# WAGNER'S RING CYCLE DRESDEN

## *Dresden* − 10 days

Departure: January 27, 2018

Return: February 05, 2018



There is a unique opportunity to see the Ring performed in the beautiful Semper Oper sung in German with English supertitles. Christian Thielman conducts the famous staatskapelle Dresden orchestra of Willy Deoker's in coproduction with the Teatro Real Madrid, "The Ring of the Nibelungs" by Richard Wagner.

### Opera Performances

#### In Dresden:

January 29 - Das Rheingold

January 30 - Die Walküre

February 01 - Siegfried

February 04 – Götterdämmerung

#### **CAST**

Wotan – Vitalis Kowaljous

Siegmund – Peter Seiffert

Siegfried – Andreas Schager

Brünnhilde – Petra Lang

Alberich – Albert Dohmen

Mime – Gerhard Siegel

Fricka - Christa Mayer



Erda – Janina Baechle

Hundig – George Zeppenfeld

Gunther - Boez Daniel

Hagen – Albert Pesendorfer

Gertrude – Edith Halter

#### Saturday, January 27. (D)\* DEPART FOR DRESDEN

Depart this evening aboard any airline of your choice to Dresden, Germany arriving the next morning. Dinner and light breakfast served on the plane. today on any airline of your choice from home to Stockholm, Sweden, arriving the next day. Dinner and light breakfast served onboard the plane.

#### Sunday, January 28. (B,D). DRESDEN

Upon arrival at Dresden International airport take a taxi to the deluxe KEMPINSKI TASCHENBERG HOTEL, where you will stay 8 nights. We will reimburse you the taxi fare. Briefing and cocktails at the hotel. Gala Welcome dinner at the hotel.

### Monday, January 29. (B). DRESDEN

Morning sightseeing by bus for an orientation tour of this city made famous by Augustus the Strong, to see the rococo and baroque architecture started by him. This evening we will see the opera Das Rheingold by Wagner at the Semper Oper.

DRESDEN, splendidly situated on the banks of the Elbe River, is known as the "Florence of the North," and has long held an attraction for artists. Dresden has been home to Friedrich Schiller, master of German poetry and drama, who while spending the years 1785 to 1787 here wrote the drama Don Carlos, upon which Verdi based his opera of the same name, and the Ode to Joy, which forms the text of Beethoven's Ninth, or Choral Symphony. Composer Carl Maria von Weber lived and worked here, as did Richard Wagner. Besides the Zwinger Palace, Dresden's second major attraction is the rebuilt Semper Opera, named for its architect, Gottfried Semper. Wagner and von Weber conducted and many Richard Strauss' operas had their premiers here.



#### Tuesday, January 30. (B). DRESDEN

This morning we will take a walking tour to see Dresden's most famous landmark the Frauenkirche, The Procession of Princes and the surrounding palaces. This afternoon we will see the opera Die Walküre by Wagner at the Semper Oper

#### Wednesday, January 31. (B). DRESDEN

This morning we will visit the Green Vault Museum to see the fantastic collection of precious objects. Afternoon free.

#### Thursday, February 01. (B). DRESDEN

This morning we will visit the Zwinger Palace to see the huge collection of Old Masters from Rembrandt Ruben. This evening we will see the opera Siegfried by Wagner at the Semper Opera.

#### Friday, February 02. (B). DRESDEN

Today is free to stroll around or visit any of the fine museums near our hotel. Afternoon free.

### Saturday, February 03. (B,D). DRESDEN

Today is free to re-visit the Zwinger Palace or the Green Vault. This evening we will have dinner at a gourmet restaurant.

### Sunday, February 04. (B). DRESDEN

Today at leisure. This afternoon we will see the opera Götterdämmerung by Wagner at the Semper Oper.

### Monday, February 05. (B). DRESDEN – BACK HOME

We will provide transfer from the hotel to the Dresden airport for departure Morning departure aboard your airline back home, arriving the same afternoon. Auf Wiedersehn. See you on another H.A.T. Tour.

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



#### LAND COST

Double: \$4,950 per person

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$1,150 PER PERSON

#### **TOUR INCLUDES**

- Transfers between airports and hotels on published arrival and departure days only
- Orchestra level seats in theaters
- Four Operas
- Deluxe centrally located hotels
- Buffet breakfast daily and two dinners with wine in gourmet restaurants
- Three light meals during one of the intervals
- Welcome reception with cocktails
- Private sightseeing in each city
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