

## Culinary forays - Get to know the taste of Heidelberg

City tours and guided tours put the focus on culinary delights in 2016

Heidelberg, March 4, 2016 - "No pleasure is fleeting; because the impression it leaves remains forever," said Johann Wolfgang von Goethe. Heidelberg, the city of romantics, was of great importance in Goethe's life and work. He loved the castle garden, but also appreciated the culinary side of Heidelberg. In an exclusive tour through the streets of the Old Town, visitors can enjoy Heidelberg's culinary delights during the 2016 vacation season. It follows the footsteps of Goethe, Scheffel, Keller, Schumann and the notorious bandit Hölzerlips. Heidelberg Marketing has compiled a selection of culinary city tours and sightseeing tours.

The "Delectable Heidelberg" short trip combines a tour of the Old Town with a real Kurpfälzer menu and a visit to two traditional Heidelberg restaurants. The pauses between courses are seasoned with stories, magic elixirs and a sweet and romantic chocolate promise dating back to 1863. The three-hour "Delectable Heidelberg" tour can also be booked without travel arrangements. It is offered once a month between February and November. With the Historic "Ritterschmaus" (Medieval Banquet) at Heidelberg Castle you can experience the pleasure of a festive, 14th century medieval banquet, starting with the ceremony of washing your hands in lavender water. As a welcome drink, a cup of mead-honey wine will be served. The knightly meal will be served at a magnificently set table. You will dine on traditional tableware. "Mundsleute" and fair maidens dressed in medieval robes will be serving you. Minstrels, and if so desired, jugglers, will be there to entertain you during the medieval banquet.

Another group offering is the wine tasting tour at the Clauer winery on the Heidelberg Dormenacker. Riesling, Rivaner, Kerner, Pinot Gris and a number of other varieties have been grown here for over 50 years. To make the wine especially pleasing, the estate uses the 'sur lie' aging process, meaning the wines must be matured for a number of months



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with yeast after the fermentation process. A wine vesper and a visit to the vineyard is also part of the program.

Groups can also immerse into the history of the Stift Neuburg monastery. For nearly 900 years, the monastery has been located just outside the city of Heidelberg, nestled in the beautiful Neckar Valley with stunning views of the river and the slopes of the Odenwald. After a tour of the monastery, participants learn all about the production of organic beer at a beer tasting in the adjoining cloister brewery. Information about the tour package can be found under [www.heidelberg-marketing.com](http://www.heidelberg-marketing.com).

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