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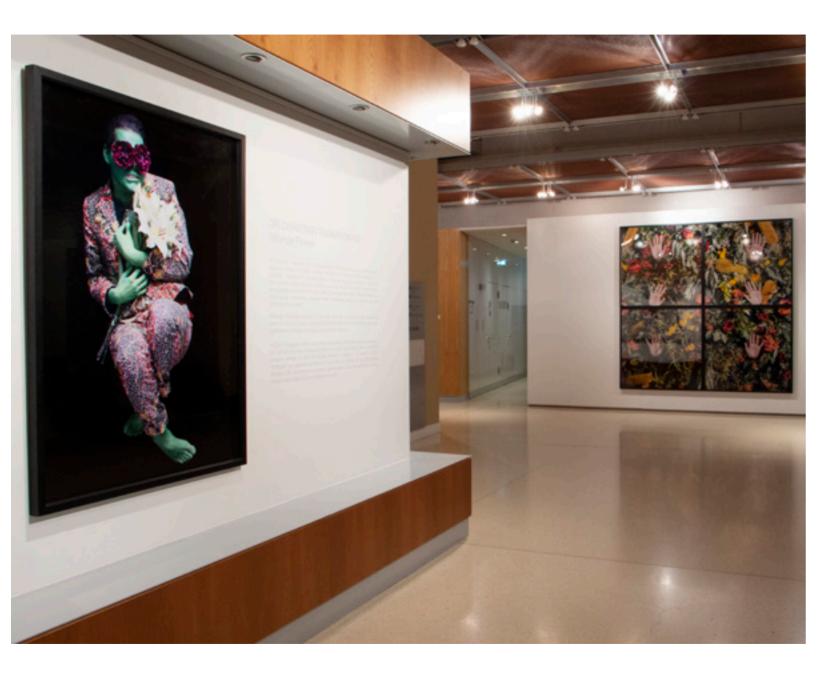
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FOREWORD

Australian Ambassador to Germany, Philip Green OAM

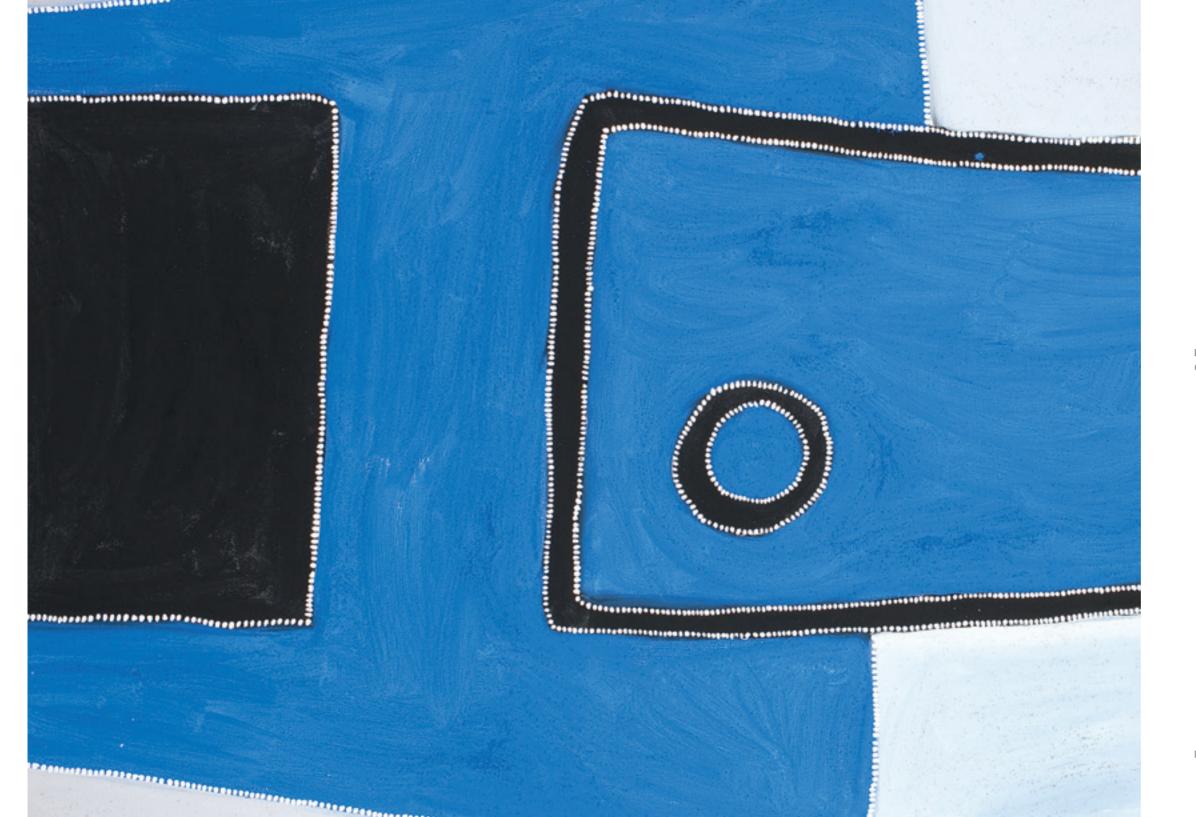
Willkommen in Berlin - Welcome to Berlin. If you have travelled here before, there's surely a multitude of things bringing you back. If it is your first visit, you are in for a treat.

As you will see in Michael Reid Gallery's guide, there is no shortage of museums, galleries, restaurants and culture to engage visitors of all ages and interests. Even throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, Berlin's cultural and hospitality sectors have continued to show impressive creativity, resilience and ingenuity.

I also encourage you to explore the area outside of the capital, where there's history and culture a-plenty. Try to see Potsdam, Weimar, Eberswalde, Oranienburg or, if you can go further, Dresden or Leipzig – Germany has so much to offer, and there are interesting Australian links everywhere you go.

It is no wonder Berlin has become an intellectual, cultural and social mecca for so many Australians and curious, interesting people from all over the world. The art scene here is particularly vibrant, and the sense of the avant-garde is alive and well. Australian artists contribute to that, and we are proud that there are first class Australian works hanging in homes, offices, galleries and museums across the city – to which Michael Reid Gallery contributes a lot.

So get yourself a flat white (our cultural export has really taken off here!) and set off on your fascinating, unique journey through the German capital.

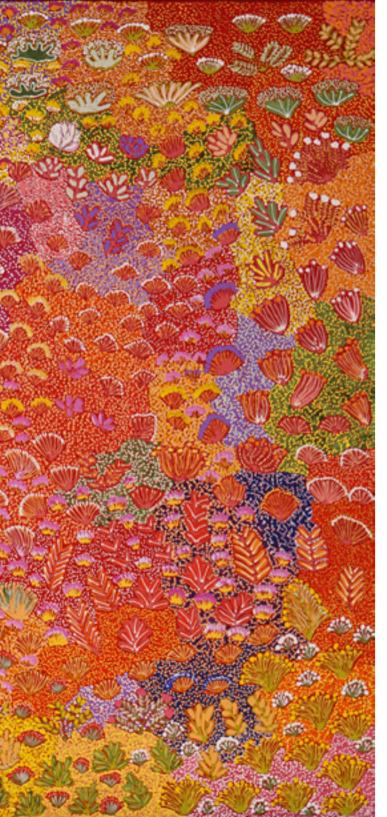


INTRODUCTION

Laura Thompson

Gallery Director, Michael Reid Berlin

Detail image: Rammey Ramsey



Michael Reid Berlin has called Germany's capital home for close to a decade. Based here since 2017, I have led and promoted exhibitions by Australian and New Zealand artists in Paris and London, and across Germany. Those exhibitions have drawn enthusiastic praise. However, presenting Australasian artists to the international market comes with challenges that go beyond the logistics and risks involved. Touching down in a new environment that has its own crowd favourites and rich art history requires time and, more so, commitment. It's a dedication that is rare among Australian arts professionals. The founding belief of Michael Reid Berlin is to grow greater international recognition for artists from Australia and New Zealand. As we approach our tenth year, we can proudly say that we have achieved just that. We have presented well over 50 solo and group exhibitions by artists European audiences rarely get to see.

Detail image: Julieanne Ngwarraye Morton, My Country and Bush Medicine Plants, 2019 Berlin is an embracing city, which has made it the perfect base for such an ambition. Its rich counterculture attracts artists from across the globe. It heaves with galleries and artist-run spaces because it embraces creativity, the alternative and growth. Once a divided city, Berlin has at least two of everything: two zoos (Tierpark and Zoologischer Garten); three opera houses (Deutsche Oper, Staatsoper Unter den Linden and Komische Oper); and seven orchestras. When the Berlin Wall fell in 1989, the city had an open ticket to reunite and recreate itself on its own terms. Abandoned venues - bunkers, hangars, power plants and underground stations - were taken over by young creatives. Essentially, 1989-1991 was a lawless period, with police from the former East and West unsure of what rules to apply. It saw the birth of Berlin's now famous techno music scene, through clubs including Tresor and WMF. Today, it is estimated that 50,000 people dance here every weekend.

Love Parade, which started in the summer of 1989, further speaks to Berlin's free culture. Founded in the belief that music has no borders or nationality, Love Parade aimed to spread love and peace.

Shouting 'Friede, Freude, Eierkuchen' (Peace, Joy, Pancakes) and dancing to techno, the initial crowd of 300 soon grew to 1.5 million through worldwide popularity and commercialisation.

Berlin is a catalyst for global trends.

