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**7 DAYS FROM \$4395  
LIMITED TO 20 GUESTS**

Join Rudy Maxa on the ultimate tour of the magical European Christmas Markets. Start your journey in Vienna and take the train through the picturesque Alpine terrain of Austria to Salzburg, before visiting festive Munich and ending your journey in awe-inspiring Zurich, Switzerland.

## DATES AND PRICES

December 1<sup>st</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019: \$4395

December 8<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019: \$4395

November 30<sup>th</sup> to December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020: \$4395

December 7<sup>th</sup> to December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020: \$4395

Prices are based on double occupancy.  
Single Supplement: \$799





# THE RUDY MAXA DIFFERENCE

## What's included in Rudy Maxa's Tours:

- Welcome package with luggage tags, tour information, and a personal gift from Rudy Maxa
- An exclusive experience with a small group (maximum of 20 guests)
- Rudy Maxa's Expert team led by his Group Director will make your trip carefree, seamless, and magical. In addition to the team traveling with you, known and approved local guide hosts with extensive knowledge about their home town will be showing you around.
- Your choice — freedom to choose from multiple excursions and programs
- All tours, admissions, and entertainment
- Airport arrival meet and greet with transportation to the first host hotel
- Upscale, handpicked hotels inspected and approved by Rudy Maxa's team
- All meals, including an upscale restaurant for dinner every night inspected and approved by Rudy Maxa's team
- Luggage Butler Service – Leave your bags in your hotel room in the morning and find them waiting in your room at your next hotel.
- Transportation between cities in smaller luxury vehicles, high speed trains, or by air
- All gratuities







## DAY 1: ARRIVE IN VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Arrive in Vienna where you'll be met at the airport by Rudy Maxa's concierge service and whisked to your hotel. Vienna, Austria's capital is best known as the home of Mozart and Beethoven, and its Baroque architecture is breathtaking. The city's Christmas festivals are also justifiably famous. On your first evening, take a walking tour of several Christmas markets including the Christkindlmarkt on Rathausplatz, which offers almost unlimited shopping. Dinner is at the home of the world's most famous schnitzel, Figlmüller at Backerstrasse. Your hotel is the famed Imperial Hotel with its royal staircase where horse-drawn carriages once delivered royalty to the private apartments on the first floor.

Imperial Hotel 5\*

Meals: Welcome dinner hosted by Rudy Maxa



## DAY 2: VIENNA

A variety of adventures await you in Vienna. Take waltzing lessons at the Elmayer Dance School or attend an apple strudel-making session. Don't miss the Hapsburg Palace or that architectural gem and the former home of the Hapsburgs, the Schonbrunn Palace, the Versailles of Vienna that boasts its own Christmas market. Downtown you'll find St. Stephens Cathedral—have a coffee at Café Central. Lunch is at the Demel Café. Dinner is at the Julius Meinl restaurant. Spend your second night at the Imperial Hotel.

**Imperial Hotel 5\***

**Meal Highlights:** Lunch at Demel Café. Dinner at Julius Meinl Restaurant

## DAY 3: VIENNA

After a leisurely breakfast, board the high-speed train to Munich and make a stop in Salzburg for lunch at the oldest coffee house in Austria, the Café Tomaselli. You'll have time to explore the Salzburg Christmas markets in the center of old town along Getreidegasse before resuming the journey to Munich. Bring your appetite—dinner is at the Hofbrauhaus, one of the world's most famous taverns. Your hotel is Le Méridien.

**Le Méridien Munich 5\***

**Meal Highlights:** Dinner at Hofbrauhaus





## DAY 4: MUNICH

Begin the morning in the center of Munich, at the Marienplatz — the heart of the city's Christmas markets. You'll also return here at night when the entire town square is illuminated by brilliant, colored lights. The city teems with museums and churches worthy of your attention, and the world-famous Glockenspiel with its mechanical figurines is also in the center of town. At Christmas markets, it's standard operating procedure to keep warm with an occasional cup of warm, spiced, red wine called "gluhwein."

Le Méridien Munich 5\*

Meal Highlights: Dinner at Ratskeller Munich



## DAY 5: FROM MUNICH TO ZURICH, SWITZERLAND

En route to Zurich, Switzerland, stop to tour the Bavarian castle that inspired Disney to create his "magic kingdom", Neuschwanstein Castle. This wedding cake of a castle was built by "mad King Ludwig II" in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. In the afternoon, check into the Sheraton Zurich Neues Schloss or the Zurich Marriott. Dinner is at the Raclette Stube, Zurich's most famous raclette restaurant.

Sheraton Zurich Neues Schloss 4\* or

Zurich Marriott 5\*

Meal Highlights: Dinner at Raclette Stube





## DAY 6: ZURICH, SWITZERLAND

Among the Christmas markets in Zurich is Wienachtsdorf, the Zurich Old Town market, and the indoor market inside the city's main train station with its towering Christmas tree adorned with thousands of Swarovski crystals. Peek inside Zurich's most prominent landmark, the Grossmünster Cathedral, and visit the Beyer Clock and Watch Museum. Dinner is at the famous Zeughauskeller, well known for its sausages and flank steak or pan-fried pork sausage served by the meter.

Sheraton Zurich Neues Schloss 4\* or Zurich Marriott 5\*

Meal Highlights: Dinner at Zeughauskeller

## DAY 7: ZURICH, SWITZERLAND

Enjoy your last morning in Zurich with a walking tour of Old Town Zurich before departing Switzerland.

\* Restaurants and Hotels are subject to change to equal or better

\* Rudy Maxa will personally join all or parts of all journeys in 2019





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