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### Jul 21th - 27th, 2024: Tango Holiday to Bregenz Forest/Austria

- Tango classes with Fausto Carpino & Stephanie Fesneau
- 250 sqm dance hall with the best parquet flooring
- Many hiking opportunities and pure relaxation in the Bregenz Forest
- Culinary enjoyment in the organic Bio Hotel "Schwanen"
- Optional visit of "Madame Butterfly", Bregenzer Festspiele



### Reisebeschreibung

We are very pleased that Fausto Carpino & Stephanie Fesneau will be teaching with us again in

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Bregenzer Wald in summer 2024. They inspire with their refreshingly friendly manner and their didactically excellent and well structured lessons. The tango courses take place in the mornings and afternoons respectively. On some evenings there is an accompanied Practica with Fausto & Stephanie to deepen what has been learned. Afterwards, it continues with an atmospheric milonga on an area of 250 sqm of the best parquet floor.

The Bregenz Forest is particularly beautiful in summer and is often considered an insider tip. Far away from mass tourism, you can relax here and enjoy the unspoilt nature. Shady forest hiking trails alternate with wonderful views from the alpine pastures into lovely valleys and lush green meadows. There are swimming opportunities in the crystal-clear waters of the Bregenzer Ache and you can take beautiful bike tours on an e-bike.

With the Bregenzer Wald Guest Card, the use of all public transport and mountain railways in the Bregenzer Wald is included! Let's ride skywards to the summits of the mountains surrounding us and enjoy the unique panorama.

Accommodation is at the Hotel Schwanen in Bizau. The Hotel Schwanen is officially certified as an organic hotel and is located in the centre of the small village of Bizau. The exquisite cuisine of the family-run hotel is outstanding: in Gault Millau, the Schwanen is listed with 3 toques and 14 points! "Feeling good from the first minute..." this is possible here, according to the unanimous opinion of previous participants. The untouched nature of the Bregenzerwald invites you to recharge your batteries. The barefoot path near our hotel is certainly a real treat for our feet, ideal after an intense day of tango with Fausto & Stephanie. The beautiful landscape can be discovered in the best possible way during excursions and hikes. **By the way: the travel price already includes the "Bregenzer Wald Card"**. It entitles you to free use of all mountain railways, swimming pools and public transport in the Bregenz Forest.

Our hosts from the Bio-Hotel Schwanen take great care of our well-being: culinary delights include delicious recipes from Hildegard von Bingen: healthy and light, simple yet refined. The exceptional cuisine, awarded 3 toques and 14 points by Gault Millau, seduces us with soothing sensory experiences. "From the field to the table: it doesn't get any fresher than this! The organic vegetables are grown in neighbouring Bezaun as part of the "Solawi Bezaun", the solidarity-based agriculture, and are therefore processed seasonally and regionally directly in the Schwanen!

Half board is included in our package: a healthy, vital breakfast and a fine 4-course menu in the evening. The restaurant is bright and tastefully decorated and has a beautiful garden terrace where you can enjoy delicious apricot dumplings and Austrian strudel specialities in the afternoon. A sauna with relaxation room and a cosy lounge, as well as the rustic parlour in typical "Wälder" style also contribute to your well-being.

The rooms in the Schwanen are nobly lined with silver fir and furnished with simple but cosy modern furniture by Bregenz craftsmen. The rooms differ in size and location: Schwanen I is approx. 30 sqm, Schwanen II is approx. 22-24 sqm. Both room types look towards the Kanisfluh, towards the Hirschberg or are spacious corner rooms (Schwanen I).

The rooms Schwanen III face the road, which is less frequented at night, as Bizau is situated in a side valley.

Rooms are allocated according to booking, first come first serve.

In addition, there is the possibility to stay in a holiday flat or at Gasthof Taube in Bizau:

### **Holiday flat:**

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In addition to accommodation in the Hotel Schwanen, there is also the option of booking high-quality furnished holiday flats for this trip. These are located about 5 minutes' walk from the Hotel Schwanen. The flats have one bedroom and a kitchen with a cosy living area. Meals = breakfast & dinner are taken **together** with the group at the Hotel Schwanen.

### **Gasthof Taube:**

The Gasthof Taube is a family-run cosy hotel, about 2 minutes' walk from the Schwanen. The rooms are somewhat more simply furnished. Breakfast and dinner are also taken **together** with the group at the Schwanen.

### **Bregenz Festival during the Tango Days:**

A visit to the Bregenz Festival is worth the trip just for the spectacular stage design and the atmosphere on the lake stage. In 2024, the opera "The freeshooter (Der Freischütz)" by Carl Maria von Weber will be performed.

If you register in good time, good tickets can be ordered at a price of 125,- € per person.

