



2017 study group on the Schaffberg in Austria looking into Bavaria



The "Waitburg" where Luther translated the Bible from Greek into German—setting in motion the Reformation, essentially establishing the notion of "individual rights". Located near the town of Eisenach, where first forestry texts were published.



Erfurt—perfectly preserved ancient city and cultural center of Thuringia

Spend 2 weeks in scenic Bavaria and Thuringia experiencing forestry, history and culture. Tour starts in the ancient Bishop seat and University town of Freising, just 15 minutes by bus from the Munich International Airport. A few

days will be spent examining the arboretum of the King of Bavaria's estate in Munich as well as the University Forest and educational forest nature walk. From there we will travel south to Munich's municipal watershed forest, and the logging museum in Ruhpolding with a quick trip into Salzburg. Then it is north to the amazing old city of Regensburg, and the historic Danube river and associated forests. On this trip we will travel further north into the vast forests of Thuringia with some stops at a Napoleon era fortress, medieval castle, and the ancient Castle Waitburg and the fantastic and historic city of Erfurt which escaped bombing during WWII and allows for exploration of 800 year old buildings, alleyways and Cathedrals. Many additional stops at local venues. We will travel with a charter bus and stay at comfortable local hotels. Most breakfasts and some dinners included.

Cost: approximately \$3500 per person and your own airfare (will depend on currency exchange and economic situation).

Maximum number of participants is 20 due to logistics, first come first serve and will require a \$200 nonrefundable deposit by September 12, 2021.

Contact Peter Kolb (406-243-4705) or Christina Oppgaard (406-243-2773) for questions or to reserve a spot.