

Sample Itinerary

Honeymoon in Germany's Castles (8 days)

Frankfurt – Wiesbaden – Frankfurt – Eltville – St. Goar – Heidelberg – Hirschhorn –
Hassmersheim – Bad Rappenau – Bad Wimpfen – Neckarzimmern – Triberg –
Hornberg – Schwäbisch Hall – Friedrichsruhe – Ludwigsburg – Stuttgart



DAY 1 **USA – Frankfurt**

Departure from the USA (overnight flight)

DAY 2 **Frankfurt**

Arrival in Frankfurt

Hotel check-in at Rocco Forte Villa Kennedy

Rocco Forte Villa Kennedy

Kennedyallee 70

60596 Frankfurt am Main

Tel: +49 (69) 717 120

Fax: +49 (69) 717 122 430

E-Mail: reservations.villakennedy@roccofortecollection.com

www.villakennedy.com

DAY 2
Cont'd **Frankfurt – Wiesbaden – Frankfurt**

Lunch at the Hotel

Guided city tour

Frankfurt Tourist Office
Kaiserstrasse 56
60329 Frankfurt am Main
Tel: +49 (69) 2123 8953
Fax: +49 (69) 2123 8243
E-Mail: citytours@infofrankfurt.de
www.frankfurt-tourismus.de

Places of interest:

- Römerberg square
- Cathedral
- St. Paul's Church
- Banking district
- Alte Oper concert hall
- Museum Embankment
- Goethe's house

Frankfurt – As the seat of the European Central Bank and venue of more than 30 trade fairs per year, the modern city by the river Main commands center stage of the world's finance and economic markets. Frankfurt has always played an important role in European history. A number of historical buildings have remained to document this fact: the cathedral, where German kings were once crowned, St. Paul's Church, seat of the first German National Assembly, or Goethe House, birthplace of one of Germany's favorite sons. Today, Frankfurt is also recognized as a dynamic cultural center with many fine museums, theaters and galleries. To discover Frankfurt's romantic side, take a walk on the Main embankments watching the sunset over the city, or visit the Alte Oper concert hall.



Frankfurt Skyline and the Main river



Alte Oper concert hall

DAY 2
Cont'd **Wiesbaden – Frankfurt**

Transfer to Wiesbaden – 25 miles (by car, coach, or train)

Dinner at Castle Sonnenberg

Gollner's Burg Sonnenberg

Am Schlossberg 20
65191 Wiesbaden
Tel: +49 (611) 541 409
Fax: +49 (611) 543 900
E-mail: info@gollners.de
www.gollners.de

Transfer back to Frankfurt – 25 miles (by car, coach, or train)

Overnight in Frankfurt

DAY 3 **Frankfurt – Eltville**

Breakfast at the hotel and check-out

Transfer to Eltville – 31 miles (by car, coach, or train)

Guided city tour

Eltville Tourist Office

Rheingauer Strasse 28
65343 Eltville am Rhein
Tel: +49 (6123) 90980
Fax: +49 (6123) 909 890
E-Mail: touristik@eltville.de
www.eltville.de

Places of interest:

- Eltville Castle with rose garden
- Cloister Eberbach
- Kempinski Castle Hotel Reinhartshausen
- Castle Hotel Kronenschlösschen
- Church St. Peter & Paul
- Old Town Hall
- Medieval alleys with half-timbered houses
- Promenade by the Rhine
- Gensfleisch houses

**DAY 3
Cont'd**

Eltville – St. Goar

Eltville – a town situated right on the 'German Half-Timbered Houses Route', and famous for its wines, sparkling wines and roses. Take a guided tour of the old town centre, the Eltville Castle and the Gensfleisch Houses where Gutenberg once lived. On the fringes of the vine-clad hills of the Rheingau near Eltville is one of the most impressive examples of medieval abbey architecture: Eberbach Abbey, founded in 1136, and setting for the movie "The Name of the Rose" with Sean Connery.



