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Hannover is a modern metropolis set among countless idyllic little towns and cute villages — with its programme of major events and open-air concerts, the baroque Royal Gardens of Herrenhausen and its top-notch artistic and cultural offerings, this city boasts a range of absorbing leisure activities that scarcely any other city can rival. Among the tourist highlights of the area, surrounding its federal state capital, are Lake Steinhude, the ridge of the Deister Hills and the Marienburg Castle.

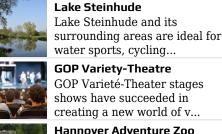
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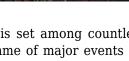
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THE CITY



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Thanks it its natural surroundings and an abundance of parks, the 'greenest city in Germany' offers an exceptional quality of life with all the benefits of a big city thrown in: while top-ranking events and a formidable range of museums make for a manifold experience of culture and ken, the fantastic selection of shop, restaurants, bars and clubs will guarantee a peep into the local life, and a great night out. While the city's central location and its excellent transport connections allow trips to nearby areas, the main sights - the Royal Gardens of Herrenhausen, Hannover's adventure zoo or Hannover's State Opera - are well worth seeing. Do also experience the city's rich and versatile music scene, as its history - contributing to the election as an UNESCO world city of music dates back to the world's first record and the world's first CD, while it today hosts top concerts and other regular events throughout the year. Its outstanding location for business and science attracts both students and employees alike, as internationally acclaimed companies and first-class research institutions work closely together - it is also thanks to this leading status in technology and industry, that Hannover enjoys an international reputation as a trade fair and convention venue.

DO & SEE



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Hannover boasts a selection of tourist attractions that – from unique sights and activities to relaxing gardens and square – attract numerous visitors throughout the whole year. During the day, you can sail on idyllic Lake Steinhude or ride through a picturesque heartland scenery on the back of a horse, and in the evening, big-city delights can be enjoyed at the opera, at a concert or aa variety show. While its museums cover subjects from history and art to literature and music, the architecture of both the city's centre and the outspread areas is a feast for the eyes that also happens – for both, in- and outside – at the State Opera and the State Theatre, which will try and succeed in alluding your taste.

Glockenspiel of Hameln



Several times a day, the eerie legend of the Pied Piper of Hamelin plays out on the side of the municipality's wedding house. A little figurine

marches ahead, followed by a herd of rats. In addition to this jolly version, a more gruesome version follows, with a figurine leading away the townschildren instead.

Photo: villorejo/Shutterstock.com Address: Osterstrasse 2, Hannover

Royal Gardens of Herrenhausen



The Herrenhausen Gardens are an internationally famous ensemble of garden arts and culture that dates back to the end of the

17th century and therefore ranks among the most important historical and best preserved baroque gardens in Europe. Ordered by Electress Sophie of the Palatinate, and inspired by the Sun King Luois XIV, this unique scenery attracts about half a million visitors a year with its wonderful shape and its amazing atmosphere.

Photo: bernswaelz/Pixabay.com(image cropped) Address: Herrenhäuser Straße 4, Hannover Opening hours: Daily 9am-8pm Phone: +49 511 16834 000 Internet: www.hannover.de/Herrenhausen

Herrenhausen Palace Museum



After being used as a private residence of an heir of the throne, the Herrenhausen Palace Museum reopened in 2013 and, since then,

invites visitors to entertainingly explore the facets of the wide-ranging palace and the garden world in Herrenhausen. Displaying ten manorial chambers with precious furniture, sculptures and china as well as oil paintings and portraits, this exhibition will give you an insight into the wealthy way of life back in the day.

Photo: RalfGervink/Pixabay.com(image cropped) Address: Herrenhäuser Straße 4, Hannover Opening hours: Daily 11am-6pm Phone: +49 511 168 340 00 Email: herrenhaeuser-gaerten@hannover-stadt.de

Sprengel Museum Hannover



With its extensive selection and its manifold exhibition programme, the Sprengel Museum ranks among the most important museums for

contemporary art of the 20th and 21th century. While featuring both temporary and permanent exhibition, this venue also organises events and activities for visitors of all age that allow you to deeply dunk into the world of art craft.

