



Christmas Markets Convention

8 days | Dec 03 2022—Dec 10 2022

Whether it's because of the twinkling lights or the colorful storefront window displays, the beauty of Munich and Vienna shines brightest in December. Join fellow Group Coordinators and Go Ahead Tours staff as you explore the best Christmas markets and soak in the seasonal cheer in each destination. In between listening to festive music and sipping mulled wine, you'll enjoy plenty of time to talk all things travel.



Your tour package includes

6 nights in handpicked hotels
6 breakfasts
1 lunch
3 dinners with beer or wine
Guided sightseeing tours
Expert Tour Director & local guides
Private deluxe motor coach

Included highlights

Convention Tour meeting and networking Munich's Christmas markets artisan toy shop visit Christmas carol performance Viennese orchestra concert Vienna's Christmas markets Kunsthistorisches Museum Spanish Winter Riding School show

Tour pace

On this guided tour, you'll walk for about 1 hour daily across moderately uneven terrain, including cobblestone streets and paved roads, with few hills or stairs.

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Overnight Flight → 1 night

Day 1: Travel day

Board your overnight flight to Munich today.

Munich \rightarrow 3 nights

Day 2: Arrival in Munich

Included meals: dinner

Welcome to Germany! Gather with your Tour Director and fellow travelers at tonight's welcome dinner.

Day 3: ConventionTour meeting & evening Christmas market visit

Included meals: breakfast, lunch
Join your group for the Convention Tour
meeting, a series of presentations and
discussions designed with Group Coordinators'
questions, experiences, and interests in mind.

- Begin with a keynote address by senior members of Go Ahead Tours staff, followed by an insider's view of the company and tours
- Discuss tour planning and recruiting best practices with Go Ahead Tours staff and your fellow Group Coordinators
- Get an overview of the many benefits available to you as a Go Ahead Tours Group Coordinator and learn about new program updates
- Enjoy coffee, tea, and an included lunch This evening, join your Tour Director and visit some of Munich's best under-the -radar Christmas markets.
- Admire views of the cityscape lit up for the evening festivities
- Explore the shops at your leisure

Day 4: Sightseeing tour of Munich & Christmas carol performance

Included meals: breakfast
Get to know the Bavarian capital on a guided tour.

- Travel past the Englischer Garten and fashionable Schwabing district
- Enter Nymphenburg Palace, the Baroque home to past Bavarian royalty

- Walk from Odeonsplatz through the nearby Hofgarten to view the Residenz, once home to the Wittelsbach dukes of Bavaria
- Explore Marienplatz, Munich's medieval heart, and see the famed Glockenspiel
- Celebrate the season at the city's festive Christmas markets
- Tour a local artisan's shop and receive an insider's look into how the toys sold at the Christmas markets are crafted

Tonight, enjoy a private performance of traditional Christmas carols.

Vienna → 4 nights

Day 5: Vienna via Salzburg

Included meals: breakfast, dinner
As you travel to Vienna, Austria, stop to peruse
the Christmas markets in Salzburg.

- Explore the festive stalls with a local guide
- Enjoy free time to shop for souvenirs and eat

 lunch

Continue on to Vienna and enjoy an included dinner at a local restaurant. Then, head to the Kursalon Hübner concert hall where you'll watch as an orchestra of musicians, dancers, and opera singers perform famous works by Mozart and Strauss.

Day 6: Sightseeing tour of Vienna & evening Christmas market visit

Included meals: breakfast

Get transported back to the Age of Empires on a guided tour of Vienna, filled with bright holiday lights and seasonal specialties at its many Christmas markets.

- Enter Schönbrunn Palace, the Rococo Hapsburg home with impressive gardens
- Travel down the Ringstrasse, Vienna's treelined thoroughfare
- See the Parliament building, the Vienna State
 Opera, and the grand Hofburg Palace, the
 Hapsburg's winter residence
- Visit some of the city's festive Christmas markets
- Peruse stalls of handmade crafts in search of gifts perfect for everyone on your list

 Take a self-guided tour of the Kunsthistorisches Museum to see a variety of fine arts pieces and exhibits

This evening, join your Tour Director and stop by some local-favorite Christmas markets in Vienna.

- Admire views of the cityscape lit up for the evening festivities
- Explore the shops at your leisure

Day 7: Spanish Winter Riding School & Viennese Heurigen

Included meals: breakfast, dinner
Head to the Spanish Winter Riding School,
located inside Hofburg Palace, to watch a
performance featuring the Lipizzaner stallions
and their riders.

This evening, explore Austria's capital city.

- Board the Prater Ferris Wheel and take a breezy ride to the top for a one-of-a-kind view of the city
- · Visit the picturesque village of Grinzing
- Head to a local heurigen, or wine tavern, to celebrate your trip during a farewell dinner paired with the tavern's own locally made wine

Day 8: Departure

Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)

Transfer to the airport for your flight home.