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**STUTTGART STATE MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY**  
**Rosenstein Palace** Nature meets culture: from algae to mankind, from tropical rainforest to the icy deserts of the polar regions. The spectacular scenes set up in the various rooms here take visitors on a captivating journey around the animal kingdom and the diverse habitats of planet Earth.

**Museum am Löwentor** The modern age meets fossils: dinosaurs are still with us today – as birds. The famous *Homo steinheimensis* skull, one of the earliest human fossil finds, is more than 300,000 years old. Discover all this and much more besides at the Museum am Löwentor.

Opening times: Tue–Fri 9am–5pm, Sat / Sun / public holidays 10am–6pm  
[www.naturkundemuseum-bw.de](http://www.naturkundemuseum-bw.de), Rosenstein 1, 70191 Stuttgart



**SOLITUDE PALACE, STUTTGART**  
The French word *solitude* means 'loneliness'. Of course, this name was not chosen without reason. Duke Carl Eugen of Württemberg had this charming little rococo palace built between 1763 and 1769 "far from the hustle and disappointments of the world". Preceded by a magnificent avenue of chestnut trees, it served as a hunting lodge as well as hosting state receptions and offers fabulous views over the former ducal town of Ludwigsburg.

Opening times: 1 April–31 October, Tue–Sat 10am–12 noon and 1.30pm–5pm, Sun and public holidays 10am–5pm  
[www.schloss-solitude.de](http://www.schloss-solitude.de), Solitude 1, 70197 Stuttgart

The inside of the palace can only be seen as part of a guided tour.



**ITTER ART MUSEUM, WALDENBUCH**  
The chocolate manufacturer Ritter Sport's characteristic square bar provides the inspiration for Marli Hoppe-Ritter's art collection. The dimensions of the building (44 x 44 metres) are square, and the exhibitions inside explore how artists of the 20th and 21st century have interpreted this most basic of geometric shapes. A visit to the neighbouring chocolate exhibition and chocolate shop is also a must here in Waldenbuch.

Opening times (Ritter Museum): Tue–Sun 11am–6pm  
[www.museum-ritter.de](http://www.museum-ritter.de), Alfred-Ritter-Strasse 27, 71111 Waldenbuch

Opening times (chocolate exhibition and shop): Mon–Fri 8am–6.30pm, Sat 9am–6pm, Sun 11am–6pm, also open on public holidays, see [www.museum-ritter.de](http://www.museum-ritter.de)



**STUTTGART PIG MUSEUM (SCHWEINEMUSEUM STUTTGART)**  
There are lots of museums in Stuttgart, but none quite like the Stuttgart Pig Museum. From piggy banks of all shapes and sizes to cuddly pig toys and even a pig on a Harley-Davidson – the weird and wonderful pigs on display here come from all over the world. More than 50,000 porcine exhibits are on show across two floors and illustrate the part played by the humble pig in art, culture and mythology.

Opening times:  
Museum Mon–Sun 11am–7.30pm, last admission 6.45pm  
Restaurant Mon–Sun from 11am  
[www.schweinemuseum.de](http://www.schweinemuseum.de), Schlachthofstrasse 2a, 70188 Stuttgart



**BAROQUE IN BLOOM, LUDWIGSBURG**  
The magical atmosphere at Baroque in Bloom is partly the work of the tireless landscape gardeners and partly that of the witches, giants and princesses. These and other characters from classic children's stories help bring the fairy-tale garden here to life. The extensive gardens also play host to spectacular festivals in which fireworks are set to music. A truly magical experience.

Opening times: during the Baroque in Bloom season, daily 7.30am–8.30pm, Fairytale garden (during season) daily 9am–6pm, from 4 October 9.30am–6pm, from the last weekend in October 10am–5.30pm to the end of the season  
[www.blueba.de](http://www.blueba.de), Schorndorferstrasse, 71640 Ludwigsburg



**PUNT TRIPS, TÜBINGEN**  
Going punting on the Neckar river is as much a part of the experience in Tübingen as a visit to the Hölderlin tower on the waterfront. You sit in a punt with your fellow riders, lean back and enjoy a leisurely trip along the verdant riversides and around the island in the Neckar.

Departures: May to September daily 1pm, Sat also at 5pm.  
Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Private punting trips for groups can be arranged at a time to suit you.  
[www.tuebingen-info.de](http://www.tuebingen-info.de), Verkehrsverein Tübingen, An der Neckarbrücke 1, 72072 Tübingen



**LUDWIGSBURG PALACE**  
From baroque to rococo to classicism. See magnificent state rooms spanning two centuries and discover a mix of geometrically designed gardens and wild and romantic nature. Boasting 452 rooms in 18 buildings, Ludwigsburg Palace is one of Europe's largest baroque palaces that remains in its original condition. It is also home to a ceramics museums, fashion museum and baroque gallery.

