**Monday, December 2nd:**

**9:00am - 4:00pm:** Hospitality Desk - You will find a Brand g hospitality desk in the lobby of the Hotel Vier Jahreszeiten Kempinski. We will be there to assist you with any questions you have concerning the program. Kindly stop by the desk to check in so that we may provide you with additional updates, paper luggage tags for the transfer to Nuremberg on the 4th, and your special Brand g trip amenities. If you arrive outside of these hours or are otherwise unable to stop by the desk, we will communicate updates (if any) by leaving a message for you at the hotel front desk.

**6:00 – 7:00pm: Hometown Welcome Party** Maximillian I Ballroom, Hotel Vier Jahreszeiten Kempinski. Wear something that represents the place you call home.

**Please ensure you have signed up for a bus and collected luggage tags for the transfers.**

**Tuesday, December 3rd:**

**6:30 – 10:30am: Breakfast** is included this morning, and each morning of your stay that has been booked through Brand g, in the Schwarzreiter Tagesbar and Restaurant, Kempinski Hotel.

**7:00am: Limited Breakfast Boxes** available in reception for our late riser guests who would like breakfast to go for the trip to Neuschwanstein. Please note, hot beverages (as well as any beverages in containers without screw top lids) are not permitted on the motor coaches.

**7:20am – approx. 5:00pm: Full Day Neuschwanstein Castle Tour** - All guests meet in the lobby of the hotel ready to depart promptly at 7:30am for full day tour including lunch. Germany’s picturesque countryside brings us to Neuschwanstein one of three castles built by ‘mad’ Ludwig II of Bavaria after which the famed Disney castle was designed.

**Please board the bus according to the color group you signed up for at the hospitality desk.**  If you have not signed up yet or are in doubt as to which bus you are on ask Johnathon or Nick.

This trip is quite physical and includes a 1 – 1.5 hour hike up to the castle and 1 hour back down. Parts of the climb are at a significant grade and could be slippery and wet depending on weather conditions. We recommend warm winter clothing, including hat, gloves and sturdy warm boots or hiking shoes with good grip.

There are a limited number of horse carriages and depending on weather conditions there may also be mini-buses available to those who do not care to or cannot physically endure the hike. However, for those with mobility challenges, please keep in mind that the final 15-minute hike to the castle is still by foot, and there are also many steps to enter the castle. Also, please note that the carriages and buses are not reserved exclusively for Brand g guests and as a result there may be a long queue.

If you’d like to join the tour, but don’t wish to go up to the castle, you may trade in your castle ticket for entrance to the museum of the Bavarian Kings, which is near the bus parking area. There is also a small lake where you can take photos of the castle, while waiting for the groups to return from the hike.

**Walking grade:** 5/5: Walking long distances on uneven surfaces and includes some stairs.

**1:30pm: Buffet Lunch** - After your group has come down from the castle and has fully gathered with your guide in the parking area, you’ll board the motor coaches for a 10-minute drive to the town of Fussen for lunch.

**Following lunch:** we return to Munich with an approximate return time of 5:00pm. Tonight’s dinner is not included and is on your own. (**B/L** provided for touring guests)

**Wednesday, December 4th**:

**6:00 - 10:30am: Breakfast** is included in the Schwarzreiter Tagesbar and Restaurant in the Kempinski Hotel.

**8:30am - 1:45pm: Brand g Hospitality/Baggage Drop Desk –** Your Brand g host Nick will take care of any bulky carry on/cabin baggage you don’t want to send ahead to the boat, but also do not wish to carry with you on the Munich City tour this morning. Nick will provide you with a luggage label to attach to ensure you can identify this bag later. For your safety, please do not leave valuables inside. You must collect deposited bags by 1:45pm and take them with you on the bus ride to Nuremberg.

**8:45am: Luggage out** – By this time, please place the Brand g colored paper luggage tags on each checked bag and place those bags just outside of your hotel room door for porters to collect. Please ensure your name and cabin number are clearly written on each tag.

**CHECKED BAGGAGE NOTES**

* + These bags will be loaded onto a truck and transported directly to the ship at 10:00am. You will not see them again until you check into your room on the Amadeus Star, as such do not pack valuables and anything you’ll need prior to checking in to your room boat at approximately 4:30pm this afternoon.
  + When you initially checked in at the hospitality desk, we assigned your bus color, recorded the number of pieces of luggage you told us you intended to send ahead to the boat and we provided you with the corresponding number of color luggage tags. If for any reason you have more or less bags, please see your Brand g host Nick Pavlick at the above mentioned hospitality desk to update the count and obtain additional luggage tags should you need them.
  + If at the time the truck is loaded the number of bags we have for you does not match what has been recorded, we will not send your luggage and ahead to the boat. Instead we will ask you to verify your luggage before you board the bus to the Nuremberg this afternoon and send them with you on the bus to Nuremberg.

**8:50am - Noon: Munich City Tour** - All guests meet in the lobby of the hotel ready to depart promptly at 9:00am for 3-hour highlights tour by bus. The tour will include stops at Nymphenburg palace and BMW World for photo taking and guide commentary. **Please board the bus according to the color group you signed up for at the hospitality desk.**  If you have not signed up yet or are in doubt as to which bus you are on ask Johnathon or Nick.

\*Walking grade 2/5: Moderate walking tour. You may need to climb some stairs.

**CHECK OUT NOTES**

* Guests participating in the Munich City Tour must check out and settle incidental hotel bills prior to departing for the tour. You will not be able to access rooms after returning from the tour.
* Guests who decide NOT to participate in the tour must check out and settle incidental hotel bills by Noon.

**Noon**: Munich City Tour returns to the hotel

**Noon – 1:45pm: Lunch** is on your own today. There are a number or restaurants to choose from close to or inside the hotel.

**1:45pm: Meet in lobby for transfer to ship.** Note all hotel bills must be settled and all left luggage collected. **Please board the bus according to the color group you signed up for at the hospitality desk.**  If you have not signed up yet or are in doubt as to which bus you are on ask Johnathon or Nick.

**2:00pm: All buses depart for Amadeus Star**

**4:30pm: Arrive at Amadeus Star -** On arrival at the ship you will be asked to wait in the lounge where the ships staff will welcome you with drinks. Your Brand g hosts will facilitate the check in process. Pleases listen for announcements and when you are asked to proceed to reception please have your passport ready.