

Enchanting Christmas Markets

December 3 - 10, 2009

Cost: Starting at \$ 2,729 – this includes 8 days and 9 meals and round trip airfare from Jacksonville Intl Airport

Highlights...

- *Shop in the Christmas markets of Salzburg, Linz, Vienna and Prague.*
- *View the Mozarthaus, where Mozart composed his Linz Symphony.*
- *Enjoy a fabulous tour of magnificent Schonbrunn Palace.*

Air 1: Overnight Flight

Welcome as you join Collette Vacations in exploring Salzburg, Linz, Vienna and Prague, some of Europe's most magical cities. Visit historic sites, view breathtaking scenery, enjoy classical music, plus browse and shop in the traditional Christmas markets. Your memorable experience begins with an overnight flight to Europe.

Day 2: Arrive Salzburg, Austria - Tour Begins

Your tour begins in historic Salzburg, one of Europe's most beautiful and romantic cities. This evening, join your fellow travelers for dinner at the centuries-old St. Peter's Restaurant, one of the city's most popular dining establishments.

Day 3: Salzburg

Enjoy a leisurely-paced walking tour of the Old Town, highlighting the Cathedral, Mozart's birthplace and Mirabell Gardens. You will not be able to miss recognizable locations from the "Sound of Music." The remainder of the day is at leisure for you to explore Salzburg's charming Christmas market, located in the city's historic area.

Day 4: Salzburg - Linz - Vienna

Depart Salzburg and travel along the banks of the Danube to the Imperial city of Linz, where you enjoy a city tour featuring the Old Town and the baroque Main Square, one of Europe's largest open squares. View the Mozarthaus, where Mozart composed his Linz Symphony, and the new cathedral, Austria's largest. Your tour concludes with a visit to St. Martin's Church, founded in 799. Your day ends in the grand city of Vienna.

Day 5: Vienna

Begin your day with a Vienna city tour featuring the baroque marvels of Schoenbrunn Palace. Touring Vienna's city center, you view St. Stephan's Cathedral, beautiful baroque architecture, parks, and gothic spires of a bygone age. The afternoon is at leisure for you to relax or explore the various Christmas markets located throughout the city. Be sure to visit Vienna City Hall Park with its festively decorated trees and ice skating exhibitions. A special treat awaits you this evening in the wine-making village of Grinzing - enjoy a traditional dinner at the historic Altes Presshaus Restaurant.

Day 6: Vienna - Prague, Czech Republic

Travel through the picturesque countryside to the border of the Czech Republic before proceeding to the capital city of Prague, situated on the River Vltava. Known as "The Golden City", Prague offers visitors a beguiling mixture of Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque architecture. This lovely city boasts more than 500 towers and steeples, as well as many parks and gardens.

Day 7: Prague

Begin your day with a walking tour featuring the 1,000-year-old Hradcany Castle, the former Royal Palace, the imposing St. Vitus Cathedral, and the colorful Golden Lane. Then proceed to the 14th-century Charles Bridge, one of Prague's loveliest and most characteristic sights with its 16 arches and 30 statues. Continue to the Old Town Square, enclosed by Gothic, Renaissance, Baroque and Rococo-style buildings before viewing Tyn Church and its magnificent towers, the unique Astronomical Clock, St. Nicholas Cathedral and Old Town Hall. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore this charming city and its wonderful Christmas market situated in the historic Old Town Square. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for dinner, celebrating the end of a spectacular trip.

Day 8: Prague - Tour Ends

Your tour ends this morning, leaving you with wonderful memories.

