



# **AUGUSTANA FOOTBALL FOREIGN TOUR 2022 VIKINGS VISIT GERMANY & AUSTRIA**



# AUGIE FOOTBALL TEAM TOUR

## Bavarian Germany and Tyrolean Austria

May 23 - May 31, 2022

### Day 1 - Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> - *Departure to Germany*

- ❖ Departure from Chicago O'Hare International Airport. Overnight flight connection to Munich, Germany with on-board meals and entertainment.

### Day 2 - Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> - *Arrival in Europe: Munich to Salzburg, Austria*

- ❖ Morning arrival in **Munich**, Germany. Proceed through customs, collect baggage and equipment then meet your multi-lingual tour manager who will be at your service for the entire duration of your stay in Europe. Load your motor coach and depart for **Salzburg, Austria** which is not too far of a ride on your comfortable motor coach. This trip will allow you to get more sleep which was likely very limited during your trans-Atlantic flight.
- ❖ Upon arrival in Salzburg, be oriented to this small and charming Austrian city. Depending on travel and arrival time, the group will either first proceed to lunch in small groups at cafes or restaurants or first enjoy a **guided tour of the strikingly impressive Hohensalzburg Castle**. The castle is situated high above the Baroque towers of the city and will leave an impression on you as one of the most remarkable 'skylines' you will ever see.
- ❖ After both activities are concluded, you will be further oriented to the city and likely have some free time for further exploration.
- ❖ Afterward, the team will then move to your hotel for a late afternoon check-in. Refresh and dinner will be provided at your hotel.
- ❖ The evening will then be free at your coach's instruction. For those who will have family members traveling on the family tour, if you have not by-chance met up with them during the afternoon in Salzburg this evening provides the first of a number of opportunities for you to share time in Austria and Germany.



### Day 3 - Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> - *More Salzburg then on to Innsbruck & Austrian Alps*

- ❖ Breakfast at your hotel then load your motor coach.
- ❖ Transfer back to city center of Salzburg and its attractive 'Alstadt' (city center) with its well-preserved Baroque architecture. Before departing you will receive a more insightful **guided walking tour** of this small city that has had a major impact on the world through its most famous resident Wolfgang Amadeu Mozart - arguably the most impressive composer in world history, while also serving as home to the Von Trapp family of Academy Award winning Sound of Music.
- ❖ There will be time for lunch on your own then load your motor coach departing for **Innsbruck, Austria** capital of the Austrian Tyrol lifestyle, and known by many as the 'winter sports center' of Europe.



- ❖ After arrival, **a guided walking tour** of this city that dates back to pre-Roman times, but distinctly shows life as it was beginning in the 1200s. As one of the modern highlights, take in the headquarters of world-famous Swarovski Crystal.
- ❖ Afterward check-in to your hotel and refresh for dinner on-site. Following your meal, the Tyrol nightlife at the foot of the Austrian Alps is yours within your coach's instruction.



#### Day 4 – Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup> – *Innsbruck: The Capital of Tyrol*

- ❖ Breakfast at your hotel then have a coat or sweater with you as you take an excursion to **the Top of Innsbruck on the Innsbrucker Nordkettenbahnen**. Here you will be 2,300 meters above Innsbruck with a fantastic view of the city and with its 360° panoramic view even more – or depending on the day you will be potentially 'walking in the clouds'. This area is part of Innsbruck's beautiful nature park with various mountain wildlife and scenery. There are various other exhibits and highlights to take in on the mountaintop. Invest as much time as the weather elements allow.
- ❖ After descending down the mountain – via gondola – the afternoon is free for lunch in small groups and further exploration of this buzzing Tyrol town.
- ❖ Though a commitment cannot be made this far in advance, we will continue to seek to arrange a co-practice with the outstanding **SWARCO Raiders**, one of the premier American football clubs in all of Europe. If their schedule does not allow for a co-practice, hopefully you will have access to the use of their field facilities for a pre-game practice to prepare for your European contest on Saturday.
- ❖ Around this opportunity, dinner – and if possible a social with members of the SWARCO Raiders - will be arranged. Either way, the remainder of the evening in this energetic city is at your coach's instruction. Remember that in the morning the team will depart for the game location of Kempten, Germany with a stop at the famous Neuschwanstein Castle.



#### Day 5 - Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup> – *Bavarian Countryside & the Castles of Germany*

- ❖ Breakfast and check-out to depart with final destination being Kempten, Germany.
- ❖ In the latter morning the tour team will arrive at and receive a guided tour of the world famous **Neuschwanstein Castle** built by King Ludwig II, known as "the fairy tale king". Travelers will marvel at the incredible architectural achievement built past the mid-point of the 1800s and which latter served as the model for Walt Disney's construction of the fairy tale castle on Disney properties around the world.
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- ❖ Time for lunch and a little exploration will be provided in nearby **Fussen**.
- ❖ The group will then move on to **Kempten**, the location of the following day's international game, and be oriented to this Bavarian town originally settled by Celts and later taken over by Romans.
- ❖ Check-in to your hotel, refresh for dinner and enjoy an evening in what is recognized as the oldest urban settlement in Germany.



### **Day 8 – Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup> – International Game Day: Augie Vikings vs. Allgeau Comets**

- ❖ Wake up to breakfast then final pre-game group/team meetings and walk-throughs.
- ❖ At the appropriate time, load your team's motor coach and depart for the nearby sports stadium.
- ❖ We anticipate kick-off for your **international game of American football** to take place at either 12noon or 1:00pm.