By July 1990, over 100 buildings in Berlin were occupied by squatters. If you visited the city before September 2012, you may remember Kunsthaus Tacheles, a five-storey artist colony on Oranienburger Straße. Formerly a shopping complex, then a showroom for the German electronic company AEG, the venue housed the Schutzstaffel (the SS) and was hit by bombing raids during the Second World War. Three months after the wall fell, a creative group, Künstlerinitiative Tacheles, squatted on the site, transforming it into a hub for the arts. The building was covered in murals and graffiti, hosted performances and exhibitions, and boasted an open-air sculpture garden. Kunsthaus Tacheles, which was the home of 60 artist studios for 22 years before they were evicted in 2012, demonstrates the permanence of Berlin's creative scene. A visit to the private art collection Sammlung Boros will take you through the site of a former air-raid bunker. At the Silent Green Kulturguartier, you can enjoy performances and exhibitions in a former crematorium. Michael Reid Berlin itself was a haberdashery before the building was seized on June 18, 1945, by the City of Berlin.

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History is kept visible. Walking the streets of Berlin, you will discover Stolperstein under your feet, brass plates among the cobblestones that individually commemorate victims of the Nazi regime. The Berlin Wall is distinctively marked out, and the streets and architecture in former West Berlin vary greatly from those in the former East. In the summer of 1995, artistic duo Christo and Jeanne-Claude wrapped the Reichstag, now the home of Germany's parliament. The project, which took 23 years to be approved, required 100,000 square metres of thick polypropylene fabric with a lustrous aluminium surface and over 200 workers, including professional climbers, to install. The Reichstag, or 'Deutscher Bundestag', mirrors Berlin's history, having witnessed great changes and unease since its construction in 1884. Christo and Jeanne-Claude's project highlighted the Reichstag as an important symbol of democracy. The act of wrapping the monumental building in a shimmering fabric prior to parliament's move back to Berlin from the temporary capital of Bonn gave Germany an opportunity to

reflect on its identity. Thousands of people came to view the project, which stood in place for only two weeks.

All cities have histories and sites of significance, but what remains uniquely Berlin is its adaptability and openness. Berlin stands apart from the art capitals of New York, London, Paris and Hong Kong in the presence of artists. A visa specifically for artists that is relatively simple to obtain attracts thousands of creatives to the city each year. Berlin is certainly not immune to gentrification (construction sites and development are a constant), but the arts and artists are valued and embraced here. Berlin is a production base and a site of experimentation; it is a place that is open to exchange and to experiencing the new.

Laura Thompson

Gallery Director, Michael Reid Berlin

Left: Belinda Fox: *Drawing a Line*, 2018. Photo: Bernd Borchardt.



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Above: Maningrida Arts & Culture. Photo: Jodie Barker Right: Dr Christian Thompson AO. Photo: Jodie Barker





Detail image: Imitjala Curley

IN OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

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 Black Apron
 Distrikt Coffee
 The Barn
 Strandbad Mitte
- Dining
 Mozzerella Bar & Bottega
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 Alpenstück Restaurant
 Kopps
 Pauly Saal
 Frea
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 Pauly Saal
 Redwood
 Tor Bar

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- Shop
 The Record Store Berlin
 Hackescher Markt
 Ocelot
- Art
 Michael Reid Berlin
 KW Berlin
 Sammlung Hoffman
 Sophiensæle
- Transit
 U Rosenthaler Platz: U8
 U Weinmeisterstraße: U8
 S Oranienburger Straße: S1, S2, S25

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MICHAEL REID AND ITS NEIGHBOURHOOD

In 2012, Michael Reid noticed that Berlin attracts the poor, the talented and the brave. Counting himself among their number, he decided that the city would be the perfect location for sharing and cultivating a current, contemporary view of Australian art, 'beyond a post-colonial lens'.

Michael Reid Galleries staged Murr-ma: Uncovering Aboriginal & Australian Contemporary Art, a major Australian group exhibition, in the Hamburger Bahnhof, a prominent exhibition space behind the Museum of Contemporary Art (Museum für Gegenwart). The show presented the best of contemporary Australian artistic practice – Joseph McGlennon, Marian Drew, Adam Cullen and Deborah Paauwe; and indigenous Papunya Tula artists George Tjungurrayi, Johnny Yungut Tjupurrula and Ronnie Tjampitjinpa.

Shortly afterwards, Michael Reid Galleries dived further into the Berlin arts scene by presenting key Australian works at the Preview Berlin Art Fair.

The positive reception that greeted these two exhibitions led, in 2013, to the establishment of Michael Reid Berlin in Ackerstraße, on the ground floor of an 1870s' building that, miraculously, had survived the ravages of war, time and politics.

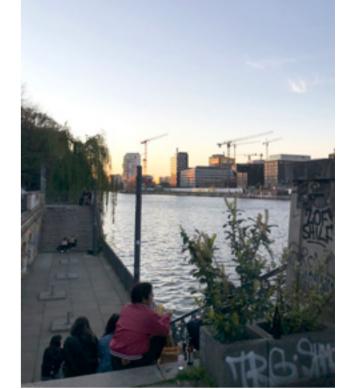
Ackerstraße lies in the central district of Mitte, home to significant landmarks such as the city Town Hall, Brandenburg Gate, Berlin Cathedral and Fernsehturm (Television Tower). For 28 years, from 1961 to 1989, Ackerstraße was divided by the wall. Today, at its corner with Bernauer Straße, a preserved portion of 'no man's land' forms the outdoor Berlin Wall Memorial (Gedenkstätte Berliner Mauer), a tourist hot spot offering a pervasive reminder of the once-divided city. Also within short walking distance of the gallery is the Protestant cemetery, Friedhof II der Sophiengemeinde Berlin, commemorating a host of notable composers and artists, singers, philosophers and historians.

Mitte is perhaps best known for its arts and cultural connections. During the 1990s, the Kunsthaus Tacheles (now closed), located on nearby Oranienburger Straße, was home to artists' collectives, studios, workshops and a cinema. Today, tucked-away courtyards reveal architect-designed gallery spaces, while a former Jewish school in Auguststraße houses a multi-level arts precinct. Close by, in a reclaimed factory, the Berlin Biennale headquarters

shares premises with Kunst-Werke Institute for Contemporary Art. Known for its cutting-edge contemporary art exhibitions, KW Institute has collaborated with MoMA PS1, the Venice Biennale and Documenta.

Impressive private contemporary art collections
– Sammlung Hoffmann and Sammlung Boros
(in a converted bunker) – can be viewed by
appointment. Located less than a kilometre away
is Museums Island, home to museums of antiquity,
archaeology and art – the Pergamon Museum,
Alte Nationalgalerie and Altes Museum, and Bode
Museum.

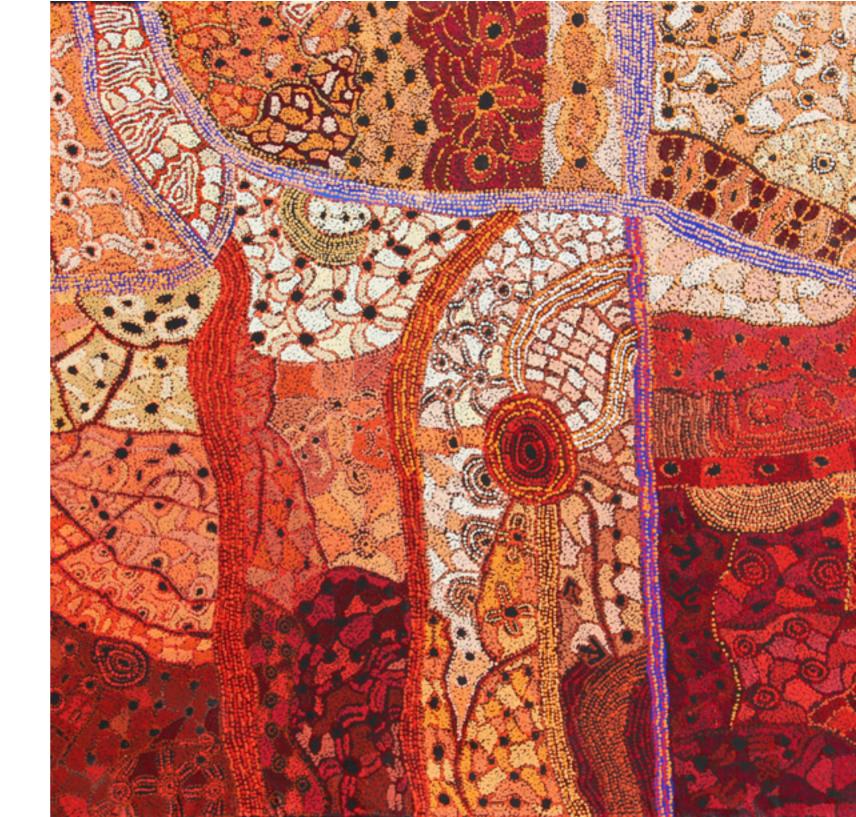
Rachael Vance
Curator & Writer





Below: Samson Bonson, *Mimih Spirit*, 2019 Right: Betty Chimney, *Ngayuku Ngura*, 2019 (detail)







ABORIGINAL ART IN EUROPE

Aboriginal art has in recent years firmly set foot in the European art world. The inclusion of work by western desert artists Doreen Reid Nakamarra and Warlimpirrnga Tjapaltjarri in dOCUMENTA (13) in 2012 and Emily Kame Kngwarreye in the central pavilion of the 2015 Venice Biennale are testimony to this. However, this appreciation could not always be taken for granted and Aboriginal art was only gradually allowed into the realm of contemporary art in the European sense. One only has to think of Gallery Gabriella Pizzi, one of the foremost Australian galleries for contemporary Aboriginal art at the time, being barred entry of the Cologne Art Fair in 1994. Yet, one year earlier, in 1993, one of the most important exhibitions of Aboriginal art ever to be held on the European continent opened its doors at the Sammlung Rheinland-Westphalen in Düsseldorf, Curated by Swiss artist and activist Bernhard Lüthi, Aratjara: art of the first Australians was devised as an exhibition of contemporary art in first instance and toured a number of Europe's capitals of high art - Düsseldorf, Copenhagen and London. It provided a comprehensive overview of contemporary currents in Aboriginal art and was pivotal in introducing European audiences to Australian Indigenous art.

