Düsseldorf houses “the longest bar in the world,” Germany’s finest shopping boulevard Königsallee, and countless museums, theatres and attractions underscoring the city as a major arts centre. It offers the legendary cheer of the Rhineland with all its quaint traditions in perfect harmony with all the luxuries of a truly cosmopolitan city. You are invited to discover this great city.

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Düsseldorf - a successful combination of traditions and trends, a city of five seasons: during the “foolish season”, i.e. carnival time, the city bubbles over with sheer zest for life.

The city pulsates, it is palpable everywhere. Above all in the Altstadt (Old Town), the legendary square kilometre on the banks of the Rhine with its around 260 restaurants and inns, pubs, rustic breweries and cafés, which earned it the name “the longest bar in the world”. This is the home of the Altbier. Nowhere else does this topbrewed beer taste as delicious as at the historic microbreweries. But the Altstadt (Old Town) is more than that: quiet lanes with cobblestones, the old palace tower saluting the ships passing by, the twisted spire of St. Lambertus church leaving its observer puzzled, and the splendid old private houses, a reminder of past glamour.

A visit to the Altstadt is also an absolute must for art and culture lovers. The Kunstsammlung Nordrhein-Westfalen, which shows 20th century painting, the Deutsche Oper am Rhein Düsseldorf/Duisburg (both on Heinrich-Heine-Allee), the Kunsthalle (Grabbeplatz), Kunstakademie, Tonhalle and Ehrenhof (all on the Rhine embankment) are major elements of Düsseldorf’s art axis. The Rhine embankment promenade has drawn the city close to the Rhine again, it is an invitation to stroll and relax. The promenade leads all the way to where the city’s creative brains are at home, the MedienHafen.

A feast for lovers of architecture: Ancient railway lines listed for preservation form an exciting contrast with the glass palaces of the present. Trendy bars, clubs and restaurants complete the ensemble.

Night owls are able to choose between noble clubs on the “Kö”, dancing the night away at the ultramodern MedienHafen or on former shop floors in the district of Lierenfeld. “Ratinger Straße” in the Altstadt (Old Town) is hip - the whole road is one big open-air party in summer.

Düsseldorf’s urban and cultural landscape has a cosmopolitan flair that is unrivalled by most other German cities. Choices in the Rhine metropolis cover a wide range – in business, fashion, culture, lifestyle and sports.

Königsallee

Düsseldorf’s Königsallee is one of a small group of internationally famous streets that may justifiably call themselves boulevards. Affectionately
called the “Kö” by Düsseldorf’s residents, it is the primary shopping street in Düsseldorf, and as its nucleus connects the city centre to provide a continuous shopping experience running from the Altstadt (Old Town) through to the Kö and all the way to Schadowstraße. Come along, see and be seen – and do some truly stylish shopping as well.

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Altstadt (Old Town)

Nowhere else in Düsseldorf can one feel the city’s heartbeat so clearly as in the Altstadt. Those who want to party, people in search of culture or history lovers will all be equally well catered for in this area between the Rhine and Heinrich-Heine Allee, that covers an area of less than half a square kilometre. This tiny space is crammed with around 260 eateries, pubs, bars, discos and restaurants, and one would be hard pressed to find the like in any other city. The Altstadt is also home to Altbier – a real Düsseldorf speciality.

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Address: Altstadt, Düsseldorf

Burgplatz & Rhine embankment promenade

Burgplatz is where the little River Düssel, which gave the town its name, flows into the Rhine. In the background is the former collegiate church, St. Lambertus, with the shrine of St. Apolinaris.

Next to the bridge over the Düssel, the monument to Düsseldorf being granted the privileges of a town demonstrates impressively more than 725 years of town history (town status granted in 1288). The square is dominated by Alter Schlossturm, the old palace tower (now the Schiffahrt-Museum navigation museum) and last testimony to the princely palace from the 13th century that fell victim to flames in 1872.

The generously proportioned Rhine embankment promenade is considered one of the most beautiful on the Rhine. Upriver, the Medien Hafen is characterised by outstanding architectural creations, and the elegant district of Oberkassel on the opposite bank by art-nouveau facades.

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Address: Burgplatz, Düsseldorf

Carlstadt

Carlstadt is the city’s exquisite quarter of galleries and antique shops. Citadelstraße with its elegant stately residences from the 18th and 19th centuries and the flair of its streets almost unchanged since these days, seems to have escaped the passing of time. A more profound insight into Düsseldorf’s history can be gained at Stadtmuseum at the corner of Bäckerstraße and Berger Allee. Its cosy garden is treated as an insidertip! The Carlsplatz, and its lively food market open from Monday to Saturday. From here, take the attractive Bilker Straße for a visit to the Heinrich-Heine- Institute or proceed past the former residence of Robert and Clara Schumann to Bastionstraße, a must for every lover of antiques.
MedienHafen

The Rhine tower, the North Rhine-Westphalia parliament, the Gehry Buildings, the city gate or Colorium – MedienHafen is a hotspot for creative architecture in Düsseldorf. Several international architects played a creative role in the reconstruction of the old Rhine port area. Frank O. Gehry, David Chipperfield, Joe Coenen, Steven Holl and Claude Vasconi were among those who made a creative contribution to make it what it is today. Those goods depots which were protected by a preservation order had to be renovated with hi-tech engineering and creative interior design. The ancient storerooms have been recreated with a new style and grace. However, you can still feel the old port atmosphere everywhere despite all the reconstruction. Just a decade ago the warehouses were nothing but immense empty spaces inside. Today, various television channels and radio stations, and advertising and media agencies, design bureaus and suchlike have all set up shop inside. So that’s where the name came from: MedienHafen, which means media harbour.