Opening times (palace): Mon–Sun daily 10am–5pm, 24 December 10am–3pm, 31 December 10am–4pm, 1 January 12 noon–5pm  
Opening times (museums): Tue–Sun, 10am–5pm, 1 January 12 noon–5pm, Closed Mon, the inside of the palace may only be viewed on a guided tour.  
[www.schloss-ludwigsburg.de](http://www.schloss-ludwigsburg.de), Schlosstrasse 30, 71634 Ludwigsburg



**LITERATURE IN SCHILLER'S HOME TOWN OF MARBACH**  
The permanent exhibition at the Museum of Modern Literature set its sights on nothing less than the soul of German literature. An additional feature of the museum, besides the one-off exhibitions, is the *Poesieautomat* by Hans Magnus Enzensberger, which writes poetry at the press of a button. The Schiller National Museum focuses on German literature of the 18th and 19th century and on Schiller in particular. The bonnet in which the great poet was baptised is among the 30 or so original exhibits that can be seen in the house where Schiller was born.

Opening times (Schiller National Museum and Museum of Modern Literature): Tue–Sun and public holidays 10am–6pm  
[www.dla-marbach.de](http://www.dla-marbach.de), Schillerhöhe 8-10, 71672 Marbach am Neckar

Opening times (Schiller's birthplace): April–October daily 9am–5pm, November–March 10am–4pm, [www.schillersgeburtsaus.de](http://www.schillersgeburtsaus.de), Niklastorstrasse 31



**ESSLINGEN CASTLE**  
It's a steep climb up to Esslingen Castle, but it's certainly worth the effort. The view from this medieval fortress, which rises high above the town, is simply fantastic. The castle was never home to the aristocracy, but served exclusively as a defence against attacks. In the summertime, its idyllic park provides a picturesque historical backdrop to open-air events.

The grounds are freely accessible to the public.  
[www.esslingen-marketing.de](http://www.esslingen-marketing.de), Auf dem Schöneberg, 73728 Esslingen am Neckar



**GOTTLIEB DAIMLER'S BIRTHPLACE, SCHORNDORF**  
No one could have imagined that Gottlieb Daimler, a baker's son born in 1834 at Höllgasse 7, Schorndorf, would go on to change the world. When he was around 50 years old, Gottlieb invented the first fast-running petrol engine – a true innovation. Personal effects and original drawings take visitors back in time to this exciting period of history.

Opening times: Tue–Fri 2pm–5.30pm, Sat / Sun / public holidays 11am–5pm  
[www.mercedes-benz.com/museum](http://www.mercedes-benz.com/museum), Höllgasse 7, 73614 Schorndorf



**BURIAL CHAPEL ON THE WÜRTTEMBERG**  
King Wilhelm I of Württemberg had this mausoleum built as a testimony of love for his wife Katharina, who died at an early age. It is considered by many to be the most romantic location in the region. This is thanks not only to its architecture but also to its idyllic location on a vineyard-clad hill and the views it offers of Stuttgart and the surrounding area.

Opening times: April–September  
Tue–Sat 10am–12 noon and 1pm–6pm, Sun / public holidays 10am–12 noon and 1pm–6pm;  
March and 1 October to 1 November  
Tue–Sun / public holidays 10am–12 noon and 1pm–5pm  
Württembergstrasse 340, 70327 Stuttgart



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**STUTTGART STATE GALLERY (STAATSGALERIE STUTTGART)**  
A stunning array of masterpieces from the 14th century to the present day make Stuttgart State Gallery one of the most popular museums in Germany. In more than 12,000 square metres of exhibition space you can see works by important artists such as Rembrandt, Monet, Picasso and Beuys. The museum complex, made up of three buildings, unites the traditional with the modern and is a work of art in itself.

Opening times: Tue–Sun 10am–6pm, Thu 10am–8pm  
[www.staatsgalerie.de](http://www.staatsgalerie.de), Konrad-Adenauer-Strasse 30–32, 70173 Stuttgart



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**STUTTGART STATE THEATRES**  
Opera, ballet and plays are the three pillars of the world's largest triple-genre theatre. Stuttgart State Theatres have won multiple awards and enjoy national and international renown thanks to their outstanding programme. Set amidst the palace park, the opera house with its pump rooms and glittering chandeliers provides the perfect setting for cultural entertainment at its best.