Eltville Castle by the Rhine

Visit to Cloister Eberbach

Kloster Eberbach

65346 Eltville am Rhein

Tel: +49 (6723) 993 200

Fax: +49 (6723) 993 100

E-Mail: info@klostereberbach.de

www.kloster-eberbach.de

Lunch at Kempinski Castle Hotel Reinhartshausen

Kempinski Schloss Reinhartshausen

Hauptstrasse 41

65346 Eltville-Erbach

Tel: +49 (6123) 6760

Fax: +49 (6123) 676 400

E-Mail: reservations.reinhartshausen@kempinski.com

www.schloss-hotel.de

Transfer to St. Goar – 28 miles (by car or coach)

Check-in at Castle Hotel & Villa Rheinfels (*see front page*)

Schlosshotel & Villa Rheinfels

Schlossberg 47

56329 St. Goar

Tel: +49 (6741) 8020

Fax: +49 (6741) 802 802

E-Mail: info@schlosshotel-rheinfels.de

www.schlosshotel-rheinfels.de

DAY 3
Cont'd **St. Goar**

City tour including a tour of the catacombs of Rheinfels Castle

St. Goar Tourist Office
Heerstr. 86
56329 St. Goar
Tel: +49 (6741) 383
Fax: +49 (6741) 7209
E-Mail: touristinfo@st-goar.de
www.st-goar.de

Places of Interest:

- Lorelei Rock
- Rhine Valley (UNESCO World Heritage Site)
- Katz Castle
- Rheinfels Castle

St. Goar – Part of the UNESCO World Heritage "Upper Mid Rhine Valley", St. Goar is a small town by the river with beautiful castles and a 2000 year tradition of viticulture. Experience exceptional shows, such as the medieval Spectacular, open air performances in castles and on stage, or the amazing fireworks "Rhine in Flames".



Katz Castle

Dinner at the hotel

Overnight in St. Goar

DAY 4 **St. Goar – Heidelberg**

Breakfast at the hotel and check-out

Transfer to Heidelberg – 91 miles (by car or coach)

Visit to Heidelberg Castle incl. wedding chapel

Schloss Heidelberg
69117 Heidelberg
Tel: +49 (6221) 538 431
Fax: +49 (6221) 655 716
E-Mail: info@service-centerschloss-heidelberg.com
www.schloss-heidelberg.de

DAY 4
Cont'd **Heidelberg**

Lunch at Schönmehl Castle Restaurant

Schlossweinstube Schönmehl

Schlosshof
69117 Heidelberg
Tel: +49 (6221) 97970
Fax: +49 (6221) 167 969
E-Mail: schoenmehl@t-online.de
www.schoenmehl.de

Walk to the Old Town and sightseeing tour

Heidelberg Tourist Office

Willy-Brandt-Platz 1
69115 Heidelberg
Tel: +49 (6221) 19433
Fax: +49 (6221) 142 254
E-Mail: touristinfo@heidelberg.de
www.heidelberg-marketing.de

Places of Interest:

- Heidelberg Castle
- Church of the Holy Spirit
- Baroque Old Quarter
- Old Bridge
- University of Heidelberg
- Great Vat
- Pharmacy Museum

Heidelberg – Every year, millions of visitors from all over the world are inspired by Heidelberg, this youthful German town that is steeped in history. Science and learning have also played their own distinctive part in the history of Germany's oldest university town. Heidelberg is widely regarded as one of the best business locations in Germany, while the world-famous Heidelberg Castle still towers above the old quarter. Romantic and idyllic, cosmopolitan and dynamic – Heidelberg effortlessly combines the apparent opposites of myth and modernity.



Old Neckar Bridge and Heidelberg Castle

DAY 4
Cont'd **Heidelberg – Hirschhorn**

Coffee break at Café Knösel

Café Knösel
Haspelgasse 20
69117 Heidelberg
Tel: +49 (6221) 727 2745
Fax: +49 (6221) 727 2743
E-Mail: info@cafek-hd.de
www.cafek-hd.de

Transfer to Hirschhorn – 15 miles (by car or coach)

Hotel check-in at Castle Hotel Hirschhorn

Schlosshotel Hirschhorn
Auf der Burg
69434 Hirschhorn
Tel: +49 (6272) 92090
Fax: +49 (6272) 3267
E-Mail: info@castle-hotel.de
www.castle-hotel.de

Stroll through the town of Hirschhorn

Hirschhorn Tourist Office
Alleeweg 2
69434 Hirschhorn am Neckar
Tel: +49 (6272) 1742
Fax: +49 (6272) 912 351
E-Mail: tourist-info@hirschhorn.de
www.hirschhorn.de

Places of Interest:

- Castle Hirschhorn
- Half-timbered houses, e.g. Hirschgasse 16 (build in 1610)
- Old Town Hall
- Market Church
- Karmeliter Cloister and Church

**DAY 4
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Hirschhorn

Hirschhorn – This beautiful little town situated at a horseshoe bend of the Neckar river was settled by the Romans. Later around 1250, the Lord of Hirschhorn built his Hirschhorn castle and gave the town its current name. Nowadays visitors can stay over night in the castle hotel and enjoy the medieval atmosphere as well as the magnificent view over the Neckar river.