The MedienHafen also plays in the premier league where hospitality is concerned. From the exquisite “Beren am Kai”, with a Michelin star, through the “most golden” curry sausage in Düsseldorf, to a cozy cocktail in the evening - the restaurateurs here have adapted to their heterogeneous clientele, which is composed of business customers during the day and the funky in-crowd in the evening, who all meet up to party at the stylish “Rudas Studios” advertising

Rheinturm

The Rheinturm (built 1979 – 1982, architect H. Deilmann) is a striking landmark on the Düsseldorf’s Rhine skyline. It stands on the edge of the southern city centre, at the entrance to the MedienHafen, right beside the North Rhine-Westphalian parliament building (Landtag) and the building of the public broadcaster, Westdeutscher Rundfunk. It is 240.5 metres high, with a glass-fronted 180-seat restaurant at an altitude of 172.5 metres that rotates on its axis.

A bar and lounge is located below the restaurant (168m) as is a viewing platform (164m) with a breathtaking view of the Rhine metropolis: the MedienHafen, the Altstadt, the Hofgarten, Königsallee and the Rhine with its family of bridges all lie at the feet of the tower. When the weather is good, one can see as far as Cologne Cathedral. Thanks to a level entrance in the basement of the tower, the building offers barrier-free access.
Japanese quarter

Düsseldorf has the third largest Japanese community on the European continent after Paris and London. In the vicinity of the Immermannstraße, you can find a wide range of Japanese supermarkets, book shops, restaurants and more.

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EKÔ-House of Japanese Culture

The EKÔ-House - since 1993 a centre for Japanese culture - consists of a Buddhist temple (the only Japanese temple in Europe), Japanese gardens, a traditional house with tearoom and, since 1999, another building including a library and an international kindergarten. The most important function of the EKÔ-House is the cultural exchange between East and West: Japanese citizens cultivate their traditions and allow local citizens the unique opportunity to participate.

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Palace and Park Benrath

Schloss Benrath (Benrath Palace) was built as a pleasure and hunting palace for the Elector Carl Theodor. Today, the ensemble in its artistic unity of buildings, interior and gardens, 60 hectares in all, is considered one of Europe’s rare complete works of art of the late baroque period. The main palace building (corps de logis), with its furniture, porcelain, paintings, etc., gives an impression of court life in the second half of the 18th century. The eastern wing houses the “Museum für Europäische Gartenkunst” (Museum of European Garden Art) and the western wing the “Museum für Naturkunde” (Museum of Natural Sciences).

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Address: Benrather Schlossallee 100-106, 40597, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: 1st Apr - 31st Oct: Tue-Fri 11.00-17.00; Sat-Sun 11.00-18.00; 1st Nov - 31st Mar: Tue-Sun 11.00-17.00
Phone: +49 211 8993832
Internet: www.schloss-benrath.de

Barbarossa's Imperial Palace Kaiserswerth

On the edge of the picturesque centre of Kaiserswerth, the mighty ruins of the legendary Emperor Barbarossa’s medieval palace rise directly from the riverbank, once one of the most important fortresses on the Rhine.

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Address: Kaiserswerth, Düsseldorf
Internet: www.kaiserswerth.de
Email: info@kaiserswerth.de
Tonhalle Düsseldorf

Tonhalle, home to the ‘Düsseldorfer Symphoniker’, also hosts many international guest performances. The city’s orchestra consists of 130 musicians, and with its many tours in this country and abroad has made an excellent name for itself far beyond the city borders.

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Internet: www.tonhalle.de
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Deutsche Oper am Rhein Düsseldorf Duisburg

Two cities, two branches: The Deutsche Oper am Rhein and the Ballett am Rhein Düsseldorf Duisburg have jointly performed at Düsseldorf’s Opernhaus (1,292 seats) and Theater Duisburg (1,079 seats) since 1956. With one of the largest opera ensembles in the world and one of the major ballet companies in the German-speaking region, it is one of the prime addresses for musical theatre and dance in Europe. The programme includes: Grand Opera from baroque rarities all the way to contemporary musical theatre and a ballet that sets new standards with uncompromising aesthetics.

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Address: Heinrich-Heine-Allee 16a, 40213 Düsseldorf
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Internet: www.operamrhein.de/en_EN/index
Email: ticket@operamrhein.de

Kunstsammlung Nordrhein-Westfalen K20 Grabbeplatz

The Kunstsammlung Nordrhein-Westfalen presents a demanding and variegated exhibition program at three locations: at the K20 Grabbeplatz, at the K21 Ständehaus and at the Schmela Haus.

Around a half-century ago, in August of 1961, the regional government of North Rhine-Westphalia established the Foundation of the Kunstsammlung Nordrhein-Westfalen. The purchase of 88 works by artist Paul Klee was the “opening salvo.” Since then, the Kunstsammlung has become one of the most recognised art museums worldwide, with a collection which ranges from Classical Modernism to American Pop Art and major contemporary works.

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Address: Grabbeplatz 5, 40213 Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Tue-Fri 10.00-18.00; Weekend, Holidays 11.00-18.00
Phone: +49 211 8381204
Internet: www.kunstsammlung.de/en/home.html
Email: service@kunstsammlung.de

Kunstsammlung Nordrhein-Westfalen K21 Ständehaus

Added in early 2002 as the second main pillar of the Kunstsammlung and accommodating contemporary art was the Ständehaus am Kaiserteich, until 1988 the seat of the Parliament of North Rhine-Westphalia.

Four wings with continuous arcades surround the building’s central public area, a spacious
Museum Kunstpalast

The Museum Kunstpalast, which was redesigned by Oswald Matthias Ungers and opened in 2001, is located in the centre of Düsseldorf, right on the Rhine river.