Photo: Rawpixel.com/Shutterstock.com Address: Kurt-Schwitters-Platz, Hannover Opening hours: Tue 10am-8pm. Wed-Son 10am-6pm Phone: +49 511 168 438 75 Internet: www.sprengel-museum.de Email: Sprengel-Museum@Hannover-Stadt.de

The Red Thread Tour



This 'do-it-yourself' tour will give you the chance to experience the city on your own, and all you have to do is to follow the red thread that is painted

on the pavement. Weaving its way through the inner city, this route will pass 36 prime attractions and also gives a proper overview about the city centre's shape and structure. The tour starts and finishes at the Tourist Information, where you can also purchase informative brochures that describe the interesting building and monuments that you will meet along your way.

Photo: Roman Babakin/Shutterstock.com Address: Ernst-August-Platz 8, Hannover Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-6pm. Sat-Sun 10am-3pm Phone: +49 511 123 451 11 Internet: www.visit-hannover.com/en/Sightseeing-City-Tours/ City-tours/Der-Rote-Faden-Hannover Email: info@hannover-tourismus.de

New Town Hall



Although the architectural style implicates the Town Hall in some more majestic time, this monument was built only around 100

years ago, in 1913. Housing the city's government as well as 3D town models which can be visited in the opulent main hall, the unique curving lift to the town hall's dome is the main attraction here: at a 17-degree angle, it covers the 43 metres up to the gallery at the top of the dome which offers a marvellous view of the whole city.

Photo: Alan Samuel/cc by 2.0/Flickr.com(image cropped) Address: Trammplatz 2, Hannover Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-6pm Phone: +49 511 168 0 More Info: During the summer season, the opening hours during the week are extended to 9:30am-6pm.

Museum August Kestner



Renamed from Kestner-Museum to Museum August Kestner, in order to avoid confusion with the local art gallery

Kestnergesellschaft, this museum was founded in 1889 and, in 1962, rebuilt in its present and highly interesting form. Centered on the collections of August Kestner himself as well as his nephew Hermann, the exhibitions contain four different categories of antiquities: Ancient Egypt, Classical Antiquity, Numismatics and Handicraft.

Photo: Marcus Cyron/Wikimedia.org(image cropped) Address: Trammplatz 3, Hannover Opening hours: Tue, Thu-Sun 11am-6pm. Wed 11am-8pm Phone: +49 511 168 427 30 Internet: www.museum-august-kestner.de Email: museen-kulturgeschichte@hannover-stadt.de

Old Town



The historic timber-framed buildings of the Old Town are among the most special sights of the city centre, as strolling through

picturesque narrow streets disclose inviting cafés and restaurants as well as exclusive boutiques and cute little shops. While walking around will always make for a great atmosphere, Germany's oldest flea market takes place at the banks of the Leine river every Saturday.

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Lower Saxony State Museum



This museum features paintings and sculptures from the Middle Ages to the 20th century along with departments of archaeology, natural

history and ethnology, and a vivarium with fish and reptiles. While the exhibitions themselves attract visitors of various interests, the housing monument is also well worth a glance.

Photo: Tobias Arhelger/Shutterstock.com Address: Willy-Brandt-Allee 5, Hannover Opening hours: Tue-Fri 10am-5pm. Sat-Sun 10am-6pm Phone: +49 511 980 768 6 Internet: www.nlmh.de Email: info@landesmuseum-hannover.de More Info: Free entrance on Fridays 2pm-5pm

Lake Maschsee



Lake Maschsee is one of the city's most popular destinations, and a maritime paradise for everyone who wants to go for a swim, for a ride or

for a picnic. While offering a recreational area in the very heart of the city, sports happens both on the water and all around it, for yachting, canoeing and pedal-boating as well as for joggers, skaters and strollers.

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Hannover Adventure Zoo



With its seven fantastic theme worlds, Hannover Adventure Zoo is one of the most popular tourist attractions in Northern Germany, and a perfect

spot for observing more than 3,000 animals. As the Canadian landscape Yukon Bay, the Sambesi boat trip or the summer toboggan runs are just a few of its highlights, this sight will take up all your day, and all your memories.

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Lake Steinhude



Lake Steinhude and its surrounding areas are ideal for water sports, cycling, horse riding, golf and picnics, and also quite interesting when it comes to architecture, art, music, and food culture: from quiet and peaceful spots in Mardorf, Rehburg-Loccum and Hagenburg to more lively bustling Steinhude, these areas are highly popular as to their natural beauty, and their activities and adventures in offer.

