

Sample Itinerary

Hanover (Hannover) – Trade Fair Venue and Garden City (5 days)

Hanover – Wolfsburg – Celle – Hamelin (Hamelin) – Hildesheim – Hanover



DAY 1 **USA – Hanover (Hannover)**

Departure from the USA (overnight flight)

DAY 2 **Hanover**

Arrival in Hanover

Hotel check-in

Guided city tour

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DAY 2
Cont'd **Hanover**

Places of Interest:

- Fairground site (Expo 2000 site)
- Royal Gardens of Herrenhausen
- New City Hall by the Maschsee lake
- Old City Hall
- Old Town
- Zoo
- Old Town with Market Church and old Town Hall
- Opera

Hanover – Hanover offers its visitors diverse and attractive worlds of experience. The Herrenhausen Gardens, the Eilenriede city forest, Maschsee lake and the river Leine reveal the city's green side, offering the ideal venues for joy and relaxation. The remarkable Great Garden (*Grosser Garten*) has remained unchanged for more than 300 years. The grotto designed by Niki de Saint Phalle is a major attraction here. The lively city center with its impressive shopping boulevard and the charming Old Town with its narrow streets and secluded corners on the banks of the river Leine invite you to shop and enjoy yourself. The "Red Thread", a line painted onto the road, provides the ideal way to explore the places of interest in the centre of Hannover. The world's foremost trade fair venue has a very cosmopolitan feel at its atmospheric festivals, celebrations and concerts, as well as a lively cultural scene.



New City Hall at the Masch pond



Gallery Building in the Great Gardens of Herrenhausen

Dinner

Overnight in Hanover

DAY 3 **Hanover – Wolfsburg**

Breakfast at the hotel

Transfer to Wolfsburg – 55 miles (by car, coach, or direct connection with ICE high speed train)

DAY 3
Cont'd **Wolfsburg**

Short guided city tour

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Places of Interest:

- Autostadt
- Phaeno Science Center
- Allerpark
- Planetarium
- Wolfsburg Castle
- Fallersleben Castle
- Fortress Neuhaus
- Designer Outlets Wolfsburg in the city center

Wolfsburg – Located between Berlin, Hamburg and Hanover, Wolfsburg, is between the Lüneburger Heide region in the north and the Harz mountains in the south. Volkswagen's 'Autostadt' automobile theme park (see also front page) has enchanted millions of visitors with its exceptional concept. Imbedded in the unique architectural landscape designed by Zaha Hadid, the Science Center 'phaeno' presents 250 interactive exhibits dealing with nature and technology. Recently, more than 50 prestigious trend shops have opened their doors in Wolfsburg's new outlet center. Wolfsburg Castle, the Fallersleben Castle and other sights provide plenty of opportunities to spend a few days in this city.



Volkswagen Autostadt



Wolfsburg Castle

DAY 3
Cont'd **Wolfsburg – Celle – Hanover**

Visit to Autostadt theme park incl. tour of Volkswagen production plant, CarTowers and GroupForum with exhibitions – optional: Test drive a VW Tiguan or Touareg on the Autostadt's challenging all-terrain tracks

Autostadt

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Opening hours: 9:00am-6pm daily. Closed on Dec 24 and 31.
(Note: Please confirm opening hours prior to booking)

Lunch at one of the Autostadt restaurants

Transfer back to Hanover – 55 miles (by car, coach, or direct connection with ICE high speed train)

Visit to fairground site Messegelände Hannover, location of the Expo 2000 world exhibition

Deutsche Messe

Messegelände
30521 Hanover
Tel: +49 (511) 890
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www.messe.de

Transfer to Celle – 26 miles (by car or coach)

Dinner at gourmet restaurant Endtenfang (1 Michelin star) at Hotel Fürstenhof Celle

Restaurant Endtenfang im Fürstenhof Celle

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Transfer back to Hanover – 26 miles (by car or coach)

Overnight in Hanover

DAY 4 Hanover – Hamelin (Hameln)

Breakfast at the hotel

Transfer to Hameln – 30 miles (by car, coach, or train)

Guided city tour

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Hamelin – Beautifully restored half-timbered houses from the 16th to 18th centuries and charming alleys are the characteristics of this Lower Saxon town by the river Weser. Visitors are invited to follow the path of the legendary Pied Piper, who was hired to lure the rats out of the town with his pipe. He succeeded, but the townspeople refused to pay him as promised. The angry Pied Piper then used his pipe to lure all the town's children to follow him out of Hamelin. They were last seen in the Bungelosenstrasse, from then on the 'alley where no one shall ever dance or play music'. They were never heard of again.



Pedestrian zone in the Old Town



Reenactment of the Pied Piper story

Places of Interest:

- Wedding House with Pied Piper figurines
- Garrison Church
- Pied Piper House
- Leist House
- Stiftsherren House
- Dempster House
- Market Church St. Nikolai
- Haspelmath and Powder Tower

DAY 4
Cont'd

Hamelin (Hamel) – Hildesheim

Places of Interest (cont'd):

- Pfort Mill
- Bürger House
- Minster St. Bonifatius
- Bungelosenstrasse Alley

Lunch

Transfer to Hildesheim – 30 miles (by car, coach, or train)

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Hildesheim – Two of Hildesheim's five Romanesque churches, St. Mary's Cathedral and St. Michael's Church, were added to the UNESCO World Heritage list in 1985. St Michael's Church was built between 1010 and 1020 on a symmetrical plan with two apses that was characteristic of Ottonian Romanesque art in Old Saxony. Its interior, in particular the wooden ceiling and painted stucco-work, its famous bronze doors and the Bernward bronze column, are – together with the treasures of St Mary's Cathedral – of exceptional interest as examples of the Romanesque churches of the Holy Roman Empire (please note: the Cathedral will be under construction until 2014). Other gems include the historical market square, one of the most beautiful in the world. At its heart is the famous Butchers' Guild Hall and the Old Town Hall.



St Michaelis Church



Old Town Hall

DAY 4
Cont'd **Hildesheim – Hanover**

Places of interest:

- St. Mary's Cathedral and St. Michaelis' Church (UNESCO site)
- Market Square with Old Town Hall and Roland Fountain
- Butcher's Guild Hall with city museum
- St. Andreas Church
- Roman and Pelizaeus museum

Transfer back to Hanover – 22 miles (by car, coach, or train)

Dinner at restaurant Schlossküche Herrenhausen at Castle Herrenhausen

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Overnight in Hanover

DAY 5 **Hanover – USA**

Breakfast at the hotel and check-out

Transfer to Hanover Airport

Departure to the USA