Ever since it reopened, the house has gained a splendid international reputation with its high-quality exhibitions, such as Miró, Dalí, Warhol, Caravaggio, "Bonjour Russia", "Diana and Actaeon" and Per Kirkeby. The permanent exhibit too, whose spectrum ranges from medieval sculptures to an outstanding assortment of Baroque graphic works up to paintings of the Düsseldorf School of Painting and Expressionism, as well as contemporary photography, is held in great esteem all over the world. The Hentrich Glass Collection is also found in the Museum Kunstpalast, and is the most comprehensive glass collection in Europe, tracing the development of glass artistry without interruption from luxury glass objects of the pre-Roman period up to glass art from contemporary studios. The Robert Schumann Hall, a multifunctional hall offering a sophisticated program running from chamber music to cabaret, is also integrated into the museum.

KIT - Art in the tunnel

KIT - Art in the tunnel (Kunst im Tunnel) - is a part of the Kunsthalle Duesseldorf and will offer a new exhibition-room lying underground. Above the tunnel room, 850 sqm in size, the visitor first enters the boardwalk café designed by the studio Prof. Fritschi Stahl Baum. Arriving underground in the tunnel-room, he will be greeted by the an ensemble of artistic works, which develop their particular magic at this special place.
Goethe-Museum Düsseldorf

Düsseldorf’s Goethe-Museum is housed in the former hunting palace "Schloss Jägerhof", which was finished in 1772 and is located at the eastern edge of the Hofgarten. Since 1956 Goethe’s life and work is presented via about 1000 exhibition pieces in chronological order. The first editions of the poet’s individual works are kept in glass cases, surrounded by draft manuscripts and letters from the period when they were written. Pictures of towns and landscapes show places where Goethe wrote his books; pictures of the poet and his friends complete the exhibition.

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Address: Jacobistraße 2, 40211 Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Tue-Fri, Sun 11.00-17.00; Sat 13.00-17.00
Phone: +49 211 8996262
Internet: www.goethe-museum.com/en

Düsseldorf Film Museum

Myths and magic, fun and suspense, illusions and idols, tricks and dreams, cult and culture - all this is associated with the cinema. The Filmmuseum shows and creates dreams. Learn about the history of cinema from the first motion pictures to the latest cult classics, all via a sequence of interactive exhibits.

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Address: Schulstraße 4, 40213 Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Tue-Sun 11.00-18.00
Phone: +49 211 8992232
Email: filmmuseum@duesseldorf.de

Aquazoo Löbbecke Museum

A natural science exhibition, aquarium, terrarium and insectarium are what makes up the Löbbecke collection. The museum collaborates with others in various projects concerning the protection of nature and species, animal geography, behavioural biology and reproduction. Cooperation in the preservation of endangered species is one of the tasks of the Aquazoo, as is the scientific documentation of the collection. Guided tours, special workshops, events and holiday programmes for children on request.

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Phone: +49 211 8996150
Internet: www.duesseldorf.de/aquazoo

Neanderthal Museum

Neanderthal man: a term known worldwide. The legendary find was made in the 19th century, just a few steps from what today is Düsseldorf’s city limit. Undertake an exciting journey through distant times into the future at one of Europe’s most popular and modern museums.

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Opening hours: Tue-Sun 10.00-18.00
Phone: +49 2104 979715
Internet: www.neanderthal.de/en/
Email: museum@neanderthal.de
Hofgarten

The Hofgarten is the green lung of Düsseldorf. It stretches from the Jacobistraße with Schloss Jägerhof and the bordering Malkasten Park to the Heinrich-Heine-Allee by the Altstadt (Old Town) and from the Königsallee to the Rheinterrasse (Rhine Terrace) on the banks of the Rhine. Because of its diversity and the pleasing contrast between nature and formal design, it is a popular destination for relaxing walks.

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Address: Heinrich-Heine-Allee, Inselstraße, Jägerhofstraße, Hofgartenstraße, 40479 Düsseldorf

Nordpark

The Nordpark – synonymous with relaxation, fountains, sculptures, beautiful mature trees, decorative flowerbeds, playgrounds, an aquazoo and a Japanese Garden. All this variety is doubtlessly one of the reasons why this 36.6-hectare park is one of the most popular in Düsseldorf.

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Phone: +49 211 / 43 36 34
Internet: www.im-nordpark.de
Email: info@im-nordpark.de

Botanical Garden of the University

The Botanical Garden of the Heinrich-Heine University is situated in the south of Düsseldorf at the Himmelgeister Rheinbogen (bend in the Rhine). As a research facility, it is not only dedicated to research and teaching, but also open to visitors throughout the year and offers a wide range of events including exhibitions, expert guided tours and lectures.

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Internet: www.botanischergarten.hhu.de
Email: bgarten@uni-duesseldorf.de

Sankt Lambertus Basilika

Düsseldorf’s Altstadt (Old Town) is also home to some of the city’s most beautiful churches. For instance, the Sankt Lambertus Basilika, which was first built in the 13th century, and which with its twisting spire helps make Düsseldorf’s skyline unique. In conjunction with the Schlossturm (Castle Tower) and the River Düssel, the basilica remains part of the Old Town’s original core. This church’s parish altar also houses a shrine containing relics of Saint Apollinaris, the city’s patron saint.

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Address: Stiftsplatz 7, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Mon-Sun 07.30-19.00
Internet: www.lambertuspfarre.de
Email: buero@lambertuspfarre.de
The metropolis on the banks of the Rhine is famously regarded as one of the hotspots of international fashion. So much fashion competence concentrated in one area means that the opportunities to shop in Düsseldorf are just endless – it’s where “shopping at its best” can be enjoyed!

