Rome	43
10	New Year in Austria, Slovenia and CastelBrando	28 Dec 26	6 Jan 27	Munich	Venice	44



Journey into the deep winter, where the darkness is complete and the Arctic landscape is the perfect stage for the shimmering, unforgettable Aurora Borealis.

Days	Tour name	Start date	End date	Start city	End city	Page
9	Northern Lights, Ice Hotels & Huskies	12 Feb 27	20 Feb 27	Helsinki	Stockholm	47
12	Iceland - Fire, Ice Caves & Frozen Waterfalls	21 Feb 27	4 Mar 27	Reykjavik	Reykjavik	46
9	Northern Lights, Ice Hotels & Huskies	15 Mar 27	23 Mar 27	Helsinki	Stockholm	47
12	Iceland - Fire, Ice Caves & Frozen Waterfalls	24 Mar 27	4 Apr 27	Reykjavik	Reykjavik	46

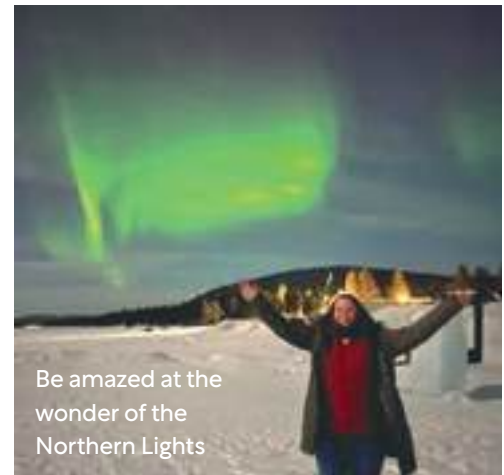




Be whisked into snow covered woods on a reindeer sleigh



Catch the light inside the magnificent Blue Crystal Ice Cave



Be amazed at the wonder of the Northern Lights



Be guided on an excursion to the Diamond Beach



Hit the slopes in Grindelwald



Stay overnight in a Glass Villa in Kemi



Ride on a Baltic Ice Breaker and swim with the icebergs

So many amazing experiences

Seeing the Northern Lights is a moment of pure wonder. Experiencing a joyful Christmas Market brings seasonal warmth. Even the thrill of dry suit sea bathing offers a unique Arctic rush. These contrasting experiences capture the full spectrum of winter joy — from peaceful awe to invigorating adventure. Join us!



Memories of your visit to Neuschwanstein Castle



Try something new, like snowshoeing



See the world's largest advent calendar in Gengenbach



Relax onboard the panoramic GoldenPass Express in Switzerland



Marvel at the Austrian countryside on a horse-drawn carriage



Celebrate a European Christmas with the family



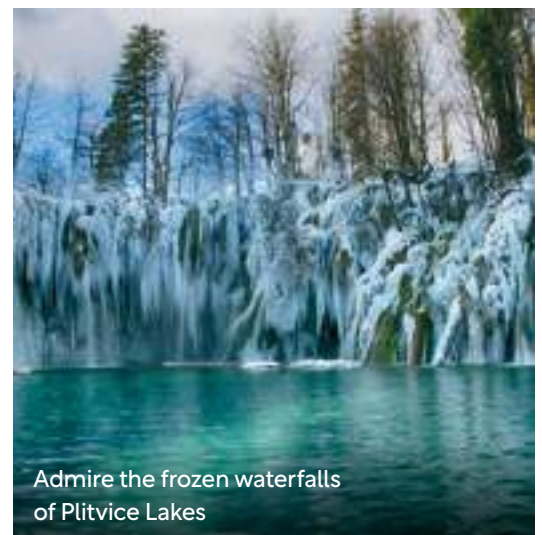
Visit the Christmas Markets and embrace the festive spirit



Visit romantic Venice, more serene in winter



Take a seat and admire the festive atmosphere in Bled



Admire the frozen waterfalls of Plitvice Lakes

Our guests share the love

There's no better way to understand the magic of our tours than through the eyes of those who've experienced it. From the festive glow of European Christmas Markets to the stunning shimmer of the Northern Lights, our guests share their unforgettable journeys. Read on to see why they choose us for their dream European adventure.



"Excellent tour all round.
Wouldn't change a thing.
Look forward to doing another
Albatross tour in the future."

Lenette | German and Austrian
Christmas Markets

"I have loved every minute
of this tour. It has exceeded
my expectations."

Kim | Austrian White Christmas

"The whole thing was magical,
perfectly managed and the
hotel in Kirchberg was perfect.
Deryck and Jurg were the
best people to take us on this
tour, they were fantastic in
every way."

Vanessa | Bohemia & Christmas in the Tyrol

"The Northern Lights,
Ice Hotel and Huskies Tour
was absolutely amazing.
From the stunning scenery, to
Glass Villa's beside the frozen
Baltic Sea, Snow shoe walking,
driving snowmobiles on the
frozen Baltic sea and also
driving snowmobiles at night
through the snow, Husky and
Reindeer rides and going on
an ice breaker ship. This was
the best holiday I have ever
been on. An active holiday and
so many new experiences.
Learning about Lapland
culture and the Sami people.
Our tour director Christian
made the tour for us by being
friendly, informative and
having a good sense
of humour. The hotels
were excellent."

Louise | Northern Lights, Ice Hotel
and Huskies

"We had never done a tour
before and this was a
marvellous introduction.
The tour guide was efficient
friendly and professional.
The tour was extremely well
balanced regarding pre booked
attractions and free time."

Pamela W | German &
Austrian Christmas Markets

"This was my first trip with
Albatross and I was extremely
happy with the overall
experience. The experience of
having a white Christmas was
amazing. The hotel at Klosters
arranged Carols in the Forest
on Christmas Eve. It was an
experience I will never forget."

Pamela A | An Alpine Christmas Adventure

"Overall an amazing tour seeing
both familiar places and new
sights. The town of Český
Krumlov was an experience
we will remember for the rest
of our lives and to be able to
spend 3 days exploring was
simply amazing. We loved the
whole journey."

Andrew | A Medieval Bohemian Christmas

"Loved the multiple nights
stay in most towns. Enjoyed
having free time to explore on
my own. Also loved having
free evenings to dine
somewhere of my choice.
The small tour group was
much preferred. Liked the fact
that all costs, including tips for
tour director, driver and local
guides etc were included in
the tour price."

Annette | Swiss Alpine Christmas Markets

"Albatross tours are professional
have great itineraries and stay
at the best hotels. We did the
Swiss Alpine Xmas tour and
was not disappointed. This is
the 2nd time I've toured with
them and highly recommend
any tour they are involved in."

Debra | Swiss Alpine Christmas Markets

"I couldn't help telling everyone
how amazing my trip it was,
particularly how much
I enjoyed the beautiful vistas
after nightly snowfall, not
to mention the fabulous
Christmas markets."

Karen | Swiss Alpine Christmas Markets

"Spent an amazing Christmas in
the Swiss Alps at Grindelwald,
all the hotels on tour were
great, sightseeing experiences
amongst the snow was
magical. Karen our guide was
great, all included sightseeing,
activities and meals were
good. Highly recommend."

Neil | Christmas in the Swiss Alps

"Our family of 3 generations
have just completed the
German Christmas Holiday
Tour. It was WONDERFUL
and exceeded expectations.
Our Tour Guide Darren was
excellent as was the coach
driver Mark who we always felt
safe. The accommodation at
Horberg, Hotel Schloss was
lovely and the owners went
above and beyond to make
us feel welcome.. would
highly recommend."

Coralie | German Christmas Holiday

So much included

With Albatross it is always included, never at an extra cost

- ✓ ALL excursions, scenic drives, sightseeing and entrances as described
- ✓ Hand Selected Experiences described in this brochure
- ✓ Experienced Tour Manager and local guides as described on the website
- ✓ All tips to your Tour Manager, Driver and local guides
- ✓ Specially selected, authentic style accommodation in superb locations
- ✓ Internal flights (where applicable)
- ✓ Hotel portorage (where available)
- ✓ Breakfasts daily, often with a local flavour
- ✓ **FESTIVE MEALS OVER CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR**
- ✓ Coffee & Tea
- ✓ Complimentary alcoholic beverage with all included dinners
- ✓ ALL transport as described including first class coach travel
- ✓ FREE WiFi at hotels (where available)

Enjoy venturing across the Austrian countryside on a horse-drawn carriage

Enjoy longer stays



We guarantee you, 'My Time'



Wander through local markets

Enjoy the difference – 3, 4, 5, 6 and even 7 night stays

Let's face it nobody likes unpacking their bags each evening and then having to re-pack them again early the next morning. That is why we feature longer stays on our festive tour programmes, with one-night stays rare. On our Christmas Holiday tours enjoy 6 or 7 nights in one location.

Unpack Less, Explore More: Settle into your comfortable accommodation and eliminate the stress of constant packing and unpacking. Our Festive Tours often start in one of the major historic cities and then, as Christmas approaches we escape to the snow-covered mountains or quaint towns and villages.

Maximise Each Stay: Spend more time experiencing the wonders of each destination.

Local Immersion: With longer, relaxing stays in terrific locations, you will have more time to capture that essential European winter magic and relax surrounded by astounding alpine scenery. Be enticed by visits to chic ski resorts, stunning palaces and sleepy snow dusted monasteries. Not forgetting those gorgeous cobbled town centres full of Christmas Markets buzzing with festivities.

'My time' guaranteed



Take your time over a leisurely breakfast

Relax and explore at your own pace

At Albatross Tours we believe your European experience can be greatly enhanced by ensuring you enjoy 'My Time'. Whilst our specially designed itineraries are always packed with exciting activities, we also make sure you have quality free time for yourself.

Time to wander those glorious Christmas markets, shop for presents and souvenirs and taste the delicious European festive fare. Time to immerse yourself in each destination. Time to linger over a coffee, mingle with locals and wander cobblestoned streets or play in the snow. This free time is essential.

With our longer stays you are guaranteed 'My Time' on every Albatross tour... time to relax and savour Europe as it should be. That is the Albatross difference.



Time to play in the snow

Travel in smaller groups



Relax in a local restaurant



Holiday with new found friends

Everything is more personal

Albatross Tours is one of the earliest innovators of small group coach touring. We understood the enormous benefits of travellers being in smaller, personal groups. Our average size is just 22 guests and we cap our tours at 28. We choose to run with smaller groups because we know you will have a more enjoyable touring experience. In addition to more personalised service from your Tour Manager, you will find it so much easier to get to know your fellow travelling companions, plus:

- ✓ Your coach will never be crowded, as you get greater personal space. On an average sized group tour, everyone is even guaranteed a window seat!
- ✓ We stay in smaller, traditional hotels that larger groups cannot even consider.
- ✓ We can dine in quaint, cosy local restaurants.
- ✓ It's easier getting on and off the coach, pausing for rest stops and accessing popular attractions.
- ✓ Travelling in small groups provides social opportunities, and can better create lifelong friendships!

Award-winning touring



Enjoy a window seat and plenty of personal space

Image taken by Albatross travellers M. & W. Sproul



Soak in the stunning views of the Alps on a cable car



Albatross Tour Manager Gilberto Bionda



Journey across stunning landscapes

Image courtesy of Switzerland Tourism

Spacious, first class local travel

Albatross Tours use first class, modern touring coaches with 40-45 seats. Even if your tour group is full with 28 travellers you can be certain there will always be between 12 and 17 spare seats. What does this mean to you? Not only will you always enjoy more personal space and that essential extra 'elbow room' but you can usually expect to get your own private window seat and an empty seat beside you. Trust us, when travelling through the remarkable Alpine winter wonderland you will relish the uninterrupted, magical views you will always get.

Onboard our coaches you will experience high quality reclining seats, spacious leg room, air conditioning, additional luggage space, great sound insulation and comfortable suspension. Our coaches also feature 2 doors to make it easier to get on and off the coach, and of course on-board toilets for emergencies.

More than a coach tour

Albatross Tours are cleverly designed for the modern day traveller and so it goes without saying we also include other fantastic transport styles including horse drawn carriages, cable cars, husky sleds and special scenic trains like the Glacier Express Panoramic Train.

Our expert Tour Managers

Our professional, highly experienced Tour Managers are passionate about providing the very best touring experience that you can imagine. With a reputation for being some of the finest in the business, they'll attend to your needs, share their knowledge, join in the fun, and take care of every detail to ensure your holiday runs smoothly.

And, because Albatross Tours are so inclusive, your Tour Manager won't be concerned with 'selling' optional extras or taking you to 'special' stores. Their only interest is being friendly, helpful and knowledgeable travelling companions and guides; which is why they receive such overwhelming praise from our guests.



Meet a selection of Tour Managers at
albatrosstours.com.au/tour-managers
or scan the QR code.

Your loyalty rewarded



Following your first Albatross tour you will receive complimentary membership to Albatross Club with the following benefits:

- \$100 per person saving on any European Christmas, New Year or Northern Lights Tour
- Albatross Club e-newsletter
- Invitation to join Albatross Club exclusive tour departures
- Priority access to Albatross Traveller gatherings



After you have completed three Albatross tours you will receive a complimentary upgrade to Albatross Sapphire Club, with these benefits:

- \$200 per person saving on any European Christmas, New Year or Northern Lights Tour
- Albatross Sapphire Club e-newsletter
- An invitation to join Albatross Club exclusive tour departures
- Exclusive Albatross Sapphire Club gatherings
- Priority access to Albatross Traveller gatherings



Watch our
30th Anniversary
Events video



We make Christmas so special



Europe's perfect Christmas backdrops



Let someone else do the hard work



We Capture the Magic!

