



With its long history, beautiful countryside, and important cultural contributions, Germany is one of the most visited countries in the world. Our 8 day itinerary features scenic landscapes along the Rhine River in the states of Rhineland-Pfalz, Hessen, and Nordrhein-Westfalen.

The journey begins in Mainz, once a Roman settlement where the Rhine and Main rivers meet, then continues to the cities of Frankfurt, Heidelberg, and Köln. We will explore quaint German villages and neighborhoods, medieval castles and cathedrals, as well as modern cities and museums. Students will flex their language skills and master the German rail system on this trip to the Rhineland!

Day	City	Highlights
1	Airborne	Meet your Group Director at the airport for an overnight flight to Germany!
2	Mainz	Upon arrival, students navigate to our hotel in Mainz, the capital of Rheinland-Pfalz. Explore the Altstadt, the Mainzer Dom, the Augustinerkirche, and the neighborhoods of the city.
3	Wiesbaden	Learn about the invention of the printing press at the Johannes Gutenberg Museum. Explore the nearby castles and towns along the Rhine River: Burg Sooneck, Rüdesheim, and the chic city of Wiesbaden.
4	Frankfurt	Spend the day in Frankfurt am Main., financial capital of Germany. See the Frankfurter Römer and Nikolaikirche, visit the Goethe House, the Städel Museum of art, and the Paulskirche - the birthplace of German Democracy.
5	Heidelberg	Take a day trip to Heidelberg on the Neckar River. Tour the ruins of Heidelberg Castle, one of the most impressive Renaissance structures north of the Alps, and spend the day exploring the cafés and shops on the Hauptstraße.
6	Koblenz	Students head up the Rhine River to the city of Koblenz, named by the Romans for its location at the “confluence” of the Rhine and Moselle rivers. Ride the cable car from the Deutsches Eck over the river to Festung Ehrenbreitstein for a scenic view of the city, then head to the city of Köln.
7	Köln	Visit the 13th century Kölner Dom, see the Roman ruins of the Praetorium, tour a Nazi jail and documentation center, and take a cruise on the Rhine River.
8	Airborne	Flight from Frankfurt. Auf Wiedersehen, Deutschland!

