



# “IMPERIAL CITIES & the PASSION PLAY”

## featuring PRAGUE - VIENNA – BUDAPEST

### OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY

with Collette Vacations.

## SEPTEMBER 23 – OCTOBER 2, 2010 (12 Days)

### Highlights

Budapest, Hungarian Horse Show, Mathias Church, Fishermen's Bastion, Renaissance Dinner, Vienna, Schoenbrunn Palace, Grinzing Evening, Danube River Cruise, Prague, Hradcany Castle, Oberammergau Passion Play.

**Day 1:** Overnight Flight **Day 2: Arrive Budapest, Hungary.** Today dinner will be included. **Day 3: Budapest, Domonyvolgy (Horse Show)** Travel to the picturesque Hungarian countryside, called the “Puszta,” and visit a typical horse farm in this land which some say is “flat as water.” Watch in amazement as they put on a spectacular horse show for your pleasure. **\*Afterwards, enjoy a traditional Hungarian feast, including goulash soup, in a typical setting against a backdrop of wonderful gypsy music.** **Day 4: Budapest – Szentendre – Visegrad-Budapest.** City tour features the **Mathias Church**, visit the **Fishermen's Bastion** with its white walls, towers and arcades for spectacular views. Historic Old Buda and Gellert Hill, followed by the Parliament. At Heroes Square, admire the imposing **Millennium Monument**. Visit the beautiful baroque town of Szentendre and travel to the former Renaissance capital of Visegrad to enjoy a magnificent view of the Danube Bend and the Borzsony Mountains. Visit to a 14<sup>th</sup> century castle where knights with colorful costumes and authentic weaponry recreate the days of chivalry. **This evening, enjoy a special Renaissance-style dinner and reenact the days of medieval times.** **Day 5: Budapest - Vienna, Austria.** City tour features the baroque marvels of Schoenbrunn Palace, Touring Vienna's city center, see the Gothic St. Stephan's Cathedral Enjoy a memorable evening with entertainment in the picturesque wine-making village of Grinzing. **Day 6: Vienna-Danube River -Melk-Vienna.** **Travel along the banks of the Danube to the medieval town of Durnstein where you board your boat for a scenic Danube River cruise.** “Waltz” across one of the most breathtaking bodies of water in the world, immortalized by Strauss, and travel through the historic Wachau Valley. Later, visit the 11<sup>th</sup> century Melk Abby, famous for its production and collection of manuscripts. A leisurely ride through the Vienna Woods concludes this marvelous day. **Day 7: Vienna – Prague, Czech Republic** A scenic ride through the countryside takes you to Prague, variously called the “Golden City” or “The City of 100 Spires” The remainder of your day is at leisure to independently explore the city, shop for famous Bohemian crystal, or visit one of the city's many outstanding museums, such as the Lapidarium, home of stone sculptures dating from the 11<sup>th</sup> century to the present. **Day 8: Prague** This morning begins with a panoramic tour as you drive through the city to the amazing Hradcany Castle. **\*Walk the famous Golden Lane with its delightful miniature houses, including one that was the residence of Franz Kafka. View St. Vitus Cathedral as well as the lovely statue-lined Charles Bridge.** This evening your are invited to a wonderful dinner of culinary delights at one of Prague's historic restaurants. **Day 9: Prague – Oberammergau, Germany** Today, travel to the beautiful Bavarian village of Oberammergau. **\*This afternoon, witness a performance of the Passion Play.** The original performance dates back to 1634. During the Thirty Year War, the village of Oberammergau was spared the Black Plague and for this reason, the villagers vowed that every ten years they would give a play to honor the life of Christ. 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 the break of the performance, join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of a memorable trip. **Day 10:** Oberammergau Tour ends. Returning home.

**Tour Includes:** Air Taxes, and fees/ surcharges (subject to increase until paid in full), Hotel Transfers, Round Trip Air from **Indianapolis Intl. Airport.** \*Round Trip Air from Baer Field-Ft. Wayne is available for an additional \$360.00 (Subject to change) 9 Days Lodging, luggage handling 1pc. 15 meals (8 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 5 Dinners) Not included in the price: Cancellation Waiver & Insurance of \$350 per person, but highly recommended, Transportation to/from airport not provided by S & S Travel, Inc.

Cost per person....**Double \$5119.00**

Deposit of \$250.00 upon reservation made on a first come first serve basis.

Second Deposit of \$1000.00 per person due September 23, 2009

**\*\*Special Note: Full payments accepted upon confirmation of flights approximately 11 months prior to departure**

**Final payment due April 24, 2010.**

**For a full detailed itinerary , please call for a Brochure !**