St. Cecilia TOURS

Oberammergau Passion Play and Reformation History

A 12-Day Study Tour: Exploring Our Legacy of Faith



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Begin with the Passion Play

Follow the story of reform across Germany.

From the once-in-a-decade Oberammergau Passion Play to the cities where the Protestant Reformation took shape, this 12-day journey links faith, fellowship, and the history of reformers across Germany.



Day 1-4 | Oberammergau

Experience the **Passion Play**

With the drama of mountains and nature, our journey begins in Oberammergau with the world-renowned Passion Play — a musical expression of faith, sacrifice and hope, performed by the village community in a centuries-old tradition.

More than a performance, it is a powerful invitation to reflect on Bible history and the enduring legacy of faith that connects generations across the World.

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A remarkable beginning to our journey of faith.



Reformers and Their Legacy

Explore the Roots of Protestant Traditions



Day 4 | Augsburg

Explore a city shaped by **Reformation history.**

From the moving drama of the Passion Play, our journey continues to Augsburg — a center of religious debate and a key stage in the Reformation, where faith, politics, and society reshaped Europe.





Day 4-6 | Rothenburg ob der Tauber

Rothenburg

Rothenburg ob der Tauber is a living museum of the Protestant Reformation. Walk the medieval walls and lanes, then hear the story of the Reformation in St. Jakobskirche, home to Tilman Riemenschneider's carved altarpiece.



Stay two nights at the Tillman Riemenschneider Hotel.



Days 6-8 |

Wartburg & Eisenach

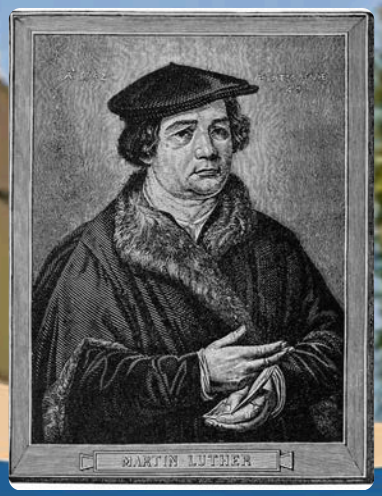
Stay at the Castle where Luther translated the New Testament and evaded arrest through isolation.

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Day 8 | Weimar

Encounter

Luther and His Reformation Allies Melanchthon and Lucas Cranach



Returning to the Sources

Ad fontes: back to the original texts.

The Reformers returned to the early Christian sources – the study of Scripture and the writings of the Church Fathers – alongisde a renewed examination of church authority and practice.

Throughout our Reformation Tour, we explore their Biblical insights, and how those perspectives continue to shape theology today.




Reform in a
Time of Conflict
Faith, politics, and social change reshaped the empire.
Discover how religious reform became entangled with German imperial politics, social unrest, and the authority of the Holy Roman Emperor — a story of theological debate and wider conflict.

Day 8 | Leipzig

Discover how hymns carried the ideas of faith and reform.

Music was an important vehicle for theology and propaganda. Analyze how Luther's hymns influenced public understanding to propel the Reformation, and learn how this tradition later matured into the music of J.S. Bach.





Organist and St. Cecilia Lecturer
Dr. John-Eric Gundersen

"Where faith found a voice."



Day 8-12 | Dresden

Explore a city of remarkable resilience, where Baroque beauty was reborn after wartime destruction, and discover its place in Germany's Reformation heritage.

Continue the journey through Germany's historic heart.

3 or 4 Night Stay
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Day 11 | Wittenberg

End where the Reformation Began.

Walk in the footsteps of Martin Luther in Wittenberg, the historic town that sparked a movement, changed the course of the Church, and continues to shape our world today.



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