Düsseldorf’s city centre is the ideal destination to savour the perfect shopping experience. From the Altstadt (Old Town) via Königsallee all the way to Schadowstraße, it is virtually one big connected shopping location. Individual districts such as Flingern or Unterbilk equally offer an innovative and unique range of small boutiques and designer stores, several of which can be found only in Düsseldorf. The city is a platform for the world’s major fashion designers to present the whole gamut of fashion alongside large flagship stores of well-known brands – but also budding fashion stars – to satisfy any taste.

Königsallee

Such major international designers as Armani, Bulgari, Gucci, Jil Sander and Prada have opened shops along the luxurious shopping mile – Königsallee – which is one of Europe’s top retail boulevards. It’s here that exclusive boutiques rub shoulders with major fashion houses, and where shopping malls with elegant street cafés can be found. It is a true catwalk for the latest trends – a great place to see what’s going on and to be seen! Düsseldorf caters to every budget, from upmarket to bargains. It is a popular place for a stroll along countless designer shops and jewellery stores.

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Address: Königsallee, Düsseldorf
Internet: www.koenigsallee-duesseldorf.de

Schadowstraße

The Schadowstraße is one of the most frequented shopping streets achieving the highest turnovers in Germany. It start at Königsallee, pass the Tausendfüßler and reach up to Berliner Allee. This place is perfect for a sunday walk because a lot of department stores and numerous typical shops can be found on the street.

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Internet: www.schadowstrasse-dus.de

Altstadt (Old Town)

Those who like curious and trendy things will just love taking a stroll through the Altstadt (Old Town). The narrow alleyways have become home to unconventional fashion shops and many avant-garde stores. A particularly idyllic flair may be enjoyed in the historic district of Carlstadt, with its many antique shops, galleries
and art shops.

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Address: Altstadt, Düsseldorf
Internet: www.duesseldorf-altstadt.de

Creative Districts
Young, creative and unconventional – this is how the other side of Düsseldorf presents itself. Conventional residential districts have developed into impressive hubs for the creative scene. The Ackerstrasse in the Flingern district is probably the best example of a place for "young creative guns". Many started to move here years ago as it was one of the less wealthier districts of Düsseldorf. Today, north Flingern and the structure that has grown there over the years have become a refreshing melting pot for the new creative class. More trendy shops are to be found on the Lorettostrasse in the Unterbilk district as well as in the Bilk and Pempelfort districts.

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Address: Düsseldorf

Shopping-Malls/ Kö-Bogen

The new Kö-Bogen, located in the centre of Düsseldorf between Königsallee, Schadowstraße and Schadowplatz, is a visible landmark that is home to a number of internationally renowned brands and the Breuninger department store. Characteristic of New York architect Daniel Libeskind’s new structure is the curved facade made of glass and natural white stone, as well as the opening to the courtyard garden. The Kö-Bogen is a true shopping hotspot.

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Address: Königsallee 2, 40212, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 10.00-20.00
Phone: +49 211 42470600
Internet: www.koebogen.info

Shopping-Malls/ Kö-Galerie/Kö-Karree

Modernised from top to toe, this exclusive mix of businesses, with a retail space of around 20,000 sq m on three elegant shopping levels, offers some 90 shops featuring international premium and high end brands, cafés and innovative gastronomy.

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Opening hours: Mon-Sat 10.00-20.00
Phone: +49 211 867810
Internet: www.koegalerie.com
Email: centermanagement-koegd@ece.com

Shopping-Malls/ Sevens

An all-new interior design along with clear signage and directions – these are the guarantors of relaxed shopping. The lifestyle, fashion, gastronomy and technology on offer here are top of the range. The shopping mall houses one of the largest Saturn outlets in Germany. The connection between Sevens and the adjacent Kö-Galerie contributes to an exceptional shopping experience.

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Address: Königsallee 56, 40212, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 10.00-20.00
**Shopping-Malls/ Schadow Arkaden**

This star-shaped mall is an outstanding address for shopping in close proximity to the “Kö”. The diverse offer in the approx. 50 shops ranges from fashion to beauty all the way to interior design. The mall also houses the Theater an der Köl.

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Address: Schadowstraße 11, 40212, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 10.00-20.00
Phone: +49 211 864920
Internet: www.schadowarkaden.com
Email: info@rivg.com

**Shopping-Malls/ stilwerk**

stilwerk Düsseldorf is a feast for the eyes even on an architectural level. The building rises five storeys high out of an elliptical floor plan to stand 32 m tall and culminating in a glass roof. Here, you will find everything from designer spoons to complete interiors.

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Internet: www.stilwerk.com/de/duesseldorf

**DINING**

The old saying that “food and drink keep body and soul together” has fallen on fertile ground in Düsseldorf.

The gastronomic choice includes rustic breweries whose menus list local specialities such as marinated beef, pork knuckle, black pudding or pea soup. This is the home of the “Halve Hahn” – not half a chicken, but a cheese speciality with cumin and onions, eaten with a small rye roll, a “Röggelchen” in the vernacular. For the gourmets, there are chefs conjuring up stars on the gastronomic sky. Some of them are indisputably amongst Germany’s best. It is recommended to reserve tables, and especially
so during trade fair times! In recent years, the number of Restaurants in the MedienHafen has doubled. At night it is a hot spot for the trendy people, and after-work parties in the harbor have attained cult status. After leaving work, the question here is: a taste of Italy, Cuban atmosphere, designer restaurant or sushi?

**Brewery Zum Schiffchen**

Brauerei Zum Schiffchen in the heart of the Altstadt (Old Town) is the oldest restaurant in Düsseldorf, one considered a typical original Düsseldorf restaurant. The atmosphere, furnishings and food here are as much guarantors of originality as the blue-aproned “Köbess” – the waiters – who “celebrate” their service with Rhenish humour and the typical Düsseldorf dialect – much to the delight of guests and travel groups from countries all across the world. The restaurant was first mentioned in 1628 and is proud to have had even Napoleon among its patrons.

