

Oktoberfest and Bavaria September 21-29, 2024 European Christmas Markets

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Why you should visit Germany with the Bayarian Bierhaus

The reason we started the Bavarian Bierhaus was because we wanted to bring a little bit of Germany back home to Nashville. First, we built a bierhall where you can visit Germany for a few hours. Now we want to take you to Germany with us for a week.

Hi, I'm Bob Krumm. I am one of the owners of the Bavarian Bierhaus at Opry Mills. We opened our authentic Munich-style Bierhall back in 2017, but the story goes back much further than that. My first trip to Germany was with the military for summer training in 1988. Since then, I've been stationed in Germany for a total of six years and have visited dozens of times since. In all that time I have never lived on an American base. Instead, I moved off-post, learned German, lived among my German neighbors—some of whom are lifelong friends—and experienced Germany as a local. Whenever I had a free weekend, I traveled. As a result of that travel, you can experience the best of what I have seen throughout Germany. I started leading tours for small groups of friends and families when I lived in Germany and several times since. Now I'm bringing you the opportunity to see Germany as a local. In 2024 we plan to lead two trips to some of the best of Germany's highlights.

Our first trip is a tour of a few of Bavaria's great beer and wine locations culminating with a visit to Oktoberfest. We will start our tour with a day in the charming walled city of Rothenburg. You will visit Bavaria's only wine region which

makes some incredible food-friendly dry white wines. You will taste smoked beer from Bamberg. You will eat authentic Regensburger sausages at what is believed to be the oldest restaurant in the world. You will visit a monastery brewery whose roots go back to the 8th century. You will enjoy dinner with our group at the world-famous Hofbräuhaus. And of course, you will experience the world's largest festival: *Oktoberfest*. After partying at Oktoberfest, we will relax in an Alpine village where you will experience the traditional festival celebrating the cows returning from their summer mountain homes.

Our second 2024 trip is to experience some of Europe's famous Christmas markets. Whether it is Christmas trees, lights on buildings, nutcrackers, or Advent wreaths, many of America's Christmas traditions came from Germany. You will see all of that and more at Christmas markets throughout Germany, as well as in France and Austria. We will visit Strasbourg and Colmar in the Alsace region of France, Stuttgart, Freiburg, Rothenburg, and Munich in Germany, as well as Salzburg, Austria. And of course, we will spend a day at the world-famous Nuremberg Christkindlemarkt. In addition to Christmas markets, we will visit an Alsatian winery, a monastery brewery, the Black Forest, and tour the castle which was home to Prussia's kings. The trip concludes with dinner at Munich's Hofbräuhaus before flying home the next morning.

We hope that you will join our Bavarian Bierhaus family for a magical and memorable experience on one of these fabulous tours of Bavaria and surrounding areas. Contact me for any questions you might have at Bob@BavarianBierhaus.com.

Danke, Bob