NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

THE HOLY LAND & OBERAMMERGAU

*Including the Passion Play of Oberammergau*

12 DAYS: MAY 19 - 30, 2020

Visiting

Tiberias * Nazareth * Bethlehem * Jerusalem * Munich

Hosted by

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY MARYLAND

*With Spiritual Director*

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$4899 per person from Washington, D.C.

(Air/land tour price is $4149 plus $750 government taxes/airline surcharges)

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:
♦ Round trip airfare from Washington, D.C.
♦ Accommodations at first class/select hotels based on two persons sharing in twin-bedded rooms with private bath (hotels & guest houses are used in Oberammergau).
♦ First class (Category 1) admission ticket to the Passion Play of Oberammergau.
♦ Most meals.
♦ Comprehensive sightseeing throughout with a professional English-speaking tour director.
♦ All hotel service charges, value-added taxes, porterage where available and entrance fees per itinerary.
♦ Transfers by private motorcoach.
♦ Automatic $100,000 Flight Insurance policy.  
  (Subject to policy terms and limitations)

DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY
WASHINGTON, D.C. /ACROSS THE ATLANTIC
TUESDAY, MAY 19
Begin your exciting journey as you depart Washington, D.C. on your overnight transatlantic flights to the Holy Land. En route enjoy dinner followed by a full length movie.

ARRIVE HOLY LAND
WEDNESDAY, MAY 20
Arrive today in the Holy Land where you will be met and escorted to your waiting motorcoach for the transfer to your hotel. Your inspiring journey to the Land of the Bible begins.

CAESAREA/HAIFA/TIBERIAS
THURSDAY, MAY 21
Drive north today to Caesarea to view the ruins of the Crusader's fortress and moat and sit in the great Roman amphitheatre. Continuing along the coast, you will see the aqueduct that carried water from Mt. Carmel to Caesarea. Stop in Megiddo located on the Plain of Esdraelon. Visit the museum, ruins of the city and Solomon's Stables. On to Haifa and ascend Mt. Carmel for a magnificent view of the sea and harbor. See the Carmelite Monastery and Elijah's Cave as well as the Bahai Temple with its lovely Persian Gardens. Proceed to Tiberias for the night.

Sea of Galilee ~ Tiberias

TIBERIAS
FRIDAY, MAY 22
Today, cross the Sea of Galilee to Capernaum, center of Jesus' Ministry in the Galilee. Visit the ruins of the Second Century Synagogue. Continue to Tabgha, site of the Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes. Then on to the Mount of Beatitudes where Jesus preached the famous Sermon on the Mount and chose the Twelve Apostles. Return to Tiberias for the night.

TIBERIAS/CANA/NAZARETH/JERUSALEM
SATURDAY, MAY 23
After breakfast, drive to Cana, site of Jesus' first miracle of turning water into wine. Proceed to Mt. Tabor, traditional site of the Transfiguration. Continue to Nazareth, the boyhood home of Jesus. Visit the Church of the Annunciation and the Grotto, assumed to be Joseph's carpentry shop. Proceed via the Jordan Valley and Beit Shean to Jerusalem and your hotel.

JERUSALEM
SUNDAY, MAY 24
This morning proceed on a walking tour of the Old City of Jerusalem. Enter St. Stephen's Gate. Visit St. Anne's Church and the Pool of Bethesda where Jesus healed the crippled man. Continue to the Temple Area. See the Dome of the Rock, the El Aqsa Mosque and the Wailing Wall. Exit via the Dung Gate to St. Peter's in Gallicantu. View the Valley of Gehenna and the Pool of Siloam.

This afternoon enter Herod's Gate to the Roman Praetorium, beneath the Sisters of Zion Convent, and the Ecce Homo Arch. Follow in the footsteps of Jesus as you walk the Via Dolorosa, the traditional way of the Cross to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Leave the Old City through the Damascus Gate.
JERUSALEM/MUNICH/OBERAMMERGAU
WEDNESDAY, MAY 27
Bid farewell to the Holy Land and transfer to the airport for your flight to Munich. Drive through the Bavarian Alps to Oberammergau, site of the world famous Passion Play.
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THE PASSION PLAY OF OBERAMMERGAU
THURSDAY, MAY 28
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 4700, against a beautiful backdrop of towering Alpine mountains.
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OBERAMMERGAU/MUNICH
FRIDAY, MAY 29
View Mad King Ludwig’s fairytale Neuschwanstein Castle, one of the most photographed palaces in the world and the model for the castles at the Walt Disney theme parks. Proceed to Munich, capital of Germany’s Bavaria region. 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, the central square in the city center of Munich 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.
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MUNICH/WASHINGTON, D.C.
SATURDAY, MAY 30
All too soon your pilgrimage is over as you transfer to the airport and board your return flight home to Washington, D.C. arriving the same day.
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(B) ~ Breakfast (D) ~ Dinner

