## Moostash Joe Tours Presents

# A European Getaway Tour

Featuring a 4-Day Cruise of Germany's Rhine & Moselle Rivers

September 23 – October 3, 2016 \$2,985 Per Person, Double Occupancy from Omaha (Airline Taxes and Fees Additional)



This is an exclusive travel program offered by Moostash Joe Tours and InterTrav

### Day by Day Itinerary

#### Friday, September 23 – OMAHA/EN ROUTE

Today we begin our overnight transatlantic journey to Frankfurt, Germany. (I)

# Saturday, September 24 – FRANKFURT/CRUISING THE MOSELLE AND RHINE RIVERS

This morning we arrive in Frankfurt, Germany. After we have cleared Passport and Customs controls we'll be met by our European Tour Escort who will travel with us throughout our tour. From Frankfurt, we'll travel to Cologne to begin our cruise aboard Sifa Cruises ms Verdi. An included walking tour will introduce us to the Old Town. We'll also take in Cologne's modern plazas and Hohe-Strasse, a pedestrian-only shopping zone that offers a variety of stores, lively bars and enticing restaurants. Of particular note is the city's 14th-century Cathedral. Spared Allied bombs during World War II, the Cathedral's lacy spires are visible for miles, and its stained-glass windows fill the interior with brilliant colored light. Late this afternoon we'll board our river cruise of the Rhine and Moselle Rivers. **(I,D)** 

#### Sunday, September 25 – CRUISING (Cochem)

Enjoy scenic morning cruising on the Moselle River, a hidden gem lined with steep vineyards, pastoral towns and stately castles. After lunch aboard our ship, we arrive in the quaint town of Cochem, the Pearl of the Moselle. On arrival we'll begin our guided walking tour on the opposite bank of Cochem Cond. This former village was linked to the town of Cochem by the Moselle Bridge in 1927. As you cross the bridge you will be able to spot the Imperial Castle of Cochem, the Reichsburg, on the hilltop. Our guide will take us through the town streets to discover picturesque timber-framed houses, St. Martin's Church, the Capuchin convent, and the Market Square. After our walking tour, we'll have time on our own to explore. Next, we'll take a minibus up to the castle for a guided tour. This magnificent castle dates back to the year 1000 and was completely rebuilt according to old plans after being destroyed by French troops in the 17th century. After visiting the castle, we'll have free time before returning to the ship on foot for dinner. The evening is free in Cochem. (B,L,D)

#### Monday, September 26 - CRUISING (Rudesheim)

This morning we cruise the most glorious central stretch of the fabled Rhine River, whose vineyards descend from vines planted by Caesar's legions. The ruined fortresses standing high above the river were erected by medieval kings, princes, bishops and robber knights who built more castles along this part of the Rhine Valley than in any other valley in the world. It has been declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Our ship skirts round the 132-metre Lorelei Rock, which is the symbol of this great river and inspired the poem by Heinrich Heine. This afternoon we arrive in the charming old wine town of Rüdesheim, home to the Drosselgasse, a long narrow street lined on both sides with wine taverns. The afternoon is free to enjoy Rüdesheim on your own . (B,L,D)

#### Tuesday, September 27 – CRUISING (Heidelberg Excursion)

Today's excursion takes us to the famous city of Heidelberg, home to Germany's oldest university, founded in 1386. After docking we'll take a coach up to Heidelberg Castle and explore the castle grounds on foot (outside only because it's in ruins) and discover the geometric terraces of the Palatinate gardens. After our guided tour, we'll take the coach down to the Neckarmunzplatz in the old historic city center for a guided tour on foot. We'll see the exterior of the Saint-Esprit Church and have free time for shopping before taking the coach back to the ship. **(B, L, D)** 

#### Wednesday, September 28 – CRUISING/ STRASBOURG/TETTNANG

This morning after disembarking from our cruise, we'll travel into Germany's enchanting Black Forest to Triberg where you can follow the historical trail of the clock carriers with a visit to the Black Forest Museum specializing in the exhibition of traditional costumes and local craftwork. Next, we're headed to Gutach to visit the open air Black Forest Folklore and Farmhouse Museum to learn about the over 200 year history of farming in this fascinating region. Our last stop of the day will take us to the shores of Lake Titisee whose crystal-clear water attracts countless visitors in search of its therapeutic waters. Our journey continues along the shores of Lake Constance to the lovely village of Tettnang. **(B,D)** 