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**Opening hours:** Mon-Sun 12.00-24.00

**Phone:** +49 211 13242122

**Internet:** [www.brauerei-zum-schiﬀchen.de](http://www.brauerei-zum-schiﬀchen.de)

**Email:** info@brauerei-zum-schiﬀchen.de

**Brewery Uerige**

The Uerige home brewery has been brewing excellent beer in the heart of Düsseldorf’s Old Town since 1862. It is still produced according to the purity laws of 1516. The Uerige brewery serves homemade snacks and daily specials that vary according to the season.

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**Address:** Berger Straße 1, 40213, Düsseldorf

**Opening hours:** Mon-Sun 10.00-24.00

**Phone:** +49 211 866990

**Internet:** [www.uerige.de](http://www.uerige.de)

**Email:** inf@uerige.de

**Brewery Zum Schlüssel**

The antique character of the home brewery, where service and quality are top priority, fascinates everyone entering Schlüssel in Düsseldorf’s Old Town. The popular brewery has its very own history dating back to 1850. In this pleasant atmosphere, brewery fans enjoy the culinary specialities of the Rhineland with a cold “original Schlüssel” Altbier brewed on the premises.

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**Address:** Bolkerstraße 43, 40213, Düsseldorf

**Opening hours:** Sun-Thu 10.00-24.00; Fri-Sat 10.00-01.00

**Phone:** +49 211 8289550

**Internet:** [www.zumschluessel.de](http://www.zumschluessel.de)

**Email:** info@zumschluessel.de

**Brewery "Im Füchschen"**

The popular Füchschen beer has been brewed here, sold at the pub on Ratinger Straße and drunk with much gusto since 1848. In summer, those thirsty for a beer populate the road, and in bad weather the pub has sufficient space inside for all to eat and drink well.

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**Address:** Ratinger Straße 28, 40213, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Mon-Thu 09.00-01.00; Fri-Sat 09.00-02.00; Sun 09.00-21.00
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Internet: www.fuechschen.de
Email: info@fuechschen.de

**Brewery "Frankenheim"**

The private Frankenheim brewery (founded in 1873) not only brews one of the most popular beers in Düsseldorf and the surrounding area, but also provides a favourite meeting point for young and old with its brewery pub on Wielandstraße. The rustic pub with its welcoming atmosphere is open seven days a week and serves local specialities, in summer also in the historic beer garden.

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**Weinhaus Tante Anna**

This lovely little restaurant with occasional live music, is located in a 1593 Jesuit cloister chapel. Pride of the restaurant is its exquisite wine cellar, the traditional German goose dinner and hare stew.

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Address: Andreastrasse 2, 40213, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Tue-Sat 18.00-23.00
Phone: +49 211 131163
Internet: www.tanteanna.de
Email: info@tanteanna.de

**Kushi-Tei of Tokyo**

This is a popular restaurant due to the fantastic authentic Japanese food. Here you can eat an amazing range of dishes like sushi, deep-fried tempura and specialities like Kushiyaki, (charcoal grilled skewers with different kinds of meat, fish and vegetables). As soon as you walk in you will get that warm Japanese feeling. The restaurant is small and often very busy so book ahead.

Photo: Joshua Resnick/Shutterstock.com
Address: Immermannstrasse 38, 40210, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 12.00-14.00; 18.00-23.00; Sun 17.00-23.00
Phone: +49 211 360935
Email: kushitei@brickny.com

**Rheinturm Top 180**

Excellent cuisine and delicious wine at 172.50 meters, in this rotating restaurant, offering a constantly changing breathtaking view and an amazing panorama of the city and the Rhine River.

Photo: Zyankarlo/Shutterstock.com
Address: Stromstrasse 20, 40221, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Mon-Sun 10.00-23.30
Phone: +49 211 8632000
Internet: www.centro-hotels.de/de/service/rheinturm-duesseldorf.html
Email: rheinturm@centro-hotels.de
Berens Am Kai

Berens Am Kai is a modern restaurant with a glass façade facing the Rhine River and the restored harbour area. Offering the best of European and French cuisine, this restaurant is considered one of Duesseldorf’s best and attract a lot of people and tourists.

Photo: Elisabeth Perotin/Shutterstock.com
Address: Kaisstraße 16, 40221, Düsseldorf
Phone: +49 211 3006750
Internet: www.berensamkai.de
Email: info@berensamkai.de

Roberts Bistro

Roberts Bistro is one of the hottest and most famous restaurants in Duesseldorf. The atmosphere is cosy and loud, not very intimate but great service. With French delicious cuisine and wine list with classic and modern wines you can only sit back and enjoy your dinner.

Photo: DeepMeaning/Shutterstock.com
Address: Wupperstraße 2, 40219, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Mon-Thu 12.00-21.30; Fri-Sat 12.00-22.30
Phone: +49 211 304821
Internet: www.robertsbistro.de
Email: office@robertsbistro.de

Curry

Try the extrawurst sausage prepared by star chefs! The place has a modern ambience with comfortable seating out front. Get your gourmet currywurst (German sausage with curry sauce) and French fries. They also have an unusual range of homemade sauces like chilli-apricot or peanut satay. And if you pay a premium you’ll experience the saying “the customer is king” and get your currywurst served in gold leaf!

Photo: Oleksandra Naumenko/Shutterstock.com
Address: Hammer Straße 2, 40219, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Sun-Thu 11.30-22.00; Fri-Sat 11.30-23.00
Phone: +49 211 3032857
Internet: www.curry-deutschland.de
Email: info@curry-deutschland.de

Miss Moneypenny

Stylish bar at Bilker S-Bahn (light rail) station. Kitted out in lilac, with interesting audio books playing in the toilet. Recommended at any time of the day or night. There’s a generous choice for breakfast, a lunch-of-the-day menu, and in the evenings à la carte dining.

