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A Fairy Tale Journey through Germany

In the footsteps of the Brothers Grimm

8 days – 7 nights

Embark on a whimsical journey through Germany as we trace the enchanting footsteps of the Brothers Grimm -Wilhelm and Jacob- the literary maestros who brought timeless fairy tales to life. Wilhelm and Jacob Grimm, born in the late 18th century, were not only scholars and linguists but also collectors of folklore, preserving the rich tapestry of Germanic stories and its cultural heritage for generations to come. Their collection of fairy tales, published in 1812 as "Children's and Household Tales," includes some of the most beloved stories ever told. From "Cinderella" to "Little Red Riding Hood" and "Hansel and Gretel," the Grimm Brothers' tales have become an integral part of global storytelling, enchanting audiences of all ages. As we explore captivating cities and towns, each with its own magical allure, we delve into the world of the Brothers Grimm, discovering the inspirations behind their beloved tales. Don't miss the old town (Altstadt) in Frankfurt, in Kassel visit the Grimmwelt Kassel, a museum dedicated to the Brothers Grimm, in Hannoversch Münden be inspired by picturesque half-timbered houses along the banks of the Fulda and Werra rivers, in Hameln explore the Pied Piper's House and follow the path he used to get rid of the children, in Bremen follow the Bremen Musicians and find the famous statue and finally in Marburg enjoy the castle and the panoramic views from its picturesque hill. As we tour these fairytale cities, we hope that you will be transported to the magical realms that inspired the imagination of the Brothers Grimm, and that the echoes of their timeless tales will resonate throughout your journey. Welcome to your magical journey through Germany's Fairytale Cities, where every moment is infused with enchantment and wonder!

DAY 1 ARRIVAL IN FRANKFURT AM MAIN

Welcome to Germany and Frankfurt. Once at the airport, go to the car rental area and pick up your reserved car. Drive to your hotel and enjoy the rest of the day for private activities. Start your trip by immersing yourself in the lively atmosphere of this cosmopolitan city. Pay a visit to the Römer, the historic town hall located in the heart of the Altstadt (Old Town). Admire its picturesque medieval architecture and learn about its fascinating history. Don't miss the chance to try local cuisine in Sachsenhausen, known for its traditional apple wine taverns (Apfelweinlokale). Accommodation in Frankfurt.

DAY 2 FRANKFURT – STEINAU – KASSEL

Breakfast at the hotel. As you travel from Frankfurt to Kassel along the Fairy Tale Route, stop in the charming village of Steinau an der Straße. This picturesque village has a special place in the hearts of fairy tale enthusiasts, as it was once the home of the Brothers Grimm themselves. Your first stop in Steinau an der Straße is the Brothers Grimm House Museum, where you will enter the world of Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm. Explore the restored 18th-century half-timbered house where the brothers spent their formative years and learn about their lives and works through fascinating exhibits and interactive displays. After visiting the museum, take a stroll through the historic streets of Steinau, where the atmosphere seems frozen in time. Admire the well-preserved medieval architecture and picturesque charm of the town, which served as inspiration for many of the Brothers Grimm's beloved fairy tales, an old town that hasn't really changed much since the Grimms' time. Before continuing your trip, be sure to visit Steinau Castle, an impressive Renaissance fortress that overlooks the town. Marvel at its imposing towers and picturesque courtyard, and perhaps enjoy a moment of reflection in the castle gardens. With its rich history and connection to the Brothers Grimm, Steinau an der Straße is a must-see destination for anyone embarking on a fairytale adventure through Germany. Continue towards Kassel. Accommodation at the selected hotel. (B)

**PRICE PER PERSON
DOUBLE OCCUPANCY
EUR 2.513.-**

Selected 4**-Hotels**
FRANKFURT Mövenpick Frankfurt City
FREIBURG Park Hotel Post Freiburg
FÜSSEN Hotel Hirsch
MUNICH Eurostars Grand Central

WHAT'S INCLUDED :

- Private transfers airport/hotel/airport
- Transfers between cities in a private vehicle with local English speaking driver.
- Train tickets for the Rhine Valley Day
- 08 nights in 4**** hotels with breakfast.
- Alsatian lunch during your visit in Colmar
- City tour in Heidelberg and Munich with professional local tour guides.
 - Full day guided tour to Alsace in France
 - Visit the Mainau Flower Island
 - Winery Tour with wine tasting in Immenstadt.
- Full day guided tour to Neuschwanstein and Linderhof Castles
- Full day tour to Salzburg (Austria)

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- International or national flights
- Transfer from Hotel to the train stations
- Personal expenses
- Tips for drivers, guides and porters
- Meals and drinks not mentioned here.
- Health insurance and others.