Photo: hydebrink/Shutterstock.com Address: Lake Steinhude, Hannover Internet: www.steinhuder-meer.com

Hannover Museum of History



This museum is a goldmine for all those who are interested in the history of both the state and the city: while the permanent exhibition

'750 years of Hannover' display the changes down the centuries, the 'History of the City' section traces back the development from a medieval town to a sizable city. The third department informs about the rural life between the 17th and the 20th century while temporary exhibitions feature different themes and numerous events.

Photo: lakov Filimonov/Shutterstock.com Address: Pferdestraße 6, Hannover Opening hours: Tue 10am-7pm. Wed-Fr 10am-5pm. Sat-Sun 10am-6pm Phone: +49 511 168 423 52 Internet: www.hannover-museum.de

Marienburg Castle



This reawakend Sleeping Beauty castle, built back in the day between 1858 and 1867, captivates with its fairy-tale architecture of battlements, towers

and turrets, as well as with its almost entirely preserved furnishings. Embedded into the hills of

the Calenberger Land, some 20 km south of Hannover, you can here join for a guided tour of the castle as well as enjoy concerts and events, or delicious food in the castle's own restaurant.

Photo: Michael Gäbler/cc by 3.0/Wikimedia.org(image cropped) Address: Marienberg 1, Pattensen Opening hours: Daily 10am-6pm Phone: +49 5069 348 000 Internet: www.schloss-marienburg.de

Wilhelm Busch – German Museum for Caricature and Drawings



This museum, named after the famous German poet and caricaturist Wilhelm Busch, features the world's largest collection of Busch's

works as well as contemporary comic art, illustrations and drawings. Located in the Georgengarten, as part of the Herrenhausen Gardens, this museum invites you to experiencing art first, and relaxing in the sun afterwards.

Photo: ChristianSchd/Wikimedia.org(image cropped) Address: Georgengarten 1, Hannover Opening hours: Tue-Sun 11am-6pm Phone: +49 511 169 999 11 Internet: www.karikatur-museum.de Email: mail@karikatur-museum.de

Deister Hills



South of Hannover, nature and culture abound in and around the largely beech-covered slopes of the Deister reaching up to 405

metres above sea level, and it is filled with birdsong, rustling leaves, and delightful hiking tracks. The hillside paths offer many glimpses of the Calenberger Land stretching out into the distance below, so this is a paradise for hikers, walkers and cyclists.

Photo: bertvthul/Pixabay.com(image cropped) Address: Wennigsen

Hannover Arts Association



Hannover Arts Association annually stages numerous national and international exhibitions reflecting important developments

and schools of contemporary art. Founded in 1832 already, with the aim of spreading the sense for Fine Arts, it today has more than 1,200 members and an even bigger client base of regulars that come here for experiencing great art and interesting discussions.

Photo: Pla2na/Shutterstock.com Address: Sophienstraße 2, Hannover Opening hours: Tue-Sat 12pm-7pm. Son 11am-7pm Phone: +49 511 169 927 80 Internet: www.kunstverein-hannover.de Email: mail@kunstverein-hannover.de

Kestnergesellschaft



Since 1916, this society has championed artists by hosting solo exhibitions, and as one of the major art societies, it makes an important contribution to

the international art scene. Pioneering modern art, this gallery offers a great insight into recent developments and tendencies.

Photo: Photographee.eu/Shutterstock.com Address: Goseriede 11, Hannover Opening hours: Tue-Wed and Fri-Sun 11am-6pm. Thu 11am-8pm Phone: +49 511701 201 0

Internet: www.kestnergesellschaft.de Email: kestner@kestnergesellschaft.de More Info: Entrance free of charge on Fridays.

Landestrost Castle



Landestrost Castle in Neustadt, built 1573-1584 by Herzog Erich II. zu Braunschweig-Lüneburg, is one of the biggest and

oldest castles of the Hannover Region, housing an archive, of peat museum and an exhibition on the castle's history. While its beautiful renaissance appearance will catch you at once, the banks of the River Leine are put to highly contemporary use by providing the setting for regular events like exhibitions, concerts or cabarets.