The perfect Christmas

There is one word in German that seems to sum up what Christmas should be all about. It is called *Gemütlichkeit* (pronounced Ga-moute-liccc-t-kite). There is no single English word quite like it. It describes the feeling of warmth, ambience, friendliness and good cheer. Our Christmas tours and holidays are specifically designed to bring alive the nostalgia and joy of the Festive Season. To let you embrace the *Gemütlichkeit*. When you think about it, that's not a bad way to want to feel over Christmas! And that's precisely what an Albatross holiday is all about.

Let us take care of you

The pleasure of entertaining over Christmas is wonderful but it also can be such hard work. But what if your next Christmas was away from it all? You've worked so hard all year and just one time wouldn't it be nice to have a 'White Christmas in Europe', a real holiday, without all the hassles? One where your hardest choice is what to wear for dinner, and your easiest choice is the company of new found friends. The good news is when you enjoy your festive holiday with Albatross you can rest assured that everything will be taken care of. Our team of European tour specialists look after the research, planning, organisation, bookings, payments, the driving, festive dinners and all the trimmings. Oh yes, and the washing up! You just provide the laughter. Our tours are so different. Of course, they are, because they have been designed specifically for you – Australians and New Zealanders – like-minded travellers, seeking a deeper and more fulfilling touring experience.

Christmas Market Tours

What better way to do your Christmas shopping than at Europe's most festive markets? Capture the European Christmas magic in the midst of the holiday season on our small group Christmas Market Tours. Visit fabulous Christmas Markets, enjoy exciting activities, experience thrilling mountain adventures and be home in time for Christmas Day.

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Capture the European Christmas magic

Swiss Christmas Markets, Mountains & the GoldenPass Express



Capture the Christmas magic at Einsiedeln

Explore some of Switzerland's most delightful Christmas markets from Zürich with its singing Christmas tree and Montreux's lakeside markets to Einsiedeln's picturesque market in front of the iconic, massive cathedral and Basel's internationally renowned markets on Barfüsserplatz and Münsterplatz. Ride in panoramic carriages across the high Alps on the GoldenPass Express panoramic train, visit Geneva and sip wine on the UNESCO listed Lavaux Wine road. Explore Charlie Chaplin's House, Château de Chillon, ride up to 3,000 metres on a rotating aerial cable car, experience a cliff top suspension bridge, try snowshoe walking and stay 3 nights in a stunning mountain hotel. Fabulous!



Explore the Christmas Markets in Zürich

Day 1 Zürich welcome drink and dinner.
3-night stay at Hotel Glockenhof, Zürich. D
Day 2 Zürich sightseeing, Einsiedeln Abbey and Christmas Markets. B
Day 3 'My Time' Zürich. B
Day 4 Schaffhausen Rhine Falls and Basel.
2-night stay at Mövenpick Hotel, Basel. B, D
Day 5 Basel, 'My Time' and Switzerland's Best Christmas Markets. B
Day 6 Medieval Bern and Château de Chillon.
3-night stay at Mona, Montreux. B, D
Day 7 'My Time', Montreux's Christmas Markets and Freddie Mercury. B
Day 8 Charlie Chaplin, Geneva and the Lavaux Wine Road. B, D
Day 9 GoldenPass Express panoramic train, Interlaken and Trübsee Alpine Lodge. 3-night stay at Berghotel Trübsee Alpine Lodge, Titlis. B, D
Day 10 Mt Titlis cliff walk, glacier caves and snowshoe walk. B, L, D
Day 11 Luzern, the wooden bridges and Farewell Dinner. B, D
Day 12 To Zürich. B

Inclusions

19 meals including breakfast daily B, 1 Lunch L and 7 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, personal audio systems, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Einsiedeln Abbey and Christmas Markets
- Charlie Chaplin's House
- Château de Chillon Guided Tour
- Snow Shoe Walk
- Titlis Rotair Cable Car
- GoldenPass Express Panoramic Train
- Lavaux Wine Road
- Rhine Falls
- Luzern Walking Tour

2026 Departure and Price

Dec 4

Twin share pp	Solo
\$8,987	\$10,987

Exclusively for 28 guests



Discover more

Swiss Alpine Christmas Markets



Soak up the festive feel in Innsbruck

Explore some of Switzerland's most delightful Christmas markets. Take in Switzerland's mighty snow-covered mountains and lose yourself in a Bavarian 'fairytale' castle on our longest Christmas Market tour yet. The Swiss Alpine Tour celebrates the beauty and majesty of the Swiss Alps at the most festive time of year! Take a cable car ride up the Schilthorn for a unique 'Schilthorn Brunch' and a suspended cliff-clinging walk. Experience the magic of the glorious festive Christmas Markets of Innsbruck, Montreux, and Bern, enjoy mountain funicular rides and the scenic GoldenPass Express panoramic train whilst staying in chic ski resorts such as Klosters and Zermatt.



Enjoy the magnificent scenery from the GoldenPass Express

- Day 1 Munich welcome drink and dinner. 1-night stay at Maritim Hotel, Munich. D
- Day 2 Neuschwanstein Castle and the Bavarian Alps. 2-night stay at Grauer Bär Hotel, Innsbruck. B, D
- Day 3 Swarovski Crystal Worlds, medieval Hall and 'My Time' in Innsbruck. B
- Day 4 Liechtenstein and Klosters. 2-night stay at Hotel Seven Alpina Boutique, Klosters. B, D
- Day 5 'My Time' in Klosters & the mountains. B
- Day 6 Luzern and meringues in Meiringen. 4-night stay at Hotel Interlaken. B, D
- Day 7 Medieval Bern and 'My Time' in Interlaken. B
- Day 8 Schilthorn Summit Cable Car, Birg Skyline Thrill Walk & Schilthorn Brunch. B, L
- Day 9 Christmas Markets in Thun & 'My Time' in Interlaken. B, D
- Day 10 GoldenPass Express panoramic train and Montreux. 2-night stay at Hotel National, Zermatt. B, D
- Day 11 Gornergrat mountain ride, the Matterhorn, Zermatt 'My Time'. B
- Day 12 Sightseeing and 'My Time' in Milan. 1-night stay at Starhotels Anderson, Milan. B, D
- Day 13 Milan. B

Inclusions

20 meals including breakfast daily B, 1 lunch L and 7 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, personal audio systems, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Neuschwanstein Castle
- Innsbruck Christmas Markets & the 'Golden Roof'
- Swarovski Crystal Worlds
- Bern, UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Thun Christmas Markets
- GoldenPass Express Panoramic Train
- Zermatt Gornergrat Cog Railway
- Schilthorn summit cable car, Birg Skyline Thrill Walk & Schilthorn Brunch
- Luzern Walking Tour

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Nov 29	\$10,287	\$12,487

Exclusively for 28 guests



Discover more

Bohemian Christmas Markets



Be delighted by Prague's Christmas Markets



Nürnberg 'My Time' to wander

Imagine shopping the Christmas Markets of Europe's greatest cities. Stay in vibrant Berlin, ancient Dresden, medieval Prague and amazing Nürnberg. See the Brandenburg Gate, visit Potsdam, the 'Bridge of Spies', Dresden's Royal Palace with its extravagant New Green Vault and Hradcany Castle. Explore Bamberg and delightful Rothenburg and stand on the ramparts of Königstein Fortress in the magnificent Saxon Switzerland National Park.

**7 CHRISTMAS MARKETS**
Berlin, Dresden, Leipzig, Prague, Bamberg, Nürnberg, Rothenburg



- Day 1 Berlin welcome drink and dinner. 2-night stay at The Westin Grand Hotel, Berlin. D
- Day 2 Berlin and Potsdam sightseeing, Sanssouci Palace. B
- Day 3 Leipzig sightseeing and Christmas Markets. 3-night stay at Bilderberg Bellevue Hotel, Dresden. B, D
- Day 4 Dresden sightseeing, 'My Time' and Christmas Markets. B
- Day 5 Saxon Switzerland National Park sightseeing and dinner in a Saxon restaurant. B, D
- Day 6 Prague sightseeing. 2-night stay at Art Nouveau Palace Hotel, Prague. B, D
- Day 7 'My Time' in Prague and Christmas Markets. B
- Day 8 Bamberg and Nürnberg. 3-night stay at Novotel Nürnberg Centre Ville, Nürnberg. B, D
- Day 9 Nürnberg sightseeing, 'My Time' and Christmas Markets. B
- Day 10 'My Time' in Rothenburg Ob Der Tauber and Christmas Markets. B, D
- Day 11 To Munich. B

Inclusions

16 meals including breakfast daily B, and 6 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, personal audio systems, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Berlin Guided Panoramic City Tour
- Potsdam Sanssouci Palace
- Leipzig, one of Europe's oldest and largest Christmas Markets
- Dresden Royal Palace & Christmas Markets
- Saxon Switzerland National Park
- Prague Sightseeing Tour & Christmas Markets
- Bamberg UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Nürnberg Christmas Markets
- Rothenburg Christmas Markets

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 4	\$8,187	\$9,987

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Discover more

German & Austrian Christmas Markets



See the picture-postcard Rothenburg Christmas Markets



Visit the magnificent Neuschwanstein Castle

Explore Europe's enchanting Christmas markets! Enjoy the festive atmosphere and the cultural wonders of this journey. Imagine exploring Europe's greatest and most nostalgic Christmas Markets, stirring in anticipation of the festivities ahead. Enjoy visits to Neuschwanstein Castle and the extravagant Linderhof Palace, take in the views from the summit of the massive Zugspitze and savour the warm, local hospitality.



- Day 1 Frankfurt welcome drink and dinner. 1-night stay at Hilton Hotel, Frankfurt. D
- Day 2 Würzburg Christmas Markets, 'My Time' in Rothenburg Ob Der Tauber and a Night Watchman torchlit walk. 2-night stay at Hotel Tilman Riemenschneider, Rothenburg. B, D
- Day 3 Nürnberg 'My Time' to explore the Christmas Markets. B
- Day 4 Romantic Road to Neuschwanstein Castle & Oberammergau. 3-night stay at Parkhotel Sonnenhof, Oberammergau. B, D
- Day 5 The mighty Zugspitze. B, D
- Day 6 Kloster Ettal, Linderhof Palace, Oberammergau's Passion Play theatre and 'My Time'. B, D
- Day 7 'My Time' in Innsbruck and to Salzburg. 3-night stay at Imlauer Hotel Pitter Salzburg. B, D
- Day 8 Salzburg sightseeing and 'My Time'. B
- Day 9 Horse-drawn carriage ride in Filzmoos. B, D
- Day 10 Munich and 'My Time'. 1-night stay at Maritim Hotel, Munich. B, D
- Day 11 Munich. B

Inclusions

18 meals including breakfast daily B, and 8 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, personal audio systems, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Würzburg Christmas Markets
- Rothenburg Night Watchman Walking Tour
- Nürnberg Christmas Markets
- Neuschwanstein Castle
- Zugspitze Funicular Train & Cable Car
- Linderhof Palace Guided Tour
- Oberammergau Passion Play Theatre Guided Tour
- Salzburg Walking Tour & Christmas Markets
- Filzmoos Horse-Drawn Carriage Ride

2026 Departure and Price

Nov 30

Twin share pp	Solo
\$8,187	\$9,987

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Discover more

Christmas Holidays

Relax and settle into one specially selected 'Christmas hotel' for 6 or 7 nights and use this 'home base' for included daily excursions and activities. With free time to truly enjoy each picturesque destination, our Christmas Holidays are popular for family and friends' gatherings.

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Explore the Christmas Markets in Innsbruck

Swiss Christmas Holiday

ICONIC
SWISS RAIL
TRAVEL



Visit the the Alpine village of Grindelwald



Take in stunning views from the Panoramic Train

Experience Christmas in the heart of Switzerland, stay in the world-renowned ski resort town of Wengen. Explore the mighty mountains, towns, and villages of the Bernese Oberland. Ride on panoramic trains and funiculars up massive mountains, across ravines and snow-laden valleys. Visit the ski resorts of Grindelwald, Mürren and delightful Lauterbrunnen. Take stunning cable car rides over the Männlichen ridge, and up to the Schilthorn summit for a unique 'Schilthorn brunch'. Fly down a mountain on a zip line, experience a suspended cliff-clinging walk, try snowshoeing and ice curling, and experience a Christmas like no other amongst the mighty, snowy peaks.



- Day 1 Zürich welcome drink and dinner. 1-night stay at Hotel Glockenhof, Zürich. D
- Day 2 Train ride via Interlaken to Wengen. 6-night stay at Hotel Falken, Wengen. B, D
- Day 3 Jungfrau 'Top of Europe' Experience. B
- Day 4 Grindelwald, the Männlichen and 'My Time' in the mountains. B
- Day 5 Schilthorn Summit Cable Car, Birg Skyline Thrill Walk & Schilthorn Brunch. B, L
- Day 6 Christmas Eve – Interlaken. B, D
- Day 7 Christmas Day – Picturesque Wengen, snowshoe walk & ice curling. B, D
- Day 8 Boxing Day – Panoramic train ride along Lake Brienz, 'My Time' in Luzern. 1-night stay at Hotel Wilden Mann, Luzern. B, D
- Day 9 Luzern. B

Inclusions

14 meals including breakfast daily B, 1 lunch L and 5 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager and Local Guides. 2nd class Swiss train travel. Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Jungfrauoch 'Top of Europe' Experience
- Grindelwald by Cable Car
- Interlaken
- Wengen Snowshoe Walk & Ice Curling
- Schilthorn summit cable car, Birg Skyline Thrill Walk & Schilthorn Brunch
- Zentralbahn Panoramic train

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
19 Dec	\$7,597	\$9,297

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Austrian Christmas Holiday



Soak up the festive atmosphere in the enchanting Austrian Alps



Enjoy a horse-drawn carriage ride

Enjoy the festive charm of the Austrian Alps. Celebrate Christmas in a first-class chalet style hotel in the enchanting Austrian Tyrol! Visit the fabulous Salzburg Christmas Markets, the Silent Night Chapel and the ornate Linderhof Palace. Indulge in a horse-drawn carriage ride in the Austrian countryside.

