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BERLIN

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Welcome to Berlin - The capital of Germany, which has been enormously affected by an incredible history as well as the dynamic changes since the Wall came down, exerts a very special kind of fascination. In no other European metropolis has so much changed in recent years. Of course, famous sightseeing landmarks like the Brandenburg Gate, Reichstag and East Side Gallery still bear witness to the history of the city – but today Berlin presents itself as a young, dynamic metropolis open to the world right in the heart of Europe, setting new trends in architecture, art and fashion. Discover its diversity – enjoy Berlin!

THE CITY



You can't pigeonhole Berlin at all, and it is precisely this fact that makes the city so unique.

Originally the symbol of the Cold War and division of Germany, the former "Walled-in City" at the border between West and East Europe has developed into a permanently attractive travel destination since the Wall came down.

The Berlin Wall divided one of the most popular metropolises in Europe for almost 30 years. When it came down on 9th November 1989, the world changed. For those who would like to go on a tour of discovery for the traces of the Wall where it used to run, there are many possibilities: one way is to experience the division at first hand at the Bernauer Straße Memorial, where the division created by the Wall is brought back to life by original parts of the actual death strips. Other places where you can trace the Berlin Wall are the East Side Gallery, the former border crossing point between East and West Berlin Checkpoint Charlie, and the associated Wall Museum.

These days, the appeal of Berlin is its fascinating mixture of history and zeitgeist, offering diverse attractions in art, culture, music, entertainment and countless shopping possibilities. The modern hotel landscape, an incredibly diverse gastronomy and unbeatably favourable prices certainly bear comparison with international standards. Plus the city's vibrant and flourishing creative scene and hot music and club culture put their own unique stamp on the unmistakable character of the lifestyle metropolis.

To be true, the first time you visit Berlin, you want to see the famous attractions. However, the second visit (at the latest) it'll be clear what really attracts you

about Berlin. Whether lover of culture or scene frequenter – you'll be sure to find what you're looking for in one of the city districts. Berlin has 12 in number and each of them possesses its own particular charm: in Berlin-Mitte fashion rules the roost – alongside Chancellor Merkel, Neukölln has been transformed from a problem area into the scene district Berlin's western city centre is now enjoying a renaissance, Prenzlauer Berg is famous for its family-friendly reputation, Kreuzberg has its multicultural scene and Friedrichshain is the centre of the alternate lifestyle.



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DO & SEE



Whether you see the sights of Berlin by coach, steamer, bicycle or on foot – you'll pass a lot of famous buildings and memorials. We'll tell you which ones you really can't afford to miss!

Jewish Museum Berlin

The zinc-coated zig-zag building by Daniel Libeskind is one of Berlin's major landmarks. Over 7 million people have visited the museum's permanent exhibition with 13 epochal segments leading through the eventful history of Jews in Germany.

Address: Lindenstraße 9-14, Berlin-Kreuzberg
Phone: +49 30 2599 3300

Internet: www.jmberlin.de

DDR Museum

The DDR Museum is Berlin's interactive museum. You're taken on a journey into the socialist past, taking a seat in a Trabi, dancing the Lipsi, or rummaging around in an authentic apartment - a hands on experience of history!

Address: Karl-Liebknecht-Strasse 1
Phone: +49 30 847 123 731
Internet: www.ddd-museum.de

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Internet: www.bbsberlin.de
More Info: info@bbsberlin.de

Alexanderplatz and the TV-tower (Fernsehturm)

Once the heart of the former East Berlin, Alexanderplatz is today the largest inner-city square in Germany and has developed into a popular shopping attraction. The view from the Television Tower, its height of 368 metres (1,207 ft) making it the tallest tower in Germany, is absolutely fantastic. A perfect 360° all-round view is provided by the revolving restaurant, which rotates at a rate of twice an hour.

Address: Panoramastraße 1A, Berlin-Mitte
Phone: +49 30 24 75 75 37
Internet: www.tv-turm.de

Brandenburger Gate

It's Berlin's most famous landmark and became the symbol of overcoming the division of Germany once the Berlin Wall came down. From an architectural perspective, the sandstone structure, built by Carl Gotthard Langhans, is one of the most magnificent examples of German classicism. Nowadays the Gate

serves as a backdrop for festivals, big sporting events or New Year's Eve parties.

Address: Pariser Platz, Berlin-Mitte

Wall Museum, House at Checkpoint Charlie

Checkpoint Charlie, the most famous of the inner-German border crossing points and a name known the world over, was where Allied border guards registered members of the American, English and French Armed Forces (and their families) before they visited East Berlin. Right next to it is situated today the "Wall Museum - Museum House at Checkpoint Charlie" and a reconstruction of the Allies' first guardhouse.

Address: Friedrichstraße 43
Phone: +49 30 25 37 25 0
Internet: www.mauermuseum.de

Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe

Not far from the Brandenburg Gate is located the Memorial for Europe's Murdered Jews, a site of stelae (concrete slabs) arranged in a grid pattern on a sloping field accessible from all sides. It serves as a central place of remembrance and admonition and is supplemented by an underground information centre, containing the names of all known victims and details on the places of horror. There is no charge for admittance.

Address: Cora-Berliner-Straße 1, Berlin-Mitte
Phone: + 49 30 26 39 43 36
Internet: www.stiftung-denkmal.de

East Side Gallery

The "East Side Gallery" in Friedrichshain is both the longest section of the Berlin Wall still remaining intact and the largest open-air gallery. It runs for 1.3 km (1,420 yds) along the banks of the river Spree. A total of 118 international artists from 21 countries are immortalised here with colourful graffiti art and paintings.

Address: Mühlenstraße, Berlin-Friedrichshain
More Info: Mühlenstraße between Oberbaumbrücke (Oberbaum

Bridge) and Ostbahnhof.

Gedächtniskirche (Memorial Church)

The ruins of the Old Tower are another of Berlin's most famous landmarks. They are both a reminder of the horrors of war and – as a memorial – a sign of hope for peace. Millions of visitors a year from all over the world come to see the memorial hall next to the Old Tower.

Address: Breitscheidplatz, Berlin-Charlottenburg
Internet: www.gedaechtniskirche-berlin.de

Berlin Wall Memorial and Documentation Centre

In Bernauer Straße along the former border between East and West Berlin there still exists a section of the Berlin Wall intact together with death strip and watch tower. The structure, now a memorial, shows how the border installation was built. The exhibition in the Documentation Centre describes the history of the erecting of the Wall in 1961 and the situation in the divided city.

Address: Bernauer Straße 111, Berlin-Mitte
Phone: +49 30 467 98 66 66
Internet: www.berliner-mauer-gedenkstaette.de

Gendarmenmarkt

With the Deutscher Dom (German Dome) on one side and the Französischer Dom (French Dome) on the other side as well as the Konzerthaus (Concert House) and Schiller Memorial in the middle, the Gendarmenmarkt is one of the most beautiful squares in Europe. In summer there are open-air classical music concerts, in winter glühwein (mulled wine) at one of the most beautiful and romantic Christmas markets in Berlin.

