

About Us

Germany and the United States are *wunderbar together*.

From October 2018 until late 2019, Germany will celebrate its close friendship to the U.S. through the Year of German-American Friendship, or Deutschlandjahr. This theme of “*Wunderbar Together*” highlights the strong relationship between our two countries, which is rooted in deep historical ties and shared culture.

“Wunderbar Together” means the U.S. and Germany are better as friends. Our partnership has made both countries stronger over time and will continue to shape our futures. This initiative is an opportunity to renew and preserve our friendship and to develop a new shared perspective on important issues. Together, our countries can tackle global challenges through a renewed focus on dialogue and cooperation.

People are at the heart of the US-German relationship, and at the heart of the Deutschlandjahr. This celebration will bring together more than 200 partners across all 50 states, who will host more than 1,000 events in local communities.

The Deutschlandjahr is Germany’s tradition of highlighting its global relationships with different host countries through dialogue and exchange. These celebrations have been held in various countries, including Japan, China, India, Russia, Brazil, and Mexico.

Get Involved

Opening events celebrating the launch of Wunderbar Together will take place from October 3-9 in six locations: Washington D.C., Boston, Atlanta, Indianapolis, Los Angeles, and Monument Valley.

We hope Americans across the country will join our celebration and help us tell the stories at the core of German-American friendship. To learn more and discover events happening near you, please visit www.wunderbartogether.org.

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About Wunderbar Together

- Wunderbar Together will leverage a vast network of more than 200 partners to hold events in all 50 states between now and late 2019.
- In total, Wunderbar Together will host more than 1,000 events. These will highlight all aspects of society: business, politics, education, culture, science, civil society, and sports.
- Opening events will take place from October 3-9 in six locations: Washington D.C., Boston, Atlanta, Indianapolis, Los Angeles, and Monument Valley.
- The first Deutschlandjahr was held in 2005, and there have been more than 40 similar initiatives – ranging from a full year to several weeks – in countries such as Mexico, Brazil, Vietnam, India, and China.

About the U.S.-German Relationship

- Roughly 50 million Americans claim German heritage, making it the largest ancestry group in the U.S
- German companies have created 674,000 American jobs. Germany is the fourth-largest foreign employer in the U.S.
- The countries generated \$171.6 billion in shared commerce in 2017.
- This year marks the 70th anniversary of the Berlin Air Lift, when American “candy bombers” helped the people of Berlin survive the end of the Second World War.
- The U.S. is the most popular overseas tourist destination for more than 2 million German travelers each year, and Americans are the most frequent overseas visitors to Germany.

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