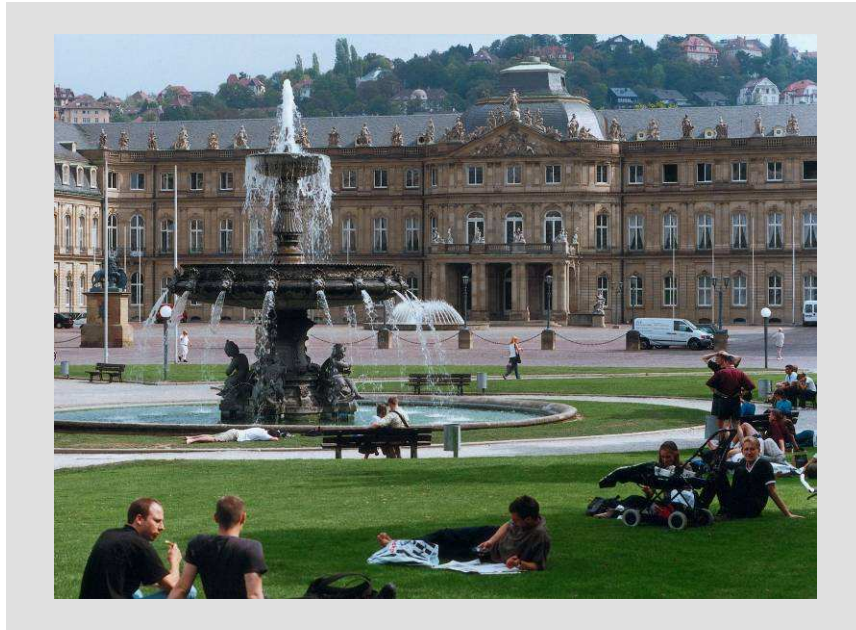


## Sample Itinerary

### Stuttgart – Swabian Hospitality and German Engineering (5 days)

Stuttgart – Ludwigsburg – Maulbronn – Esslingen – Stuttgart



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**DAY 1**     **USA – Stuttgart**

Departure from the USA (overnight flight)

**DAY 2**     **Stuttgart**

Arrival in Stuttgart

Hotel check-in

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](mailto:info@stuttgart-tourist.de)  
[www.stuttgart-tourist.de](http://www.stuttgart-tourist.de)

**DAY 2  
Cont'd**

**Stuttgart**

**Places of Interest:**

- State Gallery
- Opera
- Parliament Building
- Historic Center
- Medieval Old Palace
- New Palace and Schlossplatz Square (see frontpage)
- 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-Württemberg 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. Also a big draw for visitors is the sensational Mercedes-Benz World as well as the Porsche-Museum.



Old Palace



Mercedes Benz Museum

Dinner at the restaurant Stuttgarter Stäffle

**Weinstuben Stuttgarter Stäffle**

Buschlestrasse 2a/b

70178 Stuttgart

Tel.: +49 (711) 664 190

Fax: +49 (711) 6641 9250

Email: [staeffele@wilhelmer-gastronomie.de](mailto:staeffele@wilhelmer-gastronomie.de)

[www.staeffele.de](http://www.staeffele.de)

**Overnight in Stuttgart**

**DAY 3      Stuttgart – Ludwigsburg – Maulbronn**

Breakfast at the hotel

Transfer to Ludwigsburg – 11 miles (by car, coach, or train)

Guided city tour

**Ludwigsburg Tourist Office**

Marktplatz 6

71683 Ludwigsburg

Tel: +49 (7141) 910 2252

Fax: +49 (7141) 970 2774

E-Mail: [tourismus@ludwigsburg.de](mailto:tourismus@ludwigsburg.de)

[www.ludwigsburg.de](http://www.ludwigsburg.de)

**Places of Interest:**

- Residence Palace
- Local Porcelain Manufacturer
- Monrepos Castle

**Ludwigsburg** – The home to one of the loveliest and best preserved baroque palaces in Germany. Ludwigsburg is said to be the cradle of Swabian poetry and in the past, the Kings of Württemberg have resided here.