Address: Gendarmenmarkt square, Berlin-Mitte

Museumsinsel (Museum Island)

This small island in the Spree, representing the heart of Berlin's museum landscape, was listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1999. Situated on it are the

Berliner Dom, the Altes Museum (Old Museum), the Alte Nationalgalerie (Old National Gallery), the Bode, Pergamon as well as the Neues (New) Museum, representing altogether some 6,000 years of artistic and cultural history.

Address: Bodestraße, Berlin-Mitte
Internet: www.smb.museum,
www.museumsinsel-berlin.de

Nikolaiviertel (Nikolai Quarter)

The Nikolaiviertel is the place to experience the old Berlin, being the oldest residential area in the city. Containing the Nikolai Church from the 13th century, the typically medieval streets and numerous restaurants, this is one of the most popular tourist attractions for visitors to Berlin.

Address: Nikolaiviertel, Berlin-Mitte
Internet: www.nikolaiviertel-berlin.de

Potsdamer Platz

In view of the colourfully spotlighted pavilion roof of the Sony Center and the many high-rise buildings around it, it's difficult to imagine that Potsdamer Platz for a long time lay in the death strip of the Berlin Wall and was nothing but a desolate wasteland. Now though, it's the place for stars and starlets in Berlin – and not only during the Berlin Film Festival every February, thanks to all the top cinemas for premieres there.

Address: Potsdamer Platz, Berlin-Tiergarten
Internet: www.potsdamerplatz.de

Kulturforum (Cultural Forum)

After Museum Island, the Kulturforum is the second centre of art in Berlin: this is the home not only of the Neue Nationalgalerie (New National Gallery), the Gemäldegalerie (Picture Gallery), the Kunstgewerbemuseum (Museum of Applied Arts) and other museums but also the Philharmonie (Philharmonic Hall) and the Staatsbibliothek (National Library).

Address: Berlin-Tiergarten

Internet: www.kulturforum-berlin.de

Reichstag with glass cupola

From the glass cupola designed by Sir Norman Foster you get a fabulous view of the city and German politics. Although it doesn't cost anything to visit the cupola and roof terrace, registering the visit beforehand is absolutely essential due to the enormous interest.

Address: Platz der Republik 1, Berlin-Tiergarten
Phone: +49 30 2273 2152
Internet: www.bundestag.de

Schloss Charlottenburg (Charlottenburg Palace)

The magnificent Schloss Charlottenburg is situated at some distance from the centre of Berlin. The palace, built by King Friedrich III of Prussia around 1700 for his adored wife Sophie-Charlotte – who was also revered by the people, lies in the middle of a picturesque park directly on the Spree.

Address: Spandauer Damm 20, Berlin-Charlottenburg
Internet: www.spsg.de

EATING



From a 3-course menu in a star-rated restaurant to boulettes or a doner kebab in the local snack bar – there's something to suit everybody's taste at good value for money in Berlin. There are just no limits to the culinary diversities: whether Australian or French cuisine, exotic Asian dishes or the Berliner currywurst, for gastronomic globetrotters there are international delicacies and regional specialities.

Berlin's regional cuisine is solid and tasty, and served in cosy traditional pubs. A particular speciality is

breakfast, which many cafés offer all day long – ideal for night owls who like to lie in a bit longer in the morning.

In summer, the city life moves outside: beach bars along the banks of the Spree with a view of the water are specially favoured. They are perfect places for enjoying a cocktail or sipping a Berliner Weisse (wheat beer) after a sightseeing tour. The popular summer drink, a beer speciality mixed with raspberry or Waldmeister (woodruff) syrup, is something you really shouldn't miss out on!

AMPELMANN Restaurant

A well-lit and friendly restaurant located in the historic S-Bahn Arches with large terrace and beach bar directly on the Spree. Mediterranean & Italian cuisine – most of it home-made. Favourably priced lunch.

Address: Stadtbahnbogen 159 / 160, Berlin-Mitte
Phone: +49 30 84 71 07 09
Internet: www.ampelmann-restaurant.de

Brasserie Desbrosses

The merging of old and new in the ambience of a French brasserie has been perfectly achieved in the Restaurant Desbrosses. Here guests enjoy the cuisine provided by chef de cuisine Jörgen Sodemann.

Address: Potsdamer Platz 3, Berlin-Tiergarten
Phone: +49 30 337 77 50 06
Internet: www.desbrosses.com

Brauhaus Südstern

Tavern brewery and restaurant with beer garden. Food from the menu or a buffet for groups. Book a guided tour with the master brewer – this includes tasting!. Occasional Live music.

Address: Hasenheide 69, Berlin-Kreuzberg
Phone: +49 30 69 00 16 24
Internet: www.brauhaus-suedstern.de

DDR-Restaurant Domklause

The DDR-Restaurant Domklause in the centre of Berlin

serves its guests known as well as forgotten dishes from a country that doesn't exist any more: history to savour!

Address: Karl-Liebknecht-Straße 1, Berlin-Mitte
Phone: +49 30 84 71 23 737
Internet: www.ddr-restaurant.de
More Info: Direct on the Spree, opposite the Berliner Dom.

DUKE Restaurant

There's an uncomplicated and classy welcome awaiting you in the DUKE restaurant with Mediterranean and Asiatic flavoured dishes, selected wines and exquisite cocktails.

Address: Nürnberger Straße 50-55, Berlin-Schöneberg
Phone: +49 30 683 15 40 00
Internet: www.duke-restaurant.com

Filmbühne am Steinplatz

In the centre of Western Berlin, German and international cuisine, large winter garden, 150 seats inside and large terrace outside, suitable for groups and individual visitors, special atmosphere: an old cinema.

Address: Hardenbergstraße 12, Berlin-Charlottenburg
Phone: +49 30 312 65 89
Internet: www.filmbuehne-am-steinplatz.de

"first floor" in the Hotel Palace Berlin

Gourmet restaurant centrally located. Star chef Matthias Diether, nominated as 'Berlin's Master Chef 2011', conjures up light, modern and European dishes based on French haute cuisine.

Address: Budapester Straße 45, Berlin-Tiergarten
Phone: +49 30 25 02 10 20
Internet: www.firstfloor.palace.de

"Sophieneck" restaurant and public house

Here they offer German and regional cuisine and have an extensive selection of beers and wines waiting for you.

Address: Große Hamburger Straße 37, Berlin-Mitte
Phone: +49 30 283 40 65

Internet: www.sophieneck-berlin.de

Harry's New York Bar

Harry's New York Bar – the undisputed king of the bars! Here every evening from Monday to Saturday live music, a selection of over 200 cocktails and an unforgettable atmosphere are awaiting you.

Address: Lützowufer 15, Berlin-Tiergarten
Phone: +49 30 25 47 80
Internet: www.esplanade.de/gastronomie/harry-s-new-york-bar

Hotel Müggelsee Berlin

Go on, spoil yourself our gastronomy team will surprise you everyday in new ways with lovingly prepared delicacies.