**3** CHRISTMAS MARKETS
Salzburg, Innsbruck, Berchtesgaden



- Day 1 Munich, 'My Time' in Kitzbuhel and Kirchberg in the Tyrol. 7-night stay at Hotel Sonnalp, Kirchberg. D
- Day 2 Linderhof Palace, Oberammergau and Kloster Ettal. B, D
- Day 3 The Silent Night Chapel, Salzburg, 'My Time' and Christmas Markets. B, D
- Day 4 Swarovski Crystal Worlds, Innsbruck 'My Time' and Christmas Markets. B, D
- Day 5 Berchtesgaden, Salt Mines and beautiful Lake Königssee. B, D
- Day 6 Christmas Eve in the mountains and a horse-drawn carriage ride. B, D
- Day 7 Christmas Day in a winter paradise. B, L, D
- Day 8 Boxing Day – To Munich. B

Inclusions

15 meals including breakfast daily **B**, 1 lunch **L** and 7 evening meals **D**, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, personal audio systems, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Kirchberg in the Tyrol
- Linderhof Palace Guided Tour
- Oberammergau Visit
- Kloster Ettal Monastery
- Salzburg Walking Tour & Christmas Markets
- Swarovski Crystal Worlds
- Innsbruck Christmas Markets & the 'Golden Roof'
- Salt Mines Berchtesgaden
- Horse and Carriage Ride
- Berchtesgaden Christmas Market

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 19	\$5,577	\$6,077

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German Christmas Holiday



Explore the massive Hohenzollern Castle



See the ornate Christmas Markets in Strasbourg

A perfect mix of medieval charm, enchanting Christmas Markets, historic castles, and picturesque landscapes. Imagine staying deep in the heart of the German Black Forest over Christmas. Visit medieval towns and explore Christmas Markets on cobblestoned streets. Explore the magnificent Hohenzollern Castle and visit Gengenbach's town hall illuminated with the world's largest advent calendar.



- Day 1 Frankfurt welcome drink and dinner. 1-night stay at Maritim Hotel, Frankfurt. D
- Day 2 Heidelberg, Baden Baden Christmas Markets and Hornberg. 6-night stay at Hotel Schloss, Hornberg. B, D
- Day 3 Medieval Strasbourg and picture perfect Gengenbach. B, D
- Day 4 Cuckoo Clocks and Lake Titisee. B, D
- Day 5 Christmas Day – 'My Time' in Hornberg, a winter walk and the 'Hornberg Shooting'. B, L, D
- Day 6 'Royal Winter Magic' at Hohenzollern Castle B, D
- Day 7 Gothic Freiburg, Black Forest Museum and Medieval Banquet. B, D
- Day 8 To Luzern. B

Inclusions

15 meals including breakfast daily B, 1 lunch L and 7 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, personal audio systems, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Heidelberg visit
- Baden Baden Christmas Markets
- Hornberg, Black Forest Christmas Experience
- Medieval Strasbourg Christmas Markets
- Gengenbach The World's Largest Advent Calendar
- Cuckoo Clocks & Black Forest Gateau
- Hohenzollern Castle
- Gothic Freiburg

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 21	\$5,297	\$5,697

Exclusively for 28 guests



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Christmas Tours

Perfect for anyone wanting the complete European Christmas experience! Usually starting with a few nights in one of Europe's grand historic cities, we then escape to the snow clad mountains and celebrate Christmas over 3, 4, 5 or 6 nights in nostalgic, charming hotels. With so much included, we explore local picturesque towns and villages, Christmas Markets, ancient monasteries and fairytale castles.

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Visit the glorious Neuschwanstein Castle

Austria, Slovenia and Christmas in Croatia



Explore the Baroque beauty of Ljubljana

From Imperial Vienna and the stunning Schönbrunn Palace, to Lake Bled in Slovenia, enjoy exciting activities such as horse and carriage rides, a trip on a historic boat to a church in the middle of a lake, ride high in a cable car, deep into mountainous caverns on a train, and take in the stunning views across Corinthian Lakes from the top of Europe's highest wooden tower. Visit lovely castles, picturesque Rovinj on the Istrian Peninsula and explore Plitvice's frozen cascades and leaping waterfalls.

7 CHRISTMAS MARKETS
Vienna, Graz, Lake Bled, Ljubljana, Zagreb, Opatija, Trieste



Wonder at the frozen cascades of Plitvice

Day 1 Vienna welcome drink and dinner. 2-night stay at Hotel Stefanie, Vienna. D
Day 2 Vienna sightseeing, Schönbrunn Palace & Christmas Markets. B
Day 3 Guided tour of Landeszeughaus, Graz. 1-night stay at Schlossberghotel-Das Kunsthof, Graz. B, D
Day 4 Pyramidenkogel viewing tower & Bled Castle. 3-night stay at Hotel Park, Lake Bled. B, D
Day 5 Horse & Carriage ride, Pletna Boat & Gingerbread baking demonstration. B, D
Day 6 Lake Bohinj, Vogel Ski Lift & Bled Cake. B
Day 7 Ljubljana 'My Time' & Zagreb. 2-night stay at Hotel Dubrovnik, Zagreb. B, D
Day 8 Zagreb, 'My Time' in the Christmas Markets. B
Day 9 Truffles, & Plitvice's snowbound waterfalls. 1-night stay at Hotel Jezero, Plitvice. B, D
Day 10 Rijeka Shopping, Trsat Castle lights & Opatija 'Gonks'. 3-night stay at Amadria Park Hotel, Milenij, Opatija. B, D
Day 11 Christmas Eve, a breakfast to remember & chocolate heaven. B, D
Day 12 Christmas Day, & Rovinj on the Istrian Peninsula. B
Day 13 Boxing Day, Postojna Caves, Predjama Castle & Trieste. 2-night stay at Savoia Excelsior Palace, Trieste. B
Day 14 Castello di Miramare & farewell dinner. B, D
Day 15 To Venice. B

Inclusions

23 meals including breakfast daily B and 9 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, personal audio systems, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available)

Hand Selected Experiences

- Schönbrunn Palace
- Pyramidenkogel Observation Tower
- Lake Bled Castle, Boat Ride & Carriage Ride
- Ljubljana Guided Tour
- Zagreb Christmas Markets
- Plitvice Majestic Waterfalls
- Opatija
- Chocolate Tasting
- Castello di Miramare

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 14	\$10,987	\$13,987

Exclusively for 28 guests



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Christmas in an Italian Castle



Christmas in stunning CastelBrando, in the foothills of the Italian Dolomites



Finish your tour in elegant Milan

Imagine celebrating this Christmas in a glorious 2000-year-old Italian Castle set in the charming foothills of the Italian Dolomites. Add visits to the picturesque Austrian Lakes District, the Christmas Markets of Salzburg and Innsbruck, the chic ski resort of Cortina d'Ampezzo and the romantic city of Venice.

**3** CHRISTMAS MARKETS

Innsbruck, Salzburg, Bolzano



- Day 1** Munich welcome drink and dinner. 1-night stay at Maritim Hotel, Munich. **D**
- Day 2** Mondsee, beautiful Hallstatt and lakeside Fuschl. 2-night stay at Hotel Jakob, Fuschl am See. **B, D**
- Day 3** Silent Night Chapel, Salzburg sightseeing and 'My Time'. **B, D**
- Day 4** Swarovski Crystal Worlds and 'My Time' in Innsbruck. 2-night stay at Hotel Grauer Bär, Innsbruck. **B, D**
- Day 5** Neuschwanstein Castle, Oberammergau and Kloster Ettal Monastery. **B**
- Day 6** Bolzano, South Tyrolean Archaeological Museum and CastelBrando. 4-night stay at Hotel CastelBrando, Cison di Valmarino. **B, D**
- Day 7** Venice sightseeing and 'My Time'. **B, D**
- Day 8** Christmas Day – 'My Time' in your Castle & Christmas lunch. **B, L, D**
- Day 9** 'My Time' in chic Cortina d'Ampezzo. **B, D**
- Day 10** Sirmione on Lake Garda and stylish Milan. 1-night stay at Starhotels Anderson, Milan. **B, D**
- Day 11** Milan. **B**

Inclusions

20 meals including breakfast daily **B**, 1 lunch **L** and 9 evening meals **D**, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, personal audio systems, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Hallstatt
- Mondsee, the 'Sound of Music' Wedding Church
- Lake Fuschl Torchlit Village Walk
- Salzburg Walking Tour & Christmas Markets
- Swarovski Crystal Worlds
- Neuschwanstein Castle
- Bolzano
- Venice Walking Tour & visit Doges Palace
- Cortina d'Ampezzo

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 18	\$7,687	\$8,687

Exclusively for 28 guests



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Christmas in the Slovenian Alps



Enjoy Christmas beside magical Lake Bled



Explore Venice with included sightseeing

A Christmas holiday filled with breathtaking views, charming cities, festive markets and staying in a centuries-old castle. Imagine waking up on Christmas Day with views across magnificent Lake Bled, located deep in the Slovenian Alps. Explore the old city of Ljubljana and the snow fields of Kranjska Gora, shop at festive Christmas markets in cobblestoned squares, and stay in a 2000-year-old Italian Castle!



- Day 1 Munich welcome drink and dinner. 1-night stay at Maritim Hotel, Munich. D
- Day 2 Neuschwanstein 'Fairytale' Castle, Wieskirche, Oberammergau and Innsbruck. 2-night stay at Hotel Grauer Bär, Innsbruck. B, D
- Day 3 Swarovski Crystal Worlds and 'My Time' in Innsbruck. B
- Day 4 Bolzano, 'Ötzi the Ice Man' and CastelBrando. 2-night stay at Hotel CastelBrando, Cison di Valmarino. B, D
- Day 5 Venice sightseeing and 'My Time'. B, D
- Day 6 The dramatic Postojna Caves and glorious Lake Bled. 5-night stay at Hotel Park Lake Bled. B, D
- Day 7 Gingerbread, Radovljica lunch, Ljubljana sightseeing. B, L
- Day 8 Christmas Eve – Horse and Carriage ride, Lake Bohinj, mountain cable car. B, D
- Day 9 Christmas Day – Bled Castle, Pletna boat ride, 'My Time' and 'Sinking of the Bells' ceremony. B, L, D
- Day 10 Kranjska Gora, Planica ski jump and a Jesna Lakes lunch. B, L
- Day 11 Salzburg sightseeing and 'My Time', farewell dinner in Munich. 1-night stay at Maritim Hotel Munich. B, D
- Day 12 Munich. B

Inclusions

22 meals including breakfast daily B, 3 lunches L and 8 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, personal audio systems, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Neuschwanstein Castle
- Swarovski Crystal Worlds
- Bolzano
- Venice Walking Tour & visit Doges Palace
- Postojna Caves
- Ljubljana Guided Tour
- Lake Bohinj Vogel Cable Car Ride
- Lake Bled Castle, Pletna Boat Cruise, & Horse and Carriage ride
- Salzburg Guided Walking Tour

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 17	\$9,497	\$11,247

Exclusively for 28 guests



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Austrian White Christmas



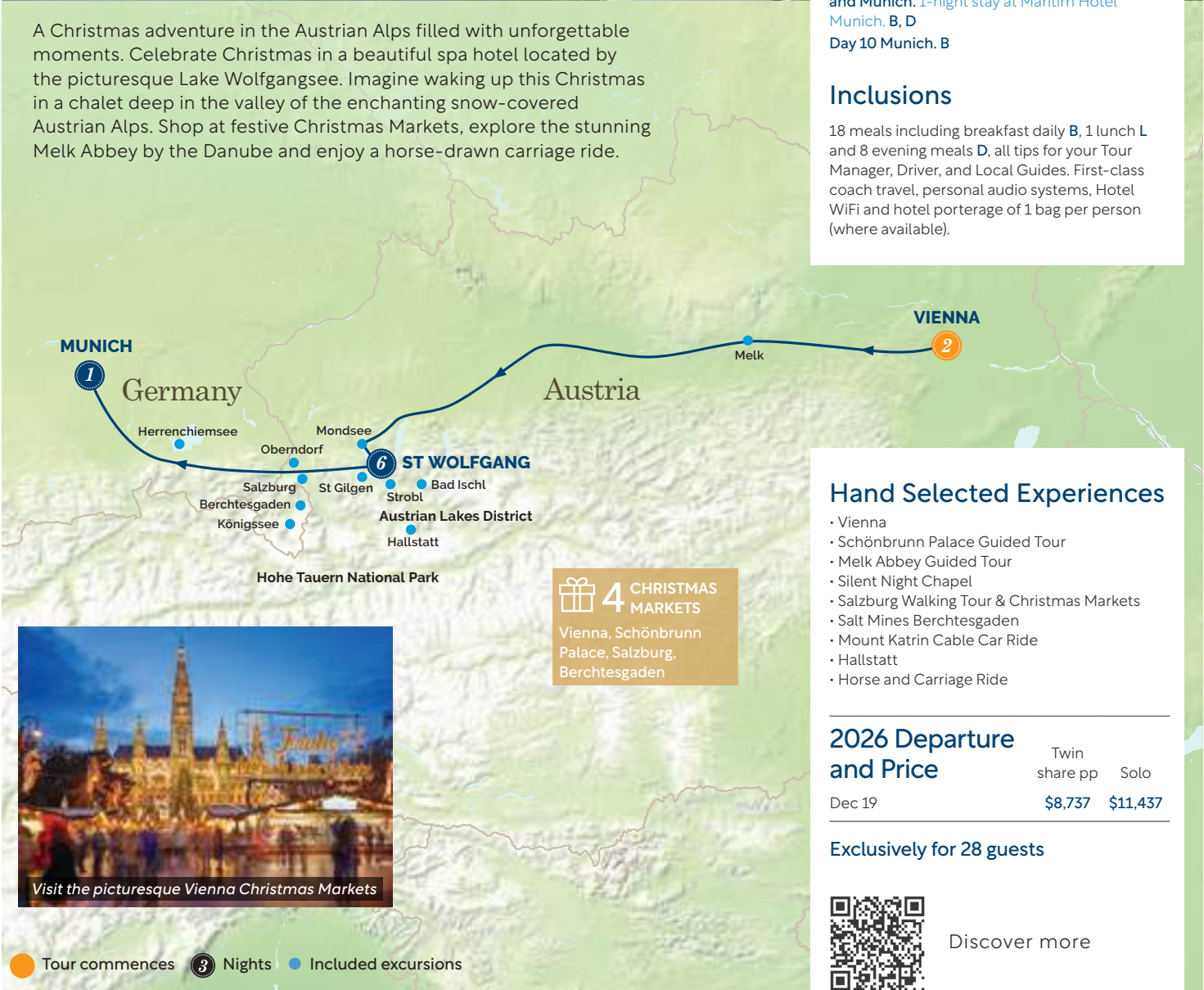
Beautiful Hallstatt in the Austrian Lakes District

A Christmas adventure in the Austrian Alps filled with unforgettable moments. Celebrate Christmas in a beautiful spa hotel located by the picturesque Lake Wolfgangsee. Imagine waking up this Christmas in a chalet deep in the valley of the enchanting snow-covered Austrian Alps. Shop at festive Christmas Markets, explore the stunning Melk Abbey by the Danube and enjoy a horse-drawn carriage ride.

