

# ROMANTIC GERMANY - 9 DAYS

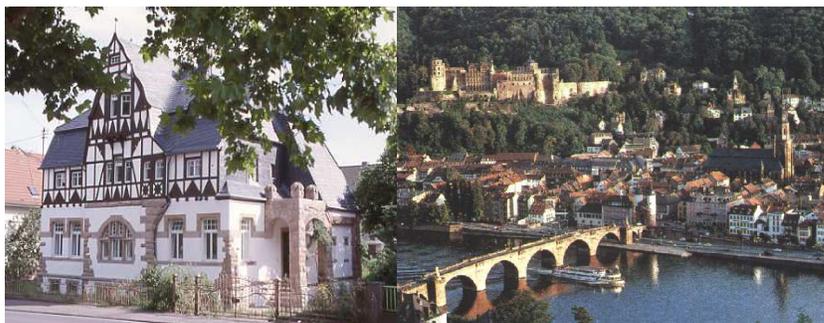
## 1<sup>st</sup> Day – Monday – FRANKFURT

Arrival. Transfer to the hotel and accommodation.



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Day – Tuesday – FRANKFURT – RÜDESHEIM – RHIN – HEIDELBERG

Breakfast and departure from Frankfurt to Rudesheim by the River Rhin, a famous town for its excellent wines. Then, we will have a crossing along the Rhin from Rudesheim to St. Goarhausen, having the chance to enjoy an imposing landscape spotted with castles and vineyards. We will go on travelling by bus towards Heidelberg, a scenic city surrounded by mountains and very well-know by its fortress; we will visit its famous Renaissance castle, and we will stroll around the city. Accommodation in the hotel.



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Day – Wednesday – HEIDELBERG – BLACK FOREST – LAKE CONSTANCE

Breakfast and departure to the *Black Forest* along the *Clocks Route*, a region known by its cuckoo clocks. Tour around the town of Triberg and Lake Titisee. Arrival, in the evening, in Lake Constance where you will enjoy strolling around the picturesque city of Lindau. From here we will travel to Bregenz, Austria, just a few minutes further (depending on traffic). The city of Bregenz is known for the world-famous annual summer music festival., an open-air festival which takes place in July and August: concerts, lyrical and theatre performances. Accommodation in the hotel.



#### 4<sup>th</sup> Day – Thursday – LAKE CONSTANCE – NEUSCHWANSTEIN CASTLE – GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN

Breakfast. We will follow our trip through the charming Allgäu area, having as a backdrop the striking Alps. At Hohenschwangau we will visit the impressive Neuschwanstein Castle, one of King Ludwig II of Bavaria's residences. We will go on stopping briefly at the wonderful pilgrimage church of Wies, jewel of rococo architecture and design, with golden stucco and an amazing ceiling, added to the UNESCO World Heritage List in 1983. In the evening, arrival in the famous ski resort Garmisch-Partenkirchen. Accommodation in the hotel.



#### 5<sup>th</sup> Day – Friday – GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN – LINDERHOF PALACE – OBERAMMERGAU – ETTAL – MUNICH

Breakfast. Departure to Linderhof Palace, no so big as Neuschwanstein Castle but prettiest. Visit in the morning. We will go on our journey towards Oberammergau, famous for its production of a passion play depicting the life and death of Jesus, performed every ten years, during the festival season. The last performance was played in 2,000. Departure to Munich visiting Ettal Abbey, a Benedictine monastery founded in 1,330 by Emperor Ludwig the Bavarian. Arrival in Munich. Accommodation in the hotel.



#### 6<sup>th</sup> Day – Saturday – MUNICH – NUREMBERG

In the morning, panoramic tour around the city where you will be able to admire the main tourist attractions such as Nymphenburg palace, the biggest Baroque palace in Germany, where, in the gallery of beauties, *Lola Montez*, mistress of King Ludwig I of Bavaria, stands out. The *Residenz* palace, The *Frauenkirche* (Cathedral of Our Lady), one of the biggest Late Gothic cathedrals in Europe. The New Town Hall with its tower which contains the *Rathaus-Glockenspiel*, an ornate clock with almost life-sized moving figures, at 11.00 a.m., 12.00 and 5.00 p.m. in summer. In the evening, departure to the historical city of Nuremberg, famous for being the site of the tribunal in the Trials after Second World War. The Medieval Imperial Castle majestically stands out among the old town, surrounded by five kilometres of walls and forty-six battlements, the imposing works of arts inside the Gothic churches, the main market whose fountain has the *ring of good luck*, and the works by Albrecht Dürer in the Gothic house where he lived and died. Accommodation in the hotel.



### 7<sup>th</sup> Day – Sunday – NUREMBERG – ROTHENBURG OB DER TAUBER

After the breakfast tour along the *lakes route (Burgenstrasse)*. Arrival in Rothenburg ob der Tauber, medieval town, very well-kept, surrounded by solid walls and strong bastions. The Town Hall, churches and wonderful patrician buildings, remind us of the town splendour. St. James' parochial church, in Gothic style, impresses with its three altarpieces, carved by the famous sculptor Tilman Riemerschneider. Free time to discover the charms of the town. Accommodation in the hotel.



### 8<sup>th</sup> Day – Monday –ROTHENBURG – WÜRZBURG - FRANKFURT

In the morning, breakfast and departure to Würzburg, former Bishop seat and baroque city with southern milieu, nowadays it is a university city, full of life. The city symbol is the Fortress Marienberg, until 1719 prince-bishops' residence. The Residential Palace, principal building of German Baroque, was granted UNESCO World Heritage. Departure to Frankfurt. Arrival in the evening. Accommodation in the hotel.

### 9<sup>th</sup> Day –Tuesday – FRANKFURT

Breakfast and free time until agreed time. Transfer to the airport. And end of our services.