

American Celebration of Music in Germany & France

Standard Tour #5 (8 nights / 10 days)

Day 1

Departure via scheduled airline service to Munich, Germany

Day 2

Munich / Dachau (D)

Arrive in Munich
Meet your MCI Tour Manager, who will assist the group to awaiting chartered motorcoach for sightseeing
Visit Dachau, the former Nazi concentration camp (see an English film in Dachau)
Late afternoon hotel check-in
Evening Welcome Dinner and overnight

Munich, the Bavarian capital, is ideally located in southern Germany near the Alps. It is a first-class cultural center and the most flourishing economic zone in the southern part of the country. Munich's cultural wealth, its special atmosphere - a blend of gaiety, tolerance and respect for tradition - and the beauty of the surrounding countryside have combined to make it one of the most appreciated of German cities

Day 3

Munich (B,D)

A guided tour of Munich includes the Marienplatz (with its famous Glockenspiel), Frauenkirche, Hofbräuhaus (best-known of all German beer halls), and the English Gardens
Performance as part of the American Celebration of Music in Germany

Day 4

Munich / Neuschwanstein (B,D)

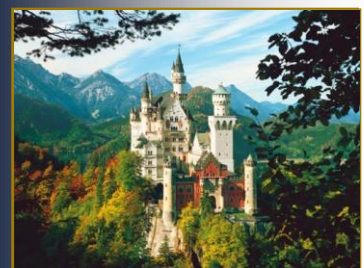
A full-day tour through the Bavarian Alps includes Neuschwanstein Castle (made famous by the Walt Disney model in Anaheim), built by the infamous Ludwig II (including entrance and uphill transport). Also visit the charming Wieskirche (Church in the Meadow) and Oberammergau, the site of the world famous Passion Play which is performed every 10 years
Return to Munich for dinner and overnight

Day 5

Munich / Heidelberg (B,D)

Transfer to Heidelberg. A half-day tour of Germany's oldest university town includes the Schloß (castle) offering a splendid view of the city beneath. In the castle, see the Great Barrel, the Courtyard and the Pharmaceutical Museum. Also see the old university itself, the Cathedral of the Holy Ghost, the Old Bridge and the Jesuit Church. This is an enchanting city in which to stroll!

The jewel of the Neckar River is Heidelberg, with town, castle and wooded hills rising above the river. A close runner-up to the castle is Germany's oldest university forever immortalized in The Student Prince. It is as delightful as any operetta with its student inns, student prison and the narrow streets of the old town. There are a variety of boat trips available from Heidelberg on some of the loveliest stretches of the Neckar and Rhine Rivers



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Day 6 **Heidelberg** **(B,D)**

Board a Rhein River Cruise at Rudesheim. On the cruise, see high hills stretching away from the river, topped with romantic and legendary castles, churches, vineyards and charming, old world towns surrounded by fortified walls, towers and gates

Disembark in St. Goar and return to Heidelberg via motorcoach for a ***performance as part of the American Celebration of Music in Germany***
Dinner and overnight



Day 7 **Heidelberg / Paris, France** **(B,D)**

Transfer to Paris
Time permitting; visit stop at Reims to visit the Cathedral

With all its moods, Paris is a city that can exhilarate you, exasperate you and leave you speechless with wonder. Millions of tourists each year come to Paris, motivated by the desire to see the most beautiful city in the world. But Paris is more than a city. It is a place that breathes history and legend, a combination of the modern and the ancient



Day 8 **Paris** **(B,D)**

For Choirs Only: Late morning concert in Notre-Dame Cathedral as part of the American Celebration of Music in France

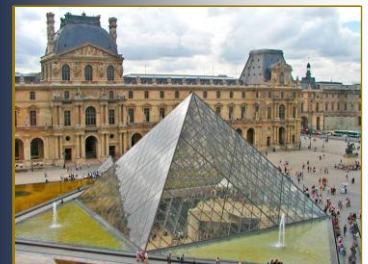
Half-day guided tour of Paris historique, including Notre-Dame Cathedral, Arc de Triomphe, Eiffel Tower, Champs Elysees, Place de la Concorde, Luxembourg Palace and Gardens, Latin Quarter, Place de la Bastille, and other highlights



Day 9 **Paris** **(B,D)**

Enjoy a half-day tour of Paris artistique, including entrance to the Louvre, the largest and greatest art museum in the world

Performance as part of the American Celebration of Music in France
Evening Farewell Dinner and overnight



Day 10 **Depart for home** **(B)**

Transfer to one of Paris's International Airports for return flight
Arrive home in the evening of the same day



This is a very flexible itinerary. Except for confirmed appointments and performances, the places of interest and the sequence of sightseeing might be changed if necessary or desirable. In the event of an unavoidable conflict in the performance and the sightseeing schedule, the concert schedule will prevail, and it may be necessary to exclude some sightseeing activities.

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