

EUROPE 2023



4 months | 6 countries | 8 house swaps | 10 journey legs | 2 grand-boys + 1



Würzburg

At 7am this morning we made stop number two to the Hertz office. Our vehicle was duly supplied (with pleasant smiles from us) and we made our way out of Frankfurt. Half a day late but happy to be on our way, we set off for Würzburg, some 1.5 hours from Frankfurt. The area we are in now is in the Lower Frankconian area of the state of Bavaria. We saw little as we drove because we took the main highway and arrived at our house swap near to the centre of the town. The area around this apartment is not particularly impressive - in fact it's a bit scruffy really. However the flat itself is modern and has everything we need - small but adequate.

We stocked up on food and decided to stay in for a while to let the day tourists leave and give us more "elbow room" so to speak. Ha Ha!! Würzburg is one of the towns on the famous "Romantic Road". The "Romantic Road" is a picturesque 350km route through the forests and mountains of Bavaria and Baden-Württemberg. The town we are in for nine days is the northern endpoint of this beautiful wine growing region that sports some fabulous architecture. We have been in this region before and know the beautiful sights we will no doubt be able to savour.

Late in the afternoon we cycled in largely along the banks of the Main River. The first sight we came upon reaching the river was of the Marienberg castle on the far side of the river. The sight was breathtaking. Further up the river we came to the most beautiful bridge called Mainbrücke. We carried our bikes up the stairs to the top of the bridge and joined the masses of people just enjoying being there. Many had wine glasses in hand. It is obviously a favourite meeting place. We rode around some of the rest of the old town and headed back to our apartment for a few hours to wait out the crowds (so we thought). Our return visit (by bike once again) some two hours later, did give us the joy of seeing the town light up but the crowds on the bridge were even greater in number!! Maybe an early morning visit is a necessity.