Hirschhorn and the Castle

Dinner at the hotel

Overnight in Hirschhorn

DAY 5

Hirschhorn – Hassmersheim – Bad Rappenau

Breakfast at the hotel and check-out

Transfer to Hassmersheim – 19 miles (by car or coach)

Visit to Guttenberg Castle and the castle museum

Burg Guttenberg

Burgschenke

74855 Hassmersheim-Neckarmühlbach

Tel: +49 (6266) 228

Fax: +49 (6266) 91023

E-Mail: info@burg-guttenberg.de

www.burg-guttenberg.de

Transfer to Bad Rappenau – 7 miles (by car or coach)

Visit to Heinsheim Castle incl. lunch

Hotel Schloss Heinsheim

Gundelsheimer Strasse 36

74906 Bad Rappenau

Tel: +49 (7264) 95030

Fax: +49 (7264) 4208

E-Mail: info@schloss-heinsheim.de

www.schloss-heinsheim.de

Transfer to Bad Wimpfen – 3 miles (by car or coach)

DAY 5
Cont'd **Bad Wimpfen – Neckarzimmern**

Guided city tour

Bad Wimpfen Tourist Office

Carl-Ulrich-Strasse 1
74206 Bad Wimpfen
Tel: +49 (7063) 97200
Fax: +49 (7063) 972 020
E-Mail: info@bad-wimpfen.org
www.badwimpfen.de

Places of Interest:

- Blue Tower
- Town Church
- Half-timbered houses, e.g. in Schwibbogengasse or at the Old Hospital
- Palatine Chapel
- Staufer Arcades
- Church of the Holy Cross
- Ritterstift Church

Bad Wimpfen – Wimpfen's exciting history tells of Celts, Romans and Staufians. The historical monument which characterizes the look of Bad Wimpfen to this day was the largest Imperial Palace of its kind north of the Alps. Built in Staufian times, it comprises two imposing towers, the "Steinhaus" (Stone House), the Hohenstaufen Gate, the palace chapel and the arches. In the summer season visitors can enjoy a relaxing boat trip on the River Neckar or a cycling tour along the charming Neckar, Jagst and Kocher rivers.



Half-timbered house with Blue Tower in the background

Free time at leisure

Transfer to Neckarzimmern – 8 miles (by car or coach)

Hotel check-in at Fortress Hornberg

Hotel – Restaurant Burg Hornberg

74865 Neckarzimmern am Neckar
Tel: +49 (6261) 92460
Fax: +49 (6261) 924 644
E-Mail: info@burg-hotel-hornberg.de
www.castle-hotel-hornberg.com



**DAY 5
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Neckarzimmern

Dinner at the hotel

Overnight in Neckarzimmern

DAY 6

Neckarzimmern – Triberg

Breakfast at the hotel and check-out

Transfer to Triberg in the Black Forest

Guided city tour

Triberg Tourist Office (in the Black Forest Museum)

Wallfahrtstrasse 4

78098 Triberg im Schwarzwald

Tel: +49 (7722) 866 490

Fax: +49 (7722) 866 499

E-Mail: tourist-info@triberg.net

www.triberg.de

Places of Interest:

- Town Hall with famous wooden room
- Germany's highest water falls
- Black Forest Museum

Black Forest – Deeply rooted in its traditional culture and possibly best known as the home of the cuckoo clock, the Black Forest is an area of mountains and forest 125 miles long and up to 40 miles wide, which borders France in the west and Switzerland in the south. Many luxurious spa resorts use the hot or mineral springs in the valleys for a variety of therapeutic treatments.



Waterfalls in the Black Forest

Optional visit to Hubert Herr's cuckoo clock factory

Hubert Herr

Hauptstrasse 8

78098 Triberg / Schwarzwald

Tel: +49 (7722) 4268

Fax: +49 (7722) 5927

E-Mail: info@hubertherr.de

www.hubertherr.de

DAY 6
Cont'd **Triberg – Hornberg – Schwäbisch Hall**

Transfer to Hornberg – 7 miles (by car or coach)

Lunch at Castle Hornberg

Schloss Hornberg

Auf dem Schlossberg 1
78132 Hornberg
Tel: +49 (78733) 96550
Fax: +49 (78733) 965 5605
E-Mail: info@schloss-hornberg.de
www.schloss-hornberg.de

Transfer to Schwäbisch Hall – 134 miles (by car or coach)

Guided city tour

Schwäbisch Hall Tourist Office

Am Markt 9
74523 Schwäbisch Hall
Tel: +49 (791) 751 246
Fax: +49 (791) 751 397
E-Mail: ebtouristik.service@schwaebischhall.de
www.schwaebischhall.de

