



**Austria**

**February 15-24, 2008**

**Enjoy European "Carnival" week with the Merck Ski Association in Kitzbühel, a medieval village at the base of some of the most expansive skiing in the Alps!**

As home of the world-renowned Hahnenkahn downhill, "Kitz" offers something for everyone. It has varied inter-connected terrain for all types of skiers - you can even attempt to do the famed "Ski-Safari" in one day. The choice of Kitzbühel's slopes is matched by the variety of its nightlife activities. Truly unlimited fun awaits for all in an idyllic little city with rustic charm dating back to the 13th century. ([www.kitzbuehel.com](http://www.kitzbuehel.com))

Kitz is an easy transfer from Munich, and is easily accessible to the rest of Austria, and even Italy. Spend a week in the state of Tyrol, and leave with incredible memories of great skiing, friendly people, outstanding food and a little culture too.

56 modern cablecars and lifts are waiting to carry you in comfort to the top, including the new and unique 3S Bahn tricable gondola, which soars across the deepest ravines. Offering complete flexibility in your choice of runs, the ski shuttle stops at the base lodges of all the cablecars. Also unique for Austria is the free use of all the practice lifts down in the valley. ([www.bergbahn-kitzbuehel.at](http://www.bergbahn-kitzbuehel.at))



Stay within walking distance to the lifts and just off the center of the medieval village at the comfortable 4\*\*\*\* **Hotel Maria Theresia**. This hotel offers a great social lobby and bar area, two saunas, a Jacuzzi, steam rooms and all of the amenities and service typical of an Austrian family hotel. ([www.hotel-maria-theresia.at](http://www.hotel-maria-theresia.at))

After spending the week in Kitzbühel, unwind with one final day and night in Munich. Chic and cosmopolitan, carefree and kitschy - Bavaria's capital and one of Germany's biggest cities, Munich has more than its share of great museums, architectural treasures, historic sites, and world-class shops and restaurants. The final night will be spent at the 4\*\*\*\* **Hotel Maritim**, a large, modern hotel in a central location close to the Hauptbahnhof (main station), the pedestrian shopping area around Karlsplatz (Stachus), the Deutsches Theater and numerous cinemas. ([www.maritim.de](http://www.maritim.de))



**Price: \$1535 per person/double occ.**  
(\$815 child 12/under with 2 adults in room)

**Package Includes:**

- ❖ Round-trip air from Philadelphia to Munich
- ❖ Deluxe motorcoach transfers from Munich
- ❖ Seven nights deluxe hotel in Kitzbühel
- ❖ Full European breakfast daily in Kitzbühel (at hotel)
- ❖ Gourmet dinner each evening in Kitzbühel (at hotel)
- ❖ Wine and cheese orientation party upon arrival in Kitz
- ❖ Options for mountain guides and ski school
- ❖ One night deluxe hotel in Munich
- ❖ Baggage tags and travel packets for all participants
- ❖ All taxes\*, service, portorage

(\*except international departure, airline and security taxes—currently approx. \$250)

**Payment Schedule:** (payable to "Merck Ski Association")

- ❖ \$100/pp initial deposit to hold your spot
- ❖ \$500/pp by July 15, 2007
- ❖ \$500/pp by September 15, 2007
- ❖ \$435/pp by November 15, 2007

**Cancellation/Refund Policy:**

- ❖ Full refund prior to July 15, 2007
- ❖ \$200/pp penalty between Sep. 1 and Nov. 30, 2007
- ❖ \$500/pp penalty between Dec. 1-31, 2007
- ❖ No refund after Dec. 31, 2007

**For more information and to reserve your space contact:**  
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Trip signup and membership forms available at [www.ski-msa.org](http://www.ski-msa.org). All registrations must be accompanied by a signup form with initial deposit.

**Sign up early – space is limited!**