Enchanting Bavaria

Inspiring Moments
- Bask in Bavaria’s sublime beauty, surrounded by highland peaks, flower-filled meadows and shimmering lakes.
- Kick back, unwind and feel rejuvenated at your chalet-style resort and spa in tranquil Oberstaufen.
- Celebrate Bavarian-style in a traditional alpine hut, complete with tasty dishes, refreshing beer and rousing music.
- Enter a storybook landscape while cruising Lake Constance and meandering through Lindau’s lovely island old town.
- Be enchanted by Bavaria’s sumptuous architectural gems.
- Observe local craftsmen and farmers in action as you learn about cherished Alps folk arts and customs.
- Revel in gorgeous, panoramic vistas and a delectable lunch with fondue on a Swiss mountaintop.

Accommodations (with baggage handling)
- 7 nights in Oberstaufen, Germany, at the deluxe Lindner Parkhotel & Spa.

Extensive Meal Program
- 7 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 3 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.

Your One-of-a-Kind Journey
- Discovery excursions highlight the local culture, heritage and history.
- Expert-led Enrichment programs enhance your insight into the region.
- AHI Sustainability Promise: We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit.
- AHI Connects: Local immersion.
- Free time to pursue your own interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.

Itinerary
Day 1
- Depart gateway city

Day 2
- Arrive in Munich and transfer to hotel in Oberstaufen
- Hindelang | Rettenberg

Day 4
- Appenzell | St. Gallen

Day 5
- Linderhof Palace | Ettal Abbey

Day 6
- Friedrichshafen | Lake Constance | Lindau

Day 7
- Upper Allgäu | Walser Valley | Breitach Gorge

Day 8
- Oberstaufen

Day 9
- Transfer to Munich airport and depart for gateway city

Included Features
- Accommodations (with baggage handling)
- Extensive Meal Program
- Your One-of-a-Kind Journey
- Itinerary

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions.
Activity Level: We have rated all of our excursions with activity levels to help you assess this program’s physical expectations. Please call or visit our website for full details.

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Discovery

**AHI Connects: Bavarian Evening.** Have fun sampling local specialties, drinking fresh German beer and listening to live music in a rustic hut up in the alpine foothills.

**Traditions and Handicrafts in the Alps.** Witness the pride of local craftspeople as you visit workshops where beautiful, classic items, such as the dirndl and ledershosen, are lovingly produced. In Hindelang, spend time in the bustling farmers’ cooperative and learn how area families participate in this community-oriented, small-town market. Later, at a nearby family farm, understand more about the region’s farming practices. Finish with a lunch of German fare at a long-established Rettenberg brewery and sample the beer with a toast of Prost!

**Appenzell and St. Gall.** Cross the border into Switzerland to visit cheery Appenzell lined with colorful homes. Then, delight in a quintessentially Swiss lunch with fondue high on a mountain. Breathe in the fresh air and gaze over the dazzling terrain below you! Finally, take a guided tour of the Abbey of St. Gall, a grand monastery complex noted for its cathedral and splendid library, one of the world’s oldest, housing thousands of books and rare manuscripts.

**Neuschwanstein Castle, Linderhof Palace and Ettal Abbey.** Snap fabulous photos of King Ludwig II’s spectacular castle perched on a hilltop. Then stroll through the opulent rooms and manicured gardens of his exquisite Linderhof Palace, inspired by Versailles and nestled in a tiny valley. Next, tour Ettal Abbey, a 14th-century Benedictine monastery considered a masterpiece of Bavarian architecture.

**Lake Constance.** Begin in Friedrichshafen, where you’ll tour the fascinating Zeppelin Museum with exhibits on the history and technology behind these airships. Afterward, embark on a pleasant cruise and relish the lovely scenery of Germany’s largest lake. Arrive in Lindau and walk with your guide through the charming old town, packed with jewels like the brightly tiled Diebsturm, or Thieves Tower, the intricately painted Old Town Hall and the regal Bavarian lion statue and lighthouse at the harbor entrance. Relax over lunch on the waterfront.

**Panoramic Alps and Breitach Gorge.** Be enveloped in Alpine splendor in Bavaria’s Upper Allgäu region on your scenic drive to Mount Nebelhorn, where you’ll ascend in a gondola to savor the magnificent views. Then travel through Austria’s Walser Valley to Breitach Gorge, one of central Europe’s deepest gorges. Walk along narrow pathways and bridges amid the rushing sounds of the Breitach River.

Enrichment

- The Allgäu and the Alps
- Lake Constance
- Who are the Bavarians?

**UNESCO World Heritage**

**Abbey of St. Gall, Switzerland**

Appenzell and St. Gall, Switzerland

AAbbey of St. Gall, St. Gallen

**Oberstaufen**

**Appenzell**

Accommodations

**Lindner Parkhotel & Spa**

**AHI Sustainability Promise**

We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit, whenever possible.

**Environmental Impact** | Thoughtful choices to minimize our environmental footprint: eco-friendly transportation, guided walks in lieu of bus tours and less plastic waste.

**Social Impact** | Ongoing initiatives to support local businesses that employ and benefit people in the community. Curating meaningful experiences by staying in intimately sized locales instead of cities affected by overtourism.

**Economic Impact** | Community-based tourism using expert local guides and lecturers, plus program scheduling during quieter, “shoulder seasons.”

**AHI Travel Expertise**

**Passenger Service Representative** | Helps with everything from arranging flights to fulfilling special requests.

**Travel Director** | Manages all details to ensure a memorable trip.

**Travel information** | Prepares you fully for your journey.

**Expert local guides and lecturers** | Provide friendly, knowledgeable service and share their passion for their country.

**Let us arrange your flights!**

**AHI FlexAir** | Our personalized air program features transfers, assistance and flexibility.

**DATES & PRICES**

**September 9-17, 2021**

- From Price: $4,045
- Special Price: $3,795
- Special Savings: $250

VAT is an additional $295 per person.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

Single accommodations are an additional $895 (limited availability).