Places of Interest:

- Grosscomburg Abbey
- St. Michael Church
- St. Katharina Church
- Urban Church
- Hohenloher outdoor museum
- Old City Hall
- Half-timbered houses by the Kocher river
- Art Museum Würth

Schwäbisch Hall – Formerly, the wealth and the importance of the city was founded on salt, the white gold during medieval times. Today, a friendly city with medieval flair welcomes its visitors with the unmistakable skyline - an exquisite ensemble of half-timbered house right by the Kocher river. Visitors can best experience the unique atmosphere of the former imperial city by visiting the market square. Architectural styles spanning time, from roman-gothic St. Michael Church to the baroque City Hall, can be admired from this location.



Grosscomburg Abbey

DAY 6 **Schwäbisch Hall – Friedrichsruhe**
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Transfer to Friedrichsruhe – 16 miles (by car or coach)

Hotel check-in at Forest & Castle Hotel Friedrichsruhe

Wald & Schlosshotel Friedrichsruhe

74639 Friedrichsruhe/Zweiflingen

Tel: +49 (7941 60870

Fax: +49 (7941 61468

E-Mail: hotel@friedrichsruhe.de

www.friedrichsruhe.de

Dinner at the hotel

Overnight in Friedrichsruhe

DAY 7 **Friedrichsruhe – Stuttgart**

Breakfast at the hotel and check-out

Transfer to Stuttgart – 47 miles (by car or coach)

Hotel check-in at Hotel Steigenberger Graf Zeppelin

Steigenberger Graf Zeppelin

Arnulf-Klett-Platz 7

70173 Stuttgart

Tel: +49 (711) 20480

Fax: +49 (711) 20480

E-Mail: stuttgart@steigenberger.de

www.stuttgart.steigenberger.de

Guided city tour

Stuttgart Tourist Office

Lautenschlagerstrasse 3

70173 Stuttgart

Tel: +49 (711) 222 8237

Fax: +49 (711) 222 8218

E-Mail: info@stuttgart-tourist.de

www.stuttgart-tourist.de

**DAY 7
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Stuttgart

Places of Interest:

- State Gallery
- Opera
- Parliament Building
- Historic Center
- Medieval Old Palace
- New Palace and Schlossplatz Square
- Mercedes-Benz Museum
- Porsche Museum
- TV Tower

Stuttgart – Charmingly situated in the heart of one of Germany's largest wine-growing regions, this vibrant metropolis fascinates visitors from all over the world. The state capital of Baden-Wuerttemberg delights tourists not only by virtue of its magnificent panorama, its impressive gardens and parks, its fine squares, splendid palaces and buildings in a wide range of architectural styles, but also by its cultural diversity. Visit the medieval Old Palace - with its cloistered courtyard, the palace reflects the splendor of the former ducal town. Just around the corner, the magnificent baroque building of the New Palace and the Schlossplatz square are in the heart of the city and popular meeting places.



New Palace Square



Old Palace at night

Lunch at the Old Registry restaurant

Alte Kanzlei
Schillerplatz 5a
70173 Stuttgart
Tel: +49 (711) 294 457
Fax: +49 (711) 294 459
E-Mail: info@alte-kanzlei-stuttgart.de
www.alte-kanzlei-stuttgart.de

DAY 7
Cont'd **Stuttgart – Ludwigsburg – Stuttgart**

Visit to the church at the Old Palace including a short organ concert

Altes Schloss
Schillerplatz 6
70173 Stuttgart
Tel: +49 (711) 8953 5111
Fax: +49 (711) 8953 5444
E-Mail: info@landesmuseum-stuttgart.de
www.landeseuseum-stuttgart.de

Transfer to Ludwigsburg – 10 miles (by car or coach)

Guided tour of Castle Ludwigsburg

Schloss Ludwigsburg
Schlossstrasse 30
71634 Ludwigsburg
Tel: +49 (7141) 182 004
Fax: +49 (7141) 186 434
E-Mail: info@schloss-ludwigsburg.de
www.schloss-ludwigsburg.de/en

Transfer to Stuttgart – 13 miles (by car or coach)

Dinner at castle restaurant Solitude

Schloss Solitude Gastronomie
Solitude 2
70197 Stuttgart/Steinheim
Tel: +49 (0711) 469 0770
Fax: +49 (0711) 469 07711
E-Mail: info@schloss-solitude-gastronomie.de
www.joergmink.de/schloss_solitude

Overnight in Stuttgart

DAY 8 **Stuttgart – USA**

Breakfast at the hotel and check-out

Transfer to Stuttgart Airport

Departure to the USA