Photo: Losch/Wikimedia.org(image cropped) Address: Schloßstraße, Neustadt am Rübenberge Opening hours: Mon-Thu 9am-12m and 1pm-4pm. Fri 9am-12pm Phone: +49 503 289 915 4

GOP Variety-Theatre



GOP Varieté-Theater stages shows have succeeded in creating a new world of variety that strikes a balance between avantgarde and

traditional, and therefore added a new and valuable dimension to the concept of variety theatre in general. While making for one of the leading drama institutions in Germany, these performances also won international acclaim and publicity.

Photo: aerogondo2/Shutterstock.com Address: Georgstraße 36, Hannover Phone: +49 511 301 867 10 Internet: www.variete.de/spielorte/hannover

Hannover State Opera



Built between 1845 and 1852, and rebuilt around 1950 after its destruction during World War II, the State Opera schedules great opera performances

while the nearby State Theatre houses all theatre plays. The repertoire ranges from baroque to contemporary works and therefore pleases almost every taste and, once in a while, also surprises.

Photo: H. Helmlechner/Wikimedia.org(image cropped) Address: Opernplatz 1, Hannover Phone: +49 511 999 90 Internet: www.staatstheater-hannover.de

DINING



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Gourmets can undertake a culinary trip around the globe by only experiencing Hannover's cuisine, as specialties from all over the world and the amazing choice between cheerful cafes and bistros, authentic pubs and inns, smart bars and restaurants guarantee something to suit every taste and every budget. The renaissance of regional products is evident in many restaurants, and traditional dishes from Lower Saxony appeal in particular to fans of substantial plain fare.

Beef & Reef



This restaurant serves, as the name already reveals, a great variety of fish and meat dishes that – accompanied with tasty sides – prove that the

German kitchen is not only about sausages and schnitzel. While the wine selection is well chosen and impressively wide, the extra gin menu on top invites you to try out different drinks from all over the world.

Photo: elkimmelito/Pixabay.com(image cropped) Address: Oesterleystraße 1, Hannover Opening hours: Tue-Sun 5pm-11pm Phone: +49 551 543 567 38 Internet: www.beefandreef.de More Info: Kitchen closes at 9:30pm.

Weinstube Leonardo



While its classic menu is influenced by Italian flavours, and executed with fresh and aromatic ingredients, the wine tasting allows you to, in

addition, try out different dishes and wines expertly paired up.

Photo: Kartashov Stas/Shutterstock.com Address: Sophienstraße 6, Hannover Opening hours: Mon-Fri 12pm-2:30pm and 6pm-10:30pm. Sat 6pm-10:30pm Phone: +49 511 321 033 Internet: www.weinstube-leonardo.de Email: ristorante@weinstube-leonardo.de

Restaurant bell' ARTE



For more than 20 years already, this restaurant serves fresh and innovative dishes with Italian influences within a fancy, yet cosy

atmosphere. Head here for also enjoying a fantastic view over Lake Maschsee, before or after visiting its housing company, the Sprengel Museum.

Photo: rawpixel/Pixabay.com(image cropped) Address: Kurt-Schwitters-Platz, Hannover Opening hours: Tue-Sun 11am-11pm. Sun 11am-9pm Phone: +49 511 809 333 3 Internet: www.bellarte.de Email: info@bellarte.de More Info: Kitchen hours are Tue-Sun 11:30am-9pm and Sun 11:30am-8pm.

Gondel



This restaurant serves a innovative version of the traditional German kitchen, and while the dishes are of high quality as to their fresh

ingredients, they also are interpreted in a fully new way by a creative chef. While the staff shares its passion for good food and drinks, the atmosphere spreads new ideas when it comes to the experience of culture and lifestyle.

Photo: KatarinaVe/Shutterstock.com Address: Georgstraße 36, Hannover Opening hours: Tue-Wed-Fri 5pm-closing. Sat 7pm-closing. Sun 6pm-closing Phone: +49 511 301 867 67 Internet: www.restaurant-gondel.de Email: info@restaurant-gondel.de

Broyhan House



At one of the oldest half-timbered houses of Hannover, with historic arches and a terrific atmosphere, Broyhan House serves a typical

Bourgeois German cuisine that should not be missed out. With substantial dishes and best-brewed beers, this restaurant indeed make for a great experience of both local life and food traditions.