Address: Müggelheimer Damm 145, Berlin-Köpenick
Phone: +49 30 65 88 20
Internet: www.hotel-mueggelsee-berlin.de

Delicious German dishes served in a relaxed atmosphere in the middle of the table, so that everybody can join in. When the weather's nice, the terrace is the perfect meeting place at Potsdamer Platz.

Address: Marlene-Dietrich-Platz 2, Berlin-Tiergarten
Phone: +49 30 25 53 15 72
Internet: www.mesa-restaurant.de

Midtown Grill

In the tradition of American steak houses, you'll get the best steaks in town in the Midtown Grill. They will give you a warm welcome in a friendly atmosphere to the sounds of lounge music.

Address: Ebertstraße 3, Berlin-Tiergarten
Phone: +49 30 220 00 54 11
Internet: www.midtown-grill.de

NOCTI VAGUS Dunkelrestaurant

Experience a magical dinner and show in total darkness. Let us in the NOCTI VAGUS Dunkelrestaurant sweep you off to new worlds with a mystery dinner, horror shows and erotic evenings.

Address: Saarbrücker Straße 36-38, Berlin-Prenzlauer Berg
Phone: +49 30 74 74 91 23
Internet: www.noctivagus.com

Spagos Restaurant, Bar & Lounge, Park Inn by Radisson Berlin Alexanderplatz

Spagos offers a wide-ranging selection of lunches, a large kitchen buffet and Californian-Mediterranean dinners from the show kitchen, as well as a bar and lounge area with live entertainment from 9 pm.

Address: Alexanderplatz 7, Berlin-Mitte
Phone: +49 30 23 89 42 49
Internet: www.spagos.de

The Westin Grand Berlin

Experience uncomplicated seasonal cuisine in the Relish Restaurant in the Westin Grand Berlin. Eating becomes a pleasure with fresh and mostly regional ingredients. Feed the body, nourish the soul!

Address: Friedrichstraße 158-164, Berlin-Mitte
Phone: +49 30 202 70
Internet: www.westingrandberlin.com

Times Bar in the Savoy Hotel

Modern drinks and Caribbean cocktails to the sound of soft music. Connoisseurs and lovers will appreciate the selection of top-quality Cuban cigars at the Casa del Habano.

Address: Fasanenstraße 9-10, Berlin-Charlottenburg
Phone: +49 30 31 10 30
Internet: www.hotel-savoy.com

This is the place for original American prime rib, best quality juicy steak served directly from prime rib. The patio and quiet courtyard terrace are perfect for relaxing and the big feast.

Address: Nürnberger Straße 65, Berlin-Schöneberg
Phone: +49 30 21 00 79 91
Internet: www.restaurant-wilsons.de

XXenia

Experience quite exquisite variations of regional and

Mediterranean specialties: chef de cuisine Michael Zawaba creates everyday for you a culinary variety of cuisine with the best ingredients from Brandenburg.

Address: Budapester Straße 25, Berlin-Tiergarten
Phone: +49 30 26 96 29 71
Internet: www.pullmanhotels.com/5347

CAFES



The streets of the Berlin scene neighbourhoods are choc-a-bloc full with cafés. They have everything that you need for a good start to the day, from lactose-free latte macchiato to a hearty buffet. Whether self-service or attentive service, sitting comfortably in upholstered chairs or just squatting on a bar stool, there's breakfast seven days a week and in some cafés even 24 hours a day – not for nothing is Berlin the city with the widest range of breakfasts.

In the afternoons, what better than to take a break from sightseeing or shopping in one of the Berlin's countless cafés. A quick cappuccino or home-made cake in a pleasant atmosphere is just the ticket for reading your newspaper in peace and quiet or leisurely observing people. Many coffee houses provide their guests with WLAN internet access and sockets for their laptop. When the sun starts shining, there's a rush to move tables and chairs outside so that the guests can sit outside and enjoy the weather.

Café Sybille

Coffee house & museum with a permanent exhibition on the history of Karl-Marx-Allee with its "worker's palaces".

Address: Karl-Marx-Allee 72, Berlin-Friedrichshain
Phone: +49 30 29 35 22 03
Internet: www.cafe-sybille.de

Café in the Literaturhaus (House of Literature)

Café in the historic-literary ambience of the gründerzeit (Wilhelmine style) villa.

Address: Fasanenstraße 23, Berlin-Charlottenburg
Phone: +49 30 882 54 14
Internet: www.literaturhaus-berlin.de

Kuchen-Kaiser

Scene café with 140 years of tradition in baking cakes.

Address: Oranienplatz 11-13, Berlin-Kreuzberg
Phone: +49 30 61 40 26 97
Internet: www.kuchenkaiser.de

Café Lehmsofa

Relaxed menu with German and Canadian cuisine.

Address: Dorfstraße 4, Berlin-Falkenberg
Phone: +49 30 93 02 28 47

Café Einstein Stammhaus

Elegance in the villa of the silent film star Henny Porten.

Address: Kurfürstenstraße 58, Berlin-Tiergarten
Phone: +49 30 261 50 96
Internet: www.cafeeinstein.com

Café Vux

Brazilian inspired and vegan.

Address: Richardstraße 38, Berlin-Neukölln
Internet: www.vux-berlin.com

Café Schönhausen

Café suitable for children and the whole family.

Address: Florastraße 27, Berlin-Pankow
Phone: +49 30 42 00 45 36
Internet: www.schoen-hausen.de

Café Barfly

Excellent food, delicious cocktails, outstanding service.

Address: Brüderstraße 47, Berlin-Spandau
Phone: +49 30 331 55 55
Internet: www.cafe-barfly.de

Le Café

Labyrinthine, cosy café on the Bel Étage.

Address: Schloßstraße 26, Berlin-Steglitz
Phone: +49 30 792 76 85
Internet: www.le-cafe-berlin.de

Café Bilderbuch

Berliner Institution with live music on Sundays.

Address: Akazienstraße 28, Berlin-Schöneberg
Phone: +49 30 78 70 60 57
Internet: www.Cafe-Bilderbuch.de

Brezel Company

Cosy ambience with pretzels and cakes.

Address: Lenastraße 10, Berlin-Neukölln
Phone: +49 30 612 41 81
Internet: www.brezel-company-berlin.de

Frau Behrens Torten

Cakes and other sweets under chandeliers.

Address: Wilmersdorfer Straße 96, Berlin-Wilmersdorf
Phone: +49 30 88 91 28 65

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



It doesn't matter whether you just want to round off the day or get started for the night ahead – you're sure to find the right sort of bar to plan your individual evening in Berlin. The spectrum ranges from the

exclusive hotel bar via the trendy haunt with its modern design or traditional drop-in pub round the corner right up to the exotic cocktail bar or oriental shisha bar. Particularly popular are the skybars in the high-rise buildings on Ku'damm, at Alex or Potsdamer Platz. There is a spectacular view to be had of Berlin at night from high over the city's roofs.