[www.staatstheater-stuttgart.de](http://www.staatstheater-stuttgart.de), Oberer Schlossgarten 6, 70173 Stuttgart  
Tickets can be booked online or by calling +49 (0)711 20 20 90



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**STUTTGART LINDEN MUSEUM**  
At Stuttgart Linden Museum, one of Europe's largest ethnological museums, you'll go on a whistle-stop tour around the world without even leaving the building. You'll find out about the cultures of distant lands and see everything from a Japanese teahouse and an Afghan bazaar to the masks of the Cameroonian savannah and a Tibetan altar room.

Opening times: Tue–Sat 10am–5pm, Sun / public holidays 10am–6pm  
[www.lindenmuseum.de](http://www.lindenmuseum.de), Hegelplatz 1, 70174 Stuttgart



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**WÜRTTEMBERG STATE MUSEUM (LANDESMUSEUM WÜRTTEMBERG)**  
The Old Palace (Altes Schloss) in the heart of Stuttgart is steeped in history. It was once the seat of the Württemberg dukes and is now home to the largest museum of culture and history in the Baden-Württemberg region. You'll discover remarkable exhibits as well as fascinating collections devoted to art and cultural history, archaeology, and people's everyday lives. The 'Young Palace' Children's Museum features hands-on exhibitions that are tailor-made for families.  
Opening times: Tue–Sun, 10am–5pm, closed Mondays except on public holidays  
[www.landmuseum-stuttgart.de](http://www.landmuseum-stuttgart.de), Schillerplatz 6, 70173 Stuttgart



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**STUTTGART MUSEUM OF ART (KUNSTMUSEUM STUTTGART)**  
The huge glass cube in the very heart of Stuttgart provides a fascinating contrast to the surrounding historical architecture of Palace Square (Schlossplatz). It is an eye-catching sight both during the day and at night. But as well as looking great from the outside, it features a wealth of treasures inside. Here, and in two former tunnels, contemporary art and works of classical modernism are on display in 5,000 square metres of exhibition space. The museum features works by celebrated international artists and contains an important collection of works by Otto Dix.  
Opening times: Tue–Sun 10am–6pm, Fri 10am–9pm  
[www.kunstmuseum-stuttgart.de](http://www.kunstmuseum-stuttgart.de), Kleiner Schlossplatz, 70173 Stuttgart



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**HOUSE OF HISTORY**  
An exhibition that brings the past to life. This museum along Stuttgart's cultural mile presents more than 200 years of the region's history – from Napoleon to the controversial Stuttgart 21 project. It also gives an insight into the many facets of Baden-Württemberg, from science and religion to trade and the economy. Original exhibits and moving stories, as well as photos, films and information points, trace the story of people's lives here in the south-west of Germany. There are also one-off exhibitions that offer new perspectives on the region's history.  
Opening times: Tue–Sun and public holidays 10am–6pm, Thu 10am–9pm  
[www.landeshistorien.de](http://www.landeshistorien.de), Konrad-Adenauer-Strasse 16, 70173 Stuttgart



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**STUTTGART MARKET HALL**  
Stuttgart Market Hall, whose reputation has spread far and wide, is a veritable treasure trove of exotic spices, local delicacies and fresh fruit and vegetables. The heritage-listed art nouveau building is simply a fantastic place to shop for locals and visitors alike, offering a huge range of fresh, high-quality produce and speciality food and drink from around the world. You're sure to find what you're looking for here, from pineapple, star fruit, aubergine or cassava to saddle of hare, wild duck breast and fillet of beef.

Mon–Fri 7.30am–6.30pm, Sat 7am–5pm  
[www.markthalle-stuttgart.de](http://www.markthalle-stuttgart.de), Dorotheenstrasse 4, 70173 Stuttgart  
A guided tour of the market hall can be booked at [www.stuttgart-tourist.de](http://www.stuttgart-tourist.de).



