

DAY-TOURS on Saturday, July 23rd

Dear participant,

In this brochure you will find important information regarding the day-tours taking place on Saturday, July 23rd. Please take time to read it carefully.

We offer 7 different tours for you:

- **5 full-day tours** (lasting about 9-10 hours),
- **2 half-day tours** (lasting ca 5-6 hours).

Full-day tours begin between 9:00-9:30 (except Tour 1), end 18:30-19:00 latest and include some free time in the program. Half-day tours begin after midday (see respective tour descriptions).

In case of Round 0, an additional half-day tour will be provided for those who booked a tour.

The **price for all tours is €45**, which includes all tickets, transport and a **warm meal** (except for Tour 7 that begins after lunch).

You will be asked to leave **a priority of three tour options** per delegate at the registration page. This is due to the restrictions on group size at some of the more popular tour destinations. Consequently, you may be assigned to another tour if the tour of your first choice is already full by the time you register. If you enter only one option, your choice will be considered last.

However, we will do our absolute best to try to accommodate everyone with their first choice.

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The tours at offer are the following:

FULL-DAY TOURS

1. Neuschwanstein Castle
2. Lake Constance
3. Hiking and Tübingen City
4. Ulm City and surroundings
5. Heidelberg Castle and City

HALF-DAY TOURS

6. Hohenzollern Castle
7. Wine tasting (adults only)

The **deadline for tour registration is May 20th**.

Please also note that all tours require some walking on cobble stone streets. Nevertheless, main attractions are accessible for reduced mobility.

If you have any questions regarding the tours, please write to:

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We are very much looking forward to receiving you here and exploring the jewels of Southern-Germany together!



DAY-TOUR 1:

NEUSCHWANSTEIN CASTLE & Bavarian cheese diary/ brewery

Surrounded by the Alps, the forrests and lakes of clear blue water, the fairy-tale castle of the Bavarian King Ludwig II has become one of the most popular tourist attractions in Germany and in fact, all of Europe.

You will have a tour inside the lavishly decorated castle and a light walk unfolding the beautiful scenery around the castle. Additionally, you will visit an authentic local cheese diary/ brewery and explore how the cheese and beer, that make the region famous, are made.

What to consider on this tour?

- Travel time in the morning is up to 3 h
- Tour requires walking uphill (30 min)
- Departure time: ca 8:00/ 8:30
- Duration: ca 10 h



DAY-TOUR 2:

LAKE CONSTANCE, Constance City and medieval Meersburg

Shared by Germany, Austria and Switzerland, Lake Constance is the third largest freshwater storage in Central Europe. Hundreds of sailing boats, a touring Zeppelin and the mountaintops in the distance make this an astonishing setting.

You can enjoy a walking tour in the Old Town of Constance, rich in heritage and holding many surprises from extremely different ages. You will then board a passenger ferry crossing the lake, and finally, see the charming medieval town of Meersburg.

What to consider on this tour?

- Includes a boat ride, seasickness possible
- Tour requires walking uphill (10 min)
- Departure time: ca 9:00
- Duration: ca 9 h



DAY-TOUR 3:

HIKING in Swabian Alps & TÜBINGEN CITY

Named after the region, the Swabian Alps date back to the Jurassic period and offer great opportunities to retreat and recharge.

The tour begins with a beautiful 3-hour hike to the Bad Urach waterfall and up to the old castle ruins with a stunning 360° view. In the afternoon, you can explore the extremely well-preserved Old Town of Tübingen with plentiful traditional timber-frame houses. As fitting to a university town, you can then have fun at a 1 h punt ride down the Neckar river.

What to consider on this tour?

- The hike is classified as 'easy' (in Germany), but requires some climbing uphill
- You need comfortable sports/ hiking shoes or sneakers.
- In case of bad weather an alternative tour will take place (caves and a castle)
- Duration: ca 9 h



DAY-TOUR 4:

ULM Minster, Old Town and surroundings

The tallest church in the World stands in Germany: the Ulm Minster. It takes 768 steps to get up the 161,5 meters high steeple.

Although climbing these steps is optional, this tour takes you to the beautiful Minster and The Fisherman's Quarter of Ulm Old Town. You will also discover the Wiblingen Abbey with its exceptional rococo style library. The tour then explores the little 'model town' Blaubeeren and Blautopf lake.

What to consider on this tour?

- Extensive climbing up the stairs if visiting the steeple of the Minster
- Duration: ca 9 h



DAY-TOUR 5:

HEIDELBERG CASTLE and CITY

Partly in ruins and set on the hillside between lush green forests, Heidelberg Castle has long been considered to be very romantic, which is one of the reasons it attracts more than a million visitors each year.

Upon arrival in Heidelberg, a guided tour will take you both in- and outside of the castle. The Castle Gardens reveal some spectacular views over the diverse Old Town, which you will then explore in a city walk.

What to consider on this tour?

- Requires steep downhill walking (10 min)
- Duration: ca 9 h



HALF-DAY-TOUR 6:

HOHENZOLLERN CASTLE & Tübingen City

Once the residence of the dynasty of Prussian rulers, Hohenzollern Castle continues to impress visitors with its striking location on a lone hilltop and the remarkable assembly of towers.

This half-day tour starts with a lunch and stroll in Tübingen Old Town. You will then have the chance to visit the picturesque Hohenzollern castle on a guided tour.

What to consider on this tour?

- Requires walking down a steep hill (20 min)
- Departure time: ca. 12:30
- Duration: ca 6 h



HALF-DAY-TOUR 7:

WINE TASTING in the Baden-Württemberg vineyards

Dating back to 2nd century A.D., wine culture is an inseparable part of South-West Germany's identity. Stuttgart Region is best known for its red Trollinger and white Riesling.

The Wine Tasting Tour will take you to several vineyards in the area. You can learn more about the process of wine-making through the introduction and explanations from experienced vintners, and discover the different sorts and tastes the region has to offer. The tour peeks also out from the wine cellars to enjoy the beautiful winery landscapes.

What to consider on this tour?

- This tour is ONLY POSSIBLE FOR ADULT NON-DEBATERS.
- Participants should have lunch before starting the tour. Light snacks are offered.
- Departure time: ca 13:30
- Duration: ca 5 h

