TREASURES OF ITALY

Featuring the Passion Play of Oberammergau

11 Days: July 9 - 19, 2020

Visiting

Rome • Assisi • Florence
Venice • Salzburg • Munich

Hosted By

Rev. Jim and Jill Mohr,
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$4299 per person from Washington, D.C.

(Air/land tour price is $3849 plus $450 government taxes/airline surcharges.)
Dear Westminster College alumni and friends:  
President Kathy Richardson and I would like to invite you to join us on a great trip in the summer of 2020 that will culminate with a visit to the Passion Play of Oberammergau, Germany.

Our journey, arranged through Nawas Travel, will begin as we land in Rome and visit the treasures of the Eternal City. The highlight will be a visit to the Vatican and all the art treasures found there. We will travel north to Assisi, the city made famous by St Francis. It is a wonderful village to explore, and the Basilica is incredible.

We will continue our journey north to Florence to the wonders of Michelangelo’s David and the beautiful other art treasures found here. (And delightful shopping!) We will then push further north to Venice to explore this city of islands. The canals and gondolas are a delight. From Venice, our travel will take us through the Dolomite Mountains and the Austrian Alps to Salzburg, the birth place of Mozart and “The Sound of Music.” At each stop, there should be time for personal exploration and relaxation.

We will finally arrive for a two-night visit to the wonderful village of Oberammergau and the highlight of our trip, the Passion Play. For 387 years the villagers have fulfilled a promise to present a play depicting the last week of the life of Christ - a promise made to give thanks to God for sparing their village from the Black Plague. Every 10 years, the villagers present a performance with vivid and amazing music, sets and costumes. During your free time, there are wonderful shops to explore in this Alpine village.

In the year 2000, my wife, Jill, and I used Nawas Travel to visit Oberammergau for the first time, and we can assure you that their services are always superb. For those who enjoy good food, fellowship, and new experiences, you will be right at home. It is wonderful to travel with a group of friends you know. We would love to have you join us for an adventure of a lifetime with fellow Westminster alumni and friends.

More information about reservations can be found on the enclosed flyer. If you have questions now, however, please feel free to contact me, or you may contact Kara Montgomery the Senior Director of Alumni Engagement. Let’s plan together for a memorable summer 2020.

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YOUR DAY BY DAY ITINERARY

**THU, JUL 9 – WASHINGTON, D.C./ ACROSS THE ATLANTIC**

Depart today from Washington, D.C. on board your overnight transatlantic jet flights to Rome, arriving the following day.

**FRI, JUL 10 – ARRIVE ROME**

Your adventure begins as you arrive today in the Eternal City of Rome where you will be met and escorted to your waiting motor coach for the transfer to your hotel. Located in the center of the Region of Lazio, Rome is a reflection of every era. The wonders of Rome surround you . . . a world of art, history and culture that has been attracting visitors since the beginning of Western civilization.

**SAT, JUL 11 – ROME**

Your sightseeing tour this morning takes you to Vatican City. See the wonderful art treasures in the Vatican Museum and Gallery. View Michelangelo’s magnificent frescoes in the Sistine Chapel including the famous Last Judgment and The Creation of Man. This afternoon tour the remnants of “Ancient” Rome. Visit the mighty Colosseum and see romantic Trevi Fountain where legend has it whoever throws a coin in the fountain will one day return to Rome.

**SUN, JUL 12 – ROME/ASSISI/FLORENCE**

Today’s drive takes you through the mystical province of Umbria to Assisi, the famous city of St. Francis. Born in 1182 as Giovanni di Bernardone, the legacy of St. Francis influenced religion and culture around the world. See the Basilica of St. Francis then continue your journey to Florence, the jewel of Renaissance Art and former stronghold of the Medici family. From Botticelli to Da Vinci, the city is unsurpassed in art treasures and the glory of its history. Spend tonight in Florence.