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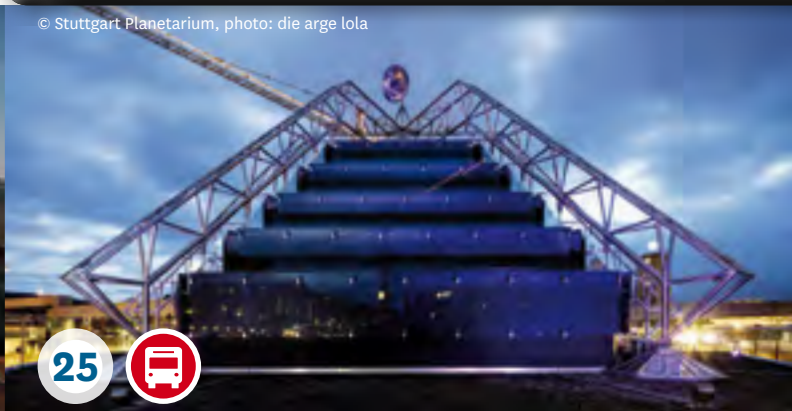
**MUNICIPAL LIBRARY**  
This unique cube-shaped building is the work of architect Eun Young Yi. The stunning interior is tied together by a central space, called the 'heart', that is left completely empty and extends up through all four floors. All the materials have been selected to help the space achieve maximum impact. The stairs, railings and shelves – everything is white like the pages of a book. A standout building that fully deserved to be named library of the year in 2013.

Opening times: Mon–Sat 9am–9pm  
[www.stuttgart.de/stadtbibliothek](http://www.stuttgart.de/stadtbibliothek)  
Mailänder Platz 1, 70173 Stuttgart



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**COLLEGIATE CHURCH (STIFTSKIRCHE)**  
The history of the collegiate church can be traced back to the tenth century. Its organs, meanwhile, date back to 1381. They have been extended, improved, destroyed and rebuilt over the centuries, before being replaced in 2004. But the work has paid off, and the current instrument is now justifiably regarded as one of the best in the world. The rich sound that it produces is simply magnificent, particularly when it is played by world-famous organists at one of the ever-popular concerts. The church towers, meanwhile, are among Stuttgart's most prominent landmarks.  
Opening times: Mon–Thu 10am–7pm, Fri / Sat 10am–4pm, Sun after church services to 6pm  
[www.stiftskirche.de](http://www.stiftskirche.de), Stiftsstrasse 12, 70173 Stuttgart



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**CARL ZEISS PLANETARIUM**  
Enjoy a journey through space and time courtesy of a 360° full-dome laser projection system that offers spectacular ways of bringing the universe to life. Celestial flights featuring planets, galaxies and stars are shown in stunning detail on the huge screen. There is also a packed programme of special events, including children's shows, music and laser shows and a trip back in time to when life on Earth began.  
All shows and times: [www.planetarium-stuttgart.de](http://www.planetarium-stuttgart.de).  
Willy-Brandt-Strasse 25 (Mittlerer Schlossgarten), 70173 Stuttgart



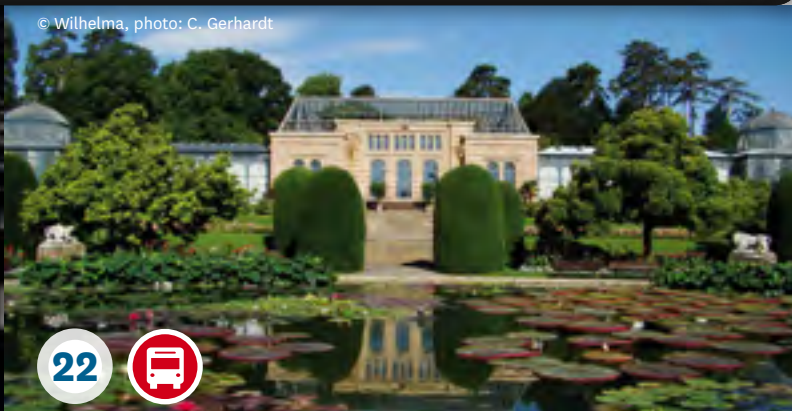
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**STUTTGART MUSEUM OF VINICULTURE – THE WORLD OF WINE**  
This museum in Uhlbach presents 2,000 years of winegrowing history in the Central Neckar region as well as captivating art, fascinating insights into the winemaking process and the chance to sample fine wines from Stuttgart. What more could a wine lover want? The minimalist two-storey vinothek is the central feature within the Alter Kelter building and blends in seamlessly with its historical surroundings. It is a fantastic place to sample high-quality wines from the Stuttgart vineyards and to purchase your favourites to take back home.  
Opening times: Thu / Fri 2pm–8pm, Sat 2pm–6pm, Sun / public holidays 11am–6pm  
[www.weinbaumuseum.de](http://www.weinbaumuseum.de), Uhlbacher Platz 4, 70329 Stuttgart-Uhlbach