The Berlin nightlife is legendary. The parties. The music. The people. In this respect it's a question of "Your wish is Berlin's command"! Well-known DJs present the latest sounds to their audiences in the city's countless clubs, bars and discotheques. And there are always new clubs shooting up out of the ground everywhere. The intent of the party people is obvious: dance, have fun and party into the small hours. Because there are no closing hours in Berlin.

TIP: It doesn't matter if you're a chic chick, easy jetsetter, gay gent or 9-to-5 type – a glance at our ClubMATCHER (at: www.clubmatcher.de) will help you to find the sort of club you're looking for.

EVENTS



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Although Berlin is always worth a visit, some dates really stand out. The Berlin Event Calendar is full of attractions and events, fairs and sporting highlights. Whether opera, theatre, musical or concert – with well over a thousand different cultural events to choose from, you're sure to find the right one for you!

The Friedrichstadt-Palast, Europe's biggest revue theatre with its legendary high-stepping girls' line, or variety theatres like the "Chamäleon Varieté" guarantee non-stop entertainment. The musical productions at Potsdamer Platz or in the Theater des Westens offer music, breathtaking stage settings and

choreographies that are sure to enchant you. You'll receive the surprise of your life when you see the Blue Man Group: this show, mixing concert, comedy and special-effects is one of a kind!

Events Calendar

Yma – too beautiful to be true
to summer 2012
Friedrichstadtpalast Berlin

Pergamon. Panorama of an ancient metropolis
Oct 1st 2011 - Sept 30th 2012
Pergamon Museum

Dance of the Vampires
Nov 30th 2011 - Jun 30th 2012
Theater des Westens

7. Berlin Biennale for Contemporary Art
Apr 28th 2012 - Jul 1st 2012
KW Institute for Contemporary Art

F300: Friederisiko (Frederick the Great exhibition)
Apr 28th 2012 - Oct 28th 2012
Neues Palais and Park Sanssouci

Blue Man Group
All the year
Stage Bluemax Theater

Stars in Concert
EnSuite programme
Estrel Hotel & Convention Centre

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Internet: www.visitBerlin.com

TOP 10



“And what are we going to do today?” – the Adventure Playground Berlin has a large number of answers ready to this (all too) frequently asked question. “No time to get bored” is the slogan of the child-friendly city, which is full of surprises for its young visitors. Fun and adventure are guaranteed here. There are numerous family attractions to entice young and old with unforgettable experiences 365 days a year. And thanks to the excellent value for money (with the whole family in mind), the trip will be a pleasure for the parents too.

AquaDom & SEALIFE

Discover the fascinating underwater worlds and experience what it's like to go diving in a very special way at AquaDom – the largest free-standing aquarium in the world. Travel through 1 million litres (220,000 gallons) of saltwater past shoals of tropical fish.

Address: Spandauer Straße 3, Berlin-Mitte
Internet: www.sealife.de

Currywurst Museum

Near Checkpoint-Charlie there is a museum of a very unusual kind – the Currywurst Museum, dedicated to Berlin's cult snack. An interactive discovery exhibition intended for the whole family offers – alongside a series of multimedia exhibits, a portable snack bar and spicing chamber – details specially prepared for children of how currywursts are made.

Address: Schützenstraße 70, Berlin-Mitte
Internet: www.currywurstmuseum.com

Filmpark Babelsberg

Have a look behind the scenes of the fabulous film

world: entertaining shows and unbelievable stunts to be seen in the legendary Babelsberg film studios. Other highlights are the gigantic jungle adventure playground and a visit to a 4D action cinema.

Address: Großbeerenstraße, Potsdam
Internet: www.filmpark-babelsberg.de

Hi-Flyer captive balloon

Take to the air in a captive balloon right in the middle of Berlin near Checkpoint Charlie. Enjoy a breathtaking view over Berlin from 150 metres (500 ft) up high! Guaranteed to be an unforgettable experience!

Address: Wilhelmstraße, Berlin-Mitte
Internet: www.air-service-berlin.de
More Info: At Checkpoint Charlie - , corner of Zimmerstraße

LEGOLAND®

In the world of little coloured bricks, creativity and fun will always take first place. The faithfully produced replicas of Berlin's most famous landmarks will inspire the whole family. Also visit the medieval dragon fortress, the scientific LEGO® factory and – last but not least – the 4D cinema.

Address: Potsdamer Straße 4, Berlin-Tiergarten
Internet: www.legolanddiscoverycenter.com

Madame Tussauds

At Madame Tussauds there are stars and starlets you can touch. The waxwork museum guarantees fun for all the family with over 80 wax figures. All your favourites from films and television, sport and politics are waiting for you to touch them.

Address: Unter den Linden 74, Berlin-Mitte
Internet: www.madametussauds.com

Natural History Museum (Museum für Naturkunde)

It's not difficult to get children interested in a trip to Berlin's Naturkundemuseum. What pleasure for parents to see them with eyes and mouths wide open

gazing in wonder at the largest dinosaur skeleton in the world, which – like other members of its species – are brought back to life virtually thanks to the so-called “Juroskope”.

Address: Invalidenstraße 43, Berlin-Mitte
Internet: www.naturkundemuseum-berlin.de

Science Center Spectrum

The aim of the interactive world of joining-in and discovery of the German Technikmuseum (Museum for Technology) is to make technology and natural sciences fun. Go with your young researchers on an exciting journey of discovery by pressing buttons and flicking levers over during the numerous experiments.

Address: Möckernstraße 26, Berlin-Kreuzberg
Internet: www.sdtb.de

Rittersport

The colourful world of RITTERSPORT is a paradise for all the young and old who have a sweet tooth. Here at the Gendarmenmarkt, spread over three floors, chocolate lovers will discover an enormous range of products. And children can create their own chocolate favourites in the Choco-workshop.

Address: Französische Straße 24, Berlin-Mitte
Internet: www.ritter-sport.de

Zoologischer Garten

The Berlin Zoo has always been one of the biggest family attractions in the city. The zoo has the richest tradition and the largest number of species in Germany, being home to more than 17,000 animals – a sensational number. The daily feeding times are a really special experience.

Address: Hardenbergplatz 8, Berlin-Tiergarten
Internet: www.zoo-berlin.de

Saving tip for families:

With the ABC variants of the Berlin WelcomeCard, one adult and up to 3 children under 15 travel free on Berlin’s public transport system.

12 Special offers

Saving...

...before travelling

Berlin WelcomeCard Museum Island

This tourist ticket for art lovers combines the advantages of the Berlin WelcomeCard 72h Berlin (AB or ABC) with free admittance to the five famous museums on Museum Island on three successive days.

Both the “museum pass Berlin” and Berlin WelcomeCard Museum Island are available in the Berlin Tourist Infos or on the internet at visitBerlin.com.

Tickets

For those making last-minute decisions, the visitBerlin Berlin Tourist Infos provide a special service: tickets for selected events on the same day* with a 50% discount.

*subject to availability.