- Day 1 Vienna welcome drink and dinner. 2-night stay at Hilton Vienna Park, Vienna. D
- Day 2 Vienna sightseeing, Schönbrunn Palace and Christmas Markets. B
- Day 3 Baroque Melk Abbey and Mondsee. 6-night stay at Weisses Rössl (The White Horse), St Wolfgang. B, D
- Day 4 Katrin Mountain cable car, stunning Hallstatt & St Gilgen. B, D
- Day 5 Beautiful Lake Königssee, Berchtesgaden & Salt Mines. B, D
- Day 6 Christmas Eve – Salzburg sightseeing, 'My Time' and Christmas Markets & The Silent Night Chapel. B, D
- Day 7 Christmas Day – 'My Time' in St. Wolfgang. B, L, D
- Day 8 Lake cruise to Strobl and a horse-drawn carriage ride. B, D
- Day 9 Extravagant Herrenchiemsee Palace and Munich. 1-night stay at Maritim Hotel Munich. B, D
- Day 10 Munich. B

Inclusions

18 meals including breakfast daily B, 1 lunch L and 8 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, personal audio systems, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).



Visit the picturesque Vienna Christmas Markets

Hand Selected Experiences

- Vienna
- Schönbrunn Palace Guided Tour
- Melk Abbey Guided Tour
- Silent Night Chapel
- Salzburg Walking Tour & Christmas Markets
- Salt Mines Berchtesgaden
- Mount Katrin Cable Car Ride
- Hallstatt
- Horse and Carriage Ride

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 19	\$8,737	\$11,437

Exclusively for 28 guests



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Christmas in the Austrian Tyrol



Christmas surrounded by mountain peaks during your stay in Neustift



Explore the famous Christmas Markets in Salzburg

Imagine staying over Christmas in the heart of a Tyrolean village in Austria's stunning, snow-covered Stubai winter wonderland. Explore the fairytale Neuschwanstein Castle, savour the glorious Christmas Markets of Salzburg and Innsbruck, go deep underground in the fascinating Berchtesgaden Salt Mines, take a horse and carriage ride through the countryside and an exhilarating ride in a Bob Raft down the Olympic Bobsled run.



- Day 1 Munich welcome drink and dinner. 1-night stay at Maritim Hotel, Munich. D
- Day 2 Herrenchiemsee Palace and pretty Mondsee. 3-night stay at Radisson Blu Hotel Altstadt, Salzburg. B, D
- Day 3 Salzburg sightseeing and Christmas Markets. B
- Day 4 Filzmoos and a horse-drawn carriage ride. B, D
- Day 5 Berchtesgaden, Salt Mines and Swarovski Crystal World. 5-night stay at Sportpension Elisabeth, Neustift. B, D
- Day 6 Innsbruck, medieval Hall and Bergisel ski jump. B, D
- Day 7 Neustift Winter Wonderland 'My Time'. B
- Day 8 Christmas Eve in a winter paradise. B, D
- Day 9 Christmas Day – Olympic Bobsleigh ride. B
- Day 10 Boxing Day – Fairytale Neuschwanstein Castle. 1-night stay at Best Western Plus Hotel Füssen. B, D
- Day 11 To Munich. B

Inclusions

17 meals including breakfast daily B and 7 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Herrenchiemsee Palace Guided Visit
- Mondsee, the 'Sound of Music' Wedding Church
- Salzburg Walking Tour & Christmas Markets
- Filzmoos Horse & Carriage Ride
- Salt Mines Berchtesgaden
- Swarovski Crystal Worlds
- Igls Olympic Bobsleigh Ride
- Neuschwanstein Castle
- Innsbruck Christmas Markets & the 'Golden Roof'

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 17	\$8,147	\$9,647

Exclusively for 28 guests



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A Medieval Bohemian Christmas



Visit the Prague Christmas Markets. Image courtesy of Emma Hughes



Enjoy a 3-night stay in Český Krumlov

Enjoy the festive ambience of Prague's Christmas markets! Imagine a truly festive Christmas in the heart of medieval Český Krumlov, staying in a beautifully restored 500-year-old hotel. Enjoy the romantic Christmas Markets of Rothenburg, Nürnberg, Prague and Vienna, explore the exquisite Schönbrunn Palace!



- Day 1 Frankfurt welcome drink and dinner. 1-night stay at Maritim Hotel, Frankfurt. D
- Day 2 Würzburg Christmas Markets, 'My Time' in Rothenburg Ob Der Tauber. 2-night stay at Hotel Tilman Riemenschneider. B, D
- Day 3 Nürnberg 'My Time' and Christmas Markets. B
- Day 4 'My Time' in Prague. 2-night stay at Art Nouveau Palace Hotel, Prague. B, D
- Day 5 Prague sightseeing, Christmas Markets and 'My Time'. B
- Day 6 Vienna sightseeing, Schönbrunn Palace and Christmas Markets. 2-night stay at Hotel Stefanie, Vienna. B, D
- Day 7 'My Time' in Vienna. B
- Day 8 Melk Abbey and Český Krumlov sightseeing. 3-night stay at Hotel Ruze, Český Krumlov. B, D
- Day 9 'My Time' in Český Krumlov and České Budějovice sightseeing. B, D
- Day 10 Christmas Day – 'My Time' in Český Krumlov. B, L, D
- Day 11 Salzburg sightseeing and 'My Time'. 1-night stay at Imlauer Hotel Pitter Salzburg. B, D
- Day 12 To Munich. B

Inclusions

20 meals including breakfast daily B, 1 lunch L, and 8 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, personal audio systems, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Prague Sightseeing and Christmas markets
- A Night Watchman tour of Rothenburg
- Schönbrunn Palace
- Melk Abbey Guided Tour
- Český Krumlov Guided Tour
- České Budejovice Guided Tour
- Salzburg Guided Tour

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 16	\$8,647	\$10,747

Exclusively for 28 guests



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Bohemia and Christmas in the Tyrol



Stay in picturesque Rothenburg

Celebrate Christmas in a first-class chalet style hotel in the Austrian Tyrol. Imagine visiting the ancient cities and Christmas Markets of Rothenburg, Nürnberg, Prague, Vienna and experience medieval Český Krumlov before escaping to the snow-clad mountains of the Austrian Tyrol to celebrate Christmas. Enjoy special visits to Melk Abbey and Schönbrunn Palace.



Visit the grand Schönbrunn Palace

- Day 1 Frankfurt welcome drink and dinner. 1-night stay at Hilton Hotel, Frankfurt. D
- Day 2 Würzburg Christmas Markets and 'My Time' in Rothenburg. 2-night stay at Tilman Riemenschneider Hotel, Rothenburg. B, D
- Day 3 Nürnberg and Christmas Markets. B
- Day 4 'My Time' in Prague. 2-night stay at Art Nouveau Palace Hotel, Prague. B, D
- Day 5 Prague sightseeing, Christmas Markets and 'My Time'. B
- Day 6 'My Time' in Brno and Vienna. 3-night stay at Hilton Vienna Park, Vienna. B, D
- Day 7 Heiligenkreuz Monastery, Vienna sightseeing, Schönbrunn Palace. B
- Day 8 'My Time' in Vienna and Christmas Markets. B, D
- Day 9 Melk Abbey and Český Krumlov. 2-night stay at Hotel Ruze, Český Krumlov. B, D
- Day 10 Český Krumlov sightseeing and 'My Time'. B, D
- Day 11 Mondsee, Silent Night Chapel and Kirchberg. 5-night stay at The Kirchberger Hof, Kirchberg. B, D
- Day 12 Salzburg sightseeing, 'My Time' and Christmas Markets. B, D
- Day 13 'My Time' in a winter paradise. B, D
- Day 14 Christmas Day – 'My Time'. B, L, D
- Day 15 'My Time' in the Tyrolean villages of Kitzbuhel and Kirchberg and a horse-drawn carriage ride. B, D
- Day 16 To Munich. B

Inclusions

28 meals including breakfast daily B, 1 lunch L and 12 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, personal audio systems, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Rothenburg Night Watchman Walking Tour
- Prague Sightseeing Tour & Christmas Markets
- Heiligenkreuz Monastery Guided Tour
- Schönbrunn Palace Guided Tour
- Melk Abbey Guided Tour
- Český Krumlov Guided Tour
- Mondsee The 'Sound of Music' Wedding Church
- Salzburg Walking Tour & Christmas Markets
- Horse and Carriage Ride

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 12	\$12,587	\$16,087

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German Fairytale Christmas



Enjoy breathtaking panoramic views of the Bavarian Alps. Explore the Christmas Markets with delicious seasonal treats such as gingerbread and roasted chestnuts. Imagine a festive Christmas in an ancient village nestled at the foot of the Bavarian Alps. Visit traditional Christmas Markets, take the Tegelberg Cable Car high up in the mountains, relax on a horse-drawn carriage ride and explore King Ludwig's extravagant castles.



Day 1 Frankfurt welcome drink and dinner. 1-night stay at Hilton Hotel, Frankfurt. D
Day 2 Würzburg Christmas Markets, 'My Time' in Rothenburg Ob Der Tauber. 2-night stay at Hotel Tilman Riemenschneider, Rothenburg. B, D
Day 3 Bamberg and Nürnberg Christmas Markets. B
Day 4 Munich Christmas Markets and delightful Füssen. 5-night stay at Hotel Hirsch, Füssen. B, D
Day 5 Neuschwanstein and Hohenschwangau Castle visits. B, L, D
Day 6 'My Time' in Füssen and Wieskirche. B, D
Day 7 Christmas Day – Tegelberg cable car & horse-drawn carriage. B, L, D
Day 8 Linderhof Palace, 'My Time' in Garmisch-Partenkirchen & Oberammergau. B, D
Day 9 Vaduz and 'My Time' in lakeside Luzern. 1-night stay at Hotel Schweizerhof, Luzern. B, D
Day 10 Luzern. B

Inclusions

19 meals including breakfast daily B, 2 lunches L and 8 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, personal audio systems, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Würzburg Christmas Markets
- Rothenburg Night Watchman Walking Tour
- Bamberg UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Nürnberg Christmas Markets
- Neuschwanstein Castle Guided Tour
- Hohenschwangau Castle Guided Tour
- Tegelberg Mountain Cable Car Ride
- Horse and Carriage Ride
- Linderhof Palace Guided Tour

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 19	\$8,297	\$10,197

Exclusively for 28 guests



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Swiss Alps and Christmas in Bavaria



View Swiss scenery from the comfort of the Glacier Express

At Christmas, relax over 5 nights in the beautiful 'Passion Play' village of Oberammergau and spend your days visiting romantic 'fairytale' castles, Bavarian villages, Christmas markets, and a trip to the top of Germany's highest mountain, the Zugspitze. See Zurich's massive Christmas tree with 40,000 Swarovski crystals. Relax on the famous Glacier Express as it cuts through Switzerland's mightiest peaks and explore Luzern, Montreux on Lake Geneva and Innsbruck. Stay 2 nights in the chic ski resort of Klosters and relax over 3 nights in a spa resort perched high in the snow-clad Alps, surrounded by massive, jagged peaks. Visit Zermatt and ride high on a train to the top of Gornergrat mountain for staggering Matterhorn views. What fun!