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**WEISSENHOF ESTATE (WEISSENHOFSDIEDLUNG) AND WEISSENHOF MUSEUM AT THE LE CORBUSIER HOUSE**  
The Weissenhof housing estate was built in 1927 in only around four months and comprises 33 cuboid houses with flat roofs. It showcased new housing solutions for the modern age and featured the work of 17 international avant-garde architects, including Le Corbusier, Ludwig Mies van der Rohe and Hans Scharoun. Le Corbusier's *doppelhaus* is home to an exhibition on the history of the estate and retains the original layout of the rooms. In July 2016 it was added to the list of UNESCO World Heritage sites.  
Opening times: Tue–Fri 11am–6pm, Sat + Sun 10am–6pm  
[www.weissenhofmuseum.de](http://www.weissenhofmuseum.de), Rathenaustrasse 1–3, 70191 Stuttgart



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**WILHELMA ZOOLOGICAL AND BOTANICAL GARDENS**  
This historical park is one of the finest in Europe. Every day it puts smiles on the faces of visitors young and old. Today it is home to a zoo and botanical gardens featuring some 11,000 animals from 1,200 species and around 7,000 varieties of plant. A particular feature is the former Moorish garden created for King Wilhelm I of Württemberg.  
Opening times: daily 8.15am–4pm / 8pm (summer / winter), times vary from month to month  
[www.wilhelma.de](http://www.wilhelma.de), Wilhelma 13, 70376 Stuttgart



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**NECKAR-KÄPT'N RIVERBOATS**  
Everyone loves to get out on the water, and in Stuttgart that means out on to the Neckar river. Admiring the scenery of the Neckar valley from the water is both exciting and relaxing. The riverboat trips run by Neckar-Käpt'n will take you to historical places and beautiful vineyards.  
Season: mid-March to October, special trips in the run-up to Christmas  
[www.neckar-kaeptn.de](http://www.neckar-kaeptn.de), Wilhelma landing stage, 70376 Stuttgart



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**PALACE SQUARE (SCHLOSSPLATZ)**  
Palace Square, with its two fountains, is located in the heart of the city, bordered by the Renaissance architecture of the Old Palace, the baroque New Palace, the elegant House of Art from the 1950s, the Königsbau's beautiful classical facade and the ultra-modern glass cube that is home to Stuttgart Museum of Art. It is regarded by many as the finest square in central Stuttgart and is a popular place for people to relax and meet their friends.

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**TELEVISION TOWER**  
Stuttgart is home to the world's first television tower. Boasting a timeless design that to this day is without equal, it is one of the city's most famous landmarks and an aesthetic and architectural gem. Two observation platforms at 150 and 153 metres offer stunning views that reach across Stuttgart and the Neckar valley as far as the Swabian Alb and the Black Forest. In the Panorama Café you can savour the views while enjoying coffee and cake.

Opening times:  
Mon–Thu 10am–11pm,  
Fri–Sun + public holidays 9am–11pm  
[www.fernsehturm-stuttgart.de](http://www.fernsehturm-stuttgart.de),  
Jahnstrasse 120, 70597 Stuttgart

**PORSCHE MUSEUM**  
More than 90 legendary racing cars, series production vehicles and one-off classics such as the 365 and 911. You will find all this at one of the world's most spectacular automotive museums, which opened in 2009 and has a cantilevered structure that looks like it's floating in mid-air. A distinctive feature is the huge interactive touchwall that allows you to explore the history of Porsche at your own pace. There's also a sound installation called Porsche in the Mix where you can record your very own Porsche song.

Opening times: Tue–Sun 9am–6pm  
[www.porsche.de/museum](http://www.porsche.de/museum)  
Porscheplatz 1, 70435 Stuttgart



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**MERCEDES-BENZ MUSEUM**  
Only Mercedes-Benz could present such a complete history of the automobile, and where better to do so than the birthplace of the car. At the Mercedes-Benz Museum you go on a journey back in time, starting in 1886 with the invention of the car by Carl Benz and Gottlieb Daimler, moving on to the Silver Arrows of the 1950s and then finishing with a glimpse into the future. But the cars bearing the three-pointed star are not the only attraction here. The museum, which takes the form of a double-helix, is itself a standout feature.

Opening times: Tue–Sun 9am–6pm  
[www.mercedes-benz.com/museum](http://www.mercedes-benz.com/museum)  
Mercedesstrasse 100, 70372 Stuttgart

👤 Tours of the Daimler AG passenger car production plant in Sindelfingen can be booked at [www.stuttgart-tourist.de](http://www.stuttgart-tourist.de).