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## Alpine Adventure Switzerland, Germany, Austria & Italy

16 Day Conducted tour

only **\$6,995** per person twin share  
This price includes Airport Taxes & Levies

This great price includes all of the following:

- Economy Class airfares with Emirates from Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane into Munich, Germany and out of Zurich, Switzerland.
- A 13 day tour from Munich to Zurich by coach and train. Scenic highlights include Inn Valley, Dolomites, Aosta Valley, Engadine National Park, the Swiss Alps and Lake Como.
- Good accommodation, mainly three star.
- Many meals, all transfers and transport and entrance fees to many attractions.
- Rail journeys aboard the Bernina Express and the Glacier Express.
- A 2 night stopover in Dubai.
- Prepaid gratuities to the main tour guide and drivers.
- Services of tour guides and an Australian tour escort.



For a single room there is an extra cost of \$720.



**Tour departs Australia 2<sup>nd</sup> June and returns 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

*We try harder to find you the best travel deal*

## **Itinerary for Alpine Adventure Tour**

Included meals are indicated as B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner

### **02.06.24 Australia – Dubai**

Depart Brisbane at 2.50am on flight EK 431, arriving in Dubai at 11.00am.  
Depart Melbourne at 5.15am on flight EK 409, arriving in Dubai at 1.10pm.  
Depart Sydney at 6.00am on Emirates flight EK 415, arriving in Dubai at 2.10pm.  
Upon arrival you are transferred to the hotel for a two night stay.  
Accommodation: Hyatt Place Dubai Jumeirah or similar

### **03.06.24 Dubai**

**(B)**

After an included breakfast, we commence a half day city tour of modern Dubai. We drive to Dubai Palm Jumeirah area and have a photo stop of Blue Water Island. We then have an included one way monorail ride to the Palm Jumeirah. We continue for photo stops at the iconic Burj Al Arab Hotel, The Point at the Palm and Dubai of the Future Museum. Afterwards we visit a showroom to see Lewan carpet art. Following this we are returned to the hotel with the remainder of the afternoon at leisure.

For those who wish there is an optional Dubai Desert Safari with Arabian BBQ dinner. The estimated price is \$50 USD per person, and can be paid to the guide on the day. Please note this activity can be quite rough and is not suitable for everyone.

Accommodation: Hyatt Place Dubai Jumeirah or similar

### **04.06.24 Dubai – Munich, Germany**

We have an early morning transfer to the airport for our flight to Munich, Germany. Depart Dubai at 8.50am on flight EK 49, arriving in Munich at 1.15pm. Upon arrival we are transferred to our hotel to check in. The rest of the day is free to explore this delightful Bavarian capital. This evening we meet our tour director.  
Accommodation: Achat Premium Munchen Sud or similar

### **05.06.24 Munich – Linderhof Castle – Innesbruck Area, Austria**

**(B/D)**

A fascinating itinerary today. First we see Munich's most famous square Marienplatz, then head south to visit Linderhof Castle, the smallest of the three Bavarian fairytale palaces commissioned by King Ludwig II and inspired by Louis XIV's Versailles. The rococo-style Linderhof is surrounded by splendid Italian Renaissance gardens. We continue into Austria through the scenic Inn Valley to Innsbruck to admire its fascinating town centre and historic Golden roof. Dinner this evening is included.

Accommodation: Hotel Bon Alpina or similar

### **06.06.24 Innsbruck Area – Novacella, Italy – Brunico – Cortina D'Ámpezzo**

**(B)**

As we cross from the Austrian to the Italian Tyrol, witness glorious alpine landscapes as we head to visit Novacella Abbey, a Baroque masterpiece still inhabited by Augustinian monks. Also stop in Brunico, a picturesque town combining international flair with alpine traditions. Feast on breathtaking views as we travel through the splendid Dolomites, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, en

route to the celebrated winter resort of Cortina d'Ampezzo.  
Accommodation: B&B Cortina Passo Tre Croci or similar

**07.06.24 Cortina D'Ampezzo – Lake Carezza - Bolzano**

**(B)** This morning we continue through the spectacular Dolomites, then over Falzarego and Pordoi Passes. Stop at enchanting Lake Carezza to admire its brilliant rainbow hues. Search for the beautiful mermaid who, according to legend, hid here from the romantic pursuits of a powerful wizard. On to Bolzano, home to the famous “Ice Man” from the Bronze Age.  
Accommodation: B&B Hotel Bolzano or similar

**08.06.24 Bolzano – Glorenza – St. Moritz, Switzerland**

**(B/D)** We visit Glorenza, the smallest fortified city in Tyrol and ideally situated where Switzerland, Austria and Italy meet. Via Tubre Pass, descend into Engadine National Park's 66 square miles of unspoiled nature with deep blue lakes, airy larch forests that turn golden in the fall, 12,000 foot high peaks and quaint villages with characteristic Grisons-style homes. We continue to glamorous St. Moritz, the oldest and most famous winter resort in the world. Dinner this evening is included.  
Accommodation: Hotel Baeren or similar