Detail image: Emily Kame Kngwarreye

The idea of *Aratjara* had started with *Magiciens de la Terre*, held in 1989 at the Centre Pompidou, Paris. Lüthi had been in charge with the Indigenous Australian artists for this almost legendary exhibition curated by Jean-Hubert Martin. John Mawurndjul, the acclaimed artist from Arnhem Land, received for the first time international attention. A ground painting made in situ at the Grande Halle de la Villette by twelve artists from the central desert community of Yuendumu positioned in dialogue with a work by Richard Long still is one of the most iconic installation views of this exhibition.

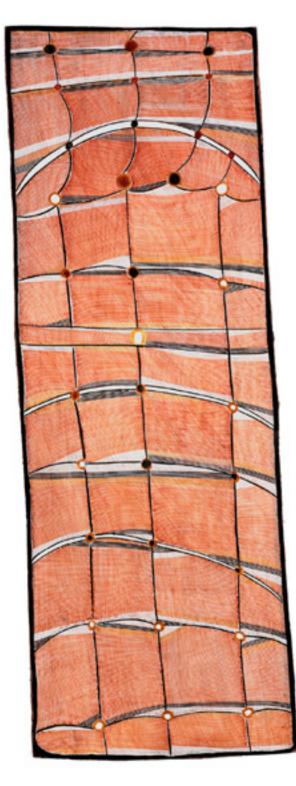
Often, the appreciation of Australian Indigenous art was brought about by European and North American artists, rather than curators, who perhaps had less theoretical reservations towards the art. The American Sol LeWitt saw work by Emily Kame Kngwarreye at the Venice Biennale in 1997, when this Aboriginal artist represented her country together with two other Indigenous Australian women (Yvonne Koolmatrie and Judy Watson). It prompted him to take a closer look at the art of the first Australians. Many years later, LeWitt's collection of Aboriginal art would provide the basis for another landmark exhibition of Aboriginal art in Germany, namely Remembering Forward organised by the Ludwig Museum in Cologne. This exhibition assembled some of the foremost Indigenous Australian

artists, including Rover Thomas, Emily Kame Kngwarreye and Clifford Possum Tjapaltjarri.

Still in Germany, the Sprengel Museum in Hannover hosted no less than six exhibitions of Indigenous Australian art during the tenure of Ulrich Krempel as Director. Krempel had previously worked on *Aratjara*. Amongst these exhibition was *Rarrk*, which was subsequently taken over from the Museum Tinguely in Basel (2005). This exhibition was the first international retrospective of John Mawurndjul. Other exhibitions included *Opening Doors*, an exhibition on the art of Yuendumu produced by the Dutch Museum of Contemporary Aboriginal Art (AAMU).

In 2001, as an initiative by a Dutch private collector, the AAMU opened its doors in the Dutch city of Utrecht. This museum approached Aboriginal art from the onset as contemporary art, distinguishing it clearly from the many ethnographic institutions in Europe that hold Aboriginal art in their collections. While initial exhibitions were concerned on familiarising and educating European audiences on the rich diversity and different directions in Aboriginal art, later exhibitions penetrated this relative cultural isolation and consciously sought the

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dialogue or confrontation with non-Indigenous art. In its sixteen years of existence it not only presented the work of individual artists in monographic exhibitions (Gordon Bennett, Brook Andrew, Paddy Bedford) to a European public, but also stimulated an intercultural artistic dialogue between Aboriginal and global art. Thus creating a cross-cultural exchange in art, the work of Marcel Broodthaers featured alongside that of four desert artists, including Kathleen Petyarre and Dorothy Napangardi, in one of its most cutting-edge exhibitions.

At the closure of AAMU in 2017, the entire collection became part of the National Museum of World Cultures in the Netherlands. With this transferal, the collection became probably the most important collection of Indigenous Australian art in a national institution outside Australia.

One year later, in 2018, the Fondation Opale in Lens, Switzerland, took the relay as main permanent platform for contemporary Indigenous Australian art in Europe. The Fondation Opale aims to provide an active and dynamic basis for the art through groundbreaking exhibitions, high quality catalogues and publications, artist-in-residence positions and scholarly research. It actively pursues an intercultural dialogue through art and in doing so it endeavours to provide new perspectives from which to interpret and reinterpret the participating artists' work.

Georges Petitjean Art Historian & Curator at Fondation Opale Laura Thompson: Particularly when it comes to Australian Indigenous art, the private collector has played a key role in bringing this to European audiences. The AAMU was established by private collectors in Utrecht. You are now Curator of Fondation Opale, also a private initiative. And Michael Reid Berlin is loaning works from leading Papunya Tula artists from the Peter and Alison Klein collection in early 2021. How do collectors play a role in positioning Indigenous Australian art in the global art market?

> Georges Petitjean: Curators and art professionals were not that quick in taking up Aboriginal art. It was in first instance artists and collectors that sparked an interest and also opened the paths for many institutions to show the art. One only has to think of Sol LeWitt who saw the work of Emily Kame Kngwarreve at the Venice Biennale in 1997. His subsequent collection of Indigenous Australian art lay at the basis of the Remembering Forward exhibition at the Ludwig Museum.

> Just as artists are at the cutting edge of things, so are sometimes collectors before the art is actually being taken up by the established art world. This definitely happened with Indigenous Australian art. Collectors were among the first to appreciate it, to see the relevance and give it a place in their collections. They could also promote the art in their networks. Collectors often have access to a large network of art galleries, curators, museums and so on. It is quite often the case that through their endeavours Indigenous Australian art found its way into many major art galleries and museums in Europe and continues to do so. Examples are manifold.



BEFORE TOUCHDOWN

So, you're heading to Berlin? We're not experts when it comes to advising what visa you need, but over the years we have picked up some basic tips that will make your stay a bit easier. We've also rounded up the best books, films and series to razzle your excitement.

Tip 1:

Take out some Euros and expect to pay in cash at small shops and restaurants. Germans dislike card payments.

Tip 2:

Pack your art fair sneakers. Berlin is one of the greenest capital cities in Europe. Don't plan your trip around landmarks alone; explore different neighbourhoods. There are many nearby lakes, and Berlin has more bridges over its canals than Venice.

Tip 3:

If you're visiting during peak season (June–August), book ahead – and not just your accommodation; some museums and private collections have long waiting lines.

Tip 4:

A *pfand* (deposit) will sometimes be added to your drinks at bars. Return your glasses/bottles to be reimbursed. You'll often see people leaving their empty bottles on the street or near public bins, as the *pfand* can be redeemed from machines in many supermarkets.

Tip 5:

Sundays are a 'day of rest' in Berlin, and in most of Germany. More accurately, most businesses aren't allowed to operate on Sundays. Be sure to factor in the more limited offerings on that day when planning your stay.

Recommended Films

The Lives of Others (2006)
Good Bye, Lenin! (2003)
The Bourne Supremacy (2004)
Wings of Desire (Der Himmel über Berlin),
Wim Wenders (1987)

Recommended Series

Babylon Berlin Deutschland 86 Dogs of Berlin 4 Blocks Unorthodox

Recommended Books

A Guide to Berlin, by Gail Jones (a novel)

Walking in Berlin, by Franz Hessel

Stasiland: Stories from Behind the Berlin Wall,
by Anna Funder



Right: Berlinische Galerie

PRIVATE COLLECTIONS

The Boros Collection (Sammlung Boros)

Private collection of big-name contemporary art (think Ai Weiwei) collector Christian Boros. Housed in a very stylishly converted Second World War bunker, with the Boros family's private, Bond villain-esque residence on the top floor.

Thurs-Sun

Visits possible only by booking guided tours in advance through the website. (Book approximately 6 weeks ahead of your planned visit.)

Bunker, Reinhardtstraße 20, 10117 Berlin

sammlung-boros.de

The Feuerle Collection

Located in a former Second World War telecommunications bunker, the Feuerle Collection showcases Imperial Chinese stone and lacquer furniture and Chinese scholar furniture. These pieces from the Han and early Qing dynasties are exhibited alongside contemporary works from the likes of Anish Kapoor and Adam Fuss. Founded by Désiré Feuerle and Sara Puig in 2016.

Book an appointment online.

Hallesches Ufer 70, 10963 Berlin

thefeuerlecollection.org

Collection Bergmeier

The private collection of Geraldine Michalke includes German Informel and Concrete Poetry and minimalist and conceptual works from the 1960s and 1970s. Check the website for the current exhibition.

Book an appointment online. Bülowstraße 90, 10783 Berlin kunstsaele.de

Arthur de Ganay Collection

Large-format photography collection investigating landscape and architecture, housed in a former jam factory on the banks of the River Spree.

Sat 2pm (guided tour only).
Register through the website.