Photo: Shebeko/Shutterstock.com Address: Kramerstraße 24, Hannover Opening hours: Mon-Son 11:30am-closing Phone: +49 511 323 919 Internet: www.broyhanhaus.de Email: info@broyhanhaus.de

CAFES



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As all around the globe, the coffee culture does also strike in Germany, and Hannover offers quite a few cafes and shops that will provide you with both best drinks and tasty treats. Take a look around and you will not only spot some typical German delicacies but also international flavours that make for Hannover's intercultural appearance.

Pâtisserie Elysée



This French pâtisserie is a sweet tooth's paradise, as the huge selection of tartes, tortes and pastries will immediately take you in, and up to a candy

cottoned heaven. As 'qualité est priorité', the desserts and sweets are always freshly made with the finest ingredients, such as fresh fruits and high-in-cocoa chocolate, while their hot drinks will also satisfy with a variety of tastes.

Photo: Delphine Jankowski/Flickr.com(image cropped) Address: Joachimstraße 6, Hannover Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-6pm. Sat 9am-6pm. Sun 11am-5pm Phone: +49 511 940 108 50 Internet: www.patisserie-elysee.de Email: mail@patisserie-elysee.de

Teestübchen



Since 1970, the family Bohnecke serves a selection of more than 40 well-chosen types of tea along with their famous cakes all made according

to well-guarded guarded family recipes. Serving their delicacies in silver teapots and warmers as well as on most precious china, this cafe features a sophisticated yet cosy ambiance that – in the evening – can also be enjoyed with local wines and smaller snacks.

Photo: Ingus Kruklitis/Shutterstock.com Address: Ballhofplatz 2, Hannover Opening hours: Son-Wed 10am-11pm. Thu-Sat 10am-1am Phone: +49 551 363 168 2 Internet: www.teestuebchen-hannover.de Email: info@teestuebchen-hannover.de

24 Grad Kaffeerösterei



This small cafe does not only focus on both coffee and service of very high quality but also on fair and sustainable conditions for coffee

farmers around the globe. Roasting in their very own venue, the staff is very highly skilled, and they will happily help you to choose from the huge variety of drinks as well as guide you through a coffee workshop that displays the whole process from bean to drink.

Photo: Free-Photos/Pixabay.com(image cropped) Address: Engelbosteler Damm 52, Hannover Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-7pm. Sa 9am-7pm. Son 11am-7pm Internet: www.24grad.net Email: info@24grad.net

Holländische Kakaostube



Since 1895, this cafe serves unique confectionery and pastries that are – all homemade, 'mit Meisterhand' – baked

with well-selected ingredients, and quite some time for most pleasant details. One of their specialties, the 'Baumkuchen', is definitely worth a try while all the other treats should not be missed out as well.

Photo: Oliver Hoffmann/Shutterstock.com Address: Ständehausstraße 2-3, Hannover Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-7:30pm. Sat 9am-6:30pm Phone: +49 511 304 100 Internet: www.hollaendische-kakao-stube.de

Efendi Bay



This patisserie serves delicacies from the Middle East that will make your mouth water. While baklava is among the most known, and

probably also most popular sweets, go ahead and bravely choose from the huge selection of other treats that are made with love, and served with a smile.

Photo: gate74/Pixabay.com(image cropped) Address: Münzstraße 7, Hannover Opening hours: Son-Thu 7am-11pm. Fri-Sat 7am-1am Phone: +49 511 175 07

Hippo Bio Vegan



This organic-certified cafe serves sweet and savoury dishes, and their menu shows at first sight that an entirely vegan menu does not have to be

dreary. The colourful interior and the flavourful treats invite to enjoy either breakfast or lunch while mingling with customers and chatting with friends. As they focus on Asian flavours, prepare yourself for curries and Thai salads, among others.

Photo: Alena Haurylik/Shutterstock.com Address: Marienstraße 38, Hannover Opening hours: Tue-Fri 11:30am-6pm. Sat 10am-6pm. Sun 10am-5pm Phone: +49 511 459 810 45

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Hannover boasts traditional pubs, elegant cocktail bars and clubs playing music of all kind that magnetically pull during the week and at the weekends. As from small clubs to huge dance halls, the city features venue for every taste and every occasion, and during the summertime, cosy beer gardens for taking in the sun.

