## **Germany 2020 Sample Itinerary**

Day	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Hotel</u>
1 and 2	Day 1/2: Munich: Depart JFK airport on Iceland Air flight #612 to Reykjavik, Iceland at 2:10PM and arrives at 11:40PM. Deaprt Reykjavik on flight #534 to Munich at 12:30AM and arriving in Munich at 6;15AM. Upon arrival, we will board a train to Salzburg Austria where the group will check into a beautiful and centrally located hotel. Take in the views of the Eastern Alps as the rise into the air behind the city's skyline. The group will partake in an exhilarating scavenger hunt that will impart an understanding and knowledge base of Salzburg.	Austria Trend Hotel Europa Salzburg Rainerstraße 31, 5020 Salzburg, Austria 43 662 889930
3	Day 3: Salzburg: The morning will begin with a delicious breakfast at the hotel. We will then take in a unique tour of Salzburg with a local guide. All of the historic sites including Schloss Mirabell, Mozart's Residence, Nooberg Abbey and the festival quarter will be explored. The tour also highlights the world of the Sound of Music that not only shows you filming locations but also gives you an interesting historical commentary about the real Von Trapp family! The tour ends at the Hohensalzburg Fortress that sits high on a hill overlooking the city. The group will eat lunch here while taking in the panaroma view of Salzburg below.  After lunch, we take a cruise down the Salzach river passing by the Old Town, seeing the amazing Salzburg cityscape and the mountain ranges of the province. The day ends with dinner at the famous Stifts-Sankt-Peter restaurant where you will dine on amazing cultural dishes in a unique setting.	Austria Trend Hotel Europa Salzburg Rainerstraße 31, 5020 Salzburg, Austria 43 662 889930
4	Day 4: Hallein: Today we will depart for the historic town of Hallein. Here we will delve into the famous salt mines this city has been known for over the years. Donning the traditional miner's clothing, we will enter the subterranean world to hear about the history and legendary tales of the mine. The adventure includes a ride on the 100-foot-long slide, walks through grottos and even a boat ride on a salt lake.  The afternoon is free to explore the town including a stop at the Silent Night Museum where the works of Franz Xaver Gruber – composer of the world-famous Christmas carol come alive.  The day ends with a succulent meal at Sternbräu. Located in the middle of the Old City, this restaurant delivers excellence in both ambience and food.	Austria Trend Hotel Europa Salzburg Rainerstraße 31, 5020 Salzburg, Austria 43 662 889930
5	Day 5: Munich: This morning the group departs Salzburg for Munich aboard a train. Munich is the capital of Bavaria and is rich in centuries old buildings and museums. The group will stop at the hotel to check in and get refreshed. Afterwards, we will head to Dachau Concentration Camp Memorial located just outside of the city. This camp was the first one created within Germany and remains as a testament to human atrocities. This powerful visit highlights the horrific conditions and acts that occurred during the holocaust.  The night ends with a succulent dinner at the world famous Hofbrauhaus. This unique dining facility dates back to the 16th century. With its upbeat vibe and authentic Bavarian cuisine, it will surely be a fantastic experience.	Arthotel München Paul-Heyse-Straße 10, 80336 München, Germany P: +49 (0)89 592 122

10	Day 10: Departure: Today we board a bus to begin our journey home. We will have visited the sites and experienced the cultures of Germany, Austria and Switzerland. Each one will have provided memories that we will cherish forever.	+43 57 083 540
9	<b>Day 9: Lindau:</b> Today the group will be able to choose which excursion they would like to take on Lake Constance. Continuous ferry service on the lake will allow the group to visit many areas in one day. We can visit several ports that include an island castle, a self sustainable island and there is even an option to visit Switzerland. There are cafes and local shops along the way where we can try authentic food and see handcrafted trinkets.	JUFA Hotel Bregenz am Bodensee Mehrerauerstraße 5, 6900 Bregenz, Austria
8	Day 8: Neuschwanstein: The morning finds the group being whisked away to the nineteenth-century Romanesque palace of Neuschwanstein. This iconic castle is intertwined with the rugged hillside to produce an awe inspiring site. It has appeared in several movies such as Chitty Chitty Bang Bang and The Great Escape. It also served as inspiration for Disneyworld's Sleeping Beauty Castle. We will take a leisurely hike which ends in a spectacular view of the castle and its surroundings.  After the hike, we will board a bus and travel to the Lake town of Lindau am Bodensee. Lindau is a town that sits on the edge of Lake Constance. It is known for its old town feel and the harbor with its Bavarian Lion statue and stone lighthouse. The lake and mountain views make this one of the most beautiful places to visit in Germany. We will have an opportunity to explore Lindau in the early evening.	JUFA Hotel Bregenz am Bodensee Mehrerauerstraße 5, 6900 Bregenz, Austria +43 57 083 540
7	Day 7: Garmisch-Partenkirchen: We depart Munich and head towards the Schloss Linderhof. This German palace located in southwest Bavaria was built by King Ludwig II of Bavaria and is the only one that he lived to see completed. This amazing palace will not disappoint with its architectural and beautifully kept gardens and Grotto.  After leaving the palace, the group will stop by Garmisch-Partenkirchen. This town lies near the Zugspitze, Germany's highest peak, with a 2,962m summit. We board a cable car to reach the summit and take in the breathtaking views. Garmisch is considered the more fashionable section, while Partenkirchen's cobblestone streets retain a traditional Bavarian feel.	Arthotel München Paul-Heyse-Straße 10, 80336 München, Germany P: +49 (0)89 592 122
6	Day 6: Munich: The first activity today entails a walking tour of Munich with an expert local guide. Important stops include the lively Viktualienmarkt, the green market and the old 15th century cathedral "Frauenkirche" with its domes. We will also see Schloss Nymphenburg, the summer palace of the kings of Bavaria.  With all that walking from the tour, its time to give the feet a rest and hop on a bike. We will roll through the massive English Gardens in central Munich aboard a bicycle. The group will be treated to the stunning beauty of the gardens that rival New York's Central Park. Non riders can choose to opt out of the bike tour and visit one of the dozens of museums throughout Munich.  The day ends with a meal at the Ratskeller am Marienplatz restaurant, a 19th century restaurant.	Arthotel München Paul-Heyse-Straße 10, 80336 München, Germany P: +49 (0)89 592 122