Köpenicker Straße 10A, 10997 Berlin collectionarthurdeganay.com

Right: Regina Wilson, Syaw (Fish-net), 2019 (detail)





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Pammy Kemarre Foster, Bush Flowers, 2019 (detail)

Hoffmann Collection

Contemporary art collection started in 1968 by Erika and Rolf Hoffmann and on display in Erika Hoffmann's home.

Sat 11am-4pm.

Register for guided tours through the website a few days in advance.

Sammlung Hoffmann, Sophienstraße 21, 10178 Berlin

sammlung-hoffmann.de

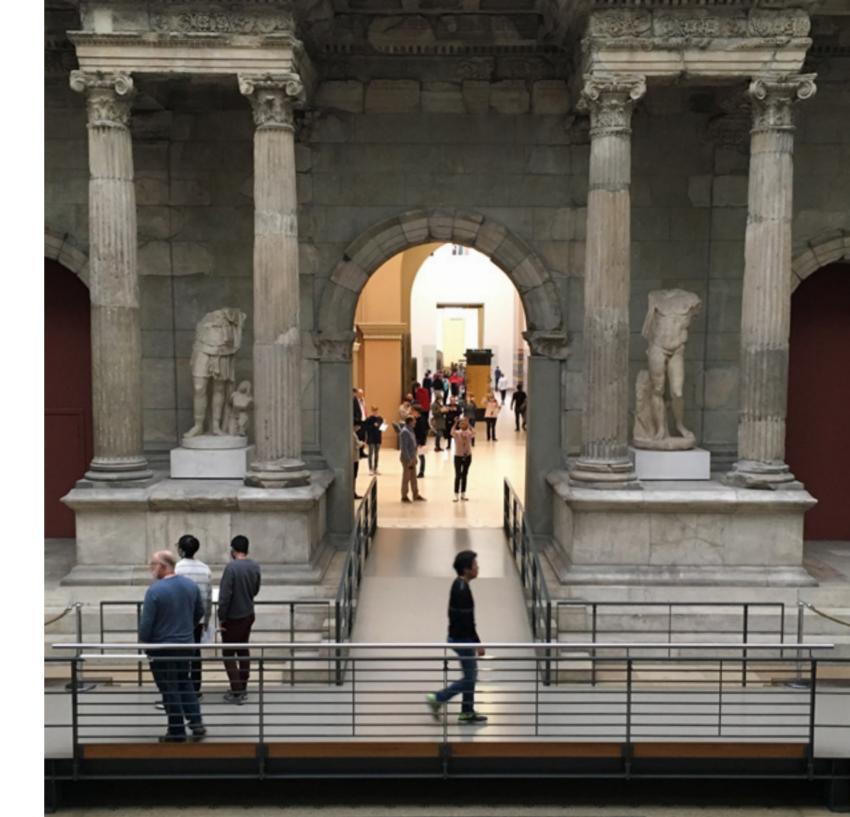
Fluentum Collection

A collection with a strong focus on time-based media art, the Fluentum Collection was started by Markus Hannebauer in 2010 following a visit to LOOP Barcelona.

Check the website for updates and events.

Clayallee 174, 14195 Berlin

fluentum.org









Catherine Nelson, Terra Nostra, 2020

ART FAIRS AND EVENTS

Gallery Weekend Berlin

Started in 2004, Gallery Weekend Berlin is a key event, with dozens of commercial galleries across the city opening their doors all weekend. Pick up a map and take a walking tour of some of the best art available to view in Berlin. Michael Reid Berlin will be featuring Robert Malherbe during the 2020 edition.

September 11-13, 2020 *Usually held in April or May

gallery-weekend-berlin.de

Berlin Biennale 2020

The Berlin Biennale takes place at various locations across the city. For the 2020, 11th edition, the Biennale will start at and extend out from ExRotaprint, a complex in the neighbourhood of Wedding.

September 5 - November 1, 2020

11.berlinbiennale.de

Berlin Art Week

This is the annual art-focused week of the year. Galleries and institutions alike present key exhibitions at this time. Coinciding art fairs are often held at Flughafen Tempelhof (Tempelhof Airport).

September 9-13, 2020

berlinartweek.de

Berlinale

The Berlin International Film Festival was founded in 1951 at the start of the Cold War. To this day, it is considered one of the most political of film festivals and attracts thousands of guests from around the globe.

February 11-21, 2021

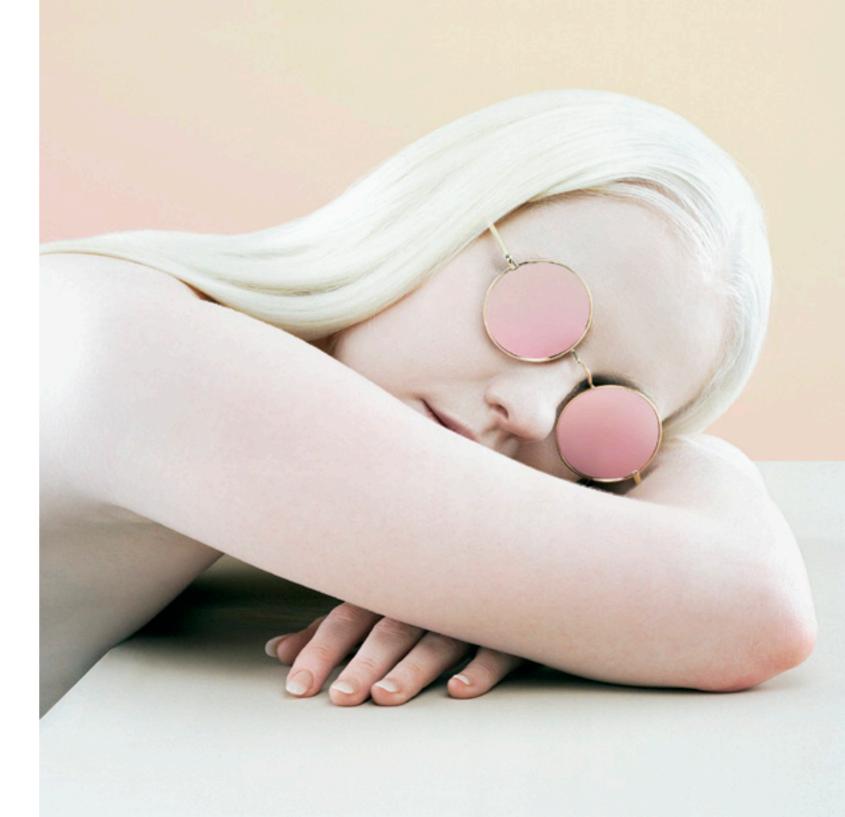
berlinale.de

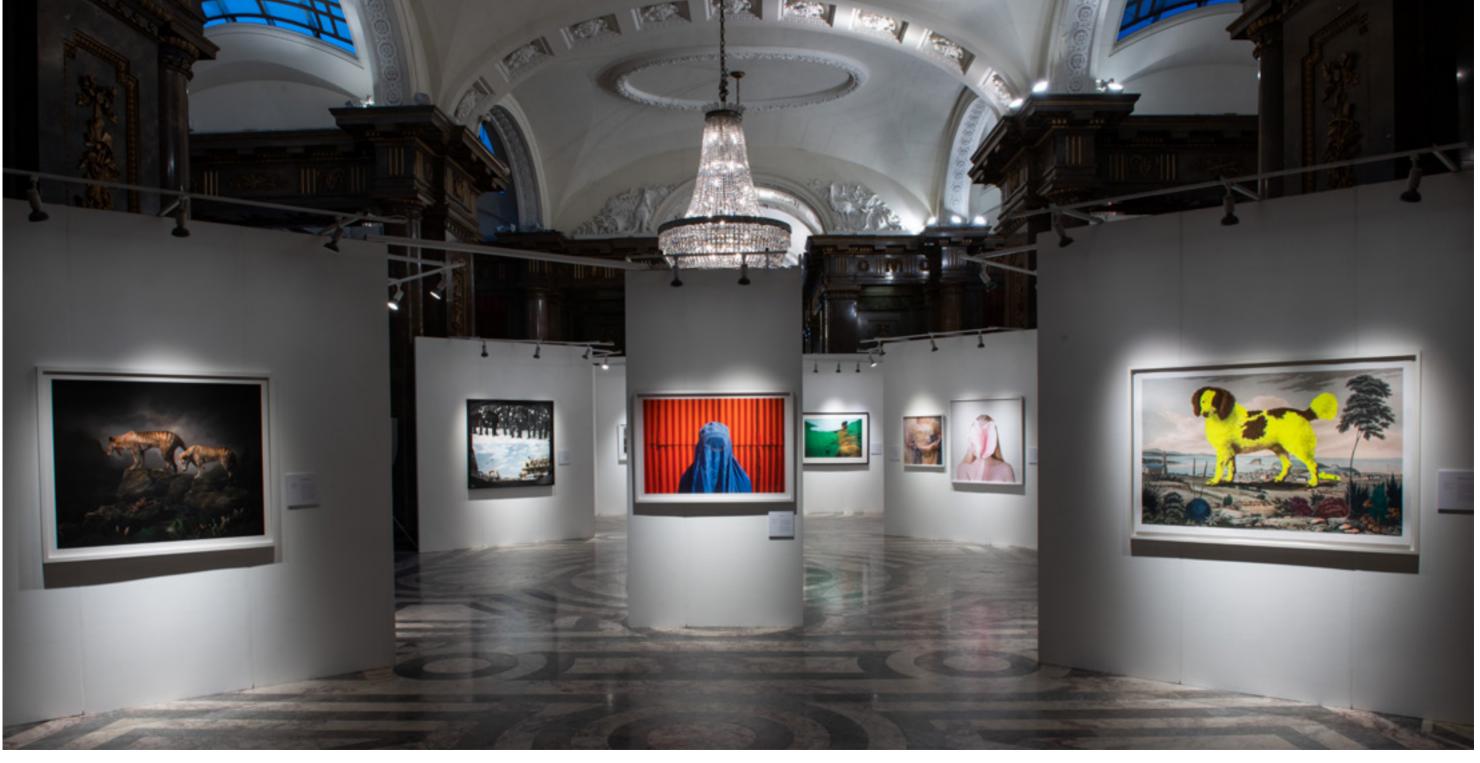
Tanz im August

Translating to 'Dance in August', this is an annual festival of all things contemporary and classical dance.

