

The Music Club of London

‘The Ring’ in Leipzig 10th April to 16th April 2018

I have arranged to attend a performance of Wagner’s Ring cycle of operas in Dresden in January 2018, and I look forward to hearing the Staatskapelle-dresden orchestra play. I wondered how this playing would compare with that of the other iconic orchestra from this part of Germany – the Gewandhaus orchestra of Leipzig. I suppose the Dresden players should win; after all having formed some 460 years ago they have some 200 more years in which to practice when compared with the Leipzig players. However, the Leipzig orchestra does have strong supporters. I then discovered that The Leipzig Opera is performing the Wagner Ring cycle of operas in April of next year; who could resist the opportunity to hear the orchestra perform? So, I have a limited number of seats for the performances and hope you will be able to join me for the show. As part of the programme I offer a tour of the musical delights of Leipzig and a day out for relaxation and further enjoyment. I hope you can come.

April 2018

- Tue 10th Check-in at London Heathrow for a flight to Berlin (Tegel).
Coach transfer from Berlin to the Radisson Blu Hotel Leipzig, a superior hotel, where we have bed and breakfast accommodation in their en suite rooms.
- Wed 11th A short walking tour in Leipzig with an English speaking guide ‘World Famous City of Music – A Walk on the Leipzig Music Trail’ this will include entrance to the St. Thomas Church and the Bach Museum. After the tour, lunch at a local restaurant.
Evening performance of *Das Rheingold* (Wagner).
- Thu 12th Free day, until the evening performance of *Die Walküre* (Wagner).
- Fri 13th Full day excursion, including lunch. Visit the “Bauhaus” and “Meisterhäuser” in Dessau, including entrance to both venues, followed by lunch in a local restaurant, the Kornhaus restaurant, with its views over the Elbe river. Then, on to Wörlitz to visit the world famous Wörlitzer Park. On the edge of the Elbe meadows this artistically scenic development is said to be without equal in Europe.
- Sat 14th Free day, until the evening performance of *Siegfried* (Wagner).
- Sun 15th Free day, until the evening performance of *Götterdämmerung* (Wagner).
- Mon 16th Coach transfer to the airport at Berlin (Tegel). Check-in for a flight to London Heathrow.

You are responsible for your own travel and health insurance

Cost: to include all of the above:

- £ 1380 per person sharing a Twin bedded or Double bedded room.
- £ 1560 per person in a single room.

Payments: All in one payment on booking, or

- £ 400 per person to book (reservations are taken in the order in which I receive deposits, and the deposit is *non-returnable* if I am able to offer a place)
- £ 400 per person by 28th October 2017.
- £ 400 per person by 4th January 2018.
- Balance by 1st March 2018 (£ 360 single room occupancy, £ 180 per person sharing a room).

Late applications require a deposit of the total amount due at the date of booking.

You may like to send me post-dated cheques for the further payments when making your booking. I will not cash these until the due dates.

Apply to: Bryan Suitters, The Music Club of London, 24 Burywick, Harpenden,
Hertfordshire AL5 2AH.

Cheques payable to *The Music Club of London*.