Spend Christmas Eve on Zugspitze

Day 1 Zürich welcome drink and dinner. 2-night stay at Hotel Glockenhof, Zürich. D
Day 2 Luzern sightseeing, 'My Time' & Christmas Markets. B
Day 3 'My Time' in Montreux & Château de Chillon. 3-night stay at Le Bristol Wellness Hotel, Leukerbad. B, D
Day 4 'My Time' in Leukerbad. B
Day 5 Zermatt & the Matterhorn. B, D
Day 6 The scenic Glacier Express train to Chur. 2-night stay at Seven Alpina Boutique Hotel, Klosters. B, D
Day 7 'My Time' in Klosters & the mountains. B, D
Day 8 'My Time' in Innsbruck, Bergisel Ski Jump & Christmas Markets. 5-night stay at Parkhotel Sonnenhof, Oberammergau. B, D
Day 9 Hohenschwangau Castle, 'My Time' in Füssen, Wieskirche & a horse-drawn carriage ride. B, D
Day 10 Christmas Eve at the top of the world – the mighty Zugspitze. B, D
Day 11 Christmas Day – 'My Time' in a Bavarian village. B, L, D
Day 12 Linderhof Palace, Kloster Ettal & Oberammergau Passion Play Theatre. B, D
Day 13 Munich Sightseeing and 'My Time'. 1-night stay at Maritim Hotel, Munich. B, D
Day 14 Munich. B

Inclusions

25 meals including breakfast daily B, 1 Lunch L and 11 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Zürich Christmas Markets
- Château de Chillon Guided Tour
- Zermatt Gornergrat Cog Railway
- Glacier Express Panoramic Train
- Horse and Carriage Ride
- Hohenschwangau Castle Guided Tour
- Zugspitze Funicular Train & Cable Car
- Linderhof Palace Guided Tour
- Oberammergau Passion Play Theatre Guided Tour

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 15	\$12,247	\$13,947

Exclusively for 28 guests



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An Alpine Christmas Adventure



Stay 3 nights in the first class Romantik Hotel Schweizerhof

Stay in world-class Alpine resorts. Enjoy French Chamonix, Swiss Grindelwald by the Eiger, Spa town Leukerbad, and Christmas in Klosters. Explore Montreux, Geneva, Innsbruck, Luzern and amazing Zermatt. Ride a train to the 'Sea of Ice', experience the famous Glacier Express & the Glacier Paradise cable car. Visit Neuschwanstein castle, five famous Christmas markets, enjoy first-class hotels, fabulous food, festivities, fun and even a horse-drawn carriage ride!



Pamper yourself in a steaming outdoor spa



- Day 1 Milan welcome drink and dinner.
1-night stay at Starhotels Ritz, Milan. D
- Day 2 Aosta and Chamonix in the French Alps.
2-night stay at Hotel Les Aiglons, Chamonix. B, D
- Day 3 The historic Red Train and 'My Time'. B
- Day 4 Geneva, Chaplin's Vevey and the Swiss Riviera. 2-night stay at Grand Suisse Majestic Hotel, Montreux. B, D
- Day 5 Château de Chillon and 'My Time' in Montreux. B
- Day 6 Gruyères, Bern and the Bernese Oberland.
3-night stay at Romantik Hotel Schweizerhof, Grindelwald. B, D
- Day 7 Jungfrauoch 'Top of Europe' Experience & 'My Time' in Grindelwald. B
- Day 8 Luzern and Interlaken. B
- Day 9 Historic Thun and Lake Cruise to Spiez.
3-night stay at Le Bristol Wellness Hotel, Leukerbad. B, D
- Day 10 Zermatt & the Matterhorn Glacier Paradise cable car. B, D
- Day 11 'My Time' sampling the Spas in Leukerbad. B
- Day 12 The Glacier Express to Chur. 3-night stay at Silvretta Parkhotel, Klosters. B, D
- Day 13 Christmas Eve – 'My Time' and a horse-drawn carriage ride. B, D
- Day 14 Christmas Day – 'My Time' in Klosters. B, D
- Day 15 Boxing Day – Liechtenstein and 'My Time' in Innsbruck. 1-night stay at Hotel Grauer Bär, Innsbruck. B, D
- Day 16 Fairytale Neuschwanstein Castle and Munich. 1-night stay at Maritim Hotel, Munich. B, D
- Day 17 Munich. B

Inclusions

27 meals including breakfast daily B, and 11 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, personal audio systems, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Glacier Express Panoramic Train
- Jungfrauoch 'Top of Europe' Experience
- Matterhorn Glacier Paradise cable car
- Neuschwanstein Castle
- The 'Mer de Glace'
- Château de Chillon
- Gruyères
- Luzern
- Bern

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 12	\$15,487	\$19,387

Exclusively for 28 guests



Discover more

Christmas in the Swiss Alps



Spend Christmas in the mountain spa town of Leukerbad

Imagine celebrating Christmas over 4 nights deep within Switzerland's mountains in a wonderful Swiss Spa resort nestled in the heart of the majestic Alps. Spend three days exploring Bavaria's Fairytale Castles and Christmas Markets, see the majestic Matterhorn views and explore Montreux's romantic Château de Chillon. Relax in panoramic carriages on the Glacier Express, passing frozen waterfalls and lakes. Christmas Eve, take the cable car up Mount Gemmi for 'lunch with the views' and relax on Christmas Day, floating in a steaming, outdoor thermal pool under the twinkling stars, surrounded by huge, jagged peaks. What an unbelievable Christmas experience!



Stay 3 nights in beautiful Füssen

- Day 1** Munich welcome drink and dinner. 1-night stay at Maritim Hotel, Munich. D
- Day 2** Steingaden, beautiful Wieskirche and Bavarian Alps. 3-night stay at Hotel Hirsch Füssen. B, D
- Day 3** Neuschwanstein 'fairytale' Castle, 'My Time' in Füssen. B
- Day 4** Linderhof Palace, Oberammergau and 'My Time' in Garmisch-Partenkirchen Christmas Markets. B, D
- Day 5** Lindau on Lake Constance and 'old' Appenzell. 2-night stay at Romantik Hotel Sântis, Appenzell. B, D
- Day 6** Horse-drawn carriage ride, St Gallen Stiftsbibliothek and Christmas Markets. B
- Day 7** The Glacier Express train and the mountain spa town of Leukerbad. 4-night stay at Le Bristol Wellness Hotel, Leukerbad. B, D
- Day 8** Christmas Eve – A cable car ride up Mount Gemmi for a Swiss mountain lunch. B, L, D
- Day 9** Christmas Day – 'My Time' in Leukerbad. B, D
- Day 10** Zermatt and the Matterhorn. B
- Day 11** Château de Chillon, Montreux and Luzern. 1-night stay at Hotel Wilden Mann, Luzern. B, D
- Day 12** Luzern. B

Inclusions

20 meals including breakfast daily B, 1 lunch L and 8 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Neuschwanstein Castle
- Linderhof Palace Guided Tour
- Oberammergau Visit
- Horse and Carriage Ride
- St Gallen
- Glacier Express Panoramic Train
- Mount Gemmi Cable Car Ride & Swiss Mountain Lunch
- Zermatt Gornergrat Cog Railway
- Château de Chillon Guided Tour

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 17	\$10,987	\$13,787

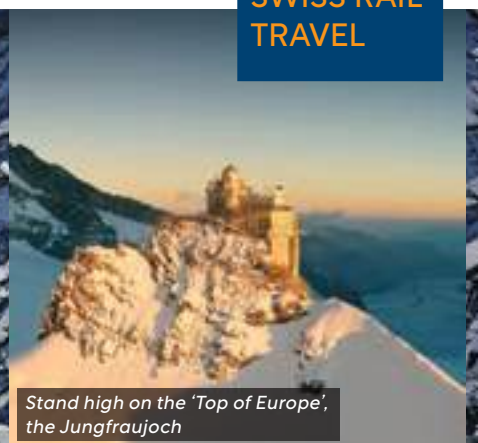
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A Swiss Christmas in Grindelwald

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Stand high on the 'Top of Europe', the Jungfrauoch

Christmas in picturesque Grindelwald! Travel through stunning Swiss landscapes and enjoy the breathtaking beauty of the Swiss Alps. Imagine celebrating Christmas in a first-class spa hotel in the stunning Swiss Alpine village of Grindelwald. Shop at Christmas Markets, explore the gorgeous Swiss Riviera town of Montreux, visit Château de Chillon, the amazing hilltop town of Gruyères and enjoy an exhilarating Alpine ride on the GoldenPass Express panoramic train.



- Day 1 Zürich welcome drink and dinner. 2-night stay at Hotel Glockenhof, Zürich. D
- Day 2 Zürich sightseeing, 'My Time' and Christmas markets. B
- Day 3 Medieval Bern, Christmas Markets, charming Gruyères and Montreux. 2-night stay at Grand Hotel Suisse Majestic, Montreux. B, D
- Day 4 Château de Chillon, Vevey, 'My Time' in Montreux and Christmas Markets. B
- Day 5 GoldenPass Express panoramic train to Grindelwald. 5-night stay at Romantik Hotel Schweizerhof, Grindelwald. B, D
- Day 6 Jungfrauoch 'Top of Europe' Experience & 'My Time' in Grindelwald. B
- Day 7 Historic Thun, cruise on Lake Thunersee, 'My Time' in Interlaken. B
- Day 8 Christmas Eve – Cable car to First and 'My Time' in Grindelwald. B, D
- Day 9 Christmas Day in a winter paradise. B, L, D
- Day 10 Panoramic train ride along Lake Brienz, 'My Time' in Luzern. 1-night stay at Hotel Schweizerhof, Luzern. B, D
- Day 11 Luzern. B

Inclusions

17 meals including breakfast daily B, 1 lunch L and 6 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, personal audio systems, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Zürich Christmas Markets
- Bern, UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Gruyères
- Château de Chillon Guided Tour
- GoldenPass Express Panoramic Train
- Jungfrauoch 'Top of Europe' Experience
- Grindelwald First cable car
- Lake Thunersee Boat Cruise
- Zentralbahn Panoramic train

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 17	\$10,987	\$15,187

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A Swiss Christmas in Zermatt



The picturesque village of Zermatt, your home for Christmas

- Day 1 Munich welcome drink and dinner. 1-night stay at Maritim Hotel, Munich. D
- Day 2 Mondsee, stunning Hallstatt and Fuschl in The Austrian Lakes district. 2-night stay at Hotel Jakob, Fuschl am See. B, D
- Day 3 The Silent Night Chapel, Salzburg sightseeing, 'My Time' and Christmas Markets. B, D
- Day 4 'My Time' and Christmas Markets in Innsbruck and delightful Appenzell. 2-night stay at Hotel Hecht, Appenzell. B, D
- Day 5 A horse-drawn carriage ride & St Gallen. B, D
- Day 6 The Glacier Express train to world famous Zermatt. 4-night stay at Hotel National, Zermatt. B, D
- Day 7 Zermatt Orientation Walk and 'My Time'. B
- Day 8 Ride the cog railway to the Gornergrat and see the mighty Matterhorn. B, D
- Day 9 Christmas Day – 'My Time' in an Alpine paradise. B, D
- Day 10 Château de Chillon, Montreux and Luzern. 1-night stay at Hotel Wilden Mann, Luzern. B, D
- Day 11 Luzern. B

Inclusions

19 meals including breakfast daily B, and 9 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).



Ride the famous Glacier Express

Hand Selected Experiences

- Mondsee, The 'Sound of Music' Wedding Church
- Hallstatt, in the Salzkammergut
- Silent Night Chapel
- Salzburg Walking Tour & Christmas Markets
- St Gallen, UNESCO World Heritage Listed Stiftsbibliothek
- Horse and Carriage ride
- Glacier Express Panoramic Train
- Zermatt Gornergrat Cog Railway
- Château de Chillon Guided Tour

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 17	\$10,987	\$13,837

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New Year Tours

Imagine watching New Year's Eve fireworks, enjoying a grand celebration in an Italian Castle or simply spending time in the mountains playing in the snow. We have something for everyone. Our New Year tours can be enjoyed either as 'stand-alone' tours or seamlessly added to almost all of our Festive Christmas Tours and Holidays. To see our handy Tour Connector, visit albatrosstours.com.au for holiday combination suggestions.

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Enjoy a grand celebration in an Italian Castle

A Swiss New Year Adventure



Take a stunning cable car to the Schilthorn mountain peak

Experience New Year in the heart of Switzerland! Explore the mighty mountains, towns, and villages of the Bernese Oberland. Ride on panoramic trains and funiculars up massive mountains across ravines and snow-laden valleys. Visit historic Bern and lakeside Thun, the ski resorts of Grindelwald, Mürren, Wengen and delightful Lauterbrunnen. Take stunning cable car rides over the Männlichen ridge and up the extraordinary Schilthorn mountain peak for the Schilthorn Experience Brunch. Fly down a mountain on a zip line, experience a suspended cliff-clinging walk, try snowshoeing and ice curling and watch the New Year's Day fireworks explode and echo through the mighty, snowy peaks.

- Day 1 Luzern welcome drink and dinner. 1-night stay at Hotel Schweizerhof, Luzern. D
- Day 2 Panoramic train ride to Interlaken. 6-night stay at Hotel Interlaken. B, D
- Day 3 Jungfrauoch 'Top of Europe' Experience. B
- Day 4 New Year's Eve fondue, medieval Bern and Thun. B, D
- Day 5 New Year's Day, Schilthorn Summit Cable Car, Birg Skyline Thrill Walk & Schilthorn Brunch. B, L
- Day 6 Picturesque Wengen, snowshoe walk & ice curling. B
- Day 7 Grindelwald, the First Flyer and a Zip Line ride. B, D
- Day 8 To Zürich. B

Inclusions

12 meals including breakfast daily B, 1 lunch L and 4 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, Hotel WiFi and hotel portage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Zentralbahn Panoramic train
- Jungfrauoch 'Top of Europe' Experience
- Bern, UNESCO World Heritage Site
- New Year's Eve Swiss Fondue Chinoise
- Schilthorn summit cable car, Birg Skyline Thrill Walk & Schilthorn Brunch
- New Year's Day Fireworks Display Interlaken
- Wengen Snowshoe Walk & Ice Curling
- Grindelwald Zip Line

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 28	\$7,647	\$9,347

Exclusively for 28 guests



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New Year in an Italian Castle



Celebrate New Year in stunning CastelBrando



Visit the Museum of Archaeology in Bolzano

Imagine staying in a glorious 2000-year-old Italian Castle set in the charming foothills of the Italian Dolomites and enjoying a sumptuous New Year's Eve Gala dinner. With visits to medieval Innsbruck, the chic ski resort town of Cortina d'Ampezzo, and the canals of Venice and Lake Garda, you will have a memorable experience!