Annually in August

tanzimaugust.de





ART FAIRS AND EVENTS: OUTSIDE BERLIN

Art Düsseldorf

art-dus.de

November 13-15, 2020 Germany

Documenta 15

documenta.de

June 18 - September 25, 2022 Kassel, Germany

Venice Biennale

labiennale.org

April 23 - November 27, 2022 [59th edition] Italy

Art Basel

artbasel.com

September 17-20, 2020 *Usually held in June. Switzerland

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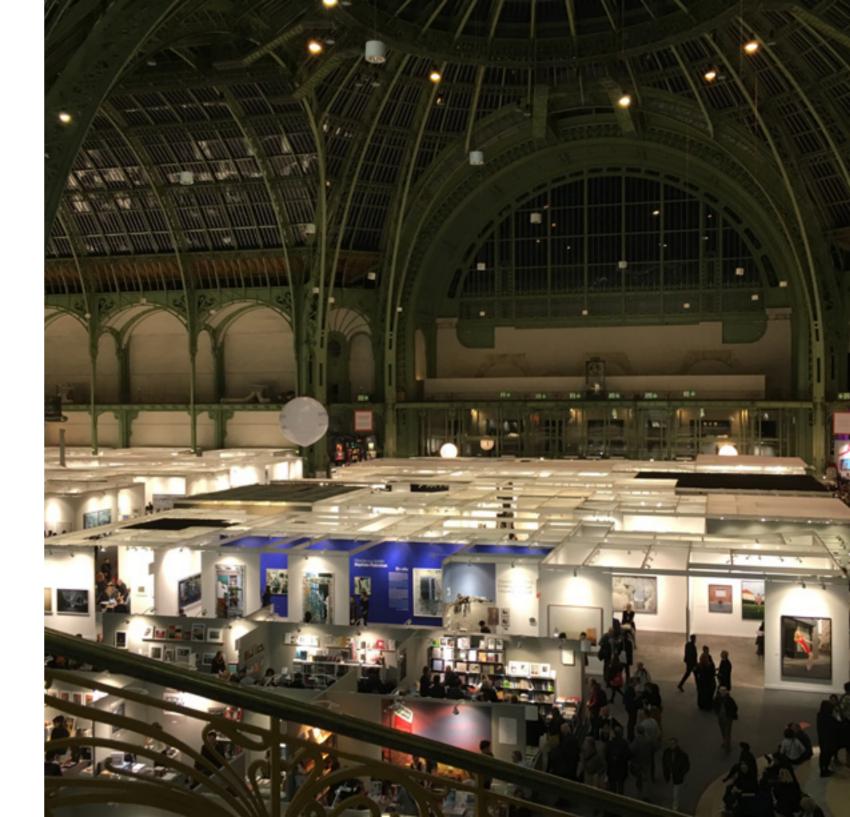
photolondon.org

October 7-11, 2020 *Usually held in May. England

Paris Photo

parisphoto.com

November 12-15, 2020 France



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Unique, World Heritage-listed ensemble of five museums built on a small island in Berlin's Spree River: Pergamon Museum, Altes Museum (fantastic Schinkel building), Neues Museum, Alte Nationalgalerie and Bode Museum. Also, Schlossbrücke (Palace Bridge), Lustgarten (very nice for a walk) and the Berliner Dom.

(Note: Bode Museum, Alte Nationalgalerie and Altes Museum are closed on Mondays.)

Mon-Fri 10am-6pm Thurs 10am-8pm Sat-Sun 10am-6pm Bodestraße, 10178 Berlin

smb.museum

Berlin Kulturforum

Collection of cultural buildings, including the New National Gallery (closed for renovations), Philharmonie and Chamber Music Hall (home to the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra), Neue Staatsbibliothek (New State Library), the Kupferstichkabinett (graphic collection) and the Gemäldegalerie (one of the world's most important collections of Old Master works).

Tues-Fri 10am-6pm Thurs 10am-8pm Sat-Sun 11am-6pm

Matthäikirchplatz 4-6, 10785 Berlin

smb.museum

Hamburger Bahnhof

This Museum for Contemporary Art (Museum für Gegenwart) is housed in Berlin's former central station. One of the largest public collections of contemporary art in Berlin, it has a regularly changing exhibition program. A very good café/restaurant is run by the well-known German chef Sarah Weiner.

Tues-Fri 10am-6pm
Thurs 10am-8pm
Sat-Sun 11am-6pm
Free entry every first Thursday of the month, 4-8pm

Invalidenstraße 50-51, 10557 Berlin

smb.museum

Haus am Waldsee

A visit to the Haus am Waldsee, located almost in Potsdam, is the perfect way to escape the busy city and view the work of German, mostly Berlin-based, contemporary artists. Take a day trip and go on to the Schloss San Souci and the beautiful royal grounds at Potsdam.

Tues-Sun 11am-6pm

Argentinische Allee 30, 14163 Berlin

hausamwaldsee.de





Humboldt Forum

Set to open in late 2020 the Humboldt Forum is part of the reconstructed Berlin Palace. This large-scale museum will bring together the Ethnological Museum of Berlin and the Museum of Asian Art, alongside spaces for lectures, cinemas and restaurants. Named after Alexander and Wilhelm von Humboldt, the Humboldt Forum will showcase non-Western art, with the intention of creating a world centre for culture.

Schloßplatz, 10178 Berlin

humboldtforum.org

Neuer Berliner Kunstverein (n.b.k.)

The Neuer Berliner Kunstverein was founded in 1969 and is one of the best places to explore contemporary art with a strong political discourse for free. Most recently, exhibitions have included the likes of Hito Steyerl, Candice Breitz, Katharina Große and Alicja Kwade. The space is within walking distance of Michael Reid Berlin.

Tues-Sun noon-6pm
Thurs noon-8pm

Chausseestraße 128-129, 10115 Berlin

nbk.org

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KW Institute for Contemporary Art

A former margarine factory, KW (short for Kunst-Werk, 'artwork') has played an important role in the Berlin art scene. Founded by Klaus Biesenbach and a group of young art enthusiasts, this institution is one of the more progressive. It is often the centre point of the Berlin Biennale and hosts various events. Catch some rays in the courtyard if you're visiting in summer.

Wed-Mon 11am-7pm Thurs 11am-9pm

Auguststraße 69, 10117 Berlin

kw-berlin.de

DANIEL'S PICK

KINDL

- Centre for Contemporary Art

Head south to Neukölln to view contemporary art in the former Kindl brewery's unique exhibition spaces. The six large copper kettles at Café Kosmetiksalon Babette were once the biggest of their kind in Europe.

Wed-Sun noon-6pm

Am Sudhaus 3, 12053 Berlin

kindl-berlin.com

LAURA'S PICK

C/O Berlin Foundation

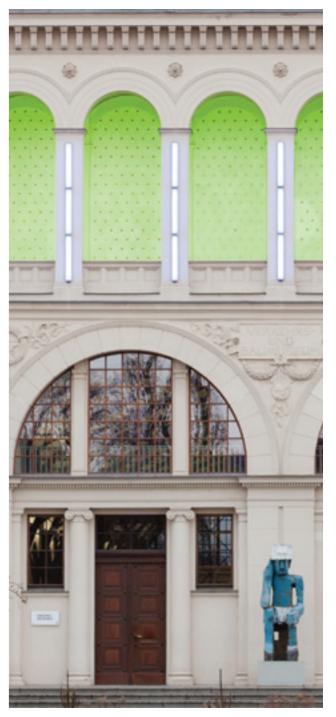
An exhibition centre for photography. Founded in 2000, it moved to Amerika Haus - the former US culture and information centre - in 2014.

Tues-Sun 11am-8pm

Amerika Haus, Hardenbergstraße 22-24, 10623 Berlin

co-berlin.org

TOBY'S PICK



Right: Hamburger Bahnhof



Berlinische Galerie

The Berlinische Galerie is a centre for modern art, photography and architecture, with a strong focus on art from Berlin. Founded in 1975 in Charlottenburg, the museum now calls Kreuzberg home in a refurbished industrial warehouse. The permanent collection dates back to 1870 and is shown alongside temporary exhibitions.

