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# 2017 CHOIR TRIP

Your Parish Choirs' '17 European Choir Trip  
YOUR TOWN MUNICH  
ZURICH YOUR TOWN

## Your Choir's 2017 Choir Trip Itinerary

**YOUR FLIGHT LEAVES THE US AND ARRIVES THE NEXT DAY IN MUNICH**

### DAY ONE

Your group tour guide will meet you at the Munich Airport. A 50 seat state of the art coach will drive us from the Munich International Airport to Hotel Weisser Hase in Passau, Germany. The hotel is conveniently located in the historic old town. Enjoy the sights at your leisure. Try to stay awake until your 'regular' bedtime to minimize effects of jet lag.

### DAY TWO

Make sure to enjoy a full breakfast buffet which is included in your trip package. Afterwards, pop into St. Stephens Cathedral. This famous cathedral houses the world's largest pipe-organ in a church. There will be an optional excursion leaving at 11 AM for Dachau and Munich, returning at 5 PM. We gather in the evening for a group dinner at the hotel. This meal is included in your trip package. [B, D]

### DAY THREE

After breakfast, our coach will transport us to the heart of Prague's old town and we check into the Grand Hotel on the Old Town Square in this historic and picturesque city. Your choir will sing Mass at 6 PM at St. Vitus Cathedral or The Church of the Virgin Mary. [B]

B=Breakfast L=Lunch D=Dinner

St. Cecilia Choir Tours is delighted to customize your choir trip in consultation with your music director, organist, and trip committee. The following is an example of what your choir trip brochure might look like.



*The Church of the Virgin Mary Before Tyn, Prague*



*Passau, Germany*



*Munich, Germany*

The Church of the Virgin Mary is located on the square of our hotel in Prague. Look for the gothic spires.





*Schonbrunn Palace, Vienna*



*St. Stephens Cathedral, Vienna*

#### DAY FOUR

Enjoy the city of Prague at your leisure today. Make sure to visit the many churches, the Fortress, and the St. Charles Bridge. We will meet at the Michelin recommended Mlync Restaurant for dinner at 6 PM, for drinks, good food and fellowship in the evening. This dinner is included in your trip package. [B, D]

#### DAY FIVE

Following the breakfast buffet, we will journey to the classical music capitol of the world, Vienna, Austria. Our hotel is the Hotel das Tigra in downtown Vienna. You will be within walking distance to most of the major attractions, including St. Stephens Cathedral where the parish choir will sing for the 6 PM Mass. [B]

#### DAY SIX

After breakfast, enjoy the sights, sounds and history of Vienna. Pop into one of the many bakeries for a treat and a cup of fresh coffee. We gather outside the Hofburg Palace at 8 PM and attend the orchestra concert at the imperial palace. These tickets are included in your trip package. [B]

#### DAY SEVEN

After breakfast, we board the coach and head to the imperial palace of Schonbrunn. There are cafe's on the grounds, but you might want to bring a sandwich from the breakfast buffet to enjoy for lunch in the stunning palace gardens. These tickets are included in your group package. We will head to Salzburg after our palace tour. We will check into the Salzburg Gablerbraeu Hotel and enjoy Salzburg at our own leisure. [B]

#### DAY EIGHT

Enjoy a hearty Austrian breakfast. Our coach will be available for transportation to Hellbrunn Castle leaving the hotel at 8:30 AM, and will allow 75 minutes to enjoy the castle tour and grounds. This castle houses the Gazebo where the 'I'm Sixteen going on Seventeen' was filmed in the Sound of Music. This tour will return to the hotel at 10:15 AM. The Choir will sing at the Salzburg Cathedral at 1:30 PM accompanied on one of the cathedral's pipe organ. This will be a 30 minute informal concert. This cathedral is where Mozart served as music director. [B]



*Salzburg Cathedral, Austria*



*Austrian Alps*



*Wiener Schnitzel*



*Herr Jesu Christ Kirche in Bregenz*



*Ballenberg Museum*

## DAY NINE

We hit the ground running at 9 AM following breakfast so we can arrive Bern at lunch time. We check into the Savoy in Bern. The name Bern literally translates to Bear. There is a mote surrounding this unique city that is protected by live black bears to this date. There are several attractions in Bern, beautiful architecture and enough churches to keep you busy for a while.

## DAY TEN

The organists in our group will enjoy a private organ demonstration of the Kuhn Organ at the Bern cathedral. The choir gathers at 5 PM to prepare to sing a concert at the cathedral accompanied by the fabulous organ and acoustics. following the concert we gather for dinner, drinks and fellowship, overlooking the beautiful mote and city. We go dutch at this restaurant. [B]

## DAY ELEVEN

At 9 AM following breakfast, we board the coach and drive to the outdoor museum of Ballenberg. The entrance tickets are included in your tour packet. Enjoy this museum where you will learn of the customs and traditions that have shaped and molded this beautiful country. After lunch we will continue our coach ride and rest our feet as we enjoy the breathtaking views of the Swiss Alps. We will check-in at Hotel Allegra near the Zurich International Airport and share a group dinner which is included in your trip package at the Hotel Restaurant. [B, D]

## DAY TWELVE

Please have your luggage packed and ready to go by 5 AM as we will be dropped off at the Zurich International Airport for our bright and early 7 AM flight back to Houston.

**YOUR FLIGHT DEPARTS  
ZURICH AND ARRIVES YOUR  
US TOWN ON THE SAME DAY.**



*Peninsula city of Bern*

The peninsula City of Bern surrounded by water and guarded by bears.