### **Arrival and departure:**

Arrival should be by 18:00 on Sunday. The courses start on Monday and end on Friday. There will be no more courses on Saturday, so you can start your return journey after breakfast.

### **Arrival in Bizau:**

The journey to Bizau is your own responsibility. Bizau is about 45 minutes by car from Bregenz. Approach via the A1 Rhine Valley motorway: Exit at Dornbirn Nord, follow the signs to Dornbirn Stadtmitte (town centre) and the signs to the Bregenzerwald. On the B 200 (via Alberschwende, Egg, Andelsbuch) to Bezau (2nd exit) and immediately after the bridge turn right to Bizau. The hotel is located directly in the village centre on the right in front of the church.

### Impression from the Bregenz Forest

## Leistung und Preise

### Travel price per Person

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|--------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Room type "Schwanen III" | 1.250,- € | fully booked |
| Room type "Schwanen II"  | 1.330,- € | fully booked |
| Room type "Schwanen I"   | 1.390,- € | fully booked |
| Appartment in Bizau      | 1.350,- € | fully booked |
| Gasthof Taube            | 1.150,- € | fully booked |

### Extension:

Additional nights before the tango trip are possible on request.

### Services:

- Six nights in a double room/bath, WC
- Welcome drink at the get-together
- Half board (breakfast buffet, evening menu)
- 10 hours of Tango Lessons and Practica with Fausto Carpino & Stephanie Fesneau
- Daily evening milongas and show performance by Fausto & Stephanie
- Bregenzer Wald Card for free use of the mountain railways, public transport and admission to the swimming pools
- Tour guide Anette & Klaus Spiegel

On request with ticket for "The freeshooter", category 3, ticket price 125,- € (please indicate on the registration if desired)

### Note on the Bregenz Festival:

Tickets are only valid on the day of the scheduled performance and are only valid for the Seebühne. The Bregenz Festival endeavours to hold the performance on the Seebühne even if the weather is doubtful and would like to point out that, if necessary, performances will also be held on the Seebühne in the event of rain, or that there may be delays or interruptions. In the event of a transfer to the Festspielhaus, category 3 ticket holders will be refunded the ticket value if the performance on the Seebühne did not take place or was shorter than 60 minutes. The tickets should be booked at the same time as the travel registration for the Tango Journey, as we receive special conditions as a group (ticket price 125,- €).

### Tango

#### **Tango mit Fausto & Stephanie:**

Fausto Carpino und Stephanie Fesneau are a young and very likeable dance couple. They live in Sicily and perform at many festivals worldwide, where they also teach, of course.

Fausto & Stephanie have been teaching on our tango tours for five years now. They inspire us and our participants again and again with their natural and at the same time humorous and cheerful manner! Their lessons are professional and very well didactically structured. Fausto & Stephanie focus on the topics: harmonious embrace in the couple, dynamics in the embrace, fluid dancing through refined step combinations and expression through interpretation of the music. For the ladies, Stephanie's tips on posture and ornamentation are an enrichment.

A total of 10 hours of classes and practicas are scheduled with Fausto & Stephanie. Fausto and Stephanie teach in English and are easy to understand.

The classes and milongas take place in the neighbouring community hall with a very good parquet floor and a beautiful view of the Bizauer Moos and the mountains. Classes take place in the morning or late afternoon so that there is still time to discover the Bregenz Forest. On some evenings there is an accompanied practica which leads into a milonga.

Private lessons are available by prior arrangement.

**Fausto and Stephanie (Vals: Pedro Laurenz)**

**Fausto and Stephanie (Tango: Carlos Di Sarli)**

**Fausto and Stephanie (Tango: Osvaldo Pugliese)**

**Fausto and Stephanie (Vals: Juan D'Arienzo)**

**Fausto and Stephanie (Tango: Osvaldo Pugliese)**

### Anmeldung

A contingent of different room categories is available for this trip.  
The room allocation of the booked room category takes place after receipt of the travel registration.

### Booking & Payment:

Our general terms and conditions apply according to our website.

Please send us the completed travel registration form by email or post.  
After receipt of the completed travel registration form, we will send you a booking confirmation/invoice including a security shine.  
Approx. 2 weeks before the start of the tour we will send you further information about the arrival.

A deposit of 15% of the tour price is due, see also notes in the travel registration.  
The balance is due five weeks before the start of the tour. Cancellation charges apply from the time of reservation.  
The costs and cancellation deadlines are shown in the travel registration.  
We recommend to book a travel insurance in your country.

Minimum number of participants: 25 persons.  
If this number is not reached by 2 months before departure, we reserve the right to cancel the trip.

If you have questions, do not hesitate to send an email to Anette Spiegel.  
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