Wed-Mon 10am-6pm

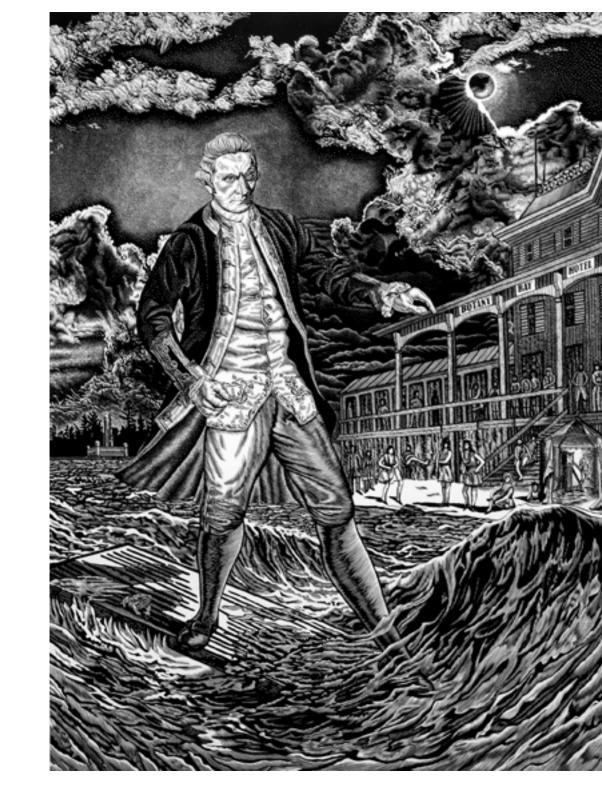
Alte Jakobstraße 124-128, 10969 Berlin

berlinischegalerie.de

Museum Portal website

Museumsportal is a one-stop shop for researching stops on your Berlin adventure. It features over 200 museums, memorials and galleries, with information on events, tours and access for every type of visitor.

museumsportal-berlin.de





Left: Rew Hanks, *Surfing the Bombora*, 2013 Above: Joan Ross, *Mine*, 2019

MEMORIALS

The Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe (Holocaust Memorial)

No visitor to Berlin should miss this understated, and yet remarkably powerful, public memorial. How can public art begin to articulate such unspeakable losses? Somehow, these gridded slabs of concrete come close. This memorable space for contemplation is a stone's throw from the Reichstag, the Brandenburg Gate and the Tiergarten.

Field of Stelae accessible 24h a day.

Exhibition at the Information Centre open:

April-September: Tues-Sun 10am-8pm (last admission 7.15pm)

October-March: Tues-Sun 10am-7pm (last admission 6.15pm)

Cora-Berliner-Straße 1, 10117 Berlin

stiftung-denkmal.de



Memorial to Homosexuals Persecuted Under Nazism

In the park opposite the Holocaust Memorial is a lone pillar designed by artist duo Michael Elmgreen and Ingar Dragset. The memorial currently features a video work by Israeli artist Yael Bartana.

Ebertstraße, 10785 Berlin

stiftung-denkmal.de

Stasi Museum

A huge complex that once housed the Ministry of State Security, or Staatssicherheit (Stasi). The building was stormed by protestors after the fall of the wall, halting the destruction of 30 years of files and so preserving the records of a dark chapter in Berlin's history. The building is now also home to the organisation that made the Stasi's unfathomably dense archives available to those on whom it spied.

Mon-Fri 10am-6pm Sat-Sun 11am-6pm

Normannenstraße 20, Haus 1, 10365 Berlin

stasimuseum.de

Berlin Hohenschönhausen Prison Memorial

Concrete and barbed wire surround this infamous GDR processing facility for political dissidents. Its detainees were kidnapped without charge in non-descript delivery vans, isolated and 'corrected' (read: psychologically tortured and humiliated). The kitsch and mundane 1960s' interiors of the interrogation offices are terrifying in their bureaucratic simplicity. Tours are usually led by former inmates.

Daily 9am-6pm

Genslerstraße 66, 13055 Berlin

museumsportal-berlin.de





Berlin Wall Memorial

A mixture of parkland, memorial and museum, and the best site to take in the history of the wall. It has none of the commercial tackiness of Checkpoint Charlie, and is much more enlightening than the East Side Gallery for the historically interested. Visitors can follow the line of the wall (Mauerweg), reading tales of escape while tracking the history of a divided city. A 70m-long section of the original wall is maintained in its late 1980s' state, with a guard tower and the barbaric trip wires and traps of 'noman's land'.

Open daily.

Bernauer Straße

berliner-mauer-gedenkstaette.de

East Side Gallery

A great location for a walk along the Spree on a sunny Berlin day. Iconic graffiti and messages of hope cover a section of the former boundary between East and West Berlin.

Open all year round.

Mühlenstraße, 10243 Berlin

eastsidegallery-berlin.de

Stolpersteine Project

Look down and you will find engraved brass plates among Berlin's cobblestones. A project initiated by artist Gunter Demnig, Stolpersteine ('stumbling stones') commemorates those who were persecuted by the Nazis between 1933 and 1945.

stolpersteine-berlin.de

Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp

This Nazi concentration camp is only a short trip north of Berlin. Used from 1936 until the end of the Third Reich in 1945, Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp held primarily political prisoners – those wanted dead because of their political views. Some 200,000 people were imprisoned here. Entrance is free, but you can book a tour to discover the site and its history in depth.

Daily 8.30am-6pm

Visitor centre: Mon-Fri 8am-4.30pm

Straße der Nationen 22, D-16515 Oranienburg

sachsenhausen-sbg.de

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GETTING AROUND

Posh

Germans aren't fond of Airbnb or Uber. If you're the taxi type, download the app FREE NOW. This is an Uber equivalent, with registered taxis and free drivers alike, which also allows for payment by cash.

Savvy

The BVG is Berlin's far-reaching public transport system. Tickets will get you on trams, buses, the U-Bahn (mostly underground train) and the S-Bahn (mostly overground train). You'll likely spend most of your time in zones A and B. For ventures out of the city centre, check if you need a zone C ticket. It's best to buy tickets in bulk. (Select the four-trip ticket option on ticket machines in subways.) A two-hour ticket is only valid in one direction, and don't forget to validate your ticket by stamping it in a validation machine. You can also try their app.

Sharing is Caring

BerlKönig is a digital ridesharing service hosted by the BVG and ViaVan. Download the app and book a pickup. It's 1.50 EUR per kilometre, with a minimum spend of 4 EUR. Alternatively, you can book your own car to drive around with apps like ShareNow, DriveNow, Car2go and Miles.

Sporty

Biking around Berlin is a great idea! The city is flat, and bike paths are easy to navigate. Hire a bike from a local *spāti*, or bike shop, for a decent daily or weekly rate.





WALK

Tiergarten

Straße des 17. Juni 100, 10557 Berlin

Berlin's oldest, largest and most popular public park is the perfect place for a walk or a picnic.

There are numerous monuments to explore, and Brandenburg Gate is at its eastern edge.

Körnerpark

Schierker Straße 8, 12051 Berlin

Small, but very beautiful, palace garden in Neukölln. Unlike Tiergarten, this space usually avoids heavy tourist traffic.

Tues-Sun 10am-8pm

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Volkspark Humboldthain

Brunnenstraße, 13355 Berlin

A large 'Bunker-berg' (a Nazi anti-aircraft bunker/man-made hill) just north of Mitte in the 'wild' Wedding locality that offers good views back over Berlin. Great park for a quiet morning run. At Gesundbrunnen train station (Brunnenstraße105), you can book underground tours of the Bunker.

Tempelhofer Feld

Tempelhofer Damm, 12101 Berlin

The former Tempelhof Airport is a colossal, contemporary park. You'll find a mix here – people skating and bicycling alongside kite flyers and yoga enthusiasts.

Berlin Zoo

Hardenbergplatz 8, 10787 Berlin

Berlin Zoo is home to over 20,000 animals. Housed in Tiergarten, it covers over 86 acres and is renowned for having one of the most comprehensive collections of animal species in the world.

Daily 9am-6pm. Reduced hours in winter.

zoo-berlin.de



Right: Volkspark Humboldthain

STAY

DELUXE

Hotel Adlon Kempinski

Unter den Linden 77, 10117 Berlin

Tel: +49 30 22610 hotel.adlon@kempinski.com kempinski.com

Lux 11

Rosa-Luxemburg-Straße 11, 10178 Berlin

Tel: +49 30 936 2800 info@lux-eleven.com lux-eleven.com

Hotel de Rome

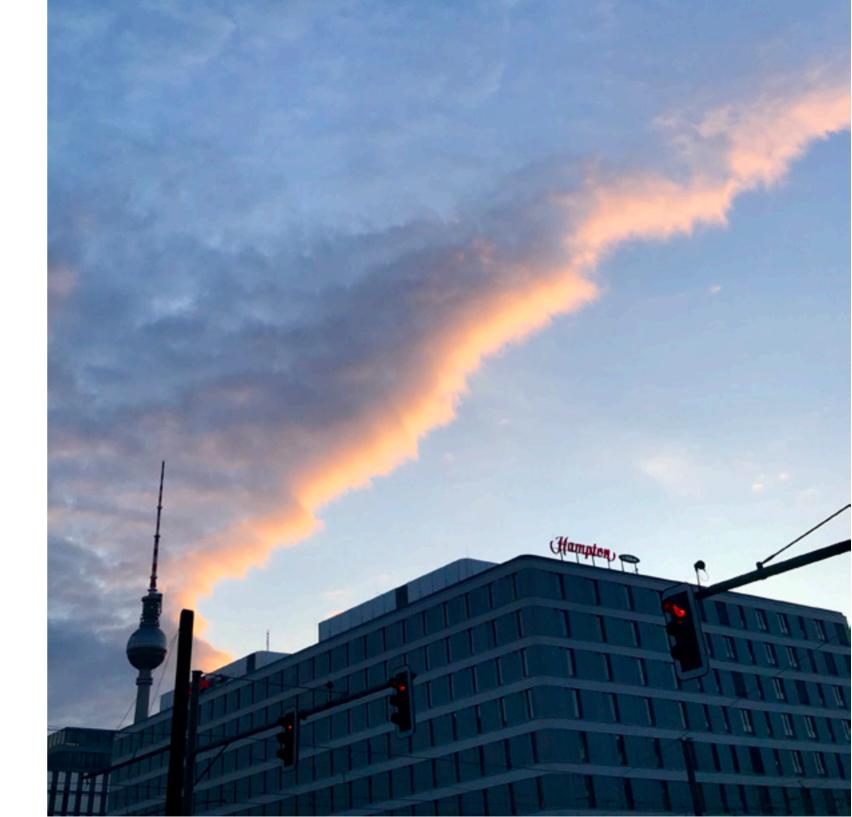
Behrenstraße 37, 10117 Berlin

Tel: +49 30 560 6090 info@deromeroccofortehotels.com roccofortehotels.com/hotels-and-resorts/hotel-de-rome