**09.06.24 St. Moritz**

**(B)** A whole day to do as you please in this stylish Swiss spa resort, known for its stunning mountain scenery, hiking opportunities and superb shopping.  
Accommodation: Hotel Baeren or similar

**10.06.24 St. Moritz – Bernina Express to Tirano, Italy – Lake Como**

**(B)** Today we experience a memorable trip aboard the Bernina Express. Crossing the Alps to Tirano in Italy, this spectacular rail journey takes us to altitudes greater than 7,000 feet. Later we rejoin our motorcoach and head to the shores of Lake Como, Italy's third largest lake and one of the deepest in Europe.  
Accommodation: B&B Como City Centre or similar

**11.06.24 Lake Como – Turin**

**(B)** Travel through the Po Valley to Turin, birthplace of Fiat automobiles and home to the legendary Holy Shroud. Upon arrival, visit all the major sites with a local guide.  
Accommodation: Holiday Inn Turin Massaua or similar

**12.06.24 Turin – Aosta – Martigny, Switzerland – Sion - Tasch**

**(B/D)** A pleasant drive through the Aosta Valley, known as the smallest region in Italy and a popular winter sports area. Enter Switzerland via ancient Martigny and Sion, through one of the main Swiss wine-making regions, then head to charming Tasch in the Zermatt area. Dinner this evening is included.  
Accommodation: Hotel Walliserhof Tasch or similar

**13.06.24 Tasch – Zermatt - Tasch**

**(B)** Take a short train ride to Zermatt and spend the entire day in this well-known mountain resort, situated in the shadow of the legendary Matterhorn. Stroll along

the narrow, traffic-free streets lined with a variety of shops, cafes and bars. Enjoy an optional ride on Europe's highest rack railway to 10,272 foot Gornergrat for breathtaking views of the Alps.

Accommodation: Hotel Walliserhof Tasch or similar

**14.06.24**      **Glacier Express Train – Lucerne Area**

**(B)**

Today, another tour highlight, the world renowned Glacier Express. Board Switzerland's most famous mountain railway, which passes over hundreds of bridges and through dozens of tunnels to give unique panoramic views of the Swiss Alps and surrounding valleys, forests, alpine meadows, rushing streams and picture-perfect villages. We ride the legendary Glacier Express, then rejoin the motorcoach for the descent into the dramatically different landscape of the lovely Lucerne area.

Accommodation: Drei Koenige or similar

**15.06.24**      **Lucerne Area – Interlaken – Berne - Zurich**

**(B)**

We cross Brunig Pass and continue to Interlaken. Along the way, take photos of the Jungfrau massif with its three legendary peaks, Jungfrau, Monch and Eiger. Travel through some of the country's best farmland to the Swiss capital, Berne, where sightseeing includes the bear park and the Federal Palace.

We continue to Zurich for an overnight stay.

Accommodation: Zuri by Fassbind or similar

**16.06.24**      **Zurich - Dubai**

**(B)**

After a leisurely breakfast we are transferred to the airport for our flights home. Depart Zurich at 3.25pm on flight EK 88, arriving in Dubai at 11.45pm.

**17.06.24**      **Dubai – Australia**

Sydney passengers depart Dubai at 2.15am on flight EK 414, arriving in Sydney at 10.05pm.

Melbourne passengers depart Dubai at 2.40am on flight EK 408, arriving in Melbourne at 9.50pm.

Brisbane passengers depart Dubai at 2.30am on flight EK 430, arriving in Brisbane at 10.20pm.

**Note:**

The ground operator while in Europe for this tour is Cosmos

### Tour Difficulty Ratings & Advice

To ensure that you select the right tour for you, Macleay Valley Travel has provided a clear set of tour difficulty and fitness recommendations for our tours. The ratings, from 1, being the easiest, to 5 the most strenuous, will give you a good idea of what is reasonably required for you to be able to participate on each tour. Most tours require a moderate to good level of fitness, however there are others that are quite challenging. For your enjoyment of the tour, and also the enjoyment of your fellow travellers, please consider whether or not the suggested difficulty level for the tour you are interested in is compatible with your health and fitness.

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### Tour Difficulty Level 3

This tour rating typically involves a good level of physical activity, such as ascending stairs, getting into a bathtub shower, being responsible for your own luggage at airports and hotels, walking distances of up to 500 metres at a time over possible uneven ground and/or cobblestone streets. Walking tours of considerable distances should be expected on tours with this rating as well as some early departures. This tour involves considerable time spent on the coach and may contain long touring days.