TOUR FEATURES

- Round trip airfare from Washington, D.C.
- $450 government taxes/airline surcharges.
- First class (Category 1) admission tickets to the Passion Play of Oberammergau.
- Accommodations at first class/select hotels, based on two persons sharing in twin-bedded rooms with private bath. Hotels and guest houses are used in Oberammergau.
- Most meals.
- Services of a professional English-speaking tour director.
- Comprehensive sightseeing throughout.
- All hotel service charges, value added taxes, porterage where available and entrance fees per itinerary.
- $100,000 automatic flight insurance.*
  *Subject to policy terms and limitations.
MON, JUL 13 – FLORENCE
Highlights of this morning’s tour include the Piazza della Signoria, where the Neptune Fountain stands, the Duomo and the Baptistry with its “Gates of Paradise” doors. To top it all, visit the Academia housing Michelangelo’s original statue of David. On to Piazzale Michelangelo for a panoramic view of the city and the Arno Valley. The afternoon is free in Florence to shop along the famous Ponte Vecchio and explore other Florentine delights.

TUE, JUL 14 – FLORENCE/VENICE
This morning drive to romantic Venice, built on 118 small islands lying some four kilometers from the mainland. The highways are made of water and the islands are linked by numerous, picturesque bridges. With its magnificent Byzantine architecture and maze of canals with their colorful gondolas, Venice is one of the world’s most glorious cities. Enjoy a walking tour beginning at St. Mark’s Square, the hub of activity for Venetians and visitors alike. Highlights include the rich, Byzantine Basilica San Marco, the pink and white marble Doges Palace and the Bridge of Sighs. 

WED, JUL 15 – VENICE/SALZBURG
Today’s journey is breathtaking as your scenic drive takes you through Italy’s Dolomite Mountains then the awe-inspiring Austrian Alps. Arrive Salzburg, said to be one of the most beautiful cities in the world. Featured in the movie The Sound of Music, Salzburg is a city of music and will always be remembered as Mozart’s birthplace.

THU, JUL 16 – SALZBURG
On your orientation tour this morning, see the Mozarteum, the house where Mozart lived, the Marionetten Theatre and Rathaus where Mozart was born. Visit the Church of the Franciscans and the historic Alter Markt in the Old City, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy free time to explore this bustling city on your own.

FRI, JUL 17 – THE PASSION PLAY OF OBERAMMERGAU
The highlight of your trip! In keeping with their 387-year old promise, the villagers of Oberammergau present their Passion Play depicting the last week of the life of Christ. The play’s presentation can be traced to 1633 when the Black Plague swept Europe. The people of Oberammergau took a solemn oath: if God spared them, they would present a day-long play depicting the last week in the life of Christ. To this day they have kept their promise and every ten years the citizens of Oberammergau perform their passion play with the same love and devotion they have shown for over 380 years. Today the play takes place on an open-air stage with a covered auditorium seating 4,700, against a beautiful backdrop of towering Alpine mountains.

SAT, JUL 18 – OBERAMMERGAU/MUNICH
This morning drive to Munich, the capital of Bavaria. Munich was ruled for over 650 years by the Wittelsbacher dukes and kings, who left their mark on the architecture and founded the world-famous Munich art collection. See Marienplatz, Munich’s central square since the year 1158. View Nymphenburg, the former Royal Residence, Odeon Square with the beautiful Theatiner Church and the Hall of Generals. Overnight in the Munich area.

SUN, JUL 19 – MUNICH/WASHINGTON, D.C.
All too soon your journey is over as you transfer to the airport and board your return flight home to Washington, D.C., arriving the same day.

B=Breakfast D=Dinner

A word about NAWAS . . .

NAWAS INTERNATIONAL has pioneered Christian Tours to the far corners of the world for over 69 years. We offer you the essential ingredients for a successful tour.

EXPERIENCE: There is no substitute for 69 years of planning tours. Our contacts, guides, knowledge of the area, and background guarantee you the highest quality

service at affordable prices.

RELIABILITY: For more than 69 years, we have won an international reputation for reliability. We deliver what we promise. And that is essential for a successful trip.
RESERVATIONS, DEPOSITS AND FINAL PAYMENT: Reservations may be secured upon payment of an initial deposit of $250 per person or $500 per family. An initial deposit is due by July 31, 2019 (total deposit required by 7/31/19 is $2000). The balance of payment is due at Nawas 135 days prior to departure. Nawas accepts Visa, Mastercard and American Express for balance/final payment and accepts checks for deposits. The price of the tour already includes a built-in discount of 3% for payments made by cash or check. There will be no discounts available if deposits are not accepted due to additional costs as imposed by a supplier or governments. Recovering VAT taxes is the sole responsibility of the passenger.

