



Oktoberfest in Frankenmuth, Michigan September 19-22, 2024

Willkommen to Frankenmuth - Michigan's Little Bavaria.

Join Father Ronald Margherio '68 & Bonnie Prokup for the 34th traditional Oktoberfest held in Heritage Park, Frankenmuth, MI.

Enjoy the German culture, food, dancing and live bands playing German music and, of course, plenty of beer!

Included Features:

Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation
Three Nights at The Bavarian Inn Lodge
in Standard Room
German Welcome Dinner w/Entertainment
Tour of Frankenmuth with Local Guide
in Bavarian Costume
Stop at Historic St. Lorenz Church
Visit Frankenmuth Clock & German Gift Co.
Pretzel Making & Luncheon

Admission to Frankenmuth's Annual Oktoberfest
Scenic Cruise on the Cass River
Bronner's Christmas Wonderland
Time at River Place Shops
Breakfast Daily, One Lunch, and One Dinner
All Taxes and Luggage Handling
Church Service at Blessed Trinity Catholic Church

Prices: \$1,499 per person, double occupancy or \$1,799 per person, single occupancy



Day-by-Day Itinerary

Thursday, September 19 - Depart St. Bede Academy to Frankenmuth

Morning departure from Peru, with stops along the way and lunch on own. Arrive at Bavarian Inn Lodge for a three-night stay. Check-in and freshen up.

German Welcome Dinner with Entertainment. Enjoy a delightful evening of light entertainment and delicious cuisine, while surrounded by our beautiful facilities. A variety of music will accompany your meal, highlighted with the singing of the famous German “Schnitzelbank Song.” (Please note dining is not private and served buffet style.) Menu - Jaeger Schnitzel Meaty center cut pork loin topped with special Bavarian mushroom sauce, served with fluffy mashed potatoes and piping hot gravy. Dinner entree served with: tossed salad with house dressing, vegetable du jour, breadsticks, chef’s choice dessert, coffee, tea, milk and soda.

Overnight. (Dinner)

Friday, September 20 - Frankenmuth

9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Tour with local step-on guide. Founded in 1845 by a group of German-Lutheran missionaries, Frankenmuth takes pride in preserving their German heritage. Your guide will point out the many historical points of interest and keep you entertained with stories along the way. The tour will include a wooden covered bridge and a stop at the beautiful St. Lorenz Church - a historic landmark where the town’s history is depicted in amazing stained-glass windows. Also view the replica of the original log cabin built by German settlers.

10:45 - 11:45 a.m.

Visit Frankenmuth Clock & German Gift Co. A staple in Michigan’s “Little Bavaria” community for over 35 years. Established more than 150 years ago, Frankenmuth Clock & German Gift Co. is proud to provide authentic German clocks and other genuine, high-quality souvenirs, offering a taste of Bavaria to German-enthusiasts across the globe. The largest full-service clock store in the American Midwest, offering a wide-selection of high-quality clocks, as well as a full-time clock repair and maintenance service department in-house. The shop carries a wide-variety of German traditional Christmas items, including authentic German nutcrackers, handcrafted ornaments, candle holders and tea light holders, German Christmas pyramids and smokers and more. Items are exported straight from Germany, providing the authentic Bavarian experience.

Noon

Frankenmuth Annual Oktoberfest! Enjoy all the festivities and fun at the Frankenmuth Oktoberfest in Heritage Park, located on the banks of the Cass River and behind the Bavarian Inn & Lodge. Covered pavilion with open seating. With Frankenmuth’s unique German heritage and culture, the Frankenmuth Oktoberfest strives to preserve the sights and sounds of the Munich Oktoberfest. The event features authentic entertainment, dancing, Oktoberfest souvenirs, various food selections and authentic Hofbräuhaus Oktoberfest beer.



Overnight. (Breakfast)

Saturday, September 21 - Frankenmuth

9:00 - 11 a.m.

Welcome to **Bronner's Christmas World**, where they have been making spirits bright since 1945. Open 361 days a year, Bronner's features a fantastic selection of Christmas ornaments, trims, trees, Christmas lights, nativities and collectibles. Christmas cards, garlands, stockings, Advent calendars and wreaths are also among the many items available. Of the more than 6,000 styles of ornaments, which Bronner's carries, half of the glass ornaments are Bronner's exclusive designs.

Noon -1:45 p.m.

Pretzel-making followed by Lunch at the Bavarian Inn Restaurant. Get a taste of the traditional German pretzel... Frankenmuth-style, by becoming a German baker for a day. The pretzel-rolling experience at The Bavarian Inn Bakery offers a hands-on experience with lots of fun and laughs. While the pretzels are baking, relax and enjoy lunch. Enjoy your afternoon on own exploring **Frankenmuth's downtown Main Street**, which offers many unique shops!