Cosmo Hotel

Spittelmarkt 13, 10117 Berlin

Tel: +49 30 5858 2222 info@cosmo-hotel.de cosmo-hotel.de



BUDGET FRIENDLY

Bleibtreu

Bleibtreustraße 32, 10707 Berlin

Tel: +49 30 884 740 info@bleibtreu.com bleibtreu.hotel-pure.de

Michelberger Hotel Warschauer Straße 39-40, 10243 Berlin

Tel: +49 30 2977 8590 reservations@michelbergerhotel.com michelbergerhotel.com

The Dude

Köpenicker Straße 92, 10179 Berlin

Tel: +49 30 4119 88100 hello@thedudeberlin.com thedudeberlin.com

OTHER

Soho House Berlin Torstraße 1, 10119 Berlin

Tel: +49 30 405 0440 sohohouseberlin.com

Hüttenpalast

Hobrechtstraße 66, 12047 Berlin

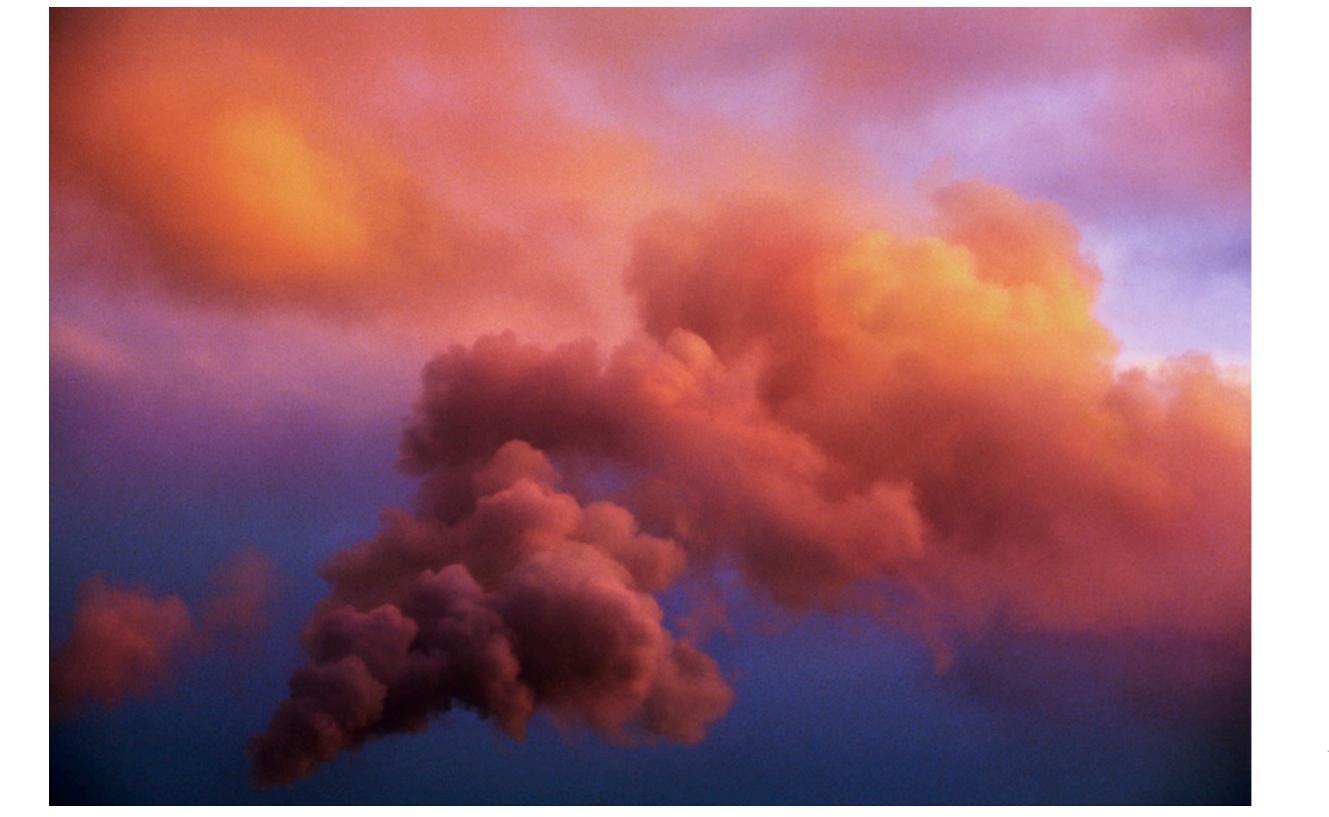
Tel: +49 30 3730 5806 info@huettenpalast.de huettenpalast.de

Arte Luise ArtHotel

Luisenstraße 19, 10117 Berlin

Tel: +49 30 284 480 info@luise-berlin.com luise-berlin.com







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Alpenstück Restaurant & Cafe

Modern and simple interpretations of traditional southern German food. Great schnitzel.

Gartenstraße 9, 10115 Berlin Daily 9am–11pm Tel: + 49 30 2175 1646 info@alpenstueck.de

alpenstueck.de

Borchardt

High-quality German and French cuisine. The first Borchardt was opened next door at number 48, but was destroyed in the Second World War. Dine in this 19th-century replica that is frequented by bankers, politicians and world travellers.

Französische Straße 47, 10117 Berlin Daily 11.30am-midnight Tel: +49 30 8188 6262

borchardt-restaurant.de

Cocolo Ramen

Cocolo Ramen is the undisputed ramen haven in central Berlin. Get there early unless you don't mind waiting in line for this hole-in-the-wall gem. Their Kreuzberg location is much larger, located on Graefestraße.

Gippstraße 3, 10119 Berlin Daily 6–10pm

kuchi.de/restaurant/cocolo-ramen

Pauly Saal

Located in a former Jewish girls' school on Auguststraße and the holder of one Michelin star. This is the place to be seen.

Auguststraße 11–13, 10117 Berlin Wed-Sat 6pm-midnight

paulysaal.com



Petrina Hicks: Bleached Gothic at The Ian Potter Centre: NGV Australia from 27 September 2019 – 29 March 2020.

Photo: Tom Ross.

CHARLOTTENBURG

KaDeWe

The Harrod's of Berlin. Take time out from shopping to indulge in the many offerings of the food court. We recommend a seafood platter accompanied by a champagne tasting, followed by a taxi home.

Tauentzienstraße 21-24, 10789 Berlin

kadewe.de

Focaccino

This place is renowned for its relaxed atmosphere and exceptional service – and the food is nothing to ignore either. At this no-nonsense Italian hub, expect classic dishes with a twist, such as the risotto with a hint of orange.

Stuttgarter Platz 16, 10627 Berlin Mon–Sat 6pm–midnight Tel: +49 30 324 8838

focaccino.eu

Paris Bar

You might recognise the exterior of Paris Bar from the film *The Monuments Men*, with George Clooney. Renowned as a legendary restaurant for the rich and famous, particularly the Berlin art scene of the 1990s.

Kantstraße 152, 10623 Berlin Daily noon-10pm Tel: +49 30 313 8052

parisbar.net

PRENZLAUER BERG

Umami

Serving great Asian fusion, this relaxed restaurant reminds us of eating in Melbourne with its casual staff, period décor and sharing plates. Great spot for a casual group dinner.

Knaackstraße 16, 10405 Berlin Daily noon-midnight

umami-restaurants.de

Voland

This classic old-school Russian joint in the heart of leafy Prenzlauer Berg is like a time capsule. There is regular live music. Try the caviar pork dumplings with a glass of ice-cold vodka and enjoy the vibe.

Wichertstraße 63, 10439 Berlin Mon-Sat 6-11pm Tel: +49 30 444 0422

voland-cafe.de



Right: Peter Churcher, Shower screen III, 2019

Set in an old substation in the heart of trendy Kreuzberg, Volt serves contemporary cuisine and boasts an exceptional wine list. The set menu is wonderful. Perfect before sampling some great bars in the vicinity.

KREUZBERG & FRIEDRICHSHAIN

Paul-Lincke-Ufer 21, 10999 Berlin Tue-Sat 6-11pm Tel: +49 30 3384 02320

restaurant-volt.de

Volt

Zola Pizza

Following a renovation in 2019, Zola's extensive array of indoor and outdoor seating is often at capacity, with lines stretching down the street. A refined menu of unique favourites, mouth-watering wood-fired pizzas and a laidback feel make it easy to understand why. Indulge and try their Spianata; you won't be disappointed.

Paul-Lincke-Ufer 39-40, 10999 Berlin Sun, Mon, Wed & Thurs noon-10.30pm Fri-Sat noon-11pm Tues noon-10pm Tel: +49 30 2769 5938

facebook.com/zolakreuzberg

St Bart

This bar and kitchen is a Kreuzberg gem, serving up traditional pub dishes and oysters.

