





Enjoy the festive charm of the Austrian Alps

Celebrate Christmas in a first class chalet style hotel in the enchanting Austrian Tyrol

Enjoy a festive Christmas staying in a charming chalet-style hotel in the enchanting Austrian Alps. Visit the fabulous Salzburg Christmas Markets, the Silent Night Chapel and the ornate Linderhof Palace. Indulge in a horse-drawn carriage ride in the Austrian countryside.

- Travel in a first-class air-conditioned touring coach
- A complimentary wine, beer or soft drink with all included dinners
 Welcome drink in Kirchberg

 15 Meals Buffet breakfast daily (B), 1 lunch (L) and 7 evening dinners (D)
- Hotel porterage of 1 bag per person (where available)
 7 nights accommodation in an authentic, specially selected, chalet style hotel
 Free WiFi at most hotels (where available)
- Personal audio system whilst on tour (where available)
 Local guides as described in the itinerary
 Fully escorted by our experienced Tour Manager
 ALL tips for your Tour Manager, Driver and Local Guides
- Explore the fabulous Christmas Markets in Salzburg, Innsbruck and Berchtesgaden ALL excursions, scenic drives, sightseeing and entrances as described



Munich, 'My Time' in Kitzbuhel and Kirchberg in the Tyrol

Day 1

Hotel Sonnalp, Kirchberg, Austria

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Your tour commences this morning at 10am from the Maritim Hotel in Munich. After meeting your Tour Manager, who will be with you for the next eight days, we drive south into the snow clad Tyrol region and Austria's most popular winter resort of Kitzbuhel. Still retaining the atmosphere of a Tyrolean village in its historic centre, old-style houses with projecting gables and painted exteriors compete for attention with shops selling Europe's most exclusive brand names. For lunch maybe take the cable car up the Kitzbuheler Horn and visit one of the 23 mountain restaurants. Mid afternoon we continue to Kirchberg which will be your home over the next seven nights. Located 10 kms from Kitzbuhel, Kirchberg is an excellent ski resort in its own right. This evening, enjoy a welcome drink and take the opportunity to get to meet your fellow Christmas travellers. Continental buffet breakfast and sumptuous dinners are served daily. Highlight will be a traditional Austrian dinner on Christmas Eve.

Linderhof Palace, Oberammergau and Kloster Ettal

Day 2



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Driving over the mountains of Southern Bavaria we pass Mittenwald and visit Linderhof Palace to take a guided tour through King Ludwig's grand summer residence. Our next stop is the Passion Play village of Oberammergau, with its ornately painted buildings where we have time for lunch. This afternoon we stop to visit Kloster Ettal Monastery with its incredible painted ceilings. Dating back over 700 years this is one of the finest examples of Rococo architecture in existence.

The Silent Night Chapel, Salzburg, 'My Time' and Christmas Markets

Day 3



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We have included a full day excursion today. Enroute to Salzburg our first stop is at the nearby village of Oberndorf where we visit the famous 'Silent Night Chapel' on the site where the Christmas carol was first performed. We then continue on to Salzburg – the baroque city of Mozart sitting beneath its enormous Festung (Fortress). A walking city tour with an expert local guide will introduce you to this enchanting city, including several locations used in the film 'The Sound of Music'. As a finalé you will gather amongst the fir trees in the small stone courtyard of the St Peter's Keller, dating back to the 1500's and Salzburg's oldest restaurant, for a hot drink and biscuits. The rest of the day is free to enjoy the city. The huge castle makes a fascinating visit and don't forget to soak up the atmosphere of the famous Salzburg Christmas Markets. This evening join us for a torchlit village walk followed by mulled wine.

Swarovski Crystal Worlds, Innsbruck 'My Time' and Christmas Markets

Day 4



Hotel Sonnalp, Kirchberg, Austria



Following the spectacular Inn Valley to Wattens we visit the Swarovski 'Kristallwelten' ('Crystal Worlds')... a weird and wonderful crystal experience. Later we continue to the nearby winter resort city of Innsbruck where we spend the rest of the day exploring the Old Town, with its famous 'Golden Roof' above the medieval town square, and delightful Christmas Markets. Time to do that last minute shopping, indulge in the mulled wine and ginger biscuits and take in the music, fabulously decorated trees and folklore displays. Spoil yourself with a traditional tall aromatic coffee and a calorie-busting apfelstrudel!