Museum pass

The “museum pass Berlin” allows you to visit over 60 museums and collections in Berlin in three successive opening days. The handy accompanying “Museums and Palaces” booklet contains all the important service information on the houses and memorials covered by the pass.

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No matter whether hip, casual and trendy or classical, elegant and timeless – there's something here for all tastes and purses. And the practically unrestricted opening times in this shopping paradise will only make the hearts of all shopping fans beat that faster, rather along the lines of the slogan: "Shop until you drop"!

One of the most popular shopping streets is of course Kurfürstendamm: here it's even worth investigating the side streets for your shopping spree. The Kaufhaus des Westens (KaDeWe for short) in Tauentzienstraße is the largest department store on the European mainland and has an enormous range of goods for you to look and marvel at (and also buy!).

In Berlin-Mitte the legendary Friedrichstraße now exudes a cosmopolitan flair thanks to its new architecture and chic stores like the Galeries Lafayette or Quartier 206. Alexa at Alexanderplatz is also a great place for shopping.

For those who are searching for new trends and original accessories, having a look in the small shops dotted around the Hackesche Höfe in the former

Scheunenviertel (barn district) would be well worthwhile. There are lots of young Berlin designers represented in Münzstraße as well as Alte and Neue Schönhauser Straße. And let's not forget that Kastanienallee in Prenzlauer Berg or Bergmannstraße in Kreuzberg also have some pretty hot fashion shops too.

Tip for bargain hunters: The numerous flea markets in Berlin are veritable paradises for bargain hunters to rummage through, for example Sundays at Straße des 17. Juni, in the Mauerpark (Wall park) or at Boxhagener Platz.

SLEEPING



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More information:

Internet: www.visitberlin.de/de/welcomecard

Airports

Berlin has two airports, each with excellent

connections to the local public transport network.

Schönefeld Airport (SXF) lies southeast of Berlin, approx. 18 km (11 miles) from downtown Berlin. It is connected to the S45 and S9 S-Bahn lines as well as regional express mainline trains departing in half-hourly intervals from the Hauptbahnhof, Zoologischer Garten, Friedrichstraße, Alexanderplatz and Ostbahnhof stations. The Schönefeld Airport-Express departs from Spandau via Zoologischer Garten, Hauptbahnhof and Ostbahnhof to Schönefeld. The journey from Hauptbahnhof takes about half-an-hour.

Tegel Airport (TXL) lies in the northwest of the city, approx. 8 km (5 miles) from downtown Berlin. It has a close connection to the stadtautobahn (urban motorway) as well as local public transport services with the 109 and X9 bus routes to Zoologischer Garten, the 128 bus route to the northern districts of Berlin and the TXL bus route to the government quarter.

The new Berlin Brandenburg Airport (BER) is opening on 3rd June 2012, at which time all the air traffic of the Berlin-Brandenburg region will be concentrated on this airport. Tegel and Schönefeld airports will then be shut down.

The Airport Express will connect Berlin-Brandenburg Airport to downtown Berlin in about 30 minutes. The station, situated underground, will have four platforms for mainline train services and two for S-Bahn services. You can get to the airport by car via the A113 autobahn and the four-lane B96a main road.

Schönefeld Airport
12521 Berlin-Schönefeld
+49 180-500 01 86 (0,14 € /Min.)
Mainline railway station / IC connection about 300 m (yds) / 5 Min.
S-Bahn station: Berlin-Schönefeld Airport

Tegel Airport

13405 Berlin-Reinickendorf
+49 180-500 01 86 (0.14 €/Min.)
N X9, 109, 128, Jet Express TXL

More infos, including on the new Berlin Brandenburg Airport, at: www.berlin-airport.de.

Phone: +49 180 5000 186
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Public transport

The local public transport system allows you to get anywhere in Berlin – comfortably, safely and cheaply. The expanded transport network of S-Bahn, U-Bahn, buses and trams provides you with unrestricted mobility, even at night: on Fridays and Saturdays as well as the nights before public holidays, nearly all the S-Bahn and U-Bahn service operate all through the night at 15 minute intervals.

Phone: +49 30 25 00 25

Taxi

When hiring a taxi in Berlin, you pay a basic charge of €3.20 plus €1.65 for each kilometre travelled. The “Kurzstrecke” (short distance) tariff gives you a journey of up to two kilometres for €4.00 – in this case, however, you have to flag down the taxi yourself. The “Kurzstrecke” tariff does not apply if you order a taxi or get in one at a designated taxi-waiting spot.

Taxi Berlin International +49 30 20 20 21 22 0 (English language taxi-ordering service around the clock)
taxi-berlin.de

Funk Taxi Berlin +49 30 26 10 26
www.funk-taxi-berlin.de

Post

You can buy stamps in post offices and at tobacconist shops. Post office opening times vary – they are normally open between 8 am and 6 pm weekdays and between 9 am and 1 pm on Saturdays.

The post office in Georgenstraße, Berlin-Mitte is open every day of the week:

Address: Georgenstraße in Berlin-Mitte
Subway: S-/U-Bahn station: Friedrichstraße

Newspapers

The most important daily newspapers are:

Berliner Zeitung

Tagesspiegel

Berliner Morgenpost

Die Welt

Every fortnight in alternating weeks the two Berlin programme magazines TIP and Zitty appear containing numerous tips on cultural events and going out.

