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Germany

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Airship developer

8 July 1838, Konstanz – 8 March 1917, Berlin

**Zeppelin built his first airship** at Lake Constance, Germany. He made the first successful free flight of a rigid airship (LZ1) on July 2, 1900. The craft flew to Immerstadt and returned. He designed and built some 88 rigid airships at his Zeppelin Airship Works (Luftschiffbau Zeppelin ) in Friedrichshafen, Germany. His airships were used for regional commercial flights as well as long-distance trips. Among those airships was the Graf Zeppelin which made the first commercial passenger flight around the world.

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