

Tour Suggestions: 4 countries – 1 lake



Lake Constance Gardens – A journey through time

On this international garden tour by Lake Constance, you gain an insight into the cradle of European gardening with the “Hortulus” (the first gardening guide in Europe) on Reichenau Island, the preserved landscape park of the Napoleon Museum in Thurgau and the new medieval garden in Arenenberg.

The tour continues to the world-famous flower island Mainau as well as the gardens of the baroque Salem Monastery and Palace and the New Castle in Meersburg. One look from the terrace in Meersburg is enough to make you feel like a genuine prince or princess of Lake Constance.

Stations



Reichenau Island with the “Hortulus” herb garden | Germany

Almost 1,200 years ago the monk Walahfrid Strabo, who lived on Reichenau, wrote Europe's first gardening guide with the poem “Hortulus”. In the former monastery garden, a herb garden laid out according to the old model presents the plants from the Hortulus.

Experience time: 2 hours

www.reichenau-tourismus.de



Salem Monastery and Palace | Germany

Representative designed gardens along the French model meet a lovingly-tended show vineyard. Guests can also marvel at the baroque courtyard garden with its maze and geometric flowerbeds as well as extensive parkland.

Experience time: 2 hours

www.salem.de



Palace & Park Arenenberg Salenstein | Switzerland

In 1816, Queen Hortense planted the very first landscape park by the lake. Since then, the grotto surrounded by water, Jacob's ladder, the wood and the breathtaking visual axes have delighted visitors from near and far.

Experience time: 2 hours

www.napoleonmuseum.ch



Mainau Island

| Germany

The flower island is a festival for garden lovers: in addition to an incredible abundance of flowers as the seasons come and go, visitors can also marvel at a butterfly house, a glass palm house and one of Europe's most important orchid collections.

Experience time: 2 hours

www.mainau.de



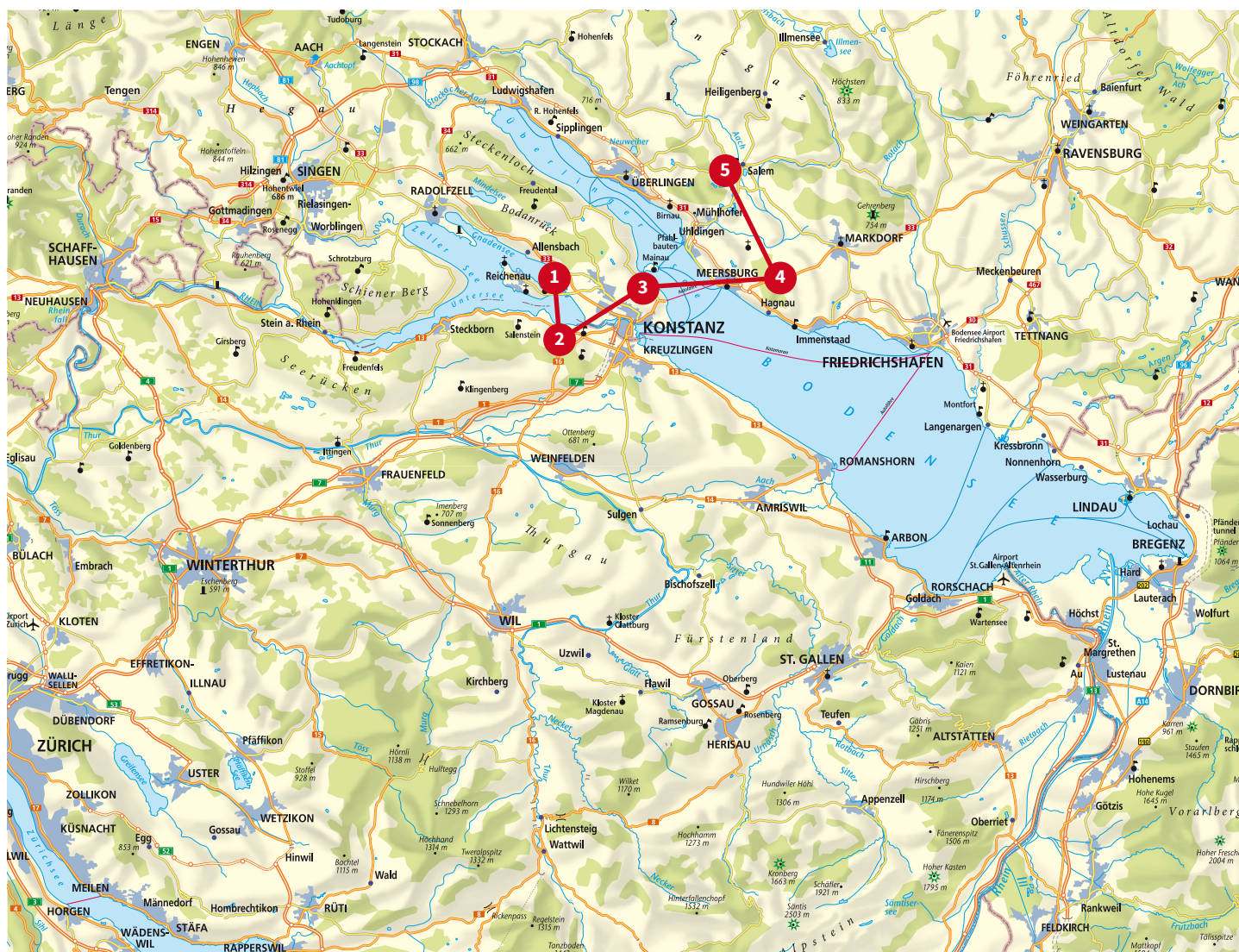
Meersburg New Palace

| Germany

The garden of the New Castle boasts an impressive panoramic view over Lake Constance. The strictly through-composed green areas with their low hedges are typical of the baroque period.

Experience time: 1 hour

www.neues-schloss-meersburg.de



Facts & Tips

Countries

Germany and Switzerland

Appropriate for

Individual travelling

Duration

3 days

Overnight stays

2 nights

Recommended season

Spring, summer, autumn

Travel information

The transfer between the different stages can be undertaken with your own car/coach or by public transport (rail, bus and in places boat).

Contact

More detailed information about this tour:

www.bodensee.eu/de/trade

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Theme	Duration	Countries	Routing	Contact
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