Berchtesgaden, Salt Mines and beautiful Lake Königssee

Day 5

Hotel Sonnalp, Kirchberg, Austria

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Heading deep into the Bavarian mountains we visit perhaps the most beautiful lake of all, Königssee – famous the world over for its steep cliffs and fjord-like lake. Lunchtime will be spent amongst the cobblestoned streets of Berchtesgaden. Later we visit the old Salt Mines near Berchtesgaden. After dressing up in a salt miner's uniform, we enjoy a fun filled ride on a small train deep underground, take wooden slides (or steps) and then float on a barge across a crystal clear underground lake, beautifully illuminated by a light show.

Christmas Eve in the mountains and a horse drawn carriage ride

Day 6



Hotel Sonnalp, Kirchberg, Austria



There is nothing quite like a day in the mountains! The highlight of today will be your ride in a horse drawn carriage through the local countryside in nearby Kitzbuhel, suitably warmed with some mulled wine while enjoying the dramatic, snow laden mountains and breathtaking scenery surrounding you. Afterwards, back in Kirchberg, maybe take a 'winter walk', hire skis or a toboggan and play in the snow. Tonight, enjoy a traditional Christmas Eve dinner.

Christmas Day in a winter paradise

Day 7



Hotel Sonnalp, Kirchberg, Austria



Christmas Day as it should be....in a wonderful location – relaxing, eating, drinking and some fun in the snow! Your day is at leisure to relax and savour the delights of Kirchberg. A two course lunch has been included today, and dinner tonight.

Boxing Day - To Munich

Day 8



This morning it is time to say farewell as your tour ends with a transfer to Munich, to arrive around midday. We will make stops at the central railway station, Maritim Hotel and Munich Airport. We recommend that you book flights or trains that depart Munich after 3pm today.

Hand Selected Experiences

These are just a few of the very special hand selected experiences that will really make your touring experience exceptional and unique, and don't forget, with Albatross they are always included.



Kirchberg in the **Tyrol** A Festive 7 night **Christmas Stay**



Linderhof Palace Guided Tour



Oberammergau **Traditional Bavarian** Village



Kloster Ettal Monastery



Salzburg **Walking Tour & Christmas Markets**



Swarovski Crystal Worlds 'Kristallwelten'



Innsbruck Christmas Markets & the 'Golden Roof'



Salt Mines Berchtesgaden



Horse and Carriage Ride Through the Local Countryside

Dates and Prices

Correct as of 13:29 on 16th August 2025

Start Date	End Date	Twin Price	Solo Price	Guaranteed to Depart	
19 Dec 202	5 26 Dec 2025	AUD\$4,787	AUD\$5,287	✓	Space Available
19 Dec 202	6 26 Dec 2026	TBC	TBC		♀ re-Register

^{*} Dates, prices, itineraries and hotels shown may be subject to change on specific departures. Please contact our European Tour Specialists for further details.

Tour Suitability

- Our Christmas, New Year and Northern Lights tours travel throughout the European winter months. The weather can get cold, and roads and pathways can be slippery. When outdoors, please take extra care when navigating slippery surfaces.
- We recommend sturdy waterproof shoes with good grip (hiking shoes, rather than sneakers), thick socks, a woollen beanie, thermal underclothes, gloves and sunglasses. Walking poles can be helpful to give you more confidence, if desired. Layering some light clothes is advisable, as you will often come in from the picturesque cold to warm spaces inside, so layering enables you to adjust to each environment for your optimal comfort. You will also be very comfortable when travelling as your modern touring coach is fitted with heaters and double glazed windows. Once you arrive at your hotel you will be greeted with a warm and comfortable atmosphere.
- Thinking about what to wear? Please read our blog on Wardrobe essentials: https://www.albatrosstours.com.au/news-nest-travel-blog/wardrobe-essentials-for-a-winter-wonderland-tour-in-europe/

Please refer to our Tour Suitability section for more information.

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