



# **Discover Germany and its magnificent cultural heritage (UNESCO) - 15 Days (#17651)**

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## **Overview**

The best of Germany's world heritage: unique landscapes, parks, monuments and buildings.

Boat trip on the river Spree.

Discover the museums of the impressive Museum Island in Berlin.

## **Trip Highlights**

Frankfurt-Cologne-Münster-Hamburg-Schwerin-Berlin-Weimar-Bamberg-Munich-Füssen-Black Forest-Heidelberg-Frankfurt

## **Detailed Itinerary**



**Day 01****Day 01: Frankfurt - Romantic Rhine - Cologne**

Travel via Rudesheim along the most beautiful and famous stretch of the Rhine: the Lorelei valley, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Continue to Cologne for a tour to the old town and the impressive cathedral.

**Day 02****Day 02: Cologne - Essen - Münster**

Cologne is the gateway to the Ruhr River basin, also known as the cradle of industrialization in Germany. More than 300 coal mines and large steel factories created an enormous industrial region that is now gradually being converted into a cultural area. Visit the Zeche Zollverein, former coal mine industrial complex (UNESCO).

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 03****Day 03: Münster - Bremen - Hamburg**

After breakfast enjoy a sightseeing tour of Münster, famous for its beautiful historic centre where antique buildings coexist harmoniously with modern development. Continue to Bremen. Set on the banks of the Weser River, Bremen is known around the world as the city of the Bremen Town Musicians from the Brothers Grimm fairy-tale. The statue of the musicians next to the beautiful city hall and the statue of Roland have been declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2004. In the afternoon travel to Hamburg.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 04****Day 04: Hamburg**

Free day at your leisure to explore Hamburg. Although 100 km from the ocean, Hamburg owes its fame to its world renowned port. Hamburg has more bridges than Venice and features many lovely attractions, such as the Michel Church (the city's symbol) and the Jungfernstieg and City Hall.

**Meal:** Breakfast



**Day 05****Day 05: Hamburg - Lübeck - Schwerin**

Travel from Hamburg to Lübeck. This city with its lovely old houses was once one of the most important centres of the Hanseatic League and was declared a UNESCO world heritage site in 1987. Continue to Schwerin, famous for its castle that stands on an island in the centre of town.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 06****Day 06: Schwerin - Berlin**

Visit the Schwerin Castle and then continue to Berlin, the capital of Germany. A divided city during the Cold War, Berlin is now one of the most important cultural centres in Europe and boasts exquisite museums, such as the Bode-Museum, and fascinating architecture, such as Potsdam Square.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 07****Day 07: Berlin**

In the morning visit some of the many attractions of Berlin, including the Brandenburg Gate, the Island of Museums (a UNESCO Site) and the German Parliament building. In the afternoon enjoy a pleasant river cruise on the Spree (approx. 1 hour) and some free time.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 08****Day 08: Berlin - Potsdam - Weimar**

Visit Potsdam and the Sanssouci Palace (UNESCO). The former residence of the Prussian kings is a lovely city filled with palaces and gardens. Next travel to Weimar, the hometown of famous personalities such as Goethe, Schiller, Bach and Liszt.

**Meal:** Breakfast



**Day 09****Day 09: Weimar - Bamberg**

Sightseeing tour of Weimar. The cradle of the Bauhaus movement and the 1999 European Cultural Capital, Weimar features an amazing collection of classic architecture. In the afternoon continue to Bamberg, located in northern Bavaria. The town is famous for its beer and features a lovely old city centre (UNESCO).

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 10****Day 10: Bamberg - Nuremberg - Munich**

In the morning briefly pass through Nuremberg, a metropolis that has preserved much of its medieval charm. Our final destination today is Munich, the capital of the state of Bavaria. Munich is known around the world for its Oktoberfest, the largest beer festival in the world, the Bayern München football team and the BMW cars that are manufactured here.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 11****Day 11: Munich**

In the morning visit the city's best known attractions, such as the Marienplatz square with the elegant city hall, the bustling Viktualienmarkt with delicious gourmet products and the Hofbräuhaus brewery. In the afternoon you are free to explore this friendly city at your leisure and relax in a beer garden with a glass of outstanding local beer.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 12****Day 12: Munich - Wieskirche - Füssen**

On the way to Füssen visit Oberammergau, a picturesque town known for its Passion play, impressive crafts and the rococo Wieskirche church, a UNESCO Heritage monument and an important pilgrimage destination in Bavaria.

**Meal:** Breakfast



**Day 13****Day 13: Füssen - Neuschwanstein Castle - Lake Constance - Black Forest**

In the morning visit Neuschwanstein Castle, built by Ludwig II. Today, Neuschwanstein is one of the most famous and most visited attractions in southern Germany. Continue via the beautiful region around Allgäu and Lake Constance to the Black Forest area.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 14****Day 14: Black Forest - Heidelberg**

Enjoy the tour through the Black Forest with magnificent views of the forest and canyons on the way to the Rhine valley. In the afternoon, you get to Heidelberg, situated on the Neckar River.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 15****Day 15: Heidelberg - Frankfurt**

After a visit to the Heidelberg Castle and the historic centre, conclude the tour at Frankfurt airport.

**Meal:** Breakfast

## Inclusions

- . Accommodation and daily breakfast in all hotels.
- . Transportation by car or minivan during the entire tour.
- . English speaking driver-guide during the entire tour.
- . Visits and excursions as mentioned.
- . Admission to the castles in Schwerin, Sanssouci, Neuschwanstein and Heidelberg.
- . Tickets included: 1-day-ticket Museumsinsel Berlin, Zeche Zollverein
- . Boat tour on the Spree river (1h).



## **Exclusions**

International airfares

Optional activities

Other meals, drinks, tips and other personal expenses or services not specified on the program

Personal equipment

Travel insurance

Gratuities

Voluntary tips for guides or drivers

Travel and medical insurance

Any items not mentioned as included

## **Note**

Hotel stay at 4 Star or similar.

Departure dates: Daily.

Prices subject to availability.

Min. 2 persons

Single travelers on request!

Self Drive (without guide) Option available on request. (Terms and conditions will vary).

## **Program Touring / Guide**

Private touring

## **Periodic Departure**



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