Day 1 Munich welcome drink and dinner. 1-night stay at Maritim Hotel, Munich. **D**
Day 2 Swarovski Crystal Worlds and 'My Time' in Innsbruck. 1-night stay at Hotel Grauer Bär, Innsbruck. **B, D**
Day 3 Bolzano, South Tyrolean Archaeological Museum and CastelBrando. 3-night stay at Hotel CastelBrando, Cison di Valmarino. **B, D**
Day 4 Venice sightseeing, 'My Time' and a Gala New Year's Eve dinner. **B, D**
Day 5 'My Time' in your Castle or chic Cortina d'Ampezzo. **B, D**
Day 6 Sirmione on Lake Garda and stylish Milan. 1-night stay at Starhotels Anderson, Milan. **B, D**
Day 7 Milan. **B**

Inclusions

12 meals including breakfast daily **B** and 6 evening meals **D**, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, personal audio systems, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Swarovski Crystal Worlds
- Innsbruck 'My Time' in the Old Town
- Bolzano
- CastelBrando 2000-year-old castle
- Venice Walking Tour & visit Doges Palace
- New Year's Eve Gala Dinner
- Cortina d'Ampezzo
- Sirmione
- Milan Farewell Dinner in a Local Osteria

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 28	\$5,497	\$6,097

Exclusively for 28 guests



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New Year in an Italian Villa & Tuscany



Spend the day in Florence



See the famous Leaning Tower of Pisa

Explore the beauty of some of Italy's most enchanting cities and experience Italy's rich heritage in Winter. Imagine exploring the 'Romeo and Juliet' city of Verona before staying in an Italian Villa over the New Year. Experience stylish Milan, enjoy lunch in a Tuscan farmhouse, stay in the medieval town of Lucca and visit Renaissance Florence.



- Day 1 Milan welcome drink and dinner. 1-night stay at Starhotels Ritz, Milan. D
- Day 2 Verona guided walking tour, visit to the Arena and 'My Time'. 3-night stay at Villa Michelangelo, Vicenza. B, D
- Day 3 Padua guided walking tour and visit Scroveni Chapel. B, D
- Day 4 New Year's Eve – Vicenza sightseeing and gala dinner celebrations. B, D
- Day 5 New Year's Day – sightseeing in medieval Lucca. 3-night stay at Hotel Ilaria, Lucca. B, D
- Day 6 Florence sightseeing and 'My Time'. B
- Day 7 See the Leaning Tower of Pisa, olive oil tasting & lunch in the Tuscan countryside and 'My Time'. B, L
- Day 8 'Fairytale' San Gimignano to the eternal city of Rome. 1-night stay at Best Western Premier Hotel Royal Santina, Rome. B, D
- Day 9 Rome. B

Inclusions

15 meals including breakfast daily B, 1 lunch L and 6 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, personal audio systems, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Verona, UNESCO World Heritage City
- Padua sightseeing and 'My Time'
- Vicenza, UNESCO World Heritage Site
- New Year's Eve 'Italian style'
- Lucca Walking Tour
- See the Leaning Tower of Pisa
- Olive Oil tasting & lunch in a Tuscan Farmhouse
- Florence Walking Tour & visit Accademia Gallery
- San Gimignano Fairytale 'Town of Towers'

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 28	\$7,157	\$8,857

Exclusively for 28 guests



Discover more

New Year in Austria, Slovenia and CastelBrando



Visit the dramatic Predjama Castle



Enjoy 3 nights staying on Lake Bled

Spend New Year's Eve exploring the Austrian Lakes District followed by dinner celebrations in sensational Salzburg, and New Year's Day on an exhilarating horse and carriage ride through the mountains. Relax over 3 nights beside gorgeous Lake Bled, follow the shoreline of beautiful Lake Bohinj, catch a cable car up into the snow-clad Slovenian Alps, glide on a historic boat across the lake to a Church on an Island, and visit elegant Ljubljana. In Postojna take a mesmerising train ride deep into to a stupendous labyrinth of massive caves and later wander through a cliff clinging fortress. As a finale stay in a massive baronial Castle in the foothills of the Italian Dolomites. Fabulous food, festivities, fun... what a way to celebrate the New Year!



- Day 1 Munich welcome drink and dinner. 1-night stay at Maritim Hotel, Munich. D
- Day 2 Berchtesgaden, the Salt Mines and Schloss Leopoldskron. 3-night stay at Radisson Blu Hotel Altstadt, Salzburg. B, D
- Day 3 Salzburg sightseeing and 'My Time'. B
- Day 4 New Year's Eve, Wolfgangsee and the Lakes District. B, D
- Day 5 New Year's Day Horse-Drawn Carriage Ride, Lake Bled. 3-night stay at Hotel Park Lake Bled. B, D
- Day 6 Pletna Boat ride, Lake Bohinj, mountain cable car. B, D
- Day 7 Bled Castle and Ljubljana 'My Time'. B
- Day 8 The incredible Postojna Caves and Predjama Castle. 2-night stay at Hotel CastelBrando, Cison di Valmarino. B, D
- Day 9 Venice sightseeing, 'My Time' and a Farewell Castle dinner. B, D
- Day 10 To Venice. B

Inclusions

16 meals including breakfast daily B, and 7 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, personal audio systems, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Salt Mines Berchtesgaden
- Salzburg Guided Walking Tour
- St Wolfgangsee
- Filzmoos Horse-Drawn Carriage Ride
- Lake Bled, Bled Castle, & Pletna Boat Cruise
- New Year's Eve Gala Dinner
- Ljubljana Guided Tour
- Predjama Castle and Postojna Caves
- Venice Walking Tour & visit Doges Palace

2026 Departure and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Dec 28	\$9,997	\$12,397

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Discover more

Northern Lights

From night-time snowmobile safaris, exploring beaches covered in diamond-like baby bergs or discovering Santa Claus' village in Lapland, each tour offers a diverse range of activities and thrilling adventures sure to capture those 'once-in-a-lifetime' experiences.

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Hunt for the Northern Lights

Iceland – Fire, Ice Caves & Frozen Waterfalls



Visit the magnificent Seljalandsfoss waterfalls



Marvel at the blue ice caves

Experience frozen mountains and glaciers, thrilling excursions and fantastic black sand beaches. Iceland bulges with adventure, unbelievable sights, and experiences. In the frozen north, whales breach and swim, snow-covered hills dive into deep blue fjords, and the giant cascades of Goðafoss – ‘Waterfall of the Gods’ – are frozen mid-leap. In the south, monster 4WDs lead you to enormous glaciers, volcanoes, black and blue ice caves, and fantastic black sand beaches – one even filled with enormous Diamonds! With 5 nights well away from city lights and far from light pollution, you have ample chances to gaze in awe at the elusive Northern lights. The ‘Northern Lights’ are absolutely at the behest of nature, even though our chances are very high, as you will understand, cannot be guaranteed.



- Day 1 Reykjavik – Let the Adventure begin!**
1-night stay at Hotel Reykjavík Centrum. D
- Day 2 North Iceland Scenic flight, fjord drive to Siglufjörður.** 1-night stay at Sigló Hotel, Siglufjörður or similíar. B, D
- Day 3 Beautiful Fjord cruise & Whale Watching.**
2-night stay at Hotel Kea, Akureyri or similíar. B, D
- Day 4 Goðafoss frozen waterfalls, Namafjall geothermal pools, Mývatn's Dark Castles.** B, L
- Day 5 Seljalandsfoss waterfalls, Dyrhólaey & Vík.**
2-night stay at Hótel Vík í Mýrdal. B, D
- Day 6 Monster 4WD to Katla's Dragon Glass Ice Cave.** B
- Day 7 Molten lava & Skaftafellsjökull glacier walk.** 2-night stay at Fosshotel Glacier Lagoon. B, D
- Day 8 Jökulsárlón Glacier lagoon, Blue Crystal Ice Cave & Diamond Beach.** B, D
- Day 9 Hvolsvöllur Lava Centre & Reykjavík.**
3-night stay at Hotel Reykjavík Centrum. B
- Day 10 The Golden Circle, Þingvellir, hot Geysers, Gullfoss Falls & lots of tomatoes.** B, L
- Day 11 The Blue Lagoon & Viking farewell dinner.** B, D
- Day 12 Reykjavík.** B

Inclusions

20 meals including breakfast daily B, 2 lunches L and 7 evening meals D, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, economy class air travel as specified, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Goðafoss Falls
- Whale Watching Cruise on an Icelandic Oak boat
- Katla Ice Cave excursion
- Seljalandsfoss waterfall
- Jökulsárlón Glacier Lagoon
- Diamond Beach
- Geyser Hot Spring
- Gullfoss Falls
- Blue Lagoon Thermal Pools

2027 Departures

Feb 21; Mar 24 See website for prices

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Northern Lights, Ice Hotels & Huskies



Enjoy the thrill of a husky ride

Experience Lapland in the Arctic Circle, go reindeer sledding through the snowy wilderness and stay in the extraordinary ICEHOTEL. Join us in the Arctic Circle, Lapland, and meet the Sami people, drive a reindeer sled, enjoy husky rides, snowshoeing and at night time, drive your snowmobile on a safari to dine in a cabin in the forest wilderness. Ride on an Icebreaker ship and do a 'dry suit' swim in the frozen Baltic Sea, visit an Ice Castle. Stay in Santa's cottages, Kemi's extraordinary Glass Villas and an amazing IceHotel. Throughout this tour there will be opportunities to possibly witness the Aurora Borealis – the Northern Lights – dancing a slow ballet above you... what an adventure!



Stay in a Glass Villa in Kemi

Day 1 Helsinki welcome drink and dinner. 1-night stay at Original Sokos Hotel Vaakuna, Helsinki. **D**

Day 2 Rovaniemi and Santa Claus Holiday Village. 2-night stay at Santa Claus Holiday Village. **B, D**

Day 3 Reindeer Sled Ride, Snow Shoe walking on the Arctic Circle. **B, D**

Day 4 Kemi, an Ice Castle dinner and Glass Villas. 2-night stay at Kemi Seaside Glass Villas. **B, D**

Day 5 Ride on a Baltic Ice Breaker and swim amongst the ice. **B, D**

Day 6 The Jukkasjärvi ICEHOTEL and Sámi village. 2-night stay at ICEHOTEL, Jukkasjärvi. **B, D**

Day 7 Husky Ride and Northern Lights Snowmobile Safari. **B, L, D**

Day 8 Stockholm and farewell dinner. 1-night stay at Radisson Blu Royal Viking Hotel, Stockholm. **B, D**

Day 9 Stockholm. **B**

Inclusions

17 meals including breakfast daily **B**, 1 lunch **L** and 8 evening meals **D**, all tips for your Tour Manager, Driver, and Local Guides. First-class coach travel, economy class airfares as specified, Hotel WiFi and hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available).

Hand Selected Experiences

- Aurora Borealis spotting
- Arctic Reindeer Centre & Reindeer sledding
- Snow Shoe Walk
- Baltic Ice Breaker cruise & swim amongst the ice
- Sámi Village Cultural Park
- Jukkasjärvi, stay in the famous ICEHOTEL
- Enjoy a drink in the famous ICEHOTEL Ice Bar
- Husky Ride in the Swedish wilderness
- Snowmobile Safari

2027 Departures and Price

	Twin share pp	Solo
Feb 12; Mar 15	\$12,987	\$16,787

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Did you know we also offer an incredible range of stunning European Summer tours?



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From Australia call 1300 135 015

From New Zealand call 0800 446 232



Cradles of Civilisation, featuring Gallipoli, Cappadocia & those Greek Isles

Before you book

How much money do I need to budget for optional meals and excursions?

Nothing! Unlike most other tour companies we simply don't sell extra 'optional' tours once you arrive. All the excursions, activities and meals we outline are already included. Many dinners, even special regional restaurant dining is already included. To help matters we also include a glass of wine, beer or soft drink with dinner and later, tea or coffee.

Note: Drinks are not included with dinner on the Norway – Fjords, Viking Folklore & Flåm tour.

Do prices shown on the website and in the brochure include airfares?

All pricing shown is for the land only tour price and airfares are not included, except where we include internal flights whilst on tour.

Are Albatross' tours escorted from Australia?

All of our group tours meet with the Albatross Tours Manager at the hotel on Day 1 of the tour.

If I am a solo person travelling, do I need to pay the Single Supplement?

Yes, and the good news is that in most hotels you will be offered a double room for single use. This means when travelling on an Albatross tour you will mostly have a hotel room to yourself with either a double bed or two twin beds.

Is my tour guaranteed to depart?

Guaranteed departures are shown on our website with a green tick. You will be happy to know that we undertake to run any tour even on as little as 10-12 travellers. Plus we are very happy to tell you how many guests we have booked on any tour, giving you peace of mind when you book.

Are your tours English speaking only?

Yes. Our tours are designed for Australians and New Zealanders, with English speaking, expert Tour Managers.

Booking with Albatross

How can I book an Albatross tour?

Book your Albatross Tour directly with us or through your Travel Advisor.

If you wish to book with us there are three ways you can get in touch:

From Australia call 1300 135 015

From New Zealand call 0800 446 232

Online Book online at albatrosstours.com.au

Email Send an email to info@albatrosstours.com.au

What's the next step once I have made a booking?

Once you are confirmed on a tour, an invoice and a Traveller Information Form will be sent to you. A non-refundable deposit is required within 7 days to secure your booking. The deposit amount is a minimum of 10% of the total tour cost, however, the deposit may vary for special tours or departures. The deposit amount will be shown on your booking invoice. We also ask that you complete and submit your Traveller Information Form within 7 days of your booking.

How do I complete my Traveller Information form?

After your booking has been made you will receive an email which contains details to complete your Traveller Information form.

When is final payment due on my booking?

Full payment is required 90 days prior to travel, unless advised otherwise.

What payment options are available?

- Australian bookings can make payment using; cash, cheque, direct deposit, BPAY, VISA, MasterCard or Amex, please note if paying with credit card the respective merchant fees apply.
- New Zealand bookings can make payment using direct deposit

All payment details are provided on the bottom of your booking confirmation and invoice.