#### Thursday, September 29 – TETTNANG/SEEFELD

This morning we depart Tettnang and travel along the German Alpine Road taking us across the Bavarian countryside where local farmers have made their mountain paradise into the great cheese manufacturing area of Germany. We'll stop in the town of Fussen, the gateway to the Tyrol, for a panoramic view of Neuschwanstein Castle. Set amidst magnificent mountain scenery on the shores of Schwansee and built on the summit of a massive rock cliff, Neuschwanstein may be best known through its Walt Disney World replica. From Fussen, we travel by way of Garmisch-Partenkirchen to Seefeld. Located on a sunny plateau above the Inn Valley and surrounded by the splendor of the Karwendel and Wetterstein mountain ranges. **(B,D)** 

#### Friday, September 30 – SEEFELD

Today is a free day in Seefeld. You can take a cable car trip into the surrounding mountains or perhaps a horse drawn carriage ride through the beautiful countryside that surrounds Seefeld. For travelers who wish, there will be an *optional* excursion to the Tyrolean capital of Innsbruck featuring a spectacular train ride into the Inn Valley. **(B,D)** 

#### Saturday, October 1 – SEEFELD (Almabtrieb Excursion)

Today we are in for a special treat when we travel to the family and flower village of Reith im Alpbachtal to witness the Almabtrieb. Summer is over, the days are getting shorter and the nights are turning rather chilly, high time for the herdsmen to drive their cattle from the pasture to the valley. Adorned with varicolored ribbons, wreaths, brushwood coronets and mirrors, the colorful parade begins the often dangerous descent into the valley. The herdsmen and countrywomen have also donned traditional costume for the joyous arrival in the valley and we'll join in the folklore fun that accompanies this time-honored tradition. **(B)** 

#### Sunday, October 2 – SEEFELD (Salzburg)

Our excursion this morning will take us to Salzburg, where the city's charm is apparent in its picturesque streets full of wroughtiron signs, noble architecture and highly decorated fountains. An introductory tour of the city will start on the right bank of the Salzach River where we'll see the grounds of the Mirabell Place and the Mozart Conservatoire, before crossing over into the Old Town. Here we'll see the 15th century Altes Rathaus and take in the sites along the romantic Getreidstrasse, where we'll also find Mozart's birthplace, now a museum with many of his early manuscripts and instruments. We'll also see the Collegiate Church and the Franciscan Church as we make our way to the Residence Square, home to the medieval bishops' residence. Nearby, we'll visit Salzburg Cathedral and pass St. Peter's Abbey, seen so frequently in the "Sound of Music." (**B**)

#### Monday, October 3 - SEEFELD/MUNICH/USA

This morning we'll travel to Munich Airport where our Tour Escort will assist us with getting checked in for the return journey home. **(B,I)** 

\* \* \* Welcome Home \* \* \*

I = In-flight Meal B = Breakfast L = Lunch D = Dinner

#### The Tour Price Includes:

- Economy class air transportation by scheduled flights.
- Meals and light beverages served during our flights according to airline schedules.
- Transportation by deluxe private motor coach with accompanying English-speaking Tour Escort.
- Four night Rhine River cruise in outside cabins in category selected on the *ms Verdi* including all meals on-board.
- Accommodations in European-style hotels in twin-bedded rooms with private bath or shower.
- Meals as indicated in the Day by Day Itinerary.
- Sightseeing and shore excursions as detailed in the itinerary including guide service and applicable entrance fees.
- Luggage handling and porterage charges for one suitcase per person at European hotels.
- Taxes for included ground services.

#### The Tour Price Does Not Include:

Items of a personal nature such as passport fees; laundry and cleaning; telephone calls; optional tours and excursions; tips to drivers and guides, hotel and breakfast room staff; luggage handling at U.S. and European airports; personal and baggage insurance; meals other than those stated above; beverages and drinks with meals other than breakfast; and airport departure taxes, government service charges and airline security fees @ \$325 per person.

#### **RESERVATION APPLICATION**

Please detach and return to:

Moostash Joe Tours P.O. Box 969 Fremont, NE 68026-0969 Telephone: 402/721-7944

Enclosed is my/our check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ (\$300 deposit per person) for the European Getaway Tour, plus (\$242 per person) \_\_\_\_\_\_ to purchase the optional Travel Insurance Program. **Payment for this insurance program can only be** made at the time of sign-up for the tour.

Please make checks payable to: INTERTRAV CORPORATION

Cabin Selection: Deck Stateroom \$2,985 Departure Upgrade to Upper Deck Stateroom at \$125 Per Person

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Address			
City	State	Zip Code	
Telephone ()	()		
Area Code Home	Area Code	Business	
I will room with (if other than spouse)			
Other passengers I/we are traveling with			

I do not have a roommate but will share. If a roommate cannot be found, I will pay the single supplement.

□ I desire single room accommodations (subject to availability) at the supplementary charge of \$745

#### PLEASE ENCLOSE A COPY OF THE INFORMATION PAGE (PHOTO PAGE) OF YOUR PASSPORT

#### **TOUR CONDITIONS**

# TOUR DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT: Payment is accepted by personal or bank checks. YOU WILL BE INVOICED FOR THE BALANCE OF PAYMENT DUE ON OR BEFORE FRIDAY, JUNE 24, 2016.