Overnight. (Breakfast, Lunch)

Sunday, September 22 - Frankenmuth/Peru

9:00 a.m.

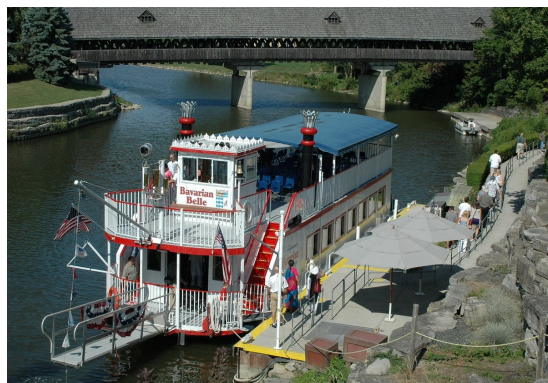
Church Service at Blessed Trinity Catholic Church

10:30 a.m.

Boarding time for riverboat

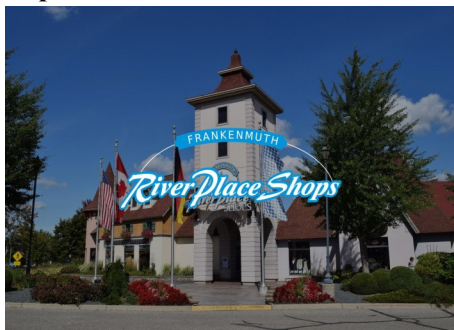
11:00 a.m.

Bavarian Belle Riverboat. Enjoy a fabulous one-hour narrated tour of Frankenmuth on the Cass River aboard the Bavarian Belle Riverboat, a family-owned, 150-passenger authentic paddlewheel riverboat. This riverboat has ramp access and the dock is handicap accessible. Restroom and on-board snacks available. **All trips are dependent on the weather and may be cancelled at the captain's discretion.*



Noon

Explore Frankenmuth River Place shops with lunch on own. Explore more than 40 shops and attractions located throughout the beautiful Bavarian-themed outdoor shopping mall. Find the perfect gift for that special someone, or pick up a unique souvenir to remember your visit to Frankenmuth. Featuring restaurants and wineries to keep you fueled up for your shopping trip, the shopping mall also includes heated sidewalks that encourage visits year-round. Visit locally family-owned businesses and national retailers like, Yankee Candle and Tervis. Shop a variety of Michigan wine, honey, hot sauces and more.



Depart for home, with stops made enroute. Arrive back at St. Bede Academy.

(Breakfast)

“You never know where life will take you, but it will always be better with friends.”

- Unknown



Welcome to Frankenmuth, Michigan’s Little Bavaria, and the Bavarian Inn Lodge and Conference Center.

Since its original founding as the Union House in 1888, the Bavarian Inn has been offering an extraordinary blend of great German food and hospitality in Frankenmuth. As the years have passed, we’ve added the lodge and conference center and over 20 retail locations to the family holdings, but our traditions of quality, service and fun, which begun over 100 years ago, still hold true. Our 600+ staff at the Bavarian Inn of Frankenmuth is specially trained to provide outstanding service with

our world-famous meals. 360 rooms and 100% non-smoking facility.

Resort amenities: Outdoor year-round heated pool / two outdoor hot tubs / on-site micro pub with appetizers and drinks / Complimentary Wi-Fi / complimentary DVD library

In-room amenities: Cable TV / DVD/CD player / alarm clock / telephone / hair dryer / mini fridge / microwave / iron and ironing board / In-room Starbucks coffee & Tazo teas / In-room snack menu & full hot breakfast buffet

For Information & Reservations Contact: Viking Travel Service at 630-321-1664
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RESERVATION DEADLINE AUGUST 1, 2024 – RESERVATION AFTER ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY AND LATE FEE.

Deposit: \$500.00 per person, along with reservation form and optional insurance premium if chosen.

Form of payment: Cash, check or credit card (*credit cards are subject to 3% processing fee*)

Make checks payable to: Viking Travel Service

Mail registration form & payments to: Viking Travel Service, 700 E. Ogden Avenue, Suite # 106, Westmont, IL 60559

Final payment: Due no later than August 1, 2024

Not included: Insurance protection, gratuities for driver, step on guide and any items of personal nature, meals and beverages not indicated as included. Credit card may be required upon check in for personal incidentals at hotel.