#### **Augustana Vikings - USA vs. Allgeau Comets - Germany**



- ❖ After the game there we are seeking a location for **both teams to gather for a friendly social** - hopefully over traditional Bavarian food and drinks. We anticipate traveling family members to be part of the event.
- ❖ By around 6:00 or by 7:00pm the team will reboard its motor coach and transfer to a Munich based hotel for the remaining tour days that lie ahead (about 2 hr. drive).
- ❖ If time allows, there may be further chances to continue the celebration of a great day representing American football overseas and the forging of new friendships abroad.

### **Day 7 - Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> – Munich, Germany**

- ❖ Sleep in a little longer then enjoy breakfast at your hotel.
- ❖ Afterward board your motor coach and proceed to **Munich City Center**. In the latter morning the team will receive an **informative tour of historical Munich** including **Viktualienmarkt, Marienplatz, St. Michael's Church** and more. Here you will find and enjoy several works of architecture and heritage sites exhibiting the spirit of the strong and **festive Bavarian culture**.
- ❖ Afterward lunch will be on your own in small groups with the remainder of the afternoon available for your further exploration. **Additional tour options** include the BMW Museum, Nymphenburg Palace, St. Peter's Church, Olympia Park (Munich hosted the infamous Olympics of 1776), Allianz Arena Soccer Stadium while other traveling 'historians' may want to take in the Third Reich tour. Your AFW tour manager and coordinator will be available to be of assistance.



- ❖ Also, for the full Bavarian experience, in the later afternoon consider visiting the traditional, relaxed beer gardens of Munich.
- ❖ The group will regather for an early evening team dinner with the later evening open and at your coach's instruction.



**Day 8 – Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup> - Dachau Memorial, More Munich & Famous Hofbrauhaus**

- ❖ Wake to breakfast at your hotel then board your motor coach for departure to the **Dachau Concentration Camp Memorial Site** (admission and audio-guide provided). Witness and feel the significance of one of the most challenging and inexplicable passages in modern man's history.
- ❖ Following this tour the group will return to Munich for lunch followed by free time to enjoy more of this popular city. Note that bike and Segway tours are also popular in this easy-to-get-around small city.
- ❖ Near the dinner hour the group will then gather and proceed to the famed **Hofbrauhaus** – for dinner and a fun evening of Bavarian entertainment.
- ❖ The remainder of the evening is to be enjoyed in accordance with the head coach's policies keeping in mind the group's departure to Austria the following morning.



**Day 9 – Tuesday, May 31<sup>st</sup> - Return Home to USA with Great Memories**

- ❖ You will receive a breakfast meal before transferring to the airport for your **flight home to the USA**. Depart with many outstanding memories and phenomenal photos from this once-in-a-lifetime experience and some of the most impressive and beautiful places on earth.

## FOR CURRENT TOUR QUOTES

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**All pricing is per person based on double occupancy rooms 8 night/9 days tour.**

*AFW has typically been very accurate with estimated pricing but the conditions exiting the pandemic with no group travel for two tour seasons make this less certain. After additional factors become more certain and a new pricing quote is set in the early summer, registered travelers will be given an opportunity for a set period of time to confirm their tour participation or cancel.*

For single occupancy for the entire week there is a supplemental charge of \$450

*Note (1): prices are based on a rate exchange of 1Euro vs. 1.18US\$. AFW will absorb a change in exchange rate up to 1.20US\$. Any further increase will cause a supplement to the pricing.*

*Note (2): all prices are quoted at a cash payment; payments made by credit card or electronically (after deposit amount) will have a finance charge (.031) assessed*

*Note (3): prices include round trip airfare from Chicago with a quote for air taxes which can only be estimated. Air taxes can go up or down and will be added to the first figure after ticketing.*

*Note (4): airfare is estimate based on the information available at this time, final quotes for airfare will be communicated once actual flight space for May 2022 becomes available in later June 2021*

### ***SERVICES INCLUDED:***

- **Round-trip flight from Chicago**
- **7 nights in selected hotels** in Munich (2 + 1 nights), in Salzburg (2 nights), in Innsbruck (2 nights) and in Kempten (1 night)
- **Two-third board accommodation all nights** (breakfast and dinner are covered daily – *dinners will be served by hotel's restaurant or in local restaurant depending on daily itinerary – water at meals is included*).
- **Pre-Game Meal/Breakfast**
- **Motor Coach service** available daily (max. 8/9 hrs per day) – *if needed an extra trailer for the luggage*
- **Full time experienced multi-lingual tour manager**
- **AFW tour coordinator**
- Walking, instructional tours of **Munich, Salzburg and Innsbruck** with local professional guides
- **Hohensalzburg Castle tour and guided visit**
- **Innsbrucker Nordkettenbahnen – Top of Innsbruck Gondola Excursion**
- **Neuschwanstein Castle admission & guided tour**
- Excursion to Kempten and orientation
- **Dachau admission with audio-guides**
- Tour manager and driver expenses
- Limited Traveller insurance – this is not medical or sport related insurance
- City entries fee, land taxes and parking costs
- **AFW Tour Gifts** (international electrical converter, player drawstring bag & TBD)

### ***Sports Package Included***

- **International American football game** followed by a social with Allgeau Comets
- Supply of bottled water at the game
- 1 Practice arrangement in Europe

### ***Not Included***

- Soft drinks or wine at dinners
- Tips for guides and motor coach driver
- **Individual Player Medical/Accident Insurance**
- Items not specified in the above inclusions
- All Lunches – (Exception: pre game lunch)
- Hot American breakfast (eggs, sausages, bacon) not guaranteed
- All optional activities
- Trip cancellation policy