Pharmacy

On-call medical service: +49 30 31 00 31 or at:
www.kvberlin.de

Chemists' emergency service: (Berlin Chamber of Chemists): at www.akberlin.de

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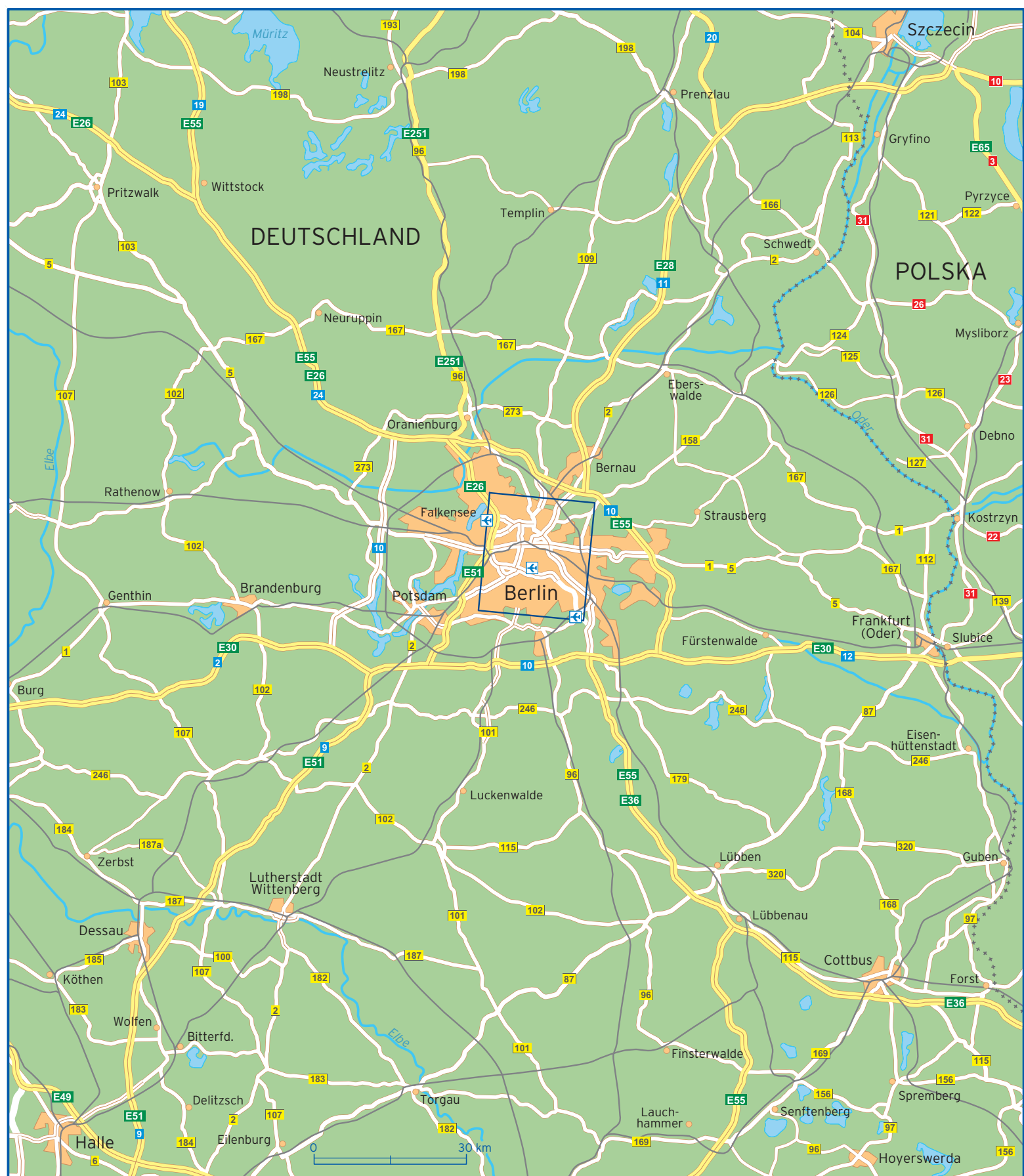
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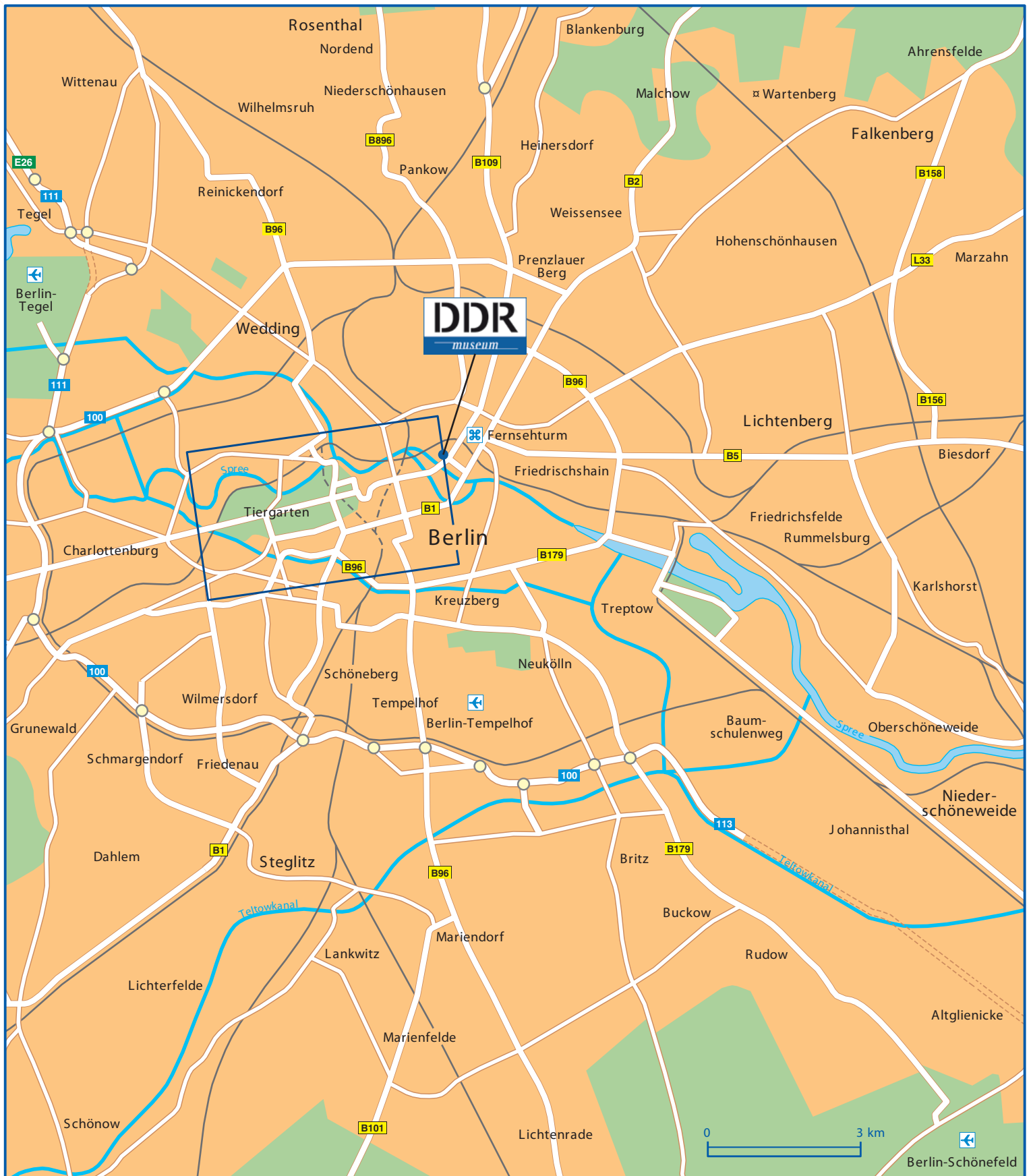
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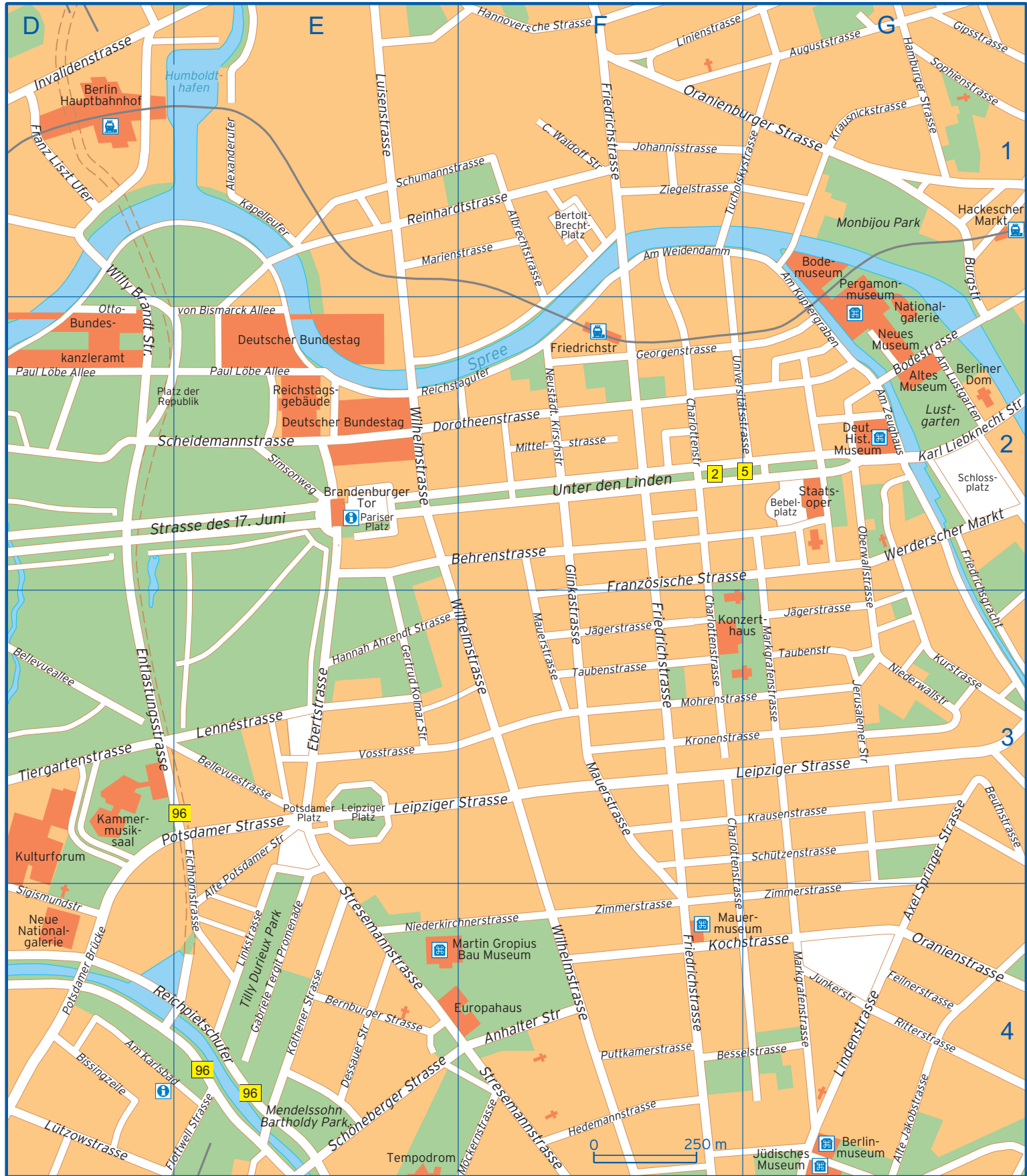
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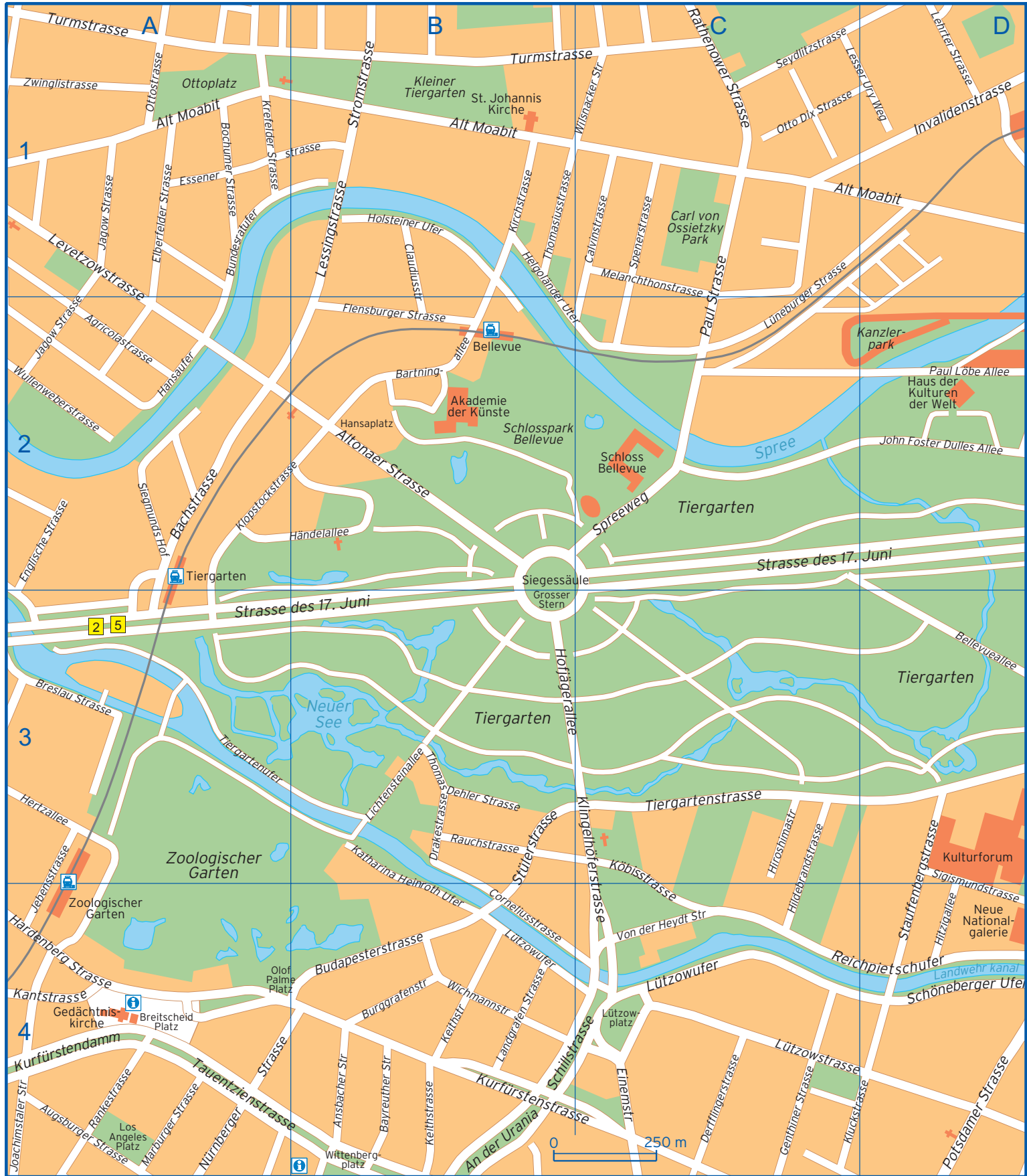
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Albrechtstrasse	F1	Georgenstrasse	F2	Lüneburger Strasse	C1 C2
Alexanderufer	E1	Gertrud Kolmar Strasse	E3	Lützowplatz	C4
Alt Moabit	A1 B1 C1 D1	Gipsstrasse	G1	Lützowstrasse	C4 D4
Alte Jakobstrasse	G4	Glinkastrasse	F2 F3	Lützowufer	B4 C4
Alte Potsdamer Strasse	E3 E4	Grosser Stern	B3	Marburger Strasse	A4
Altonaer Strasse	B2	Hamburger Strasse	G1	Marienstrasse	E1 F1
Am Karlsbad	D4 E4	Hannah Ahrendt Strasse	E3	Markgrafenstrasse	G3 G4
Am Kupfergraben	G1 G2	Hannoversche Strasse	F1	Mauerstrasse	F3
Am Lustgarten	G2	Hansaplatz	B2	Melanchthonstrasse	C1 C2
Am Weidendamm	F1	Hansaufer	A2	Mittelstrasse	F2
Am Zeughaus	G2	Hardenberg Strasse	A4	Mohrenstrasse	F3 G3
An der Urania	B4	Hedemannstrasse	F4	Möckernstrasse	F4
Anhalter Strasse	F4	Helgoländer Uter	B1 B2	Neustädtische Kirschstrasse	F2
Ansbacher Strasse	B4	Hertzallee	A3	Niederkirchnerstrasse	E4 F4
Augsburger Strasse	A4	Hildebrandstrasse	C3 C4	Niederwallstrasse	G3
Auguststrasse	G1	Hiroshimastrasse	C3	Nürnberger Strasse	A4