## Conditions for Macleay Valley Travel's Alpine Adventure Tour

**Deposits and Payments** - A non-refundable deposit of \$400 per person is payable within 7 days of booking. This deposit is not refundable should you later cancel. The balance is payable in full 10 weeks prior to departure. Macleay Valley Travel has to adhere to strict payment deadlines and your booking on the tour may be cancelled if final payment is not received by the due date, with no refund applicable.

**Refunds and Cancellations** - Cancellations after final payment will result in a refund limited to whatever we can recoup from the airline. Any refund for a cancelled booking will not be paid until the airline(s) have provided said refund.

**Limitation of Liability concerning Covid-19** - It is possible that there may be outbreak(s) of Covid-19 during this tour. Macleay Valley Travel cannot be held responsible for any quarantines or other associated costs brought about by quarantines, border closures and/or travel delays. You are aware that Covid-19 is a highly contagious and potentially dangerous disease that may result in significant illness and even death. You acknowledge that you are voluntarily participating in the tour with knowledge of the inherent risks of Covid-19, and you agree to assume all risks.

**Insurance** - Adequate travel insurance that includes medical coverage for Covid-19 is required. Please contact your preferred travel insurance provider. The responsibility to obtain adequate travel insurance rests with the passenger. Proof of your travel insurance is required to be presented to us on or before the final payment date of the tour.

**Airline Tickets** - Please note that any changes made to airline tickets once they have been issued will likely incur high cancellation and/or reissue fees. These fees are typically set by the airline and are outside of our control.

**Passports** - All travellers require a current passport with at least 6 months left on it at the end of the tour. Non-Australian passport holders require a re-entry visa for Australia. Australian citizens travelling to the EU will require an ETIAS (European Travel Information and Authorisation System) for stays of up to 90 days. The expected cost for this is 7 Euros per person.

**Basic Tour Price and Taxes** - Air taxes and fuel levies are included in the basic tour price if the tour is paid in full on or before the due date on the final invoice. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to charge for any increase in air taxes and fuel levies if the tour is not paid in full by the due date.

**Not Included in the Cost** - All items of a personal nature such as telephone calls, drinks, excess baggage, tips, meals, (except those specified in the itinerary), etc. Also travel insurance and departure taxes. Similarly, credit card payments (Visa/MasterCard) can only be accepted if 1.2% is added to the price to help defray the heavy merchant fees charged to us by the credit card companies. There is a 2% surcharge for payments made using American Express.

**Ground Operator** - Our primary operator for this tour is Cosmos. They will be in touch closer to the departure date to obtain your acceptance to their own terms and conditions. These conditions must be accepted to participate on the tour, and are in addition to Macleay Valley Travel's terms and conditions.

**Breakaway** - All prices are based on group travel and a minimal number of post tour extensions may be permitted. Please contact our office for information and prices, subject to availability.

**Accreditation** - Macleay Valley Travel is a fully accredited travel agency under the AFTA (Australian Federation of Travel Agents) ATAS - AFTA Travel Accreditation Scheme. As such, you are assured of a consumer focused and quality assured business, ensuring professional conduct and ethical business practices.

**Health and Fitness** - Macleay Valley Travel recommends that the passenger is reasonably healthy and/or fit to participate in this tour. Persons with a disability requiring special assistance must be accompanied by a companion. Macleay Valley Travel and their representatives cannot provide this service. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to accept/decline or terminate a passenger's participation in the tour under certain circumstances. It is strongly recommended that you are fully vaccinated against Covid-19, but this is not mandatory. Passengers must comply with any specific Covid-19 requirements that may be imposed by airlines and/or authorities of the destinations visited.

**Twin Share Bookings** - We will try and assign you with another traveller but this is not guaranteed. We assign passengers by their gender, on a first come, first served basis and do not assign twin share passengers according to their age, profession, interests etc. There are risks with sharing a room with a person you do not know, and Macleay Valley Travel accepts no responsibility if you are incompatible with your assigned room mate. If you are assigned a travelling companion to share with and they cancel off the tour prior to making the final payment, then you will either be required to pay the single room supplement or we will try our best to assign you with another twin share passenger, if one is available.

**Disclosure of fees or commissions received from third parties** - Macleay Valley Travel Pty Ltd may receive fees, commissions, gifts or financial incentives from third parties under this contract.

