

CHRISTMAS MARKETS BY TRAIN *Tour Extension*

IFTA IN THE ALPS STUDY TOUR 2026

Traveler Information

Hop on the train and make your way across the Alps, soaking up seasonal cheer all the way: What a perfect way to wrap up the IFTA in the ALPS Study Tour and welcome the winter holiday season.

Please note, we'll be traveling by train and walking up to ten minutes in the city with our luggage. Please pack accordingly to be sure you can manage your baggage in these situations.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Meet at 10:00am in front of Parkhotel Laurin to walk two blocks to Bolzano Station. Train tickets will be distributed at this time.

Our train schedule is as follows:
Depart Bolzano 10:36 | Arrive Innsbruck 12:32
- change trains -
Depart Innsbruck 12:56 | Arrive Salzburg 15:02

For lunch, both trains will have dining cars or you may want to walk into Bolzano in the morning to grab a sandwich at a bakery or bring along some snacks.

Our hotel in Salzburg is just across from the train station. Tonight you'll have a free evening to explore the city and its Christmas Markets!

YOUR HOSTS

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Breakfast at arte Hotel Salzburg is included with your stay and is served from 7-11:00am

Hotel check out time is officially 12pm. Please check out by that time and store your luggage with the front desk. We'll depart for Munich on a 2pm train, so please be back in the hotel lobby ready to go at 1:30pm.

Our train arrives in Munich at 3:42pm, and our hotel is across the street from the train station. Check in and then head out on your own to enjoy the evening festivities in Munich!

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Please note, breakfast at 25Hours Hotel The Royal Bavarian is not included in your stay

Learn about Munich's fascinating history today on a walking tour with our local guide, Jay. Choose your preferred time on the pre-travel survey. Options are 10:00am-12pm or 1-3pm.

Dinner at 6:15pm at Augustiner Keller, Arnulfstraße 52, about a 10 minute walk from the hotel. Meet in the lobby at 6pm to walk there together if you would like to.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1

Those traveling to the airport today, you can take the S-Bahn train from Munich Hauptbahnhof station, across the street from the hotel. Ask hotel reception if you'd like detailed instructions.

Those headed to Neuschwanstein Castle:
Jay will meet you at the hotel for a 9am departure, be checked out and ready to go with your baggage. Today you'll enjoy a group lunch, guided visit to Neuschwanstein castle and you'll reach the Hilton Munich Airport Hotel by late afternoon. Tonight you can visit the Christmas Market at the airport - it's surprisingly good - and tomorrow walk right over to the terminals to catch your flight.

YOUR HOTEL IN SALZBURG

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YOUR HOTEL IN MUNICH

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City maps of Salzburg and Munich, with Christmas Market locations marked, will be distributed on the tour.