Axel Springer Strasse	G3 G4	Hitzigallee	D4	Oberwallstrasse	G2 G3
Bachstrasse	A2	Hofjägerallee	B3	Olof Palme Platz	A4 B4
Bartningallee	B2	Holsteiner Ufer	B1	Oranienburger Strasse	F1 G1
Bayreuther Strasse	B4	Händelallee	A2 B2	Oranienstrasse	G4
Bebelplatz	G2	Invalidenstrasse	D1	Otto Dix Strasse	C1
Behrenstrasse	E2 F2	Jagow Strasse	A1 A2	Otto von Bismarck Allee	E2
Bellevueallee	D3	Jebensstrasse	A3 A4	Ottostrasse	A1
Bellevuestrasse	E3	Jerusalemmer Strasse	G3	Pariser Platz	E2
Bernburger Strasse	E4	Joachimstaler Strasse	A4	Paul Löbe Allee	D2 E2
Bertolt-Brecht-Platz	F1	Johannisstrasse	F1	Paul Strasse	C1 C2
Besselstrasse	F4 G4	John Foster Dulles Allee	D2	Platz der Republik	D2 E2
Beuthstrasse	G3	Junkerstrasse	G4	Potsdamer Brücke	D4
Bissingzeile	D4	Jägerstrasse	F3 G3	Potsdamer Platz	E3
Bochumer Strasse	A1	Kantstrasse	A4	Potsdamer Strasse	D3 D4 E3
Bodestrasse	G2	Kapelleufer	E1	Puttkamerstrasse	F4
Breitscheid Platz	A4	Karl Liebknecht Strasse	G2	Rankestrasse	A4
Breslau Strasse	A3	Katharina Heinroth Ufer	B3 B4	Rathenower Strasse	C1
Budapesterstrasse	B4	Keithstrasse	B4	Rauchstrasse	B3
Bundesratufer	A1	Kirchstrasse	B1	Reichpietschufer	C4 D4 E4
Burggrafenstrasse	B4	Klingelhöferstrasse	C3 C4	Reichstagufer	E2 F2
Burgstrasse	G1 G2	Klopstockstrasse	A2 B2	Reinhardtstrasse	E1 F1
Calvinstrasse	C1	Kluckstrasse	C4 D4	Ritterstrasse	G4
Charlottenstrasse	F2 F3 F4	Kochstrasse	F4 G4	Scheidemannstrasse	D2 E2
Claire Waldoff Strasse	F1	Krausenstrasse	G3	Schillstrasse	B4 C4
Claudiusstrasse	B1 B2	Krausnickstrasse	G1	Schlossplatz	G2
Corneliusstrasse	B4	Krefelder Strasse	A1	Schumannstrasse	E1 F1