**ARRANGEMENTS:** The tour price is based on a minimum participation of 25 persons and includes planning, handling and operational charges and is quoted on the current rate of exchange, tariff rates and airfares in effect as of November 1, 2015. In the event of a marked increase or decrease in foreign currency or in tariff rates, the cost is subject to revision.

**TOUR PRICING:** This is a package tour in which land tour costs and special group airfares have been combined in the most advantageous way. Should you wish to take the land tour only or deviate from the package tour by changing your departure and/or return dates of travel, this will eliminate the advantages of the package tour price and special group airfares. There will be a service charge of \$100 per person for altering the airline itinerary, plus any additional charges assessed by the airlines.

**TRIP CANCELLATION, BAGGAGE AND MEDICAL INSURANCE:** You have been given the option of purchasing trip cancellation, baggage and medical insurance **at the time you sign-up for the tour**. The insurance includes: Trip Cancellation Insurance up to the full price of the tour cost; Trip Interruption up to 150% of the tour cost; Travel Delay - \$750; Baggage - \$1,500; Baggage Delay - \$400; Emergency Accident/Sickness Medical Expense: \$50,000; Emergency Medical Transportation - \$250,000. **The insurance premium is non-refundable (after the 10 day free-look period) and is based on a minimum participation of 10 travelers.** For a complete description of coverage and to see all the covered reasons for cancellation, please visit our website, www.grouptripsandtravel.com under the FAQ section.

**CANCELLATION:** If after making your initial deposit you find it necessary to cancel from the tour for any reason, there will be a charge of \$100 per person up to 90 days prior to departure. For cancellation between 89 and 60 days prior to departure, there will be a cancellation charge of \$300 per person. For cancellation within 59 days of departure, in addition to the \$300 per person charge, there may be additional cancellation charges from the airline, hotel(s) or ground service companies up to the full value of your tour cost. **IMPORTANT:** Cancellations will not be accepted by telephone and must be sent in writing to: InterTrav Corporation, 203 State Avenue, St. Charles, Illinois 60174, faxed to: 630/584-1573, or emailed to: mary@intertravcorp.com.

**PASSPORTS AND VISAS:** Your tour requires a passport valid for three months after the return date of the tour. If you do not already have your passport, or it will expire within three months of the return date, we suggest you apply for it immediately. No visas are required for your tour. However, if you are a citizen of a country other than the United States, you must advise us in writing with your Reservation Application, as other travel documents may be required.

**AIRLINE TICKETING:** For ticketing purposes InterTrav requires a copy of the information (photo) page of your passport. Once airline tickets have been issued and if a ticket requires a name change because of incorrect information supplied to our office, the client is responsible for any applicable airline charges.

**SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING PRICING:** The tour price as quoted is based on tariffs in effect for estimated 2016 prices as of November 1, 2015. Tour prices do increase every year, and it is therefore possible that increases could occur after the printing of this brochure in advance of your tour's departure. InterTrav Corporation will do everything possible to avoid an increase in the tour cost. However, should increases occur in airfares, hotel prices, and/or coach transportation costs, they will be added to the tour cost and passengers will be notified accordingly. Should an increase in price occur, notifications will be sent to tour members in writing no later than 15 days prior to departure.

#### RESPONSIBILITY

MOOSTASH JOE TOURS and/or MR. JOSEPH G. SPELLERBERG, JR. and/or INTERTRAV CORPORATION, 203 State Avenue, St. Charles, Illinois 60174 and/or any travel agency and/or supplier of services pursuant to or in connection with this itinerary shall not be responsible or become liable for any delay incurred by any person in connection with any means of transportation; nor for any loss, damage or injury to person or property by reason of any event beyond the control of any agency or supplier, or occurring without the fault or negligence of such agency or supplier. The right is reserved to substitute the airline to be used; the type of aircraft; and to alter the dates of the tour; the tour routing; or to cancel the trip if a minimum number of bookings is not reached for either the air or land portion of this itinerary. The right is also reserved to substitute hotels for other hotels in available categories. Further, the right is reserved to decline to accept or to retain at any time any person as a participant on any tour or to cancel any tour. No refund will be made for voluntary absence from the tour unless arrangements are made at the time of booking. The schedules contained herein are subject to change without notice. All rates are based on current Tariff and Exchange rates in effect at the time of the printing of this itinerary and are subject to adjustment without prior notification in the event of changes therein or in changes in the number of participants on which the rates are based. The carriers concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their plane or conveyance. The passage contract in use by carrier concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the carrier and the purchaser of this tour.