## MUNICH, SALZBURG, & VIENNA

## **Optional Tour to BUDAPEST**

Day 1 – Depart USA

Day 2 – Arrive in MUNICH, GERMANY. Time to rest or start exploring the Bavarian capital. At 6 pm, gather for a Get Acquainted Dinner with your sister Tropical Harmony members and guests.

Day 3 – MUNICH – All day rehearsal to prepare for our performances in Germany and Austria. Hofbrau Haus for dinner (B)

Day 4 – MUNICH – Free day with no inclusions. Sightseeing on our own, perhaps the Hop On Hop Off bus, museums, attend the service at Frauenkirche. Possible large party with members from several German choruses mid-afternoon/early evening of this day.

Day 5 – MUNICH-NEUSCHEANSTRIN-INNSBRUCK, AUSTRIA-SALZBURG Drive into the garden-like landscapes of the Bavarian Alps and visit one of King Ludwig's magnificent castles: NEUSCHWANSTEIN CASTLE. On to Innsbruck in the Tyrolean Mountains and a walk through the quaint medieval lanes to Emperor Maximillian's GOLDEN ROOF. In the afternoon, enjoy a scenic drive to Salzburg. (B,D)

Day 6 – SALZBURG – A pleasant stroll with a Local Guide takes you through the historic center. Admire exquisite MIRABELL GARDENS, the Great Festival Hall, ST. PETER'S CHURCHYARD, and the monumental Domplatz. Also visit MOZART'S BIRTHPLACE in the charming Getreidegasse. Afternoon at leisure. Scenes from the *Sound of Music* will delight you both during the morning tour and on the available optional excursion to Berchtesgadenand Hitler's Eagle Nest. We'll take a short drive through the countryside to the village of Hallwang, where you will be shown a traditional organic farm by the farmer and his wife, as they go about the daily routine of tending the livestock. Later enjoy a typical Austrian dinner of homemade regional specialties in the farmer's chalet. (B, D)

Day 7 – SALZBURG-MONDSEE-VIENNA - This morning, visit the PARISH CHURCH in Mondsee, which was used for the wedding scene in the *Sound of Music*. Next, enjoy a leisurely DANUDE CRUISE along the most scenic section of the river, before arriving in Vienna, once the center of the mighty Hapsburg Empire. An optional excursion to the wine village of Grinzing is a possibility tonight. (B)

Day 8 – VIENNA – Start your guided sightseeing with a visit to magnificent SCHONBRUNN PALACE. Next, enjoy the vistas of Prater Park with its giant Ferris wheel, and the United Nations City on the banks of the Danube River. Then, drive along Ring Boulevard, pass the State Opera House, the Jewish quarter, and stop at the Hofburg Palace, winter residence of the Austrian Imperial family. Marvel at the impressive courtyards, famous Heidenplatz, and

awesome St. Stephen's Cathedral. Tonight, why not take in an operetta concert in one of Vienna's elegant concert halls? (B)

Day 9 – AT LEISURE IN VIENNA – A whole day at leisure and lots to do! Don't forget to savor *Sachertorte* and watch the jolly crowd in one of Vienna's famous coffee houses. Tonight, a farewell dinner at a local restaurant is included to celebrate the success of our performing tour of Germany and Austria. (B,D)

Day 10 – VIENNA – Your performance tour ends with breakfast this morning and a transfer to the airport (B)

## **BUDAPEST GETWAY OPTIONAL TOUR**

Day 1 - Travel by train from Vienna to Budapest – Welcome! Time to relax or begin exploring the "Paris of the East". Your Local Host provides you with a Destination Guide, full of useful city information, and is on hand to help you create lasting memories.

Day 2 – BUDPEST – Morning guided sightseeing and orientation includes Matthias Coronation Church and impressive HEROES' SQUARE with its monuments to important figures from Hungarian history and the 118 Ft. high Corinthian column dedicated to Roman Catholicism. Drive up to Fisherman's bastion for magnificent panoramas of Buda and Pest on either side of the Danube River (B)

Day 3 – BUDAPEST – Full day to enjoy the capital of Hungary at your own pace. Your Local Host is on hand to help you with your plans for the day. Optional Tours are available. (B)

Day 4 – BUDAPEST – Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning (B)

We fly home from Budapest or choose to return to Vienna for a flight home.