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TOURS



## Christmas Markets of Munich & Vienna

**8** DAYS

December 5–12, 2020

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## 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.

## Feel the holiday magic in Germany and Austria.

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.



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# Itinerary

## Overnight flight | 1 NIGHT

### Day 1 (Saturday, December 5): Travel day

Board your overnight flight to Munich today.

## Munich | 3 NIGHTS

### Day 2 (Sunday, December 6): Arrival in Munich

*Included meals: welcome dinner*

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

### Day 3 (Monday, December 7): Convention Tour 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 (Tuesday, December 8): 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 | 3 NIGHTS

### Day 5 (Wednesday, December 9): 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 (Thursday, December 10): 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 tree-lined 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 (Friday, December 11): Spanish Winter Riding School & Viennese Heurigen

*Included meals: breakfast, farewell 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 (Saturday, December 12): Departure

*Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)*

Transfer to the airport for your flight home.

*Please note: The inclusions and order of events on this tour are subject to change and will be confirmed prior to your departure.*

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