Departure location: St. Bede, 24 West US Hwy 6, St. Bede Lane, Peru, IL 61354

Tour operation and pricing: Based on a minimum of 25 paying passengers.

Special needs: Please let us know if you have any dietary requirements or mobility issues at time of reservation.

Travelers with special needs: Travelers should be in good physical conditions in order to participate. Guests needing such assistance must be accompanied by an abled companion who will assist them and be aware that they may not be able to participate in all activities. Some itineraries are not suitable for people with limitations and cannot accommodate wheelchairs or motorized scooters. No refunds will be given if guest does not participate in any activities, by choice or by limitations. It is the sole responsibility of the traveler to notify Viking Travel of any physical or dietary needs.

Per-person cancellation policy: Cancellation charges apply if you do not take insurance or must cancel for a reason not covered by insurance: Date of deposit to May 31, 2024 = \$150.00. Cancellation fee and insurance cost are non-refundable / June 1, 2024 to July 31, 2024 = Deposit and insurance cost are non-refundable / August 1, 2024 to departure = 100% penalty. No refunds for any unused features.

Travel insurance: The optional group insurance covers trip cancellation due to a covered medical reason, interruption, accident, baggage and medical evacuation and must be taken out at time of deposit. As with all insurance policies, cost of insurance is non-refundable and subject to change at any time. A minimum of 10 passengers required for group insurance rates. Please contact Viking Travel for questions on insurance.

Travel Guard Group Insurance Coverage

Coverage	Maximum Benefits	Coverage	Maximum Benefits
Trip Cancellation	Trip Cost	Medical Expenses	\$20,000
Trip Interruption	125% Trip Cost	Emergency Medical Transportation	\$50,000
Travel Delay	\$500 (<i>Maximum of \$150 per day</i>)	Baggage & Personal Effects Loss	\$1,000



RESERVATION FORM

St. Bede Oktoberfest in Frankenmuth, Michigan September 19-22, 2024

Please indicate: _____ \$1,499.00 per person, double _____ \$108.00 per-person insurance
_____ \$1,799.00 single _____ \$130.00 single insurance
_____ \$1,399.00 per person, triple _____ \$101.00 per-person insurance

Passenger 1: _____ / _____ / _____
First Middle Last

Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Ph: _____ Cell: _____ Work: _____

E-mail address: _____ Birth Date: _____ Gender: _____

Are there any dietary, physical restrictions or special occasion we should be aware of? _____

⇒ **Roommate if not traveling with spouse. Please fill out separate reservation form:** _____

Passenger 2: _____ / _____ / _____
First Middle Last

Cell: _____ Work: _____

E-mail address: _____ Birth Date: _____ Gender: _____

Are there any dietary, physical restrictions or special occasion we should be aware of? _____

Deposit: Enclosed is \$500.00 per person deposit for _____ person(s) **Deposit amount:** \$ _____

Insurance: _____ Yes, I want to purchase the offered insurance
Insurance amount for name 1. \$ _____
Insurance amount for name 2. \$ _____

_____ No, I decline the offered insurance

Opt out of special group insurance. By opting out, client is aware that they will not be protected against the cancellation charges, nor will they have any insurance protection while traveling.

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

Credit Card Payments: _____ Visa _____ Master Card _____ AX Credit cards are subject to 3% processing fee.

Name of card holder: _____ Card Number: _____

Signature of card holder: _____ Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Viking Travel Service Terms and Conditions

As the worldwide COVID-19 corona-virus pandemic remains ongoing at this time, and travel resumes around the world, all destinations and suppliers have established COVID-19 safety measures and precautions which may change from day to day. These safety measures may include wearing masks at certain times, size of group gatherings, social distancing requirements, health screenings, and requiring Covid vaccination cards.

Participation on the tour acknowledges the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 while traveling. Participants also understand and agree to follow all the protocols and the acceptance that travel plans may be altered, interrupted, changed or canceled and that Viking Travel has no control over these unforeseeable conditions.

Participation agreement: The purchase/payment of any travel services offered constitutes a contractual arrangement between the Traveler ("you") and Viking Travel Service and its suppliers. As the lead traveler, you accept, and confirm you have authority and consent to accept, all Terms & Conditions for yourself and all members of your traveling party.

Deposit: The required deposit is due at time of booking along with signed Reservation Form and Terms and Conditions Form.

Final payment: Reservations are subject to cancellation and late fee if final payment is not received by the due date. Rebooking's are subject to availability and new pricing and may be subject to currency fluctuations until paid in full.

Payments: All credit card charges are subject to 3% non-refundable fee.

Check Documents: Please check your invoice and travel documents for accuracy and advise any discrepancies immediately.