Lister Turm



There is no better place for enjoying the summer in Germany than a traditional beer garden, where beers and local food are served in a great

atmosphere that is always welcoming and most rousing. Lister Turm, as one of the oldest and most popular beer gardens in Hannover, also attracts with a huge variety of beers and dishes, and a rich history of serving beers for more than 100 years.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com Address: Walderseestraße 100, Hannover Opening hours: Mon-Sat 8am-11pm. Sun 9am-7pm Phone: +49 511 168 424 02 Internet: www.lister-turm-biergarten-hannover.de Email: info@lister-turm.de

Craft Beer Bar



This bar will take a beer lover's admiration to a whole new level, as it offers more than 50 regularly changing bottled beers as well as

no less than 24 different craft beers on tap. While this venue formerly used to be an insider tip, it is now one of the favourite pubs among tourists and locals alike.

Photo: Master1305/Shutterstock.com Address: Ballhofplatz 7, Hannover Opening hours: Mon-Sat 4:30pm-closing Phone: +49 511 357 175 1 Internet: www.craftbierbar.de/hannover

Pier 51



Right next to the lake Maschsee, Pier 51 invites you to enjoy both mild summer evenings on their terrace as well as cosy nights in their interiors

by serving Mediterranean dishes and flavourful drinks of all kinds. Thanks to its warm and welcoming atmosphere, your stay here will feel like a holiday within your holiday.

Photo: Rawpixel.com/Shutterstock.com Address: Rudolf-von-Bennigsen-Ufer 51, Hannover Opening hours: Daily 12pm-12am Phone: +49 511 807 180 0 Internet: www.pier51.de Email: info@pier51.de More Info: The kitchen is open 12pm-2:15pm and 6pm-9:15pm.

SHOPPING



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Hannover is a real shopper's paradise, as the vast selection of shops is ideal for both a lengthy shopping spree and a quick errand. The pedestrian precinct and the different neighbourhoods offer a diverse mix of shops to meet all taste's requirements, while there are attractive and unexpected shopping amenities away from the big city – luckily, many shops and centres do also open on Sundays.

City Centre



Hannover is steadily gaining ground as an attractive shopping metropolis, and the pedestrian zone around Kröpcke is one of its

landmarks. While featuring both retail chains and independent stores, this neighbourhood also hosts a couple of restaurants and cafes so that you can basically spend a whole day here without getting bored, or hungry, or thirsty.

Photo: ChristianSchd/Wikimedia.org(image cropped) Address: Kröpcke, Hannover

Nordstadt



The district Nordstadt is as vibrant as its inhabitants, and so are the shops that you will discover here around the university, along with

quite a few bars, cafes, and restaurants: while "Schön Schön" offers interior and design accessories for a most cosy home, "Jäger & Sammler" sells fashion of (and for) all kinds right next to "Onkel Ollis" special groceries, and "Soule Sneakerstores'" huge selection of shoes.

Photo: BABAROGA/Shutterstock.com Address: Nordstadt, Hannover

Südstadt



The Südstadt does not only offer relaxing spots right next to the lake but also great shopping opportunities that are mainly focused onto

interior design: while "PorzellanCafé" offers both coffee as well as coffee set designs, "Esplanade" sells almost every kind of decoration, while "Wohntraum Hannover" generally offers 50s, 60s and 70s design.

Photo: BABAROGA/Shutterstock.com Address: Südstadt, Hannover

List



The List district is, last but not least, a charming and quite family-friendly area of a calm and charming atmosphere, where cafes and

restaurants string together next to stores and smaller shops selling produces of all kinds. Come

here for combining a leisure walk with purchasing some unique bargain.

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Ernst August Gallery



The Ernst-August-Galerie is a cutting-edge shopping mall, offering all kinds of shops from well or less known fashion brands to design and

interior stores. As you can also take a break at various cafes and restaurants at the market hall, do not hesitate to visit all the shops you will wish to.

Photo: gpointstudio/Shutterstock.com Address: Ernst-August-Platz, Hannover Opening hours: Mon-Sat 10am-8pm Phone: +49 511 169 968 0 Internet: www.ernst-august-galerie.de Email: info@ernst-august-galerie.de

Leine Center



South to Hannover, the Leine Center features more than 100 specialised stores from different industries such as fashion, sports, health

care and groceries. The variety of shops will keep you busy all day, and the cafes and restaurants around will gladly invite you in for a break.

Photo: leungchopan/Shutterstock.com Address: Albert-Schweitzer-Straße 10, Laatzen Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9:30am-8pm Phone: +49 511 982 770 Internet: www.leine-center.de Email: info@leine-center.de

TOURIST INFORMATION



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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.

