

# MUNICH FESTIVAL

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## *Munich* - 11 days

Departure: July 12, 2017

Return: July 22, 2017



*The super-deluxe Kempinski hotel, a block away from the opera house, with its bountiful breakfast every morning and The Spa on the top floor, with stunning views across Munich's roof tops will be your accommodation for a whole week.*

*You will see five operas by legendary composers - Verdi, Donizetti, Janacek and Rossini and a Festival of arias by*

*Christian Gerhaher in the Bayerische Staatsoper. We have selected the time frame to hear stellar singers including Jonas Kaufmann, Anja Harteros, Dimitri Platanias and Liudmyla Monastryska, Stuart Skelton and Eva-Maria Westbroek, Simone Piazzola and Christian Gerhaher. To top it off, we have added an excursion to the Linderhoff Palace, built by the "mad" King Ludwig II of Bavaria.*

## ***Opera Performances***

### **In Munich:**

July 14 - Jenufa by Janacek at the Bayerische Staatsoper, with Stuart Skelton and Eva-Maria Westbroek

July 15 - Nabucco by Verdi at Bayerische Staatsoper, with Dimitri Platanias and Liudmyla Monastryska

July 16 - Lucia Di Lammermoor by Donizetti at the Bayerische Staatsoper, with Simone Piazzola and Diana Damrau

July 17 - Festival songs by baritone Christian Gerhaher at the Bayerische Staatsoper

July 19 - La Forza del Destino by Verdi at the Bayerische Staatsoper, with Jonas Kaufmann and Anja Harteros

July 21 - Semiramide by Rossini at the Bayerische Staatsoper, with Joyce DiDonato and Daniela Barcellona



## Wednesday, July 12. (D)\* DEPART FOR MUNICH

Depart this evening aboard any airline of your choice to Munich, Germany arriving the next morning. Dinner and light breakfast served on the plane.

## Thursday, July 13. (B,D). MUNICH

Upon arrival at Munich International airport take a taxi to the super deluxe centrally located KEMPINSKI HOTEL, where you will stay nine nights. We will reimburse you the taxi fare. Briefing and cocktails at the hotel. Gala Welcome dinner at a gourmet restaurant.

*Munich has more to offer than the BMW car factory and the 110 million gallons of beer brewed annually. For a city of its size, it has one of the finest collections of art within one museum, the Alte and Neue Pinakothek and the Deutsches Museum started in 1903, to show one of the most important collections of scientific and technical matters in the world. Munich's cultural wealth, its atmosphere – a blend of gaiety, tolerance and respect for traditions have combined to make it one of the most appreciated German cities.*

## Friday, July 14. (B). MUNICH

Morning sightseeing of this third largest city in Germany begins with a drive around the city to see the Olympic Park, site of the 1972 Summer Olympic, the BMW headquarter, Nymphenburg Palace and the 2 square miles of the English gardens with several beer gardens. This evening we will see the opera Jenufa by Janacek at the Bayerische Staatsoper, with Stuart Skelton and Eva-Maria Westbroek.

## Saturday, July 15. (B). MUNICH

This morning we will take a walking tour of the Old City founded by the monks of the Benedictine Order to see Marienplatz, the city hall with its famous Clock Tower, the churches of Our Lady, Holy Spirit and St. Peters and to see Richard Strauss Fountain with bas reliefs showing scenes from his opera Salome. This evening we will see the opera Nabucco by Verdi at the Bayerische Staatsoper, with Dimitri Plataniias and Liudmyla Monastyrskya.

## Sunday, July 16. (B). MUNICH

Today is free to stroll along any of the four Grand Royal Avenues of the 19th century with magnificent official buildings leading to music quarters, state ministries and palaces. This evening we will see the opera Lucia di Lammermoor by Donizetti at the Bayerische Staatsoper, with Simone Piazzola and Diana Damrau.



## Monday, July 17. (B). MUNICH

This morning we drive south-west to see the Linderhoff Palace, built by the “mad” King Ludwig II of Bavaria to see the Venus Grotto which he added as a scene from Wagner’s opera Tannhauser. We will return to Munich in the afternoon. This evening we will hear the festival songs with baritone Christian Gerhaher.

## Tuesday, July 18. (B). MUNICH

Today you are free to visit the famous Museum Square of Munich with the Alte (old) Pinakothec or Neue (new) Pinakothec and Art galleries with their fabulous collection of fine arts.

## Wednesday, July 19 (B). MUNICH

Morning visit to the Resident Palace, close to our hotel. This evening we will see the opera La Forza del Destino by Verdi at the Bayerische Staatsoper, with Jonas Kaufmann and Anja Harteros.

## Thursday, July 20. (B,D). MUNICH

Today is free to stroll around the Marienplatz and see the open - air markets nearby. This evening we will have our Gala Farewell dinner at a gourmet restaurant.

## Friday, July 21. (B). MUNICH

Today is free to window shopping at the famous shops across the street from our hotel, ranging from Giorgio Armani to Gucci. This evening we will see the opera Semiramide by Rossini at Bayerische Staatsoper, with Joyce DiDonato and Daniela Barcellona.

## Saturday, July 22. (B). MUNICH – BACK HOME

Morning departure aboard your airline back home, arriving the same afternoon. Auf Wiedersehn. See you on another H.A.T. Tour. We will arrange transfer for your flight.

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\* B-Breakfast, L-Lunch, D-Dinner (including wine)



## LAND COST

DOUBLE: 6,850 PER PERSON

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$1,100

## TOUR INCLUDES

- Transfers between airports and hotels on published arrival and departure days only
  - Six operas
  - Orchestra level seats in theaters
  - Deluxe centrally located hotels
  - Buffet breakfast daily and two dinners with wine in gourmet restaurants
  - Welcome reception with cocktails
  - Private sightseeing in each city
  - Experienced English speaking guides
  - Entrance fees to museums
  - Deluxe intercity coach services
  - Transportation to and from theaters
  - Baggage handling
  - Guide, driver and bellboys gratuities
  - Complete package with details of all operas listed
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