



Songs n' Sud's - Willkommen Y'All!!

You do not have to be German to enjoy

The history of Cincinnati would be inconceivable without consideration of the population of German descent, as it has played such an important role in the social, economic, cultural and political development of the city. Already in the early 19th century, the city became one of the major centers of German immigration, forming the famed German Triangle along with St. Louis and Milwaukee. At that time, immigrants settled north of the Miami-Erie Canal in the area that Cincinnatians dubbed "Over-the-Rhine". Today, almost half of the population in the Greater Cincinnati area claims German ancestry.

Available

Thursday June 22, 2017; Friday, June 23, 2017 and Saturday June 24, 2017

8:00 am Meet local tour ambassador and depart from Duke Energy Convention Center – exit doors located near Exhibit Hall C.

8:30 am Depart. Your guide for the morning is **Dr. Don Tolzman** – retired professor of German Heritage at University of Cincinnati. Throughout your tour you will see Cincinnati's German heritage as you've never seen it before! See what were once exclusively German neighborhoods; iconic buildings and landmarks; and learn about the Cincinnati businesses that were brought here and built by German peoples.



10:00 am Tour of **Old St Mary's Church**. Located in the *Over the Rhine* area. Built in 1850 by German Catholics, who hand-fired the bricks in their kitchen ovens, this is the oldest surviving house of worship in Cincinnati. The interior is typically Bavarian, and the center aisle is the longest in the Queen City.



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11:15 am Rhinegeist Brewery. Rhinegeist, translates to "Ghost of the Rhine" and refers to our place in the historic Over-the-Rhine Brewery District in Cincinnati. Built within the skeleton of the old Moerlein bottling plant (1895), they brew 20bbl batches of beer that sing with flavor. You will enjoy sampling the beer as well as hearing the stories.



The building's story goes all the way back to 1895. At the turn of the 19th century, Over-the-Rhine was home to nearly 45,000 inhabitants—most of them of German descent—and 38 breweries. Leading this vibrant brewing scene was Christian Moerlein Brewing Company, the city's largest brewery which extended over three entire city blocks and produced over 300,000 bbl annually. The company's old bottling plant, located at 1910 Elm Street, is NOW home to a modern-day brewery. While Moerlein's operation would thrive for years, Prohibition in the 1920's would deal a fatal blow and bring an end to the company. As a result, the former bottling plant would lie dormant for several subsequent decades...HEAR THE REST OF THE STORY ON YOUR TOUR.

12:30 pm A tour of Cincinnati's German heritage is not complete without a stop at historic **Findlay Market**, Ohio's oldest continuously operated public market and one of Cincinnati's most cherished institutions. The Market is located just blocks from downtown in Over-the-Rhine, a dense historic neighborhood rich in 19th century architecture. Findlay Market is home year-around to about two dozen indoor merchants selling meat, fish, poultry, produce, flowers, cheese, deli, and ethnic foods and in the warmer months there are MANY outside vendors as well. Lunch on own.



2:00 pm Depart Findlay Market

2:15 pm ETA return to Duke Energy Center.

This tour needs a minimum of 30 guest, per date, to operate. Maximum per date is 53.

Due to multiple dates, in the event one date is cancelled guests registered on the cancelled date will be asked if they would like to change to the available date.

Please wear comfortable shoes and clothing as there will be lots of walking. It is also recommended that you bring appropriate weather related items, such as umbrellas and sun screen. Normal temperature this time of year is mid-high 80s.

SMOKING: We make regular stops for restrooms and for the convenience of smokers; however, we have a NO SMOKING policy aboard all coaches. This policy also applies to e-cigarettes.

\$79.00 price per person includes:

Round trip motorcoach transportation

Driver Gratuity (gratuity not included, but always appreciated)

Admissions, Old St. Mary's, taste testing at Rhinegeist, One and Half hour German tour, Findlay Market

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