

“The Black Forest”

May 8th – May 17

Only \$1895.00 pp.dub.occ. Land package only, Air not included.

The Black forest is one of the biggest and best-known holiday regions of Germany. With its spruce and fir covered mountains, gentle valleys and spectacular gorges carved by the mighty Rhine River. The entire area is truly enchanting.

Tour includes: overnight cruise ferry and return Hull-Zeebrugge with en suite cabins/ dinner and breakfast, Luxury coach with fully qualified Driver/Guide, 4 nights hotel Baren in “Oberharmersbach” with dinner and breakfast. Highlights include: Black Forest – Panoramic excursion including Freiburg, Triberg and Lake Titisee, a visit to the spa town – Baden Baden, A visit to the city – Basel, also a visit to the local Schnapps distillery with tasting, 1 folklore evening of local costumes and dance, and an afternoon tea/coffee with Black Forest Gateau.

May 8: Our trip begins with the overnight flight to Manchester England.

May 9: This day and evening will be at leisure in Manchester, known as the “City of First’s”. You will have time to explore this interesting city.

May 10: We leave Manchester around 2:00; make our way across northern England to Hull where we board the overnight cruise ferry to Zeebrugge in Belgium with en-suite cabins, dinner and breakfast.

May 11: We arrive in Zeebrugge this morning and make our way across Belgium, Luxembourg and the Alsace region of France to our destination, the pretty town of Oberharmersbach. We check in to our traditional, family-run hotel and have time to savor the local atmosphere before dinner this evening. (Dinner, B&B)

May 12: We set off for a panoramic tour of the Black Forest. Our first stop is the attractive university city of Freiburg dominated by its Gothic Minster, the Schlossberg and the remains of three castles. We then continue along a most scenic route to the beautiful lakeside resort of Titisee where you may wish to enjoy a short lake cruise or a taste of Black Forest Gateau. We return via Triberg to see Germany’s highest waterfalls and perhaps visit the Black Forest Museum. (Dinner, B&B)

May 13: This morning is at leisure to relax and enjoy our delightful surroundings. This afternoon we head north along the Black Forest Mountain Road to the charming and elegant spa resort of Baden Baden. This idyllic town is home to Germany’s oldest casino and has beautiful parks and gardens. The old town has many narrow streets, galleries, shops and restaurants. Perhaps take a walk along the famous Lichtentaler Allee, or take to the waters at Europe’s hottest thermal springs. We return to the hotel and enjoy afternoon tea/coffee and a taste of Black Forest Gateau in a local restaurant. (Dinner, B&B)

May 14: Today we take a short drive to the Swiss city of Basel, located on the River Rhine. The city also has suburbs in France and Germany. Basel has a beautiful medieval old town centre and several excellent art museums. Basel is also rich in architecture old and new, with a Romanesque cathedral, a Renaissance Town Hall and various examples of high quality contemporary architecture. We will enjoy a visit to the local Schnapps distillery and some free time before returning to the hotel. (Dinner, B&B)

May 15: We bid fare well to the Black Forest and return to Zeebrugge for the overnight cruise ferry to Hull. En-suite cabins with dinner and breakfast on board.

May 16: Return to Manchester for the afternoon and evening at leisure.

May 17: We will bid farewell to England as we board our A.M. flight home.

For more info or to book your reservation please call or e-mail:

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