Graefestraße 71, 10967 Berlin Wed-Sun 1pm-midnight Tel: +49 30 4075 1175

stbartpub.com

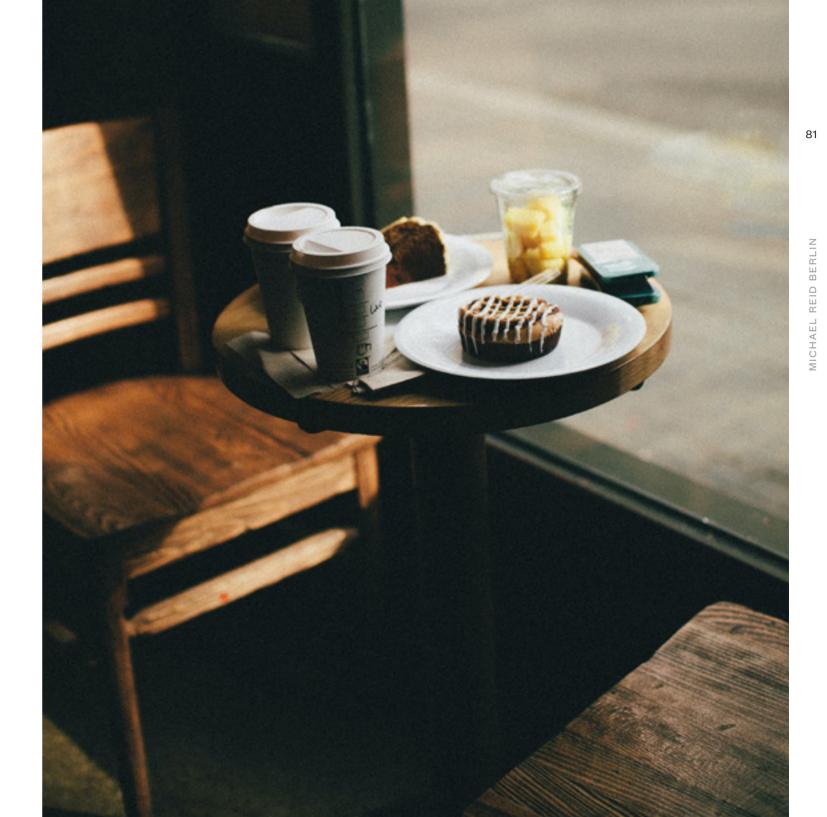
Miss Saigon

Quality Asian food has been lacking in Berlin in recent years. If you have a craving for delicious and affordable Vietnamese treats, this is the place to head for.

Skalitzer Straße 38, 10999 Berlin Daily noon-midnight

miss-saigon-berlin.de

LILY'S PICK



NEUKÖLLN

Eins44

The lofty tiled interior adds a real taste of Art Nouveau glamour to Eins44. Have a classic cocktail at the stylised bar before a leisurely, refined dinner.

Elbestraße 28–29, 12045 Berlin Daily 5–10pm Tel: +49 30 6298 1212

eins44.com

Barra

Offers a thoughtful, contemporary dining experience. Seasonal smaller dishes to share using the highestquality products and accompanied by a serious natural wine list.

Okerstraße 2, 10249 Berlin Fri-Mon 6.30-10.30pm Tel: +49 30 8186 0757

barraberlin.com

WEDDING

MARS

A great outdoor cafe and restaurant that runs alongside the Silent Green, a cultural quarter in Wedding's old Crematorium. Check their program of events for an evening of entertainment in these unique, historical premises.

Tel: +49 30 1208 22150 Gerichtstraße 35, Seiteneingang, 13347 Berlin mars-berlin.net



PLANT-BASED DELIGHTS

Without a doubt, Berlin has been ahead of the game when it comes to vegan food. There are meat- and dairy-free options available just about everywhere throughout the city. A plant-based fanatic herself, Laura has mapped out some of the best options available.

Cookies Cream

Featured on Rick Stein's Berlin visit, Cookies Cream is located near Museum Island and serves only organic, locally sourced vegetarian cuisine. Deservedly awarded one Michelin star. Head to Crackers next new addition to Berlin has quickly door for drinks afterwards.

Behrenstraße 55, 10117 Berlin Tues-Sat 5pm-midnight Tel: +49 30 6807 30448 cookiescream.com

Frea

Berlin's first zero waste restaurant, where you can dine guilt-free. They offer three-, four- and five-course options for an affordable price at lunch and dinner. Book ahead; this become a crowd favourite.

Torstraße 180, 10115 Berlin Mon-Thurs 5.30pm-midnight Fri-Sun 5-11pm

frea.de

Kopps

Alongside Cookies Cream, Kopps has talent when it comes to vegan fine dining. Open for weekend brunch, too.

Linienstraße 94. 10115 Berlin Mon-Fri noon-3pm & 5.30-10pm Sat-Sun 9am-4pm & 5.30-10pm

kopps-berlin.de

Ryong

This vegetarian Vietnamese and Japanese fusion restaurant is fully adaptable for our vegan friends. Try the Hulk Burger.

Torstaße 59, 10119 Berlin Mon-Fri noon-10pm Sat-Sun 5-10pm

ryong.de

Sotto

Sans competition in the neighbourhood near Humboldthain, Sotto has become a hit. Delicious pizzas. Run by an Italian-Finnish couple.

Neue Hochstraße 25, 13347 Berlin Tues-Sun 4-10pm Tel: +49 151 6876 5307

1990 Vegan Living

This establishment has been working its magic on vegan cuisine since 1990.

Krossener Straße 19, 10245 Berlin Sun-Thurs noon-10.30pm Fri-Sat noon-11.30pm

restaurant-1990.de











KAFFEE & FRÜHSTÜCK

If you're craving good strong coffee, these locations are part of the city's hip 'third wave' of coffee shops, taking their espresso very seriously and bucking the trend of bad coffee in Berlin.

MITTE

Distrikt Coffee

Most of the staff here hails from Australia or New Zealand, so you won't be disappointed for a great classic flat white. If you're dining in, be prepared to wait in line, especially on a sunny weekend.

Bergstraße 68, 10115 Berlin Mon-Fri 8.30am-4pm Sat-Sun 9am-4pm

distriktcoffee.de

The Barn

Coffee specialists and roasters with locations across the city.

Auguststraße 58, 10119 Berlin Mon-Sat 9am-6pm Sun 10am-6pm

thebarn.de

Black Apron

This American-style bakery is another gem in our neighbourhood.

Invalidenstraße 1, 10115 Berlin Mon-Fri from 8 am Sat-Sun from 10am

blackapron-bakery.com



Right: The Barn coffee roasters

PRENZLAUER BERG

Bonanza Coffee Heroes

Best coffee in Prenzlauer Berg.

Oderberger Straße 35, 10435 Berlin Mon-Fri from 8.30am Sat-Sun from 10am

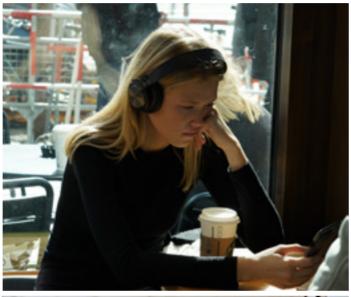
Bonanzacoffee.de

Blumen Café

Sit among the flowers in this beautiful café that has two resident parrots.

Schönhauser Allee 127a, 10437 Berlin Daily 10am-6pm

blumencafe-berlin.de





CHARLOTTENBURG

Doppio Pazzo

Leonhardtstraße 2, 14057 Berlin Thurs-Sun from 10.30am

doppio-pazzo.wixsite.com

Brot und Butter

Set in the historically significant Haus Herdenberg, this deli-style place serves great coffee along with a variety of boutique organic groceries and counter food.

Hardenbergstraße 4–5, 10623 Berlin Mon-Sat from 8am

manufactum.de

Cafe Einstein Stammhaus

A Viennese-style coffee house with woodpanelled rooms.

Kurfürstenstraße 58, 10785 Berlin Daily 10am–10pm

cafeeinstein.com

NEUKÖLLN

Isla Coffee

Hermannstrasße 37, 12049 Berlin Mon-Fri from 8.30am Sat-Sun from 9am

facebook.com/Islacoffeeberlin

Roamers Coffee & Booze

Pannierstravße 64, 12043 Berlin Thurs-Fri from 9.30am Sat-Sun from 10am

roamers.cc

KREUZBERG

Five Elephant

A modern and warm interior, Five Elephant roasts their own beans and it shows in the flavour profile.

Reichenberger Straße 101, 10999 Berlin Mon-Fri from 9am Sat-Sun from 10am

fiveelephant.com

Chapter One

An experience for both coffee connoisseurs as well as those just after a caffeine hit.

Knowledgeable staff and a cool, eclectic interior design.

Mittenwalder Straße 30, 10961 Berlin Mon-Sat from 9am Sun from 11am

chapter-one.coffee.com

Concierge Coffee

Grab a coffee by the canal at this hole-in-the-wall café.

Paul-Lincke-Ufer 39–40, 10999 Berlin Mon-Fri from 8am Sat-Sun from 10am

Hallesches Haus

A decked-out hipster cafe in Kreuzberg with a general store full of unique gifts to take home.

Tempelhofer Ufer 1, 10961 Berlin Wed-Sun from 10am

hallescheshaus.com

WEDDING

Café Pförtner

Dine in an old bus next to the Panke canal.

Uferstraße 8, 13357 Berlin Mon-Fri 9am-noon Sat 11am-midnight

pfoertner.co

Mirage

A great spot next to the Silent Green that adds a French touch to the neighbourhood.

Reinickