

Further local tips.

A description of Stuttgart:

Stuttgart, the city located between forests and vineyards, is an urban community in Southwest Germany.

As the state capital of Baden-Württemberg, Stuttgart is not only an industrial city with world famous automobile companies and state-of-the-art science and research facilities; Stuttgart is also a cultural city that has made a name for itself through its renowned State Opera and ballet programs, and the exceptional art collections at the State Gallery and the Gallery of Stuttgart.

Stuttgart's main attractions are clearly the hilly landscape, the numerous vineyards that stretch all the way to the city center, the many parks that make Stuttgart one of the greenest cities in Germany and the mineral water fountains that characterize this region as having the largest source of mineral water in Western Europe.

A historical background:

The roots of Stuttgart date back to the 10th century. In those days, Stuttgart, named Stutengarten, was a stud farm for Herzog Luidolf's horses. Therefore, Stuttgart takes its name and its coat of arms from this stud farm.

The earliest dated records of "Stutengarten" are from the year 1229. In the 13th century, Stuttgart obtained its city status. Stuttgart was an unknown settlement until the 14th century, when the Count of Württemberg took up residency in The Old Palace, located in Stuttgart.

However, it wasn't until 1482 that Stuttgart became the official capital and residence of Count Eberhard. The next century, in which Stuttgart was in the hands of Austria for a short time, was characterized by political and scientific unrest. Throughout history, the City of Stuttgart was often tested, especially during the 30 Years War.

The annual People's Fair (Cannstatter Volksfest) was first celebrated in 1818 when King Wilhelm organized the fair for the citizens of Stuttgart.

During the first half of the 19th century, the history of Stuttgart changed. Stuttgart became more of an industrial region, instead of the regal region it had been. Men like Gottlieb Daimler and Robert Bosch started a new era in the history of technology and changed the history of Stuttgart.

During the Second World War, Stuttgart was heavily damaged by several air raids. The buildings were quickly restored after the war, and Stuttgart became the Capital of Baden-Württemberg in 1952.

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Historical and memorial Monuments:

The history of Stuttgart is to be discovered across the numerous historical sites, sculptures, and memorial monuments. They describe the cultural achievement of the city and its personalities, relate from the times of war and peace, the times of destruction and reconstruction.

Enjoy a historical visit in Stuttgart thanks to the city website which provides the most information regarding the different memorials, for example to the victims of concentration camps or the nationalism government, as well as to the deserters of this regime:

<http://www.stuttgart.de/item/show/154246/1>

Stuttgart, the Insider Tips:

DO

- Visit the city with the tramway museum: the tramway line 15 offers you a special sightseeing tour with the discovery of city corners which are not written in tourist guides. It starts in Stuttgart Stammheim via Zuffenhausen (Porsche museum) and Pragsattel, drives through the Löwentor, Wihelma zoo, than to the central station (Hauptbahnhof) and city center (Schlossplatz), and finally back up the hill in Bubenbad to Stuttgart's TV tour (Fernsehturm). The tour lasts 45min and gives you the possibility to get on and off the train, enjoy your visit!
- Visit the Mercedes and Porsche museums: Stuttgart is home to the oldest automobile constructor worldwide and can look back on a 115 yearlong automobile history. This history is closely linked with the names Gottlieb Daimler, Carl Benz, Wilhelm Maybach and Ferdinand Porsche.
- Taste and savour local wines: Wine has made Stuttgart rich; already since 1108 the wines thrive and prosper on the slopes. With 403 ha winegrowing area, Stuttgart is the fifth largest winegrowing location in Germany. Over one million visitors and friends of wine visit the wine village ("Stuttgarter Weindorf") event in Stuttgart every year. In around 120 cosy vine-covered huts on the market square and on the Schillerplatz as well as around 350 different wines from Württemberg are served each year at the end of August until the beginning of September for 10 days.
- Spend a day in a mineral spa: Those who appreciate curative mineral water can relax in one of the mineral spas in the oldest quarter of the city, Bad Cannstatt, as well as in the neighbouring district Berg.
 - Discover local dishes: some traditional Swabian meals are the "Maultasche" pastas filled with vegetables and meat, the Swabian „Rostbraten“ (Fried beef slices), the Gaisburger Marsch (the "national dish" of Stuttgart with potatoes and Spätzle in a meat broth made of boiled beef and marrow bones), and Laugenbrezeln (typical Swabian bread).

DO NOT

- Go to the city center by car if you want to avoid being stuck in the traffic. Moreover the car is not needed in the center as you can take good advantage of busses and tramways.
- Try to speak Swabian when you are not a native speaker.
- Describe the “Wilhelma” as a zoo. This zoological- botanical garden is a very unique oasis in Germany. It was constructed in the mid-19th at the order of King Wilhelm I. To Swabians the zoo is called the “Wilhelma”.
- Frivolously order “Kutteln” (tripes) or “saure Nierle” (sour kidneys) if you are not feeling in a culinary adventurous mood.

A sustainable stay

We have implemented several measures to reduce the impact of our activity on the environment (please refer to our sustainability management plan). You can also be part of our project to become a more sustainable company:

- Remember to remove your room key card when leaving the room; the lights will then turn off automatically.
- Participate to our towel reuse program which both permit to save water and energy.
- Use recycling bins whenever possible. In Germany, waste is sorted according to the material. In public spaces you will essentially find a blue, a yellow and a grey bin. Any kind of bottle or glass jar that is non- returnable and on which you did not pay a deposit or "Pfand", belongs in the designated glass bins. Cans, plastic, polystyrene, aluminum, tinplate and "composite" materials like beverage cartons made of a mixture of materials (see green point on the packaging) belong in the yellow bin. Paper is also entry-level recycling: all packaging made of paper and cardboard, newspapers, magazines, waste paper, paper bags, etc belong in the blue bins. Everything in the grey bins will be incinerated, it concerns materials that cannot be recycled or composted.
- Because we want to offer you the best amenities and reduce our impact on the environment at the same time, you will mostly find biodegradable shampoos and soaps in our hotel bathrooms. Please be aware that using dispensers is more environmentally friendly as individual toiletries.

- Compensate your flight: Our team compensates its yearly business trips effectuated by train, car or plane. On our website you will find the possibility to compensate your flight thanks to our partnership with atmosfair.



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The bike rental outlet „Rent a bike“ rents bicycles, City bikes, mountain bikes, electro bikes, offers group tours and bicycle tours in Stuttgart.

Bio restaurants in Stuttgart and surroundings

Koerle & Adam
Feuerbacher Talstr. 31
70469 Stuttgart
Vegetarian and vegan restaurant

Le Quartier
Wankheimer Täle 7
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Bio certified restaurant

Martha´s
Königstr. 26
70173 Stuttgart
„Slow Food“ snack bar with grilled and boiled sausages, Swabian dishes but also Tarte Flambés (Flammkuchen) and Belgian waffles. All ingredients come from the region and are without any added flavours.