Neuschwanstein Castle
GENERAL CONDITIONS

RESERVATIONS, DEPOSITS & FINAL PAYMENTS: Reservations may be secured upon payment of an initial deposit of $50.00 per person. Credit cards are not accepted for your final deposit unless you have held your deposit for 45 days. An additional $250 deposit is due by July 31, 2019 (total deposit required by 7/3/19 is $200). The balance of payment is due at Nayas 135 days prior to departure.

Nayas accepts Visa, Mastercard and American Express for balances due at least 90 days prior to departure. Credit cards are not accepted for deposits. The price of the trip already includes a built-in discount of 3% for payments made by cash or check. There is no discount on credit cards, and deposits will only be accepted by check until 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 Nayas before the final payment is due for further information.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS: A U.S. passport valid for 6 months after your return date is required to travel. It is the sole responsibility of the traveler to check their passport expiration date. Non-U.S. citizens may require visas in addition to a valid passport. It is the sole responsibility of non-U.S. citizens (including green card holders) to ensure they have the required visas/travel documents for each country to be visited on their tour and for re-entry into the U.S. Visa fees (if any) are not included in the tour price.

THE TOUR PRICE INCLUDES: Airline transportation from any IATA/ARC air carrier or other Air Transportation. By any IATA/ARC air carrier or other scheduled jet carrier in standard economy class. Flights and air routings are at the discretion of Nayas and景区/activities are arranged on a first-come, first-served basis. An additional $250 deposit is due by July 31, 2019 (total deposit required by 7/3/19 is $200). The balance of payment is due at Nayas 135 days prior to departure. For air departures, a $100 non-refundable fee per person will be charged in addition to any extra airfares that may be incurred. Airfares are subject to availability and restrictions as imposed by the airlines.

BAGGAGE: Airlines may now charge baggage fees for checked luggage on international/domestic flights based on the policy of each carrier. The maximum number of pieces of luggage, the weight allowed, and fees charges may vary by airline from the USA to overseas destinations and beyond. Major carriers require that checked luggage in economy class not exceed 50 lbs with a combined length/width/height of 115 inches. Fees do vary by airline and must be paid directly to the airline at the time of booking. Airlines policies regarding baggage are subject to change at any time without prior notice. It is the responsibility of each passenger to check with their particular airline regarding any changes in regulations and compliance. Please refer to your electronic airline ticket receipt once received with the final tour documents. Nayas is not responsible for additional fees imposed by air carriers regarding baggage. Due to the limited capacity of luggage compartments on Nayas motorcoaches, Nayas can only allow per person one normal-size suitcase (total dimensions of 62 inches) plus one carry-on bag (total dimensions of 46 inches). Carry-on bags only cannot have wheels and must fit in overhead bins or under your seat. Nayas Travel accepts no responsibility for loss or damage to luggage or personal belongings at any time. Baggage insurance is recommended and is available upon written request.

TRAVELERS REQUIREING SPECIAL ASSISTANCE: Disabled travelers requiring special attention or care must advise Nayas at least 90 days prior to departure. Nayas is responsible for compensating the host carrier if it is not able to accommodate you, regardless of any denial of services to the disabled participant by air carriers, cruise ships, hotels, restaurants or other independent suppliers. Certain countries/destinations involve extensive walking. Be aware that outside the U.S. the Americans with Disabilities Act is not applicable and facilities for disabled individuals are limited. Nayas is not responsible for any passenger requiring special medical equipment.

THE TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE: Passport fees, visas (if any), hotel tourist taxes (to be paid locally), phone calls, valet/laundry service, wines, liquors, mineral water, after dinner coffee or tea, tips to tour director, guides, sightseeing, meals and other services not specifically mentioned, excess baggage and all other items of a purely personal nature. 