Palace Ludwigsburg

Lunch at Monrepos Castle and Hotel

**Schloss Monrepos**

Monrepos 22

71634 Ludwigsburg

Tel: +49 (7141) 3200

Fax: +49 (7141) 302 200

E-Mail: [info@schlosshotel-monrepos.de](mailto:info@schlosshotel-monrepos.de)

[www.schlosshotel-monrepos.de](http://www.schlosshotel-monrepos.de)

Transfer back to Maulbronn – 23 miles (by car or coach)

**DAY 3**  
**Cont'd**      **Maulbronn – Stuttgart**

Visit to Maulbronn Monastery Complex (UNESCO site)

**Kloster Maulbronn**

Klosterhof 5  
75433 Maulbronn  
Tel: +49 (7043) 926 610  
Fax: +49 (7043) 926 611  
E-Mail: [info@kloster-maulbronn.de](mailto:info@kloster-maulbronn.de)  
[www.kloster-maulbronn.de](http://www.kloster-maulbronn.de)

**Maulbronn** – Situated on the fringes of the town, the Maulbronn Monastery was founded in 1147 by Cistercian monks. It is the most extensively preserved medieval monastic complex north of the Alps, and is shaped by an array of architectural styles from Romanesque to late-Gothic. The monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage site, offers a detailed insight into the life and work of the order from the 12th to the 16th century. Maulbronn's monks were renowned throughout the region for their agriculture. Fish were farmed in the grounds, a complex irrigation system was built, and almost all trades were practiced within the monastery walls. Cistercian monks lived, prayed and toiled in Maulbronn for 390 years.



Inside the Monastery

Transfer back to Stuttgart – 28 miles (by car or coach)

Dinner at gourmet restaurant 'Zirbelstube' (1 Michelin star)

**Zirbelstube im Hotel am Schlossgarten**

Schillerstrasse 23  
70173 Stuttgart  
Tel: +49 (711) 20260  
Fax: +49 (711) 202 6888  
E-Mail: [anfrage@hotelschlossgarten.com](mailto:anfrage@hotelschlossgarten.com)  
[www.hotelschlossgarten.com](http://www.hotelschlossgarten.com)

Overnight in Stuttgart

**DAY 4**      **Stuttgart**

Breakfast at the hotel

**DAY 4**  
**Cont'd**      **Stuttgart – Esslingen – Stuttgart**

Transfer to Esslingen – 9 miles (by car, coach, or train)  
Guided city tour

**Esslingen Tourist Office**  
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73728 Esslingen am Neckar  
Tel.: +49 (711) 3969 3969  
Fax: +49 (711) 3969 3939  
Email: [info@esslingen-tourist.de](mailto:info@esslingen-tourist.de)  
[www.esslingen.de](http://www.esslingen.de)

**Places of Interest:**

- Church of St. Dionys with twin towers
- Old Town Hall
- St. Paul's Minster
- Church of Our Lady
- Esslingen Fortress
- Neckarhalde Vineyards
- Kilmeyer House
- Market Square
- Pflegehöfe centres of trade and administration
- Little Venice

**Esslingen** – The former Free Imperial City of Esslingen am Neckar nestles in the Neckar Valley and is surrounded by vineyards. The city looks back on a history of over 1,200 years. A stroll through the winding cobblestone alleyways and inviting pedestrian zones of the historical Old Town can be recommended not only as a shopping experience but also as a walk into the past. The medieval Old Town is the only one in the Stuttgart Region to be so well preserved. The oldest row of half-timbered houses in Germany can be admired as well as patricians' and wine-growers' houses, churches, monastic administrative centers (Pflegehöfe), gate towers and towers.



Old Town Hall

Lunch

Transfer back to Stuttgart – 9 miles (by car, coach, or train)

**DAY 4**  
**Cont'd**      **Stuttgart**

Visit to Porsche Museum

**Porsche Museum**

Porscheplatz 1  
70435 Stuttgart-Zuffenhausen  
Tel.: +49 (711) 9112 0911  
Fax: +49 (711) 9112 0356  
Email: [info.museum@porsche.de](mailto:info.museum@porsche.de)  
[www.porsche.com/germany/aboutporsche/porschemuseum](http://www.porsche.com/germany/aboutporsche/porschemuseum)

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 9:00am-6pm. Closed on Dec 24, 25, 26, 31, and Jan 1 (Please confirm prior to booking)

Visit to Mercedes-Benz Museum

**Mercedes-Benz Museum**

Mercedesstrasse 100  
70372 Stuttgart  
Tel.: +49 (711) 173 0000  
Fax: +49 (711) 173 0400  
Email: [classic@daimler.com](mailto:classic@daimler.com)  
[www.mercedes-benz.com/museum](http://www.mercedes-benz.com/museum)

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 9:00am-6pm. Closed on Dec 24, 25, 31, and Jan 1. (Please confirm prior to booking)

Alternative: Shopping on Königstrasse and Calwer Strasse, in the Bohnenviertel district, and in Breuninger Mall and Market Hall

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](mailto:info@schloss-solitude-gastronomie.de)  
[www.joergmink.de/schloss\\_solitude](http://www.joergmink.de/schloss_solitude)

Overnight in Stuttgart

**DAY 5**      **Stuttgart – USA**

Breakfast at the hotel and check-out

Transfer to Stuttgart Airport

Departure to the USA