Photo: PPstock/Shutterstock.com
Address: Brunnenstraße 2, 40223, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Sun-Thu 10.00-24.00; Fri-Sat 10.00-02.00
Phone: +49 211 3102043
Internet: www.missmoneypenny-duesseldorf.de

Nooij

A café to lift your mood! The usual clientele are relaxed, cool and friendly. Slightly off the beaten track, it offers a creative breakfast menu and a selection of warm dishes. It’s so relaxed breakfast is served until 16:00!

Photo: Lolostock/Shutterstock.com
Address: Erkrather Straße 30, 40233, Düsseldorf
Phone: +49 211 6986689
Internet: www.nooij.de
**Da Capo**

Enjoy delicious Italian food in a cozy and romantic environment. The friendly staff is serving dishes like tagliatelle with salmon, zucchini, cherry tomatoes and Mediterranean herbs in a creamy sauce. From the extensive wine list, choose an Italian wine to compliment your meal.

Photo: Jack Frog/Shutterstock.com
Address: Kanonierstraße 14, 40476, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Sun-Fri 11.00-23.00; Sat 18.00-23.00
Phone: +49 211 4543204
Internet: www.restaurantdacapo.de
Email: info@restaurantdacapo.de

**Clube Portugues**

You will find this restaurant with typical Portuguese charm in Flingern district of Duesseldorf. With attention to detail the restaurant serves delicious fresh seafood, Portuguese tapas and grilled meats. Friendly staff, cozy atmosphere and amazing food - it cannot get better than this!

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Address: Erkrather Straße 197, 40233, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 12.00-15.00; 18.00-22.45; Sun 12.00-21.45
Phone: +49 211 7705077
Internet: www.clube-portugues.de

**Dr. Thompson’s**

Düsseldorf’s latest hotspot! The 600 sq m former power plant now houses a restaurant, bar and club. An open fireplace, a motley mix of furniture and live music all contribute to the uniquely laid-back feel. The highlight here has to be the “floating” terrace. Definitely worth dropping by!

Photo: Heather Shimmin/Shutterstock.com
Address: Erkrather Straße 232, 40233, Düsseldorf
Phone: +49 211 88921588
Internet: www.drthompsons.info
Email: info@drthompsons.com

**Im Schiffchen**

Im Schiffchen is located in the historic centre of Kaiserswerth with only ten minutes drive from the city centre of Duesseldorf. This French restaurant will treat you with a very special culinary experience and where the cuisine will hopefully please your palate. The owner, chef Jean-Claude Bourgueil have been awarded with three Michelin stars.

Photo: NatashaPhoto/Shutterstock.com
Address: Kaiserswerther Markt 9, 40489, Düsseldorf
Phone: +49 211 401050
Email: restaurant@im-schiffchen.de
**Off the main routes**

The culinary scene in trendy districts such as Flingern or Unterbilk is surprising, from corner pubs with their old regulars, cafes with a living-room feel, through to the ice cream parlour at the petrol station.

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**CAFÉS**

Walking on the streets of Duesseldorf one cannot help but notice the café culture. Here you can find anything from a filling breakfast to homemade pastries in a cosy living room environment.

**KIT Café/ Bar**

First enjoy the latest underground exhibition at KIT (Kunst im Tunnel) and then sip at a cocktail or cappuccino in a café overlooking the Rhine. Naturally, you can do the latter without the former. The KIT Café’s menu ranges from fresh tapas to bruschetta and sandwiches, as well as home-made cakes. There are even parties here at the weekend.

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**Bazzar Caffè**

Welcome to the coffee experts in Düsseldorf! In summer especially, the relaxed ambience draws people over to enjoy a gourmet coffee on the terrace. The breakfast menu invites you to linger.

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**Leysieffer**

For the heavenly chocolate truffles, chocolate bars, Baumkuchen, gingerbread cookies and all the other delectable sweets - quality comes first at Leysieffer. High quality, natural ingredients, skillfully handmade products and production on demand stand for unbelievable indulgence.

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Seifen Horst

This appealing pub with its atmospheric courtyard is full of antiquated charm. A down-to-earth place, cold beers, tasty coffee and little snacks such as Fortuna rolls or cheese and serrano ham panini, pleasant service, a good mix of customers. Go in, switch off!

Photo: Slawomir Fajer/Shutterstock.com
Address: Neusser Straße 125, 40219, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Tue-Thu 09.45-24.00; Fri-Sat 09.45-02.00; Sun 12.00-19.00
Phone: +49 173 4448800
Internet: www.seifenhorst.de

Café Frida

A colorful, idiosyncratic café with an ethnic and original location. The menu is a cheerful cross section of the Spanish to Mediterranean cuisine, it offers a range of traditionally prepared tapas up to homemade cakes. The prices are fair.

Photo: Nataliya Arzamasova/Shutterstock.com
Address: Bilker Allee 4, 40219, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Sun-Thru 09.00-01.00; Fri-Sat 09.00-02.00
Phone: +49 211 15929975
Internet: www.tapasbar-frida.de
Email: info@tapasbar-frida.de

Florabar

This is the prize bloom of Flora park. It’s a cute daytime café with a menu made from exclusively organic ingredients. If you go there you have to taste their delicious spelted waffles, handmade cakes and the great ice cream! They also have delicious coffee, wine or Lammsbräu beer to try!