LAND ONLY/DEVIATIONS: Passengers wishing to do their own air arrangements or wishing to deviate from the group for any reason (vacation, medical emergency, etc.) are subject to availability and restrictions as imposed by the airlines.

BAGGAGE: Airlines may now charge baggage fees for checked baggage or for carry-on bags in excess of the airline’s published policy. Please refer to your electronic airline ticket receipt for complete details of baggage fees. Nawas is not responsible for additional fees imposed by air carriers regarding baggage.

Due to the limited capacity of luggage compartments on the coach, “normal-size luggage” (total dimensions of 62 inches) plus one carry-on bag (total dimensions of 45 inches). Carry-on bags only cannot have wheels and must fit in overhead bins or under your seat. Nawas Travel accepts no responsibility for baggage lost to the coach, damage, or belonging. Baggage insurance is recommended and is available upon written request.

TRAVELER'S REQUIRING SPECIAL ASSISTANCE: Disabled travelers requiring special accommodations must advise Nawas in writing at the time of reservation. A physically able companion must accompany any person who requires such assistance. Airlines, hotel or ship personnel are not able to provide such assistance. Nawas is not responsible for any denial of services by cruise ships, hotels, restaurants or other independent suppliers.

CANCELLATIONS AND EXCHANGES: All cancellations must be received by Nawas Travel directly from the tour member. Written cancellations received by March 1, 2018 are subject to a $600 per person cancellation fee. Written cancellations received by Nawas Travel between March 2, 2018 and August 1, 2018, are subject to a 100% cancellation fee. Airline tickets are not refundable even if the airline cancels the trip due to weather or unforeseen circumstances. Airline tickets are subject to a $100 non-refundable fee per person. Nawas Travel is not responsible for any extra fees imposed by airlines in the event of trip cancellations. If a full or partial refund is given, there will be a $100 processing fee per ticket.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS: A U.S.A. passport valid for at least 6 months after your return date of the trip is required to travel. It is the sole responsibility of the traveler to check their passport’s expiration date. Non-U.S.A. citizens may require visas in addition to a valid passport. It is the sole responsibility of non-U.S.A. citizens (including green card holders) to ensure they have the required visas/travel documents for each country they will tour and reside in the U.S.A. Visa fees must be paid by you (if not included in the final tour price).

The TOUR PRICE INCLUDES:

AIR TRANSPORTATION: By any IATA/ARC air carrier or other scheduled jet carrier in standard economy class. Flights and air transportation are subject to change without notice and are subject to change without notice. Air arrangements are based on non-refundable bulk group airfares and cannot be cancelled, refunded or changed. Cancellations made after air tickets have been issued are subject to full cancellation penalties as imposed by the airlines. Per TSA regulations, airline ticket numbers must be presented at all times. Any change in a passenger’s name after an airline ticket appears on your passport and passengers are responsible to bear any name-change fees should they not provide airline with accurate passport information.

AIRLINE SEATING: Seat assignments for groups are made at the discretion of Nawas Travel. Nawas does not guarantee specific seat assignments. Airlines reserve the right to increase fares without prior notice. Please refer to insurance policy for complete details.

I want to share my thoughts on the tour experience. The general conditions were fairly comprehensive in covering various aspects of the trip, such as baggage policies, cancellations, and travel documents. The inclusion of a daily breakfast and dinner offers a convenient option for the travelers. The information about air trips and airline seats was clear and concise. However, I do hope that the tour operators can provide more specific details about the flight times and layovers to ensure a comfortable journey. Additionally, the language restrictions and interlining arrangements could be better explained to ensure a smooth travel experience. The tour operators should also consider adding more options for pre- and post-tour extensions to cater to the diverse interests of the travelers. Overall, the general conditions were helpful in setting expectations and providing guidelines for a successful trip.
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RESERVATION FORM

Please read the all-inclusive tour features and conditions. Then complete this handy form. Book early!

