Munich

When? 21-23.07.2023

Munich is the capital of the German state of Bavaria and the administrative district of Upper Bavaria. With nearly 1.5 million inhabitants (metropolitan area 2.7 million), Munich is the third largest city in Germany. It is well-know all over the world for its “Oktoberfest”, but it is also considered a center of culture, politics, sciences and media. Munich is considered the safest municipality among major German cities.

What to expect on excursion to Munich:

- Train journey to Munich and back
- 2x hotel overnight stay with breakfast

Program highlights (Must see tours):

- March together to the English Garden, there snack in the beer garden at the Chinese Tower (snack included)

- Guided city tour
  Explore Munich, Bavaria’s capital, which is home to centuries-old buildings and numerous museums. The city is known for its annual Oktoberfest celebration and its beer halls, including the famed Hofbräuhaus, founded in 1589. In the Altstadt (Old Town), central Marienplatz square contains landmarks such as Neo-Gothic Neues Rathaus (town hall), with a popular glockenspiel show that chimes and reenacts stories from the 16th century.
Optional program:

- **Guided tour of Nymphenburg Palace**
  Nymphenburg Palace takes you into the world of kings and princesses. It was not only the summer residence, but also a favorite castle of the Wittelsbach dynasty. Palace is famous for the beauty gallery and the world-famous Nymphenburg porcelain collection. Explore it’s beautiful garden with squirrels, deer and owls, with canals, bridges, lakes, enchanted streams and lots of nature.

- **Guided tour of the NS Documentation Center**
  On 1 May 2015, the new Munich Documentation Centre for the History of National Socialism opened as a place of education and remembrance documenting and addressing the crimes of the Nazi dictatorship and their origins, manifestations and consequences right up to the present day.

- **Visit of the Pinakothek**
  Visit three world-class museums which are a meeting point for culture lovers from all over the world.  
  The **Alte Pinakothek** was built in 1836 and shows European paintings from the 13th to the 18th century.  
  The **Neue Pinakothek** opened in 1853 and focuses on 19th-century painting and sculpture  
  The **Pinakothek der Moderne** has supplemented the offer since 2002 and combines four collections under one roof.

- **Guided tour of the Dachau Concentration Camp Memorial (optional)**
  On March 22, 1933, the Nazi regime opened a concentration camp on the site of the disused Royal Bavarian Powder and Ammunition Factory in Dachau. The place of imprisonment and terror existed for twelve years. More than 200,000 prisoners from over 40 nations were imprisoned in the Dachau concentration camp and its satellite camps, and at least 41,500 people died there of hunger, disease, torture, murder and the consequences of concentration camp imprisonment.

- **Free evening programs with tutors!**
**Fun facts about Munich:**

1) Munich is the southernmost major city in Germany, but it is farther north than any major city in the US.

2) There are over 60 beer gardens in Munich.

3) The Oktoberfest actually takes place in September (and ends in October).

4) Beer is actually considered a food in Bavaria.

5) Mercedes-Benz and the federal Army University of Munich developed a self-driving car in the 90s that did not rely on GPS.

6) Jimmy Hendrix smashed his first guitar here.