CANCELLATION: Written cancellations received by Nayas between Mar. 2, 2018 and Aug. 1, 2019 are subject to a $500 per person cancellation fee. Written cancellations received by Nayas from Aug 2, 2019 to Mar 31, 2020, are subject to a $1500 per person cancellation fee. From 134 to 100 days prior to departure, written cancellations received by Nayas are subject to a cancellation fee of 50% of the total tour price. From 99 to 61 days prior to departure, written cancellations received by Nayas are subject to a cancellation fee of 100% of the total tour price. Written cancellations received by Nayas between the day of departure and the day of return, are subject to a 100% cancellation fee of the total tour price. No shows are subject to a 100% cancellation fee and reservations will be canceled. Failure to receive additional deposits may result in the cancellation of your reservation and the forfeiture of your deposits. Airline tickets are non-refundable once issued. No refunds will be given for any unused services while on tour.

Nayas strongly recommends trip insurance. Insurance for trip cancellation, medical emergencies, medical emergencies, etc., is available for purchase. An insurance application will be sent upon written request. Please refer to insurance provider for complete details.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The airline used is based on non-refundable tickets. On or before Nov 7, 2017, Nayas Travel reserve the right to increase fares without prior notice. Tour members will be required to pay any airline price increases and international surcharges as imposed by the airlines prior to departure. Airlines may require a minimum of 15 passengers departing from the same gateway city.

LAND COSTS: Land costs are based on estimated 2020 tariffs, overseas government taxes and rates of exchange in effect on Nov 7, 2017, and a minimum of 36 or more participants per coach. While we make every effort to keep our costs as low as possible, Nayas Travel reserves the right to increase the cost of the tour consistent with normal increases should the group fall below 36 persons, or in the event of fluctuations in exchange rates. All prices are based on rates of exchange in effect on Nov 7, 2017, and when this 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. Nayas will make every effort to adhere to the itinerary and scheduled departure as outlined herein; however, actual group size and ticket availability or circumstances beyond our control may necessitate alterations. Departure date, itinerary sequence, and dates for overnight accommodations may change. Please note that Nayas Travel or its representatives will be under no obligation to refund any portion of trip costs of U.S. Airfares are not covered by Medicare or private medical insurance plans. Please consult with your health insurance provider to obtain the necessary health/medical coverage for overseas travel.

STATE DEPARTMENT/GOVT AGENCIES: On occasion, a U.S. or foreign government agency, such as the U.S. State Department (www.state.gov), Center for Disease Control (www.cdc.gov), etc., may issue a travel advisory, warning or alert for a destination or surrounding area you may be visiting while on tour. Nayas 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, including cancellation policies, cannot be altered based on any occurrence whatsoever and/or any travel advisory, warning or alert issued in the U.S. or foreign countries where your tour is scheduled to visit, including but not limited to weather, storms, disease, or natural disasters. Cancellation penalties remain in full effect and no exceptions can be made.

RESPONSIBILITY: NAYAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL SERVICE, INC. (Nayas), and their agents act only in the capacity of agents in all matters pertaining to hotel accommodation, sightseeing, ground transportation, whether by railroad, motor bus, motor car, cruise vessel, boat, air or any other means. Except for the willful negligence of its direct employees, Nayas is not liable for any damage, loss (including but not limited to personal injury, loss of enjoyment, distress, death and property loss), expense or inconvenience caused by any act or omission of any supplier providing tour services or by any other person or corporation, whatsoever or by any delays or changes in the itinerary, or the acts and omissions of the tour leader/host or travel agent. Nayas assumes no liability or responsibility for any injuries, losses, or losses of money or property, including, but not limited to, damages to persons, damage to property, injury or accidental 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, riots, war, terrorism, disease, natural disasters, closures of airports, hotels or included sites, default or omission of any common or private carrier. Nayas makes no representation or warranty, express or implied, that any contract for the property or services of Nayas will be performed in any respect. By accepting this application, you agree to hold Nayas and others harmless from and against all losses, expenses, damages, claims, demands, and liabilities of whatever nature, in connection with the tour or any part thereof, or in connection with any matters related to the tour or the tour group, including, but not limited to, any losses, expenses, damages, claims, demands, and liabilities that may result from any acts, omissions, or failures of any party or entity.

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

Exclusionary jurisdiction and venue for any and all disputes arising under, in connection with, or related to these General Conditions or the provision of services by Nayas shall be in the state court sitting in Fairfield County, Connecticut, and you expressly agree not to challenge the jurisdiction or venue of such court or to assert that such court is not a convenient forum. You further agree that you will not commence any action in any court against Nayas, and you further agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the courts of the State of Connecticut, without regard to its conflicts of law provisions. Payment of deposits by tour participants indicates acceptance of the above terms and General Conditions. The venue for any dispute is Fairfield County, Connecticut. The laws of the state of Connecticut will apply.

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