**Limitation of Liability** - As Macleay Valley Travel acts only as agent for the Airlines, Hotels, Coach Companies etc., providing accommodation, transportation and other services, Macleay Valley Travel shall not be liable or responsible for death or injury to any person or loss or damage to any property including baggage arising out of or connection with any transportation, accommodation or other services, or resulting directly or indirectly from acts of God, fire, breakdown in machinery or equipment, acts of Government or other authorities, de jure or defacto wars, whether declared or not, hostilities, civil disturbances, strikes, riots, thefts, epidemics, pandemics, endemics, quarantines, medical or customs regulations, delays or cancellations caused by changes in schedules or itinerary, or over bookings or defaults or for any causes beyond Macleay Valley Travel's control or any loss or damage resulting from improper or insufficient passports, visas or other documents and neither Macleay Valley Travel, and its servants or employees shall be or become liable or responsible for any additional expenses or liability sustained or incurred by the tour member as a result of the foregoing causes. Additionally you must meet the entry requirements for each country you visit. Macleay Valley Travel will not be liable if you are denied entry to a country for any reason, including a past criminal history. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to decline bookings made for any group tour. Any tour booking confirmation is conditional, contingent on our view of the ability of a person to be able to participate in a tour without the likelihood of conflict between members of a tour whether perceived or actual. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to modify the itinerary or the accommodation if circumstances make this necessary, provided that the amended itinerary is of equal value or greater value than that of the original program.

## MACLEAY VALLEY TRAVEL - BOOKING FORM

PLEASE PRINT DETAILS CLEARLY IN BLOCK LETTERS AND ALSO

**A PHOTOCOPY OF YOUR PASSPORT MUST BE SENT WITH BOOKING FORM**

Name of Tour: \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Passenger 1** (as written in passport) \_\_\_\_\_

Title: **Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss. Dr.** \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

**Passenger 2** (as written in passport) \_\_\_\_\_

Title: **Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss. Dr.** \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

**Postal Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **PostCode** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone / Fax Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Mobile** \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Passport Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_

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(Passport must have 6 months validity from the time of tour completion)

**Single room / Twin beds / Double bed:** (Room type is subject to availability)

Circle which airport you wish to depart from: SYDNEY / MELBOURNE / BRISBANE

Any existing medical conditions – Passenger 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Passenger 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Dietary Needs – Passenger 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Passenger 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Optional Extensions: \_\_\_\_\_

In case of emergency, please notify :

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this sheet with your non-refundable deposit of \$400 per person and the health & fitness form.

**DECLARATION. I have read and understand fully the booking conditions and I accept them.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**A copy of passport is required to verify spelling of name; If this is not provided and the information we have for the airline is incorrect and ticket is issued, then the airline will charge a reissue fee.**

**HEALTH & FITNESS QUESTIONNAIRE**

Macleay Valley Travel strives to make our tours enjoyable experiences for all passengers, however some countries and tour services lack the standards that you can typically expect in Australia.

To help ensure your personal safety and enjoyment on tour, please answer the following questions. The information you provide will be treated confidentially and will be used to check that the transportation, accommodation and facilities on tour are suitable for you:

- 1. Do you have any allergies? Yes / No  
If yes, please provide details and severity: \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Can you walk 500 metres to 1km in distance comfortably and unaided? Yes / No
- 3. Can you negotiate uneven, undulating and sometimes challenging terrain? Yes / No  
If no, please provide details about these limitations: \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Do you use a mobility aid? Yes / No  
If yes, please provide details: \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Are you travelling with a companion or carer who is able to provide all the assistance you need to enter buildings, disembark and embark ships, aircraft, coaches, small boats and assist you on excursions? Yes / No  
If yes, please provide the name of your carer/companion and your relationship to them: \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. Are you taking any medical equipment to assist you? Yes / No  
If yes, please provide details: \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. Do you suffer from any condition which may cause you to experience memory loss or become disoriented? Yes / No  
If yes, please provide details: \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. Are you asthmatic or do you have other breathing difficulties? Yes / No  
If yes, please provide details (travelling to high altitudes is not recommended): \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. Do you require supplementary oxygen? Yes / No
- 10. Are you currently taking medication? Yes / No  
If yes, are you able to administer your own medication? Yes / No
- 11. If you have any other medical information that is not covered in the previous questions, please provide a description here: \_\_\_\_\_

The information you supply us will be passed onto relevant travel suppliers who will do their best accommodate you. However, it is very important to remember that meeting your needs cannot be guaranteed, especially when travelling to third world countries.

**DISCLAIMER**

I confirm that the information provided on this questionnaire is both true and correct and I understand that there is no guarantee that all these needs will or can be met. I agree that Macleay Valley Travel may offer a recommendation with regard to fitness to travel, based on the information I have provided. I also understand that this information may be passed onto those responsible for supplying the land arrangements for my travel, and that my information will not be communicated to any party which is not directly responsible or otherwise associated with my travel arrangements. I further confirm and agree that should I choose not to disclose information which subsequently requires me to return or be returned home from a tour or cruise, Macleay Valley Travel is not responsible for any costs associated with cancellation penalties, airfares, land transportation or any other related hardship. Please note that a refund for lost touring cannot be claimed. I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to update the information I provided to Macleay Valley Travel immediately should my circumstances change.

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