Photo: Malykalexa/Shutterstock.com
Address: Kronenstraße 65, 40217, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 14.00-23.00; Sat-Sun 12.00-23.00
Phone: +49 211 30039090

Café Hüftgold

The antique furniture straight from granny’s attic and the wall-hung candle holder in twisted deer antler design. The “Hüftgold” is vintage – a café that would have sat nicely in Bohemian Paris at the turn of the century. None of these sterile Ikea DIY kit cafés with faux leather armchairs, but a former service station with all the charm a corner garage has to offer.

Photo: ilham Triyastanto/Shutterstock.com
Address: Ackerstraße 113, 40233, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 08.00-19.00; Sat 09.00-19.00; Sun 10.00-19.00
Internet: www.cafehueftgold.de
Email: info@cafehueftgold.de

Nordmanns Eisfabrik

You can’t simply walk past this ice cream parlour in Flingern – it already has a cult following. Once a petrol station, 50 types of ice cream are now made here, including some flavours that you would never even have guessed existed. Colourants and artificial ingredients are strictly prohibited here. When you’re there, sample the “Puristen-Teller”. It has just two ingredients: fresh straw berries and tonka bean ice cream.
Sugarbird Cupcakes

Sugarbird Cupcakes is the first place in Düsseldorf where you can enjoy homemade cupcakes, coffee and tasty pastries. So if you want to go to visit this city, you have to stop in this place and enjoy their goodies.

Photo: Sabuhi Novruzov/Shutterstock.com
Address: Rethelstraße 153, 40237, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Mon-Sun 10.00-18.00
Phone: +49 211 98077410
Internet: www.sugarbird-shop.de
Email: info@sugarbird-cupcakes.de

Café Schuster

Café Schuster has been in the same family for three generations. They offer a menu from sweets to a rich traditional breakfast or simpler fare and they have a large choice of chocolates, biscuits, croissants and more.

Photo: beats1/Shutterstock.com
Address: Belsenstraße 11, 40545, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 09.00-18.39; Sat-Sun 10.00-17.00
Phone: +49 211 6957475
Internet: www.kafeeschmiede.de
Email: kaffe@kafeeschmiede.de

Löffelbar

The chefs must have taken a peek inside the soup tureens of the whole world in this place. Löffelbar has a fascinating range of international cuisine. You’d be very wrong to think it was only soup on offer! There are salads, tapas and home-made cake, but also a range of cocktails in the feel-good atmosphere here. Late risers take note – breakfast is served until 16:00!

Photo: Elenadesign/Shutterstock.com
Address: Tußmannstraße 3, 40477, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10.00-24.00; Sat-Sun 09.00-24.00
Phone: +49 211 4403278
Internet: www.loefferbar.de
Email: info@loefferbar.de

Muggel

What would Oberkassel do without Muggel? Hi-tech mums meet up here for their latte macchiatos, local business people enjoy a drink afterhours or young cliques gather for
breakfast. In short – the smart set of Düsseldorf gather here, those who want to see and be seen. It may be a surprise to find that Muggel also has an art house cinema tucked away in the basement.

Photo: Thaninee Chuensomchit/Shutterstock.com
Address: Dominikanerstraße 4, 40545, Düsseldorf
Phone: +49 211 554182
Internet: www.cafe-muggel.de

**BARS & NIGHTLIFE**

Almost weekly top acts and international DJs present class performances in Düsseldorf's clubs on the Königsallee and in the Altstadt. If you prefer a quieter night out, then you should take a stroll along the Ratinger Straße. Just north of the Altstadt, this is the place to meet for a relaxed drink. "In" parties and retro-clubs in backyard locations turn night into day in the alternative districts of the city!

**Mauer-Club**

The party's on from 23:00 on Fridays, Saturdays and public holidays. There's no queuing outside the door and you can wear virtually anything you like. The drinks and admission fee are priced so that even students can afford them. The music is a lively mix of soul and funk, R'n'B, pop and hip hop.

Photo: santypan/Shutterstock.com
Address: Ratinger Mauer 1, 40213, Düsseldorf
Phone: +49 211 8369472
Internet: www.mauerclub.de
Email: info@mauerclub.de

**Schlösser Quartier Bohème**

The motto here is: “scene meets tradition – both in style and in cuisine”. The menu offers several regional specialities, for example a parfait dessert with lashings of “Killeptisch”, the famous Düsseldorf cordial! The bar will certainly catch your eye with its unique style and retro-look lounge.

Photo: Roman Voloshyn/Shutterstock.com
Address: Ratinger Straße 25, 40213, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Tue-Thu, Sun 11.00-22.00; Fri-Sat 11.00-05.00
Phone: +49 211 15976150
Internet: www.quartierboheme.de
Email: reservierung@quartierboheme.de

**Salon des Amateurs**

Each afternoon the “Salon des amateurs” invites you inside to drink coffee and maybe browse the web for free. It’s a trendy joint beloved of artists, art lovers and music lovers. Thursday evenings films are screened. At the weekends the music style revolves around space-disco, dubstep, italo disco and house.

Photo: dabyki.nadya/Shutterstock.com
Address: Grabbeplatz 4, 40213, Düsseldorf
Opening hours: Tue-Thu 11.30-01.00; Fri-Sat 11.30-07.00; Sun 11.30-18.00
The Nachtresidenz

The Nachtresidenz is without a doubt one of the most imposing event locations in Düsseldorf and its region. Opened in 1907 as ‘Residenz-Theater’, the spacious premises were converted into a cinema three years later. Since 2000 the venue at Bahnstraße has been used for night time enjoyment – which has already earned the club several awards to date.

Mojito’s

They wrote the book of cocktail mixology in Mojitos. Top-quality ingredients and immense knowhow of the art are all to the patron’s benefit. You might also find yourself winning a prize at a cocktail competition. The ambience, service and style take their cue from the Cuban lifestyle - light, relaxed and casual.

