

Berlin - a feast of Wagner and Barenboim at the Staatsoper

8 - 14 May 2019

£1245 per person sharing a twin or double room inc 4th category tickets £1435 double room, sole use inc 4th category tickets (see overleaf for upgrade supplements)

Includes: return air travel from the UK to Berlin, 6 nights bed & breakfast at the 3* superior Hotel Leonardo, welcome dinner with wines, 2 suppers with wines, 3 late night soups; 4th category tickets for 4 operas at the Deutsche Oper and centre stalls seats for the Staatsoper Unter den Linden, 3 morning sightseeing tours and a behind the scenes tour at the Deutsche Oper

May is a beautiful time to visit Berlin and the **Deutsche Oper** are presenting a **Festival of the Opera's of Richard Wagner** including a rare opportunity to see his early opera **Rienzi** together with recent productions of **Lohengrin**, **Tannhäuser** and **Der fliegende Holländer**. We spend our final evening at the newly re-opened **Staatsoper Unter den Linden** and a concert with the glorious Georgian mezzo **Anita Rachvelishvili** conducted by **Daniel Barenboim**.

We have some excellent Wagnerian singers during our visit including Daniel Johansson and Camila Nylund in Lohengrin (under the baton of Music Director Donald Runnicles); Peter Seiffert and Emma Bell in Tannhäuser; Iain Patterson and Catherine Foster in Holländer and Torsten Kerl taking the title role in Rienzi.

We have secured an excellent block of tickets in the 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th categories in the stalls. For those of you who have been to the Deutsche Oper before you will recall that the stalls seating has an excellent 'rake' and so all seats have a good view and excellent sound.

The holiday includes 6 nights bed & breakfast at 3* superior Hotel Leonardo, perfectly situated in the old West just a few minutes walk from the Deutsche Oper and close to the Charlottenburg Palace. It is surrounded by a good choice of restaurants and cafes on Wilmersdorferstrasse.

A substantial buffet breakfast is served each morning, a welcome dinner with wines and delicious homemade soup to welcome you back after three of the performances and supper after the Lohengrin. All transfers and three mornings of sightseeing are also included as well as a private tour behind the scenes of the Deutsche Oper and a visit to Potsdam.

Ticket subscriptions for the four performances at the Deutsche Oper are as follows:

- 4th category (25th row stalls) included
- 3rd category (18th 20th row) £110 total costs for the 4 performances
- 2nd category (11th 14th row) £220- total costs for the 4 performances
- 1st category (1st balcony second row) £330- total costs for the 4 performances
- All tickets for the concert at the Staatsoper are in the centre stalls

flight details from Manchester with Ryanair inc seating and 20kg baggage allowance

- Manchester Berlin SXF depart 1245 arrive 1540
- Berlin SXF Manchester depart 1105 arrive 1220

Flights are also available from Gatwick, Heathrow and other airports on request.

Deposit is £350 + any ticket supplement. Final balance is due 15th March.