Dehler Strasse	B3	Kronenstrasse	F3 G3	Schöneberger Strasse	E4
Derfflingerstrasse	C4	Kurfürstendamm	A4	Schöneberger Ufer	D4
Dessauer Strasse	E4	Kurfürstenstrasse	B4 C4	Schützenstrasse	G3
Dorotheenstrasse	E2 F2	Kurstrasse	G3	Seydlitzstrasse	C1
Drakestrasse	B3	Köbisstrasse	C3 C4	Siegmunds Hof	A2
Ebertstrasse	E3	Köthener Strasse	E4	Sigismundstrasse	D4
Eichhornstrasse	E3 E4	Landgrafen Strasse	B4	Simsonweg	E2
Einemstrasse	C4	Lehrter Strasse	D1	Sophienstrasse	G1
Elberfelder Strasse	A1	Leipziger Platz	E3	Spenerstrasse	C1
Englische Strasse	A2	Leipziger Strasse	E3 F3 G3	Spreeweg	C2
Entlastungsstrasse	D3	Lennéstrasse	E3	Stauffenbergstrasse	D3 D4
Essener Strasse	A1	Lesser Ury Weg	C1 D1	Strasse des 17. Juni	A3 B3 C2 D2 E2
Feilnerstrasse	G4	Lessingstrasse	B1	Stresemannstrasse	E4 F4
Flensburger Strasse	B2	Levetzowstrasse	A1 A2	Stromstrasse	B1
Franz Liszt Ufer	D1	Lichtensteinallee	B3	Stülerstrasse	B3 B4
Französische Strasse	F3 G2	Lindenstrasse	G4	Taubenstrasse	F3 G3
Friedrichsgracht	G2 G3	Linienstrasse	F1	Tauentzienstrasse	A4 B4
Friedrichstrasse	F1 F3 F4	Linkstrasse	E4	Thomas Dehler Strasse	B3

Gabriele Tergit Promenade

E4 Los Angeles Platz

A4 Thomasiusstrasse

B1

Tiergartenstrasse	C3 D3	Von der Heydt Strasse	C4	Wilsnacker Strasse	C1
Tiergartenufer	A3	Vosstrasse	E3	Wittenbergplatz	B4
Tucholskystrasse	F1 G1	Werderscher Markt	G2	Wullenweberstrasse	A2
Turmstrasse	A1 B1 C1	Wichmannstrasse	B4	Ziegelstrasse	F1
Universitätsstrasse	F2 G2	Wilhelmstrasse	E2 E3 F3 F4	Zimmerstrasse	F4 G4
Unter den Linden	F2	Willy Brandt Strasse	D1 D2	Zwinglstrasse	A1