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO:
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Accommodation Desired:
- double room sharing with ..........................................
- single room ($850 extra per person)

Enclosed is my check for $ ..................... as deposit
($200 deposit per person) for ....................... person(s)

Passenger #1:
Clearly print your full name (last/first/middle) as it appears on your passport
Name: Last .................................................................
First .................................................................
Middle .................................................................
Gender: Please check □ Male □ Female
Address .................................................................
City ........................................ State ............... Zip ................
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Cell Phone (........)..................................................
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Date of Issue ........................................ Date Expires ................................
(day/month/year) (day/month/year)

Place of Birth ........................................ Country of Birth ........................................
Date of Birth MONTH DAY YEAR

Signature Passenger #1 __________________________ Date __________

Signature Passenger #2 __________________________ Date __________

PLEASE INCLUDE A CLEAR PHOTOCOPY OF YOUR PASSPORT WITH THIS RESERVATION FORM

This reservation form serves as your acceptance of the policies, terms and conditions as outlined in the General Conditions of this brochure.

I understand that the air-inclusive tour I am purchasing is subject to supplemental price increases that may be imposed after the date of purchase. Post-purchase price increases may be applied due to additional costs imposed by a supplier or government. I acknowledge that I may be charged additional sums by Nawas International Travel Service, Inc. to offset increased fees, taxes, airline imposed international surcharges, fluctuations in foreign exchange markets or any combination thereof along with any other items as outlined on the General Conditions.

I hereby consent to any post-purchase price increases and authorize Nawas International Travel Service, Inc. to bill me for such additional amounts.

Signature Passenger #2 __________________________ Date __________
GENERAL CONDITIONS

RESERVATIONS, DEPOSITS AND FINAL PAYMENT: Reservations may be secured upon payment of an initial deposit equal to 20% of the trip cost, plus $600 per person for air travel. On all flights, airfare is non-refundable. A second deposit of $600 is due by December 1, 2018 (total deposit required: $1200). An additional deposit is due by July 31, 2019 (total deposit required: $1920). The balance of payment is due at Nawas 125 days prior to departure. 

Nawas accepts MasterCard and American Express for deposits/balance payments only. Credit cards are not accepted for deposits. The price of the tour already includes a built-in discount of 3% for payments made by cash or check. There is no discount for cash or check payments. Credit cards will only be accepted prior to the final payment due date. Credit card charges cannot be accepted over the telephone. Tour members who choose to use a credit card for their final payment should contact Nawas before the final payment is due for further information.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS: A U.S.A passport valid for at least 6 months after the date of return is required. Visa requirements and taxes normally included in bills, VAT and government fees and the services of local English-speaking guides or tour leaders are at the discretion of the airline or the local, national, and international tourist office. Nawas cannot guarantee roommates. A person taking a single room will be responsible for all single supplements.

AIRLINE SEATING: Nawas contracts non-refundable bulk group airfares in standard economy class. Airlines and flight times are subject to change without notice. Tour members are encouraged to choose their own tour and re-entry into the U.S.A. Visa fees (if any) are not included in the tour price.

TRAVELERS REQUIRING SPECIAL ASSISTANCE: Disabling travelers requiring special attention or care must advise Nawas in writing at the time of reservation. A physical able companion must accompany any person who is unable to use the facilities of an airplane or other travel arrangement. 

MEALS: Breakfast daily and 6 dinners are included. Breakfast does not include mineral water, after dinner coffee or tea, tips to tour director, guides, drivers and waiters, sightseeing, meals and other services not specifically mentioned, excess baggage and all other items of a purely personal nature.

CANCELLATIONS: All cancellations must be received in writing at Nawas Travel directly from the tour member. Written cancellations received by Nawas Travel by December 2, 2018 will be subject to a $600 per person cancellation fee. Written cancellations received by Nawas Travel between March 2, 2019 and August 1, 2019, are subject to a $300 per person cancellation fee. Written cancellations received by Nawas Travel from August 2, 2019 up until 135 days prior to departure, are subject to a $1800 per person cancellation fee. Written cancellations received by Nawas Travel between March 2, 2019 and August 1, 2019, are subject to a $1800 per person cancellation fee. Written cancellations received by Nawas Travel from August 2, 2019 up until 135 days prior to departure, are subject to a $1800 per person cancellation fee.

