



## Itinerary

### Alpine Explorer & the Glacier Express Train with Oberammergau Passion Play

#### Pre Night: Zacchera Hotels



Zacchera Hotels Group offers a choice of high quality hotels in Baveno, Stresa Lago Maggiore, Italy.

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight



Breathtaking Alpine vistas await as you travel through Italy, Switzerland, Austria and Germany. From amazing railways to the thrilling Passion Play, experience the wonders only found in the heart of Europe.

#### Day 2: Stresa, Italy (Lago Maggiore\*) - Tour Begins



Arrive in Stresa (Lago Maggiore) and take some free time to explore this beautiful lakeside town on your own. Your evening begins with a cocktail party in a wine shop before we cruise to our welcome dinner on Isola dei Pescatori, the most beautiful of the Borromean Islands.

##### Hotel

Zacchera Hotels  
Lago Maggiore

##### Culinary

Dinner

##### Weather

High 80°  
Low 70°  
Rain 1"

#### Day 3: Stresa



Today we make our way to an ancient village nestled in the mountains. Stop at a family farm to learn about the artisan cheeses they produce. Sample delicious creations and discover how to pair them with local wines. Return to Stresa for an afternoon at leisure.

##### Hotel

Zacchera Hotels  
Lago Maggiore

##### Culinary

Breakfast

##### Weather

High 80°  
Low 70°  
Rain 1"

#### Day 4: Stresa - Zermatt, Switzerland



Depart Lago Maggiore for a scenic drive into the heart of the mountains. The incredible views of the Italian and Swiss Alps are sure to leave a lasting impression. Upon arrival in Tasch, board a local train for a ride to the spectacular pedestrian village of Zermatt in the Swiss Alps.

**Hotel**

Hotel Alex  
Zermatt

**Culinary**

Breakfast & Dinner

**Weather**

High 66°  
Low 51°  
Rain 2"

**Day 5: Zermatt**



Today, Zermatt is at your fingertips. It's your choice! Tour Zermatt's best-known landmarks by foot with a local expert; or, enjoy a visit to the Matterhorn Museum where you'll learn more about the triumph and tragedy behind the first ascent of this imposing peak. The remainder of your day is at leisure.

**Hotel**

Hotel Alex  
Zermatt

**Culinary**

Breakfast

**Weather**

High 66°  
Low 51°  
Rain 2"

**Day 6: Zermatt - Glacier Express Train - St. Moritz**



Traverse bridges and tunnels while aboard the world-renowned narrow gauge Glacier Express, the most charming express train in the world. Enjoy the natural beauty of this route through the heart of the Swiss Alps. Filled with forests, fragrant meadows, streams and deep valleys, it's a mountain dream come to life. Relax and enjoy a three-course lunch while onboard. Arrive in St. Moritz, playground of the rich and famous.

**Hotel**

Hotel Steffani  
St. Moritz

**Culinary**

Breakfast & Lunch

**Weather**

High 66°  
Low 41°  
Rain 2"

**Day 7: St. Moritz - Innsbruck, Austria**



Drive through the picturesque Engadine Valley to Innsbruck, Austria, capital of the Austrian Tyrol. Join a local expert and explore the city's medieval pedestrian streets including Maria Theresian Strasse, the Hofburg and the Golden Roof.

**Hotel**

Hotel Innsbruck  
Innsbruck

**Culinary**

Breakfast

**Weather**

High 70°  
Low 50°  
Rain 6"

**Day 8: Innsbruck - Salzburg - Innsbruck**



Travel the Austrian countryside to historic Salzburg, one of Europe's most beautiful and romantic spots. Enjoy a leisurely walking tour of Salzburg's historic Old Town - the Altstadt. See highlights such as the Cathedral, Mozart's birthplace and Mirabell Gardens. Film buffs will be able to pick out locations from The Sound of Music. This evening, enjoy a delightful Mozart dinner concert at the centuries-old St. Peter's Restaurant, central Europe's oldest restaurant.

**Hotel**

Hotel Innsbruck  
Innsbruck

**Culinary**

Breakfast & Dinner

**Weather**

High 70°  
Low 50°  
Rain 6"

**Day 9: Innsbruck - Munich, Germany - Oberammergau**



Today we head to the frontier of Germany, crossing the border into Bavaria. Arrive in the Bavarian capital of Munich for a walking tour featuring the Marienplatz, the Glockenspiel and Olympic Park. Next, depart for the quaint village of Oberammergau, nestled in the Bavarian Alps.

**Hotel**

An Oberammergau Region Hotel  
Oberammergau Region

**Culinary**

Breakfast & Dinner

**Weather**

High 70°  
Low 50°  
Rain 6"

**Day 10: Oberammergau - Passion Play**



This afternoon, witness a performance of the epic Passion Play. The original performance dates back to 1634. During the Thirty Year War, Oberammergau was spared the Black Plague and for this reason, the citizens vowed that every ten years they would give a play to honor the last days of the life of Christ. The performers of this once-in-a-decade event are all native to the village. To lend authenticity to the performance, the cast start to grow their hair and beards more than a year in advance. Also, the intricate costumes are made locally by the villagers. During a break in the performance, join your fellow travelers for dinner before returning for the remainder of your Passion Play performance.

### Hotel

An Oberammergau Region Hotel  
Oberammergau Region

### Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

### Weather

High 70°  
Low 50°  
Rain 6"

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## Day 11: Oberammergau - Linderhof Palace - Füssen - Munich



Travel to nearby Linderhof Palace, one of the most artistic and stylistically complex ensembles of the 19th century. It is the only palace King Ludwig II of Bavaria was able to complete. Behind the Baroque façade is a Rococo world, rich in abundant ornamentation. Next, enjoy free time exploring medieval Füssen, the romantic town in the foothills of the Bavarian Alps. Make a special picture stop at Neuschwanstein Castle, Germany's most famous castle and the inspiration for the castle in Sleeping Beauty. This evening, gather with your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of an unforgettable journey.

### Hotel

Sheraton Munich Westpark Hotel  
Munich

### Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

### Weather

High 73°  
Low 54°  
Rain 4"

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## Day 12: Munich - Tour Ends



Your tour comes to a close today.