

Zum Wohl!
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Traditions on the Marvelous Mosel



**Experience the scenery and customs of
the most famous wine region in Germany!**

- **Fairytale Village**
- **Famous Mosel Wines**
- **Fabulous Scenery**
- **Hearty Dinner**

Great Value
€69

March 21	July 11 & 31
April 21	August 22
May 2	September 18
June 5	

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Castles and rolling river scenery are a photographer's dream – and what fairy tales are made of! RTT takes you there on the Mosel River Tour. Learn about the Mosel wine culture and appreciate the wine varieties with a tasting of internationally famous wines. Visit Bernkastel-Kues, with its castle ruins and fairy-tale houses, it is one of the most photographed sites along the Mosel! Explore one of Germany's oldest towns and catch a glimpse of life from the high or low roads or inside the quaint buildings of this traditional village.

Travel with RTT to taste **internationally famous wines** at the vineyard. From a position high above the Mosel River, this wine area receives the sun and moisture just right for making wines that are exported all around the world! See the wine cellars and the vineyards and appreciate the labours that give rise to both grape juice and the "juice of the gods!" **Enjoy a meal** in the vineyard ambiance and eat heartily of the roasted turkey, salads and locally made fresh breads. Children and youths (and adults, on request) will enjoy non-alcoholic beverages. Enjoy your lunch and then **tour the winery and vineyards** before tasting some of the local production for which these hills are famous! Everyone is at liberty to dedicate themselves to a study (tasting) of all these wines and thereby enlarge their knowledge of the area where wine is cultivated. When you have found your favorite wine during this impressive wine-tasting experience and you wish to cement this newly found friendship, you may purchase the chosen wine at the wine shop on the premises. Purchases are, of course, possible, so bring your Euros and VAT forms.

After the winery, continue touring with a drive through the scenic Mosel River Valley to **Bernkastel-Kues**. There the ruins of the **Landshut Castle** tower above the river and the town. Built in 1277, it was destroyed by fire in 1692. It is a popular viewpoint and has a small restaurant. In the town center, **medieval half-timbered houses** and later constructions dazzle visitors with colors and history. A **walking orientation tour** of the city shows the town's **marketplace** and main churches. The old city walls no longer provide defences, but one tower is part of the church of St. Michael and the Graach Gate still stands as the only remaining medieval town gate. Three fountains provide scenes famous to local history. St. Michael's fountain is on the Market Square, and nearby is the Bear Fountain on the site of the former "Bear Well". The Doctor Fountain depicts scenes of an ancient tale about a local wine the famous "Bernkasteler Doctor". Across the bridge into Kues, the birthplace of the famous Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa provides a historical anchor, and a library of fine ancient books. The neighboring Hospice cloister and courtyard are worth a look, as is the Gothic chapel where the heart of the great philosopher and scientist is entombed. Next door, you can sample local wines at the Vinothek or tour the Moselle Wine Museum.

After some **free time**, during which travellers are free to wander its quaint streets or trek to the Landshut ruins (approx. 20 minute's walk) for a personal visit, continue homewards in comfort on your coach, filled with good food and some "juice of the gods". The city of Bernkastel-Kues also provides a large selection of wine-inspired presents which you can purchase before departing at about 4:30 p.m., to return to the points of origin about 6:30 p.m.

TOUR PRICE INCLUDES:

- Round-trip transportation by luxury motor coach; non-smoking
- Noon-time dinner in the winery, including beverages (Vegetarian meal available on request at time of booking.)
- Wine tasting in a local wine cellar
- Walking orientation tour of Bernkastel-Kues
- Service of an RTT Tour Guide

NOT INCLUDED:

- Tips and items of a personal nature
- Visits to sites other than mentioned (above)
- Meals and beverages not mentioned

CHILDREN:

- 3-12 years of age - €59
- Children under 3 years of age: €39, bus seat only.

CURRENCY

- Euros

CANCELLATION FEE: (per person)

- From the time of booking up to 2 weeks prior - €15
- From 13 days until close of business 1 day prior – 50%
- Later, no refund
- No refund for No shows!

DEPARTURE:

- Autobahn A6, Kaiserslautern Centrum Park & Ride (P&R): 08:45 a.m.
- Autobahn A6, Shell Autohof at Landstuhl-Ost: 09:00 a.m.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- Don't forget your camera and plenty of film
- Bring EUROS (and VAT forms) for purchases
- Wear good walking shoes. The walking and steps cannot be avoided on this tour!

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from wherever you are -
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