STATE DEPARTMENT/GOVT AGENCIES: On occasion, a state or federal government agency, such as the State Department or Centers for Disease Control, may issue a travel advisory, warning or alert for a destination or surrounding area you may be visiting while on tour. Nawas encourages you to refer to these agencies to obtain the most current and up-to-date information. The terms and conditions of your tour program, such as itinerary changes, are subject to change without notice.

AIR TRANSPORTATION: By any IATA/ARC air carrier or other scheduled carrier in standard economy class. Flights and air routings are at the discretion of air carriers and are subject to change without notice. Air arrangements are based on non-refundable bulk airfares and cannot be upgraded. Cancellations made after air tickets have been issued are subject to full cancellation penalties

LAND ONLY/DEVIATIONS: Passengers wishing to do their own air arrangements or wishing to deviate from the group itinerary will be charged a $200 per day for each deviation prior to departure. For air deviations, a $100 non-refundable fee per person will be charged on all deviations in addition to actual air costs. Inquiries should be directed to Nawas Travel prior to any travel arrangements. All air arrangements are subject to availability and restrictions as imposed by the airlines.

BAGGAGE: Airlines may now charge baggage fees for checked luggage in excess of 21 pounds. Nawas strongly recommends trip insurance. Insurance for the cancellation, medical evacuation, medical emergencies, baggage, etc. is available for purchase. An insurance brochure will be mailed upon request. Please refer to insurance policy for complete details.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The airline used is based on non-refundable bulk group fares in effect on November 7, 2017. Airfares are subject to change. Tour members will be required to pay any airline increases and international surcharges as imposed by the airlines prior to departure. Nawas recommends that each passenger carry a minimum of 15 pounds departing from the same gateway city.

Land costs are based on estimated 2020 tariffs, overseas government taxes and rates of exchange in effect on November 7, 2017 and a minimum of 36 or more participants per coach. While we have made the best possible estimates of what we expect costs to be in 2020, we cannot guarantee actual prices, exchange rates and airlines. Any increases in land costs or airfares that may occur will be collected from the tour leader/host or travel agent. Airline surcharges may increase the cost of the tour consistent with normal increases should the group fall below 36 persons, and/or in the event of airline surcharges being implemented. Full-price ticket exchange listed above and while every effort will be made to hold them firm, they are subject to change.

Travel in the year 2020 is expected to be at an all-time high. We suggest booking transfers as early as possible. A surcharge for late bookings will be assessed. Travel is scheduled as outlined herein; however, actual group size. Passion Play ticket availability or price changes may be assessed due to any extra airfare that may be incurred. Air deviations are possible due to any extra airfare that may be incurred. AIR DEVIATIONS: Please consult with your health insurance supplier to obtain the necessary health/medical coverage for overseas travel. Under no circumstances will Nawas assume any liability or responsibility for any injuries, inconveniences, illness, irregularity or incidental damages occasioned by circumstances beyond the control of the tour operator, or by any person or reason whatsoever, including but not limited to events such as strikes, revolts, wars, terrorism, disease, natural disasters, closures of airports, hotels, or included sites, default or omission of any common or private carrier. Nawas reserves the right to cancel the tour at any time, to operate the tour with a substitute tour leader at any time, to decline or not retain any person as a member of the tour for any cause at any time. Nawas reserves the right to make changes in the itinerary to accommodate a greater number of tour members, or due to any unforeseen circumstances that may arise, such as difficulties on the itinerary, or where in Nawas’ sole judgment as conditions warrant, or if Nawas shall deem it necessary for the comfort, convenience or safety of the tour. The airline concerned, when issued shall constitute the sole contract between the airlines and the purchasers of the tour and/or passengers. The services of any IATA/ARC air carrier may be used in connection with this tour.

*California Residents: Please read the enclosed disclosure required by the Sellers of Travel Act before booking.