Check-in Requirements: Advance check-in time requirements vary by airline. You can check the airline website for the latest information. Domestic is usually 2 hours prior to departure time. International is usually 3 hours prior to departure time. Following these guidelines allows for potential delays at security screening. Checking in later than airline advance check-in times may result in denied boarding. Reconfirmation: It is important that you reconfirm all flights prior to departure so you are aware of any changes that may have occurred in your flight itinerary. Provide your air carrier with your cell phone and email as well as sign up for any apps to keep in touch. Denied Boarding: At peak periods flights may be overbooked. If you are involuntarily denied boarding, you may be entitled to compensation. The rules for denied boarding are available at all ticket counters and online. Airline Reservations: Viking Travel Service is not responsible if an airline cancels, reschedules, or delays on flights for any reason. Routings are not guaranteed and are subject to change at any time. Seat assignments and upgrades may or may not be available and subject to additional fees. All airline terms and conditions, including baggage, departure taxes and fees and increases beyond our control are applicable. Frequent flyer miles may or may not be earned. Clients must retain boarding passes for any disputes.

Changes/Deviations or Cancellations: Most reservations are subject to change and cancellation penalties. Ask your travel consultant to explain charge/cancellation penalties applicable to your travel purchase. Viking Service cancellation penalties apply as well. In addition to any airline or tour/cruise-imposed change fees, an administrative fee of \$50 per person will be charged.

Deviations are subject to availability. May not be applicable on group bookings. Note: Prices quoted during an inquiry cannot be guaranteed.

Cancellation Policy: All cancellations must be received in writing and subject to penalties outlined and a \$250.00 per person administrative fee regardless of reason for cancellation.

Travel Insurance: Most reservations carry cancellation fees. Viking Travel Service strongly recommends you purchase travel insurance to protect your trip investment. Your personal insurance may not adequately cover losses incurred should you have to cancel, become ill in transit, become a victim of lost or stolen property or travel documents. You are strongly urged to protect your vacation investment and well-being by purchasing the optional insurance offered to you. Insurance is non-refundable and rates and features, are subject to change at any time. Insurance should be modified within 15 days of any additions to maintain benefits and coverages.

Required Documentation: All bookings are subject to the proper documentation required for travel. I.e.: driver's license, valid passport, visa, tourist card, vaccination card. It is the responsibility of the traveler to provide such documentation for booking and for travel. Passports must be valid for a minimum of 6 months from return date. Names on reservations must match proper identification required for travel. All travelers must provide emergency contact details prior to travel. Non-US citizens must contact the consulate for requirements.

Documents: Printed documents are subject to a \$35 shipping cost.

Notice: While every effort will be made to adhere to the specifics shown in this or any other publication, certain circumstances may necessitate alterations, therefore; all fares, taxes, fuel surcharges, schedules, hours of arrival and departure and all other information contained herein are subject to change. During local or national holidays or special events, peak seasons, on Sundays, and during religious occasions, certain facilities such as museums, churches, restaurants, sightseeing tours, hotels, and shopping may be limited or not available. Alternatives will be offered whenever possible. Viking Travel cannot be held responsible for any closures, necessary itinerary changes, or curtails for any reason. Accommodations outside the United States of America may not accommodate wheelchairs or be wheelchair accessible. The Americans with Disabilities Act is not applicable outside the United States of America. Room and bed preferences are not guaranteed. 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In the event that any of these conditions apply, Viking Travel Service shall be excused, discharged, and released from performance to the extent such performance is so limited or prevented, without liability of any kind. 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It is understood that I have requested Viking Travel Service to arrange bookings on my behalf. As the worldwide COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic remains ongoing at this time, I acknowledge that for this reason, and other reasons not reasonably foreseeable at this time, these travel plans may be interrupted or cancelled by the supplier that is providing them, a government entity or other third party over which Agency has no control. I further acknowledge that the supplier's own cancellation, rebooking and refund policies, subject to any applicable law that is now or may later be in effect, will govern my rights and remedies, including my right to receive a refund, in such an event. Moreover, I understand that should I elect to purchase travel insurance, the terms of the policy will dictate whether, and to what extent, coverage for any financial loss may exist under the circumstances. Payment constitutes agreement, I hereby agree to hold Agency harmless and release it from any and all liability for any damages, including but not limited to monetary losses, I may incur as a result of such interruption or cancellation of these travel plans. Tour operated by Viking Travel 1/11/2024

I (we) have read, understand and am (are) in agreement with the Terms & Conditions of this vacation package.

Signed: _____ Date: _____ St. Bede/E5491

Reservation is not confirmed until this form is signed and received by Viking Travel Service.



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