

BRASMEX-Europa GbR

Enjoy Life in the South



1st day: Munich

Welcome by our team at the airport in Munich and transfer by bus to the center of Munich. We will pass by the monuments of the town, like Olympic park from 1972, the palace of Nymphenburg and the English Garden, and will arrive at noon at the famous brewery and restaurant "Hofbräuhaus" where we would like to invite you for a typical Bavarian lunch. We will continue our visit of Munich starting from the Place of Odeon (Residence, church Theatiner) in the North over the "Marienplatz" in the middle to the church of the Asam brothers in the South of the inner circle of Munich.

2nd day: Rafting on the river Isar

We have to start early in the morning to the village of Wolfratshausen near to Munich in order to catch the float that brings us down the river Isar back to Munich. On board we will have Bavarian life music and a rustic lunch. Highlights are the passing of gates where the speed of the float accelerates tremendously. In the afternoon we will reach again our hotel in Munich and the rest of the day will be at your disposition. For those of you who do not like to participate there is more time to visit the important museums of Munich, like the Pinacotec or the Museum of Technology and to explore the English Garden with its Beer Gardens.

3rd day: Herrenchiemsee, Königssee

Similar to the palace of Versailles in France (17th century) king Ludwig II of Bavaria (19th century) built a palace on the island of Herrenchiemsee. We will visit this palace in the morning. In the afternoon we will have a look into the overwhelming countryside of Bavaria. We will cross the lake "Königssee" by electric ship, see the national park of Königssee, drive

through the Alps on the Rossfeld-Höhenstrasse and have all the beautiful views into the German and the Austrian side of the Alps. After all those impressions we will return in the late evening to Munich.

4th day: Nuremberg, Regensburg

We will experience another means of transportation, the high speed train ICE between Munich and Nuremberg. In Nuremberg we will see the imperial castle, the house of Albrecht Dürer, the great painter, the churches of the town and the romantic buildings around. In the afternoon we will drive by bus to Regensburg where we will step back into the time of the Romans and search for the witnesses of this period. We will continue with the bridge of stone, the cathedral and the towers of the rich families, heritages of the middle Ages. All this modestly mixed with the needs of a modern town of university and business is honored by the UNESCO as world heritage. We will return by bus to our hotel in Munich.

5th day: Garmisch-Partenkirchen

On Wednesday we will continue our journey more in direction towards the Alps. We will start with the old town of Augsburg where in the Middle Ages the families Fugger and Welser dominated the trading business and became rich. The family Fugger installed an own little town for their servants, called Fuggerei. We also will find some proofs for the Roman background of this old city. After lunch we will drive to Fussen where we will visit the famous castle of Neuschwanstein. This castle in medieval style was built in the nineteenth century on behalf of King Ludwig II of Bavaria. In the evening we will arrive at our hotel in Garmisch-Partenkirchen.



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6th day: Zugspitze

After Breakfast we will take the train to the middle station of the mountain Zugspitze called Zugspitzblatt. From here a funicular will take us to the top of Germany's highest mountain (2964 m). Let us enjoy the fabulous view over the mountains of the Alps. The afternoon will be free at your disposal, e.g. Spa in the hotel or walk through the town.

7th day: Romantic Road

This day we will go north and enter again into the Middle Ages. First station will be Ulm with the highest tower of a church in the world. The building itself was founded in the 14th century, but the tower needed until 1890 to be finalized. In Nördlingen, our next station, we will encounter a town with a complete city wall of the Middle Ages. Next station will be Dinkelsbühl where we will visit more in detail the town itself. The final station will be the highlight of the day, Rothenburg o.d. Tauber. This really pretty town justifies a long time of walking around and enjoying the medieval houses and histories. We will stay in the hotel in Rothenburg o.d. Tauber.

8th day: Würzburg

In the morning we will drive to Würzburg and will visit the world famous baroque residence of Würzburg, the master piece of Balthazar Neumann. In order to complete the picture of Würzburg we will visit the fortress of Marienberg on the other side of the river Main.

9th day: Mainz

We will visit the Renaissance style palace Johannisburg in Aschaffenburg before we arrive at our hotel in Mainz.

After a short recreation phase we will start to another highlight of this journey, dinner and a wine tasting of wines from the "Rheingau" in the medieval monastery of Eberbach. The "Rheingau" is the region between Wiesbaden and Rudesheim on the right side of the river Rhine. The monastery was founded in 1136 and has its own vineyards. It is also known as scenery for the film "The Name of the Rose".

10th day: Mosel Valey and Trier

The Mosel valley between Koblenz and Trier is one of the most beautiful landscapes in Germany. We will start the day with a visit of Koblenz where the Mosel enters into the Rhine (German corner, "Deutsches Eck"), from where you have a bright view of the fortress of "Ehrenbreitstein". Afterwards we will follow the meanderings of the Mosel in order to study another region of white wine culture. Here the hills are steeper and the wine normally tastes fresh and fruity. After Cochem with its castle we will continue to enjoy the romantic little cities along the river, some of them famous in the world of white wine, like Ellenz, Zell, Kröv, Wehlen, Graach, Bernkastel-Kues, Trittenheim and so on. We will have a stop in Bernkastel-Kues to visit the typical Middle Ages market place and some picturesque houses. In the afternoon we will reach Trier, city founded by the Romans in the year 16 AD with monuments of all historical times and honored by the UNESCO as world heritage. We will see the "Porta Nigra" and the imperial bath from the Romans, the Basilica of Constantine, a Roman hall used as Christian church, the cathedral with the church "Liebfrauenkirche" nearby, the medieval center and the residence of the Renaissance.



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11th day: Heidelberg and Speyer

From Mainz we will start our tour towards Heidelberg. The city is known due to the first university in Germany (1386) and the ruins of the castle, destroyed by the troops of Ludwig XIV of France. We will visit the historical center and the castle with its huge barrels of wine. In the afternoon we will visit Speyer with its roman style cathedral, one of the biggest in the world and world heritage. In the evening we will be back at our hotel in Mainz.

12th day: Frankfurt and Rhine Valley by Ship

In the morning of the next day we will have a short visit of Frankfurt with its historical center and the church of St. Paul, where major acts of the German democratic history took place. Frankfurt is also the birth town of Wolfgang von Goethe. In the afternoon we will cruise the "Rheingau" from Wiesbaden to Rudesheim where we will board for the ship tour along the world heritage of the "Upper Mittelrhein". Here you will see all the castles on both sides of the river and the famous "Loreley".

In the evening we will reach Braubach where our bus will bring us to the castle "Marksburg". This castle never was conquered and therefore kept its original state.

13th day: Mainz and Cologne

After such a long day we will start a little bit later and will go by train to Cologne. At noon we will arrive there and will visit the monuments of the Roman past of the town, the witnesses of the Middle Ages, like the world famous cathedral and the new buildings, like that of the perfume producer "4711". In the afternoon we will return by train to our hotel in Mainz.

14th day: Mainz - Frankfurt Airport

The morning we will visit Mainz but we will also have enough time at your disposal. We will meet again at noon for Check-Out. Afterwards we will drive to Wiesbaden, the preferred Spa of the emperor Wilhelm II. Afterwards we will drive to the airport of Frankfurt to be in time for Check-In for your flight back home.



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