DAY 3 KASSEL

Breakfast at the hotel. Kassel is a city brimming with cultural heritage and home to the renowned Brothers Grimm. Spend the day discovering the charming Bergpark Wilhelmshöhe, a UNESCO World Heritage Site famous for its baroque landscape design and spectacular water features. Marvel at the imposing statue of Hercules that dominates the park and enjoy a leisurely stroll through its picturesque gardens. Immerse yourself in the world of fairy tales at the Grimmwelt Kassel museum, where interactive exhibitions and multimedia installations bring the timeless stories of the Brothers Grimm to life. Kassel is the so-called Capital City of the German Fairy Tale Route, although not because of this museum, but because this is where the Brothers spent most of their lives. It was here that they did most of their work, not only on fairy tales, but also on the dictionary, and it is from Kassel and the nearby regions that most of the original tales first originated. Kassel is at the heart of the fairy tale experience in Germany, even being recognized by UNESCO for fairy tales and its place on the World Documentary Heritage list. But today, the GRIMMWELT is the center of fairytale life in Germany and you'll be eager to visit. Accommodation in Kassel. (B)

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DAY 5 HAMELN - BREMEN

Breakfast at the hotel. Drive to Bremen, a city steeped in maritime history and folklore. Explore the historic Schnoor district, a labyrinth of narrow alleys and medieval buildings that exude timeless charm. Marvel at the iconic statue of the Bremen Musicians, a beloved symbol of the city's rich cultural heritage. Don't forget to hold both legs of the donkey and make a wish. Bremen musicians will help you make your wish come true. And step back in time as you stroll through the UNESCO Town Hall, a stunning example of Weser Renaissance architecture, and take in the grandeur of its ornate interiors. Accommodation. (B)

DAY 6 BREMEN - TRENDELBURG

Breakfast at the hotel. On our return journey from Bremen along the enchanting German Fairy Tale Route, we make a charming stop in the village of Trendelburg, home of the iconic Trendelburg Tower, which served as inspiration for the timeless tale of Rapunzel, immortalized by the Brothers Grimm. Arriving in Trendelburg, we are immediately captivated by the whimsical charm of the town and the wildly romantic landscape that surrounds it. Nestled between rolling hills and lush forests, Trendelburg exudes an enchanting atmosphere straight from a fairy tale. Upon arrival, we will check into the hotel. If you book early enough, we will reserve your night at the Hotel Burg Trendelburg, for an unforgettable stay. Our first destination is the Trendelburg Tower, located next to the hotel, an imposing fortress that bears witness to centuries of history and legend. As we approach the tower, we can't help but feel a sense of awe and wonder, knowing that it was here that the Brothers Grimm found inspiration for one of their most beloved tales. With a sense of excitement, we "lower our hair" and ascend to the top of the tower, where we are greeted by panoramic views of the picturesque countryside below. From this vantage point, we see the world through Rapunzel's eyes, imagining her viewing this panorama from her elevated vantage point with a mixture of longing and hope. As we admire the stunning scenery, we can't help but marvel at the timeless appeal of fairy tales and the enduring power of imagination. Our visit to Trendelburg is a magical journey into the heart of folklore, where every moment is full of wonder and charm. Accommodation. (B)

DAY 7 TRENDELBURG - MARBURG

Breakfast at the hotel. Today you'll start your day with Sababurg's Sleeping Beauty Castle - an insider tip for fairy tale buffs and culture enthusiasts. It's a place you won't find anywhere else. It is the fairytale castle of the Brothers Grimm and impresses with its powerful location in the Reinhardswald forest in the Sababurg district of Hofgeismar. Then, prepare to be transported back in time as we travel to the medieval town of Marburg, a charming town steeped in history and known for its association with the Brothers Grimm, where they attended university and where their interest in preserving all aspects of the German language and its associated traditions were awakened for the first time. It was here that they were introduced to the



Romantics and where they acquired the skills that would define their lives. Explore the fairytale Marburg Castle, located on a hill overlooking the city. Inside, delve into the castle's rich past and enjoy panoramic views of Marburg and the surrounding countryside. Stroll through the narrow streets of the Altstadt, lined with half-timbered houses and medieval buildings. Be sure to visit the Elisabethkirche, a magnificent Gothic church named after Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, with its stunning architecture and captivating atmosphere. Marburg is an interesting mix of fact and fiction, which is, after all, the hallmark of a great fairy tale. There is much to see and do here and spending the night is not only to enjoy the history but also to enjoy the spirit of the city. (B)

DAY 8 MARBURG – FRANKFURT AIRPORT

Breakfast at the hotel. As your fairytale trip comes to an end, head to Frankfurt Airport for your return flight. Keep in mind, driving the German Fairy Tale Route has been a lot of fun, there's no doubt about it. You won't forget the castles, the small towns and villages, the great food, and the outdoor adventures that were both unexpected and exciting. Say goodbye to Germany with fond memories of your enchanting adventure through the land of the Brothers Grimm. Have a good trip! End of our services. (B)

(B) Breakfast **(L)** Lunch **(D)** Dinner