Can Albatross assist with travel insurance, flights, transfers or pre & post tour accommodation?

Albatross Tours can provide you with quotes for Travel Insurance or Pre/Post Accommodation for your selected tour departure. Please contact our reservations team via phone or email and we would be happy to provide you with a quote.

For flights, airport transfers and other additional itinerary planning, will need to be sourced independently or through your travel advisor.

Whilst on tour

What is the food like?

Just like you, we like good food! The daily breakfast is usually an extensive buffet selection. We specially select the included dinners, not just those in your hotel but also special ones in authentic local taverns, restaurants, bistros and beautiful wine estates. Sometimes leisurely, feature lunches are also included. We purposefully leave a few evenings free for you to discover your own local restaurant or bistro.

Can you cater for special dietary needs?

Yes, of course. Please provide your dietary needs on your Traveller Information form at the time of booking. Once you arrive and begin your tour please reconfirm your dietary needs with your Tour Manager. Please note, whilst every effort is made to ensure your dietary needs are properly catered for, we cannot guarantee absolute satisfaction every time.

What time do I need to get up each morning?

Later! It is rare we start a day before 8:30am. Our longer stays mean you are not constantly checking in and out of hotels all the time and packing and unpacking your bags is not a repetitive chore. The pace is so much more relaxed and most mornings you have time for that second cup of coffee over a relaxing breakfast.

What standard and size of coaches do you use?

We use first-class, full-size touring coaches with 40 – 45 seats. This means where the average group size is 22 travellers, everyone gets a window seat and a spare seat! WiFi is available on most coaches and there is an on-board toilet for emergencies. Note: Occasionally we may also use day charter coaches for sightseeing and in rare cases when touring groups numbers are below 15 we may use a smaller coach, without a toilet.

How much walking is involved on your tours?

Our tours require a moderate level of fitness due to the unique places we visit and stay. On some occasions coach drop off points are 10 minutes or so walk away from an old town centre. If you are joining us on one of our walking tours we recommend comfortable shoes and that you are able to walk at a moderate pace.

Booking Terms & Conditions

These Booking Conditions set out the terms on which you contract with us for the arrangement and delivery of travel arrangements for your trip. By making a booking with us, you acknowledge that you have read, understood, and agree to be bound by these Booking Conditions. We reserve the right to change these Booking Conditions at any time prior to you making a booking request. "You" and "Your" means all persons named in a booking (including anyone who is added or substituted at a later date). "We", "us", "our" and "Albatross Tours" means Albatross Travel Group Pty Ltd.

Bookings

A booking request is accepted when we issue a written booking confirmation and you have paid your deposit. It is at this point that a contract between us and you comes into existence subject to these Booking Conditions.

We reserve the right to decline any booking at our discretion. No employee of ours other than a director has the authority to vary or omit any of these Booking Conditions or to promise any discount, refund or credit.

Services

We commence providing services to you as soon as we accept your booking. This includes (often significant) work undertaken prior to travel to arrange and coordinate the delivery of your travel arrangements. You also receive the benefit of work we undertake in anticipation of bookings. The services we provide to you are limited to (a) the arrangement and coordination of your travel arrangements; and (b) the delivery of travel arrangements which we directly control.

Prices and Exclusions

Prices stated are in Australian Dollars (\$AUD) (or \$NZD if you are based in New Zealand and accessed our albatrosstours.com or albatrosstours.co.nz websites) and are current at the time of publication. The most up to date pricing is available on our website. The price includes accommodation, transportation and other inclusions as per the published itinerary.

Unless stated otherwise prices are for cash/cheque payments. Credit card payments attract a service fee equal to the costs we incur to process the payment.

International and domestic airfares and airport/hotel transfers are not included unless specifically stated. Costs associated with passports, visas, vaccinations, insurance, meals (other than those stipulated), emergency evacuation costs, gratuities, and all items of a personal nature are not included.

Price Surcharges

We reserve the right to vary the cost of your travel arrangements prior to commencement for circumstances beyond our control such as the imposition of fuel surcharges or new or amended Government charges.

We also reserve the right to vary the cost of your travel arrangements due to currency fluctuations. However, we will not vary the cost for currency fluctuations once full payment has been received by us and we will absorb the first 2% of any negative currency fluctuation.

Deposit

A 10% non-refundable deposit per person is required within 7 days (unless otherwise stated) of us accepting your booking. A 10% deposit also applies to pre and post accommodation if selected.

The deposit represents a fee payable to us for services associated with the processing and confirmation of your booking and any consultations on travel arrangements that we may provide to you. Because these services are provided as soon as we confirm your booking, the deposit is non-refundable other than where we cancel your travel arrangements for reasons other than Force Majeure (see below).

Please note that we may not hold any services for you until we receive payment of your deposit, meaning that services may become unavailable, or prices may increase, in which case you will be responsible for paying the increased price, and we will not be responsible if services become unavailable.

Final Payment

Payment in full must be received by no less than 90 days before commencement of your trip. Note: some trips may require payment (including full payment) earlier or in additional instalments and this will be advised with the booking confirmation.

For late bookings (bookings within 90 days of departure), full payment is required at the time of request. You acknowledge that we may not be able to confirm services, in which case we will provide you with a refund.

If you fail to make payment by the due date, we will remind you to make payment. In addition

to the payment, you will also be responsible for any costs imposed on us by suppliers resulting from late payment. If we do not receive payment within 7 days after the reminder, you will be deemed to have cancelled your booking.

Cancellations by You

We require written notice and will make refunds to you less cancellation fees in accordance with the table below, calculated from the date which we receive written notice:

- Over 90 days before commencement: Deposit
- 90 days to 60 days before commencement: 50% of the booking value
- Within 59 days or no show 100% of the booking value less any amounts designated as payable to third parties specifically to deliver your travel arrangements which the third party agrees are no longer payable*

* as we will be subject to third party terms and conditions, we make no guarantee that any third party will agree that amounts are no longer payable

You agree that the deductions and cancellation charges specified above are reasonable, represent a genuine pre-estimate of our loss and are required to protect our legitimate business interests. For group departures, a transfer of a confirmed booking to another departure date at your request is deemed to be cancellation of the original booking.

Illness or Vaccination Status Preventing Travel

If due to any illness, suspected illness or failure to satisfy any required tests or vaccination requirements: an airline or other common carrier refuses you carriage; a hotel or vessel refuses to accommodate you; or

- we or our suppliers (acting reasonably) exclude you from the trip and you are consequently prevented from commencing or continuing your trip, then:
- if you have already commenced your trip, we will provide you with reasonable assistance to arrange alternative travel arrangements or to continue the trip. This will be at your cost.
- if you have not commenced your trip then we regret we will not be in a position to provide such assistance.

We will not be liable to refund the cost of your trip (or any part of it) because we would have already paid (or committed to pay) suppliers and we would have already performed significant work preparing for the delivery of your trip and servicing your booking. We will not be responsible for any other loss or loss you incur in connection with your booking (for example, airfares and visa expenses) if you are prevented from commencing or continuing your trip in these circumstances.

We strongly encourage you to purchase travel insurance that adequately responds to cancellations and curtailments associated with illness and other unforeseen events as soon as you have paid your deposit.

Other Cancellations

In these Booking Conditions, the term Force Majeure means an event or events beyond our control and which we could not have reasonably prevented, and includes but is not limited to: (a) natural disasters (including but not limited to flooding, fire, earthquake, landslide, volcanic eruption), adverse weather conditions (including hurricane or cyclone), high or low water levels; (b) war, armed conflict, industrial dispute, civil strife, terrorist activity or the threat of such acts; (c) epidemic, pandemic; (d) any new or change in law, order, decree, rule or regulation of any government authority (the events in (d) being "Government Restrictions").

Force Majeure – Prior to travel

If:

- in our reasonable opinion we (either directly or through our employees, contractors, suppliers or agents) determine that your travel arrangements cannot safely, lawfully or reasonably proceed due to a Force Majeure event; or
- you give us notice no more than 14 days prior to commencement of your booked travel arrangements that you cannot reasonably make use of them due to Government Restrictions

then we may:

- reschedule your travel arrangements, but only if you are agreeable to the rescheduled arrangements; or
- cancel your travel arrangements, in which case our contract with you will terminate.

If we cancel your travel arrangements, neither of us will have any claim for damages against the other for the cancelled arrangements. However, we will either:

- issue you with a credit equal to payments received by us for the cancelled travel arrangements, redeemable within 12 months of issue against any travel services offered by us; or refund payments attributable to the cancelled travel arrangements less: (a) unrecoverable third party costs and other expenses incurred or payable by us for the cancelled travel arrangements; (b) overhead charges incurred by us relative to the price of the cancelled travel arrangements; and (c) fair compensation for work undertaken by us in relation to the cancelled travel arrangements until the time of cancellation and in connection with the processing of any refund.

Please note that our ability to issue you with a credit may be dependent on our suppliers issuing corresponding credits to us. We cannot guarantee that our suppliers will issue corresponding credits and so in such circumstances we may opt to pay you a limited cash refund as outlined.

Force Majeure – During travel

If due to Force Majeure we cancel travel arrangements after your trip has commenced, we will provide you with a refund of recoverable third party costs for cancelled travel arrangements only.

Force Majeure – General

Where a limited cash refund is to be paid by us, we will use reasonable endeavours to recover payments from third parties attributable to your booking, but we make no guarantee that we will be able to recover these payments either partially or at all. If after we have paid you a limited cash refund (or after we determine that no cash refund is currently payable) we recover payments from third parties attributable to your booking, then we will pass on this payment to you.

We will not be responsible for any other loss or costs you incur in connection with your booking (for example, airfares, insurance and visa expenses) if your trip or particular travel arrangements are cancelled due to an event of Force Majeure.

If we provide you with any alternative services or assistance where travel arrangements are cancelled or rescheduled due to Force Majeure, then you agree the amount to be refunded to you will be reduced by the value of these services and assistance.

You acknowledge that the terms in this section are reasonably necessary to protect our legitimate business interests. We strongly encourage you to purchase travel insurance that adequately responds to cancellation and rescheduling risks associated with Force Majeure events as soon as you have paid your deposit.

Other cancellations

If we cancel your travel arrangements for reasons other than Force Majeure or a failure to satisfy minimum numbers (see below), you will be offered (at your election) a refund of all funds paid, or the offer of a trip of substantially equal quality if appropriate.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, we will not be responsible to you for any other expenses or loss you incur resulting from our cancellation.

Minimum Numbers

Our group tours are based on a minimum number of passengers travelling. If a tour fails to satisfy minimum numbers, the tour may be cancelled or re-costed. We will give you notice no later than 60 days prior to the tour's commencement. If the tour is re-costed, you will have the option to either accept the new cost or to cancel your booking. You must make this election within 14 days of receiving notice from us. If the tour is cancelled or if you cancel your booking in these circumstances, we will at your election refund all payments made or credit payments towards alternative arrangements.

We will not be responsible for any other travel arrangements affected by, or any additional costs incurred, as a result of cancellation in these circumstances.

Amendments by You

We will endeavour to accommodate amendments and additional requests. You acknowledge that these may not be possible to fulfil, and for group departures a transfer of a booking to a different departure is deemed a cancellation. An amendment fee of \$250 will be levied to cover communication and administration costs for any changes to bookings. You will also be required to pay any additional costs charged by suppliers.

Amendments by Us Prior to travel

Due to the dynamic nature of the travel industry, we may occasionally need to make amendments or modifications to the itinerary and its inclusions and you acknowledge our right to do this. Most changes will not be significant. If we become

aware of any significant changes to your itinerary or its inclusions that materially detract from the overall characteristics or value of the tour (where we determine it can still proceed), then we will notify you within a reasonable time and you may elect to: proceed with the tour, in which case we will refund you an amount attributable to the reduction in value determined by us acting reasonably; or

- cancel your tour, in which case we will refund you all payments received by us at that time.

If you do not make an election in writing within 7 days of us notifying you of the significant change, then you will be deemed to have elected to proceed with the tour.

During travel

You acknowledge that the itinerary, modes of transport, accommodation and/or the trip's inclusions may need to change during your trip due to local circumstances beyond our reasonable control, including road conditions, poor weather, changes in transport schedules, and/or vehicle breakdowns. You agree that we have the right to pass on any costs we incur for alternative arrangements we put in place for your benefit in these circumstances.

It is your responsibility to ensure that you have a suitable level of health and fitness to undertake the trip of your choice.

To the fullest extent permitted by law: (a) we will not be responsible for any omissions or modifications to the itinerary or the inclusions due to Force Majeure or other circumstances beyond our control happening after we have accepted your booking. This includes any loss of enjoyment or distress caused by omissions or modifications; (b) if you are entitled to any compensation for any modifications or omissions, then you agree it will be reduced by the value of any alternative services we provide which you accept; and (c) we will not be responsible to you for any other expenses or loss you incur resulting from any amendment or change to the itinerary or its inclusions.

Unused and Denied Services

No refunds will be made for any travel arrangements included in your tour not utilised, whether by choice or because of late arrival or early departure other than due to our negligence. This includes the failure of transport to operate according to schedule, which we disclaim responsibility for. If you are not fully and validly vaccinated against COVID-19 in the destination(s) where services are to be provided, and particular suppliers refuse to provide you with travel arrangements, then you agree you will not be entitled to any refund for those arrangements.

We will not be responsible to you for any loss or expenses you incur (including loss of enjoyment or the costs of alternative arrangements) if you are denied services in these circumstances.

No overseas supplier or associate is authorised to promise a refund on behalf of Albatross Tours for unused or denied services.