Stahlwerk

Stahlwerk (Steelworks) is a venue housed inside the imposing former Mannesmann residence. Trashy 80s and bling-bling 90s parties and gigs that go way over the edge both musically and visually. Also hosts NRW’s biggest gay party. In the associated “Treibgut” beach club, open during the summer months, you can chill out under straw canopies from 17:00, enjoy a long cool one on ice and dip your toes in the boat-shaped pool.
TOURIST INFORMATION

Passport/Visa

Germany can be visited visa-free for up to 90 days by citizens of most European countries, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Malaysia, Israel, UAE and most countries in America. If you are unsure whether or not you need to apply for a visa, we recommend contacting the embassy or consulate in your country. International (non-Schengen) travelers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the Schengen zone. Citizens of Schengen countries can travel without a passport, but must have a valid ID with them during their stay.

Photo: TukTuk Design

Best Time to Visit

Düsseldorf are spring and winter. In spring, during the Easter P period, the crocuses, tulips and narcissus are in full bloom, making the city’s parks and gardens beautiful places to stroll. In winter, top on most people’s lists for a German visit are the Christmas markets which carries over into the shops and restaurants of the city.

Average temperatures in Düsseldorf vary greatly; however, if you’re looking for the very warmest time to visit Düsseldorf, the hottest months are July, August, and then June; the warmest time of year is generally mid July where highs are regularly around 24.9°C.

Photo: VectorA

Düsseldorf Airport

Düsseldorf has the third-largest airport in Germany with more than 70 airlines serving 180 destinations. Düsseldorf is less than two hours from numerous European cities. As the airport is close to the city it is very convenient, and it only takes a few minutes by train or taxi.

Taxi station

Taxis will get you to the city in between ten and 15 minutes and to Düsseldorf’s trade-fair centre in just three. The taxi rank is located in front of central arrivals.

The following rates are provided as a guide:

- Düsseldorf Airport – Düsseldorf Centre / Central Station approx. 16.00 €
- Düsseldorf Airport – Düsseldorf Trade-Fair Centre approx. 11.00 €

Taxi Düsseldorf: T. +49 211 33333
Rhein Taxi: T. +49 211 212121

Photo: Juan Garces
Address: Flughafenstraße 120, Düsseldorf
Phone: +49 211 4210
Internet: www.dus.com
**Bus or Rail**

Rheinbahn (the railway company for the Rhine region) offers a day ticket (from €6.50) which allows you to travel all day within a selected fare zone. Also available for groups (2–5 people).

www.goo.gl/qvvvli

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

**Taxi**

Taxi Duesseldorf +49 (0)211 33333 / +49 (0) 211 99999 Rhein Taxi T. +49 (0) 2112121 1

Photo: Taxi

Internet: www.rheintaxi.de

**Bicycle**

Radstation The Radstation (bike station) is directly behind the Hauptbahnhof (main railway station) at Willi-Becker-Allee 8 a.

You will find not only hire bicycles, children’s bikes and transport trailers (for two children), but also pedelecs. In case of emergency, you can even get your own bike repaired. A standard bicycle is available for €10 per day. A pedelec will cost you €5 per hour, or €25 for the whole day (during opening hours). When the weather is good, from June to August, the Radstation’s bike rental shop at Apollo-Platz on the Rhine embankment is also open (between Apollo Theatre and the Landtag/Kniebrücke urban rail stop).

www.radstation-duesseldorf.de

Call a Bike

That’s the name of the service provided by Deutsche Bahn. The bikes can be picked up in front of the main railway station on Konrad-Adenauer-Platz. They cost €0.08 per minute or €15 for the whole day.

www.callabike-interaktiv.de

Nextbike

You can pick up a bike for hire at various spots and then drop them back there. These cost €1 per half-hour, or €9 for a full 24 hours.

www.nextbike.de/duesseldorf

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**Boat Tour**

Experience the flair of the Rhenish metropolis and its attractions between the Altstadt (Old Town) and the MedienHafen on a magnificent panoramic tour aboard the “MS Warsteiner” or “MS Heinrich Heine”. Throughout the tour you will be given a wealth of interesting information in both German and English over the loudspeaker. The tour will start and finish at the Burgplatz pier. The boats will cruise a loop through the MedienHafen, but not stop there.

For boat trips on the Rhine contact Köln Düsseldorfer Deutsche Rheinschiffart:

T. +49 (0) 211 323 92 63

www.koeln-duesseldorfer.com

Weisse Flotte Düsseldorf

T. +49 (0) 211 32 61 24
www.weisseflotteduesseldorf.de

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Pharmacy

Signs posted at the entrance of pharmacies tell you which one is on duty for the night/weekend, or visit website for more information.

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Internet: www.aknr.de/apothekensuche

Telephone

Country code: +49 Area Code: 0211

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Electricity

230 V, 50 Hz, uses a two wire plug with two round prongs, with or without grounding clips.

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Newspapers
Rheinische Post
Westdeutsche Zeitung
Die Welt
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Emergency numbers
Police: 110
Fire/Medical Emergency: 112

Tourist information
Tourist Information Office central station
Immermannstraße 65 b
T: +49 211 17202-844
F: +49 211 17202-9210
Opening hours
Monday–Friday: 9:30–19:00
Saturday: 9:30–17:00

Tourist Information Office Altstadt (Old Town)
Marktstraße/corner Rheinstraße
T. +49 21117202-840
Fax: +49 211 17202-9310
Opening hours
Monday–Sunday: 10:00–18:00

Population
590,000

Currency
1 Euro = 100 cents

Opening hours
Generally, shops are open from 9.30 or 10.00 till around 18.00 – 20.00. All larger stores are open till 20.00 on Saturdays. Sundays closed.