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Best Time to Visit



While Hannover is always worth a visit, the summer months between May and September offer the most when it comes to both wonderful weather and great events such as the Maschsee Lake Festival or a Marksmen Funfair. The winter in Hannover can get quite cold and, due to its northern location, also snowy but the fantastic Christmas markets can only be enjoyed then. Although it may be more rainy, do visit Hannover during spring and autumn for seeing the city less crowded and in more of a relaxed, natural state.

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Hannover Airport



Hannover Airport, north to Hannover, is one of the leading airports in Northern Germany, and the most important hub within the federal state of

Lower Saxony. Taxis are available right outside of all terminals of the arrival level, and a ride into the city takes around 20 minutes. Buses and interurban trains operate regularly, and the airport also features a direct train connection to Hannover main station that can be reach in 17 minutes. The airport's website informs about different schedules, and also shuttles services, while all venues and shops available in and around the airport are presented as well.

Photo: Juan Garces Address: Petzelstraße 84, Langenhagen Phone: +49 511 977 0 Internet: www.hannover-airport.de

Public Transport



The public transport in Hannover is operated by GVH, an union of six transport companies in the Hannover region, that features an expanded

transport network of interurban trains, trams

and buses. While you can buy your tickets of different kinds on board, via app, at vending machines and in service and sales centers, keep in mind that the HannoverCard includes free travel in the public transport within the entire Hannover Region.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair Address: Karmarschstraße 30/32, Hannover Phone: +49 511 166 80 Internet: www.gvh.de Email: info@gvh.de

Taxi



Taxis serve across the whole town, and they can be either met at a taxi stop or called via phone – be aware that the prices always depend on the

taximeter. While Hannoversche Funk-Taxi-Zentrale might be most known, there are several other reliable services:

Hallo Taxi 3811 +49 511 381 1

Franka Thomas Taxiunternehmen Neue-Land-Straße 17, Hannover +49 511 388 371 4

Photo: Taxi Address: Isernhagener Straße 20, Hannover Phone: +49 511 876 561 0

Post



Post offices across the whole town offer every service from buying envelopes to sending packages, and they can be recognized by their

yellow DHL sign. Stamps can be bought at

venture machines in front of the post offices as well as at labelled kiosks that also offer pick-up services. A main office can be found at Ernst-August-Galery but there are many others all around:

Deutsche Post

Am Klagesmarkt 10-11, Hannover Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9:30am-6:30pm. Sat 10am-3pm

Deutsche Post Goetheplatz 11, Hannover Opening hours: Mon-Sat 6am-8pm

Photo: Andy Fuchs Address: Herschelstraße 1b, Hannover Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9:30am-1pm and 3pm-6pm. Sat 11am-2pm

Pharmacy



Pharmacies can be located across the whole town and they are usually marked by a big read "A" – on the entrance door, you will always find a

screen with information about which pharmacy is in emergency service during the nights and at the weekends. One central pharmacy, Leinen Apotheke at Ernst-August-Galery, can be found close to the main station but there are many other close by, and spread across the whole town:

City Apotheke Karmarschstraße 33/35, Hannover +49 511 307 766 www.city-apo-hannover.de Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-6:30pm. Sa 9am-4pm Löwen Apotheke Bahnhofstraße 2, Hannover +49 511 270 467 0 www.apohannover.de Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-7pm. Sat 10am-7pm

Photo: Gemma Garner Address: Ernst-August-Platz 2, Hannover Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-8pm Phone: +49 511 169 441 0

Telephone

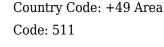




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Electricity



230 V, 50 Hz, C/F

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Population City: 530,800 Region: 1,150,000

Currency 1 Euro = 100 Cents

Opening hours

Most shops in pedestrian areas and shopping centres are open Mon-Sat 10am-8pm, while supermarkets tend to be open Mon-Sat 8am-10pm. All shops are closed on Sundays, while museums are closed on Mondays, and restaurants and cafes establish individual opening hours.

Newspapers Hannoversche Allgemeine Zeitung

Emergency numbers

European Emergency Number: 110 Fire Brigade / Rescue Coordination Centre: 112

Tourist information

Hannover Tourist Information Ernst-August-Platz 8 +49 511 123 451 11 info@hannover-tourismus.de

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-6pm. Sat 10am-5pm