Exclusion from Tour

We reserve the right, acting reasonably, to exclude you from the tour at our discretion if: (a) you fail to comply with our (or any of our supplier's) reasonable instructions (which may include personal hygiene directions consistent with generally issued medical guidance to reduce the incidence of infectious diseases such as such as COVID-19/Influenza/severe colds); (b) if you threaten the safety of yourself, our or our suppliers' personnel or other tour guests; (c) if we (or our supplier) acting reasonably consider that you are materially interfering with the other travellers enjoyment of the tour; or (d) if you require special assistance which we cannot reasonably provide due to an existing medical condition or disability not previously disclosed to us. If we exclude you from the tour, then you will not be entitled to any refund for any remaining portion of the tour and you will be responsible for all costs associated with your onward travel.

Client Names – Exactly as per Passport

For security reasons, airlines and our overseas suppliers require names to be given exactly as stated in your passport. If you do not advise the correct information and we have to re-issue airline tickets or other documentation, then you will be responsible for any fees charged (such as airline cancellation charges or re-issue fees) in addition to our own reasonable administration fees.

Travel Insurance

It is a condition of your booking that you are adequately insured for the duration of your trip. We recommend comprehensive travel insurance to cover cancellation, medical requirements, luggage, repatriations and additional expenses. The choice of insurer is yours. Please check the details within your product disclosure statement and ensure you are aware of its conditions and

omissions. We strongly suggest you purchase insurance at the time you pay your deposit. This is because cancellation fees and charges are payable from that time. If you have any questions please contact our European Tour Specialists.

Transportation

When group sizes are considered too small to use a full-sized touring coach, we reserve the right to use a smaller coach. Smaller coaches and any vehicles used for local transfers and occasional day excursions may not have toilet facilities on board. WiFi on coaches is usually available but cannot always be guaranteed. Individual country and EEC laws regarding coach transportation and safety, including the wearing of safety belts where applicable, will be abided by at all times. Failure to abide by local laws may result in you being excluded from the tour.

Where a vehicle is equipped with seatbelts, you must always wear your seatbelt when onboard. To the fullest extent permitted by law, our liability to you for any personal injury, death or other damages or claims arising from an accident or incident involving a vehicle you are travelling on as part of the tour will be limited or excluded to the extent your failure to wear a supplied seatbelt contributed to or caused your injury or death.

Accommodation

Due to the dynamic nature of the travel industry, we may need to substitute hotels, vessels and other forms of accommodation with properties or vessels of a substantially comparable or higher standard. We will endeavour to minimise substitutions. You acknowledge that these substitutions will not be considered a significant change.

Solo Travellers

We contract double rooms for sole use for guests paying the solo traveller price. Whilst we contract the same standard of room for all guests, it is at the discretion of the hotel as to the allocation of rooms. Due to the unique nature of our contracted hotels, allocated rooms may vary between guests and Solo Travellers may receive a smaller sized double room or in some cases a twin-bedded room.

The Solo Traveller price reflects fees and charges passed on to us by our suppliers.

Child Travellers

The minimum age for a child travelling with Albatross Tours is 5 years of age and they must be accompanied with their parent and/or guardian on the same Albatross tour.

Children under the age of 12 years are not encouraged (with the exception of our European Christmas Markets, Christmas Tours, Christmas Holidays and New Year Tour programmes) and are accepted or rejected at OUR sole discretion. If you have any questions please contact our European Tour Specialists.

Twin and Triple Share Rooms

Throughout much of central Europe traditional hotels sometimes offer French or Continental Twin sleeping arrangements whereby two separate single beds and mattresses are attached together, often sharing a single headboard. Many modern hotels now have glass-walled bathrooms, with or without privacy curtains. Please consider this when booking a twin share room.

Triple rooms may be available on festive tour departures only. If available, triple rooms may consist of one double, or two single beds and the third bed may be a "rollaway" or sofa bed, which is not suitable for an adult. Therefore, triple share rooms are only suitable, when the third person is 15 years or younger at the time of travel. In most cases, the addition of a third bed will result in the space in the bedroom being limited.

We will not be held responsible for any distress or loss of enjoyment as a result of such arrangements or failure to recognise the possibility of such arrangements prior to booking.

Porterage

Unless otherwise stated, hotel porterage for one suitcase per person is included at each stay during your tour. Porterage is not included on the first or last days of your tour when arriving or departing your hotel independently.

Passports and Visas

It is a requirement that you hold a valid passport and any required visas for your trip. It is your responsibility to ensure that you are in possession of the necessary documentation to comply with the laws and regulations of the countries to be visited.

Vaccinations

It is your responsibility to obtain the necessary vaccinations and preventative medicines as may be required for the duration of your trip. Whilst compulsory Covid-19 vaccination is no longer required to join an Albatross group tour from 1 February 2023, we do highly recommend you

keep your vaccinations status as updated as possible. Naturally you will have to comply with the requirements of the countries we will be visiting, and restrictions may apply.

Please note, it is your responsibility to check the updated rules and regulations of the countries you will be visiting to ensure you are allowed entry and are able to be on tour.

Health and Fitness

Minimum Mobility Requirements

It is your responsibility to ensure that you have a suitable level of health and fitness to undertake the trip of your choice.

Albatross offers a range of tours to a variety of destinations. A number of tours include visits to hilltop towns, which may have some steep, uneven cobblestoned streets or castles, and attractions with steep staircases and no lifts. Additionally, some larger cities only provide coach passenger drop off points beyond the city-wall limits of old town centres. A reasonable amount of walking will be involved on all tours and therefore a certain level of fitness and mobility is required. If you have walking difficulties or mobility limitations our tours may not be suitable, and we reserve the right not to accept your booking. For more information on mobility requirement specific to you tour please refer Albatross Tours website here: <https://www.albatrosstours.com.au/suitability>.

If you have any concerns or wish further information or clarification on minimum mobility requirements, please call our office, or write to us via email via info@albatrosstours.com.au.

Existing Medical Conditions

If you have a medical condition which may reasonably be expected to increase your risk of needing medical attention, or which may materially affect the usual conduct of the trip, then you must advise us prior to or at the time you make your booking request.

We may request you to provide an assessment of your medical condition from a qualified medical practitioner. If the assessment indicates that you are not fit to travel or will require special assistance which we cannot reasonably provide, then we may cancel your booking. Provided you notified us of your medical condition prior to or at the time you made your booking request, we will provide you with a full refund of funds received, less an administrative fee of \$250.

If you fail to provide a medical assessment within a reasonable time, then this will be considered a cancellation by you and cancellation fees and charges will apply (See 'Cancellation By You' section above).

New Medical Conditions

You must advise us of any new or changed medical conditions which may reasonably be expected to increase your risk of needing medical attention, special assistance, or which may materially affect the usual conduct of the trip.

We may request you to provide an assessment of your medical condition from a qualified medical practitioner. If the assessment indicates that you will require special assistance which we cannot reasonably provide or if you fail to provide a medical assessment within a reasonable time, then this will be considered a cancellation by you and cancellation fees and charges will apply (See 'Cancellation By You' section above).

Non-Disclosed Medical Conditions

If any non-disclosed medical conditions mean that you will require special assistance which we cannot reasonably provide, then we acting reasonably may exclude you from the trip. This will be considered a cancellation by you and cancellation fees and charges will apply (See 'Cancellation By You' section above).

Dietary Requirements

Special dietary requests are required to be notified to us within 7 days after we confirm your booking. We will endeavour to communicate your requirements to relevant suppliers. However, we cannot guarantee requests will be met by suppliers. It is your responsibility to check that meals and beverages do not contain any allergens. We expressly disclaim any liability for meals or beverages that contain allergens other than in circumstances where we have been negligent.

Image Release

When on tour, we may take photographs or make recordings of you and your activities that identify you. We reserve the right to use any images and/or recordings for promotional and marketing purposes. You consent to this use and acknowledge you will not be entitled to any payment or other compensation. If you do not consent to the use of your image or likeness, please advise us at least 21 days prior to the commencement of your tour.

Independent Additional Services

We are not responsible for any additional

activities or excursions which are not included in the booked itinerary or which we sell as agent for the principal operator. Any advice or recommendation made by a guide or local representative is made in good-faith, based on known information, and does not make us responsible for the acts or omissions of the principal operator of the excursion or activity.

Accuracy

Albatross Tours makes every effort to ensure the the accuracy of information in our brochures and on our website, in many cases we rely on third parties to provide us with information and descriptions and we cannot reasonably verify all information and to the fullest extent by law will not be liable if the description or information is inaccurate.

White Christmas Tours – Snow

A large part of Central Europe is normally covered by snow over Christmas time. Please note that weather conditions vary from year to year and snowfalls cannot be guaranteed.

Northern Lights Tours – Aurora Borealis

The Aurora Borealis ('Northern Lights') are a natural phenomenon and reliant on nature and clear skies. We will be staying in the North of Scandinavia and Iceland at some of the very best Aurora spotting locations. The chances of catching a wonderful display are very high however, cannot be guaranteed.

Acceptance of Risk

You acknowledge that travel involves personal risks which may be greater than those present in your everyday life. This could be as a result of the adventurous nature of your trip or the visiting of destinations which present geographical, political or cultural risks and dangers.

You should consult guidance issued by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) applicable to the destinations within your itinerary. You acknowledge that your choice to travel is made having had the benefit of DFAT guidance, and you accept any additional personal risks associated with your travel. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we disclaim any liability for these risks.

Covid-19

You acknowledge that you are travelling at a time when Covid-19 is endemic and that Covid-19 presents risks to your health and may cause death. You accept all risks associated with Covid-19 infection during travel and you release us (and our directors, officers, employees and suppliers) from liability in connection with Covid-19 infection.

Responsibility

Services supplied by independent suppliers

Where a third party over whom we have no direct control (Independent Supplier) is the supplier of travel arrangements that form part of your trip, you acknowledge that our obligations to you are limited to taking reasonable care to select a reputable Independent Supplier and arranging for them to provide those travel arrangements to you. Independent Suppliers over whom we have no direct control could include but are not limited to airlines, railway and cruise operators, hoteliers, independent transport companies (i.e., vehicles not operated by us), attraction and venue operators, restaurants and common carriers.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, we will not be responsible to you for any loss, damage, personal injury or delay attributable to the actions or omissions of an Independent Supplier and not caused by our negligence. Any claims you have in this regard must be made against the Independent Supplier. You acknowledge that the Independent Supplier's liability to you may be limited by their own terms and conditions.

Services we directly supply

To the extent only that we are the principal supplier to you of travel arrangements or other services which we control, then we will provide those travel arrangements and services with reasonable skill and care.

We will only be responsible for our employees in the course of their employment, and for our agents and contractors (where we have direct control over them) if they were carrying out the work we had asked them to do.

We will not be responsible for any loss, damage, claim or expense caused by the acts or omissions of yourself, of any other third party not connected with the provision of the travel arrangements or services, or due to an event of Force Majeure.

While we endeavour to meet scheduled arrival and departure times, we cannot guarantee this. We will not be responsible for any loss or additional expenses you incur for any missed connections/services attributable to delays.

Recreational services

If we supply any recreational services to you, then to the maximum extent permitted by law we exclude any liability for death, physical injury or mental injury or any other liability referred to in section 139A(3) of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Cth) resulting from our failure to comply with a guarantee that applies under Subdivision B of Division 1 of Part 3-2 of the *Australian Consumer Law*.

This exclusion does not apply to significant personal injury caused by our reckless conduct.

Recreational services means services that consist of participation in the activities referred to in Section 139A of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Cth), being participation in:

- a sporting activity or similar leisure time pursuit; or
- any other activity that:
 - involves a significant degree of physical exertion or physical risk; and
 - is undertaken for the purposes of recreation, enjoyment or leisure.

General liability limitation

We do not guarantee our schedule. We will not be responsible for any loss or additional expenses you incur for any missed connections/services attributable to delays outside of our control.

You acknowledge that travel arrangements or services which comply with local laws and regulations will be deemed to have been properly performed, even if this would not be considered the case in Australia.

Australian Consumer Law and corresponding legislation in State jurisdictions in certain circumstances imply mandatory guarantees into consumer contracts ("Consumer Guarantees"). These Booking Conditions do not exclude or limit the application of the Consumer Guarantees other than to the extent they can be excluded or limited, in which case we limit or exclude the Consumer Guarantees to the fullest extent possible. Other than the Consumer Guarantees, we disclaim all warranties and guarantees.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, our maximum liability to you under these Booking Conditions, in tort (including negligence) or at law is limited to arranging for the travel arrangements to be resupplied or payment of the cost of having them resupplied.

Complaints

In the event of a problem with any aspect of your travel arrangements you must tell us or make our representative or our local supplier aware of such problems as soon as possible. This is so we or our suppliers have had the opportunity to put things right on the ground.

If you notify us of a problem during travel and we haven't resolved it to your satisfaction, please follow this up in writing within 30 days from the end of your travel arrangements. This is so we have the opportunity to pursue the claim with our own suppliers (if relevant). Making a complaint does not guarantee any outcome.

If you fail to follow this procedure, this may limit your rights to make a claim.

Deemed Acceptance

If you place a booking on behalf of another party, you represent and warrant us that you are duly authorised to provide the agreement and consent of the other party to be bound by these Booking Conditions. You agree that you will be responsible for any loss or damage we incur if this is not the case.

General

The contract between Albatross Travel Group Pty Ltd trading as Albatross Tours and you is governed by the laws of the State of Queensland. Any disputes shall be dealt with by a court with the appropriate jurisdiction in Queensland. If any provision of these Booking Conditions is found to be unenforceable, then to the extent possible it will be severed without affecting the remaining provisions.

Any personal information you provide to us will be collected, stored, used, protected, and shared in accordance with Australian Privacy Principles, and our Privacy Policy, which is published here www.albatrosstours.com/privacy-policy.

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Join us by selecting from our incredible, award-winning range of regional European Christmas, New Year and Northern Lights Tours and come share our love of Europe.



The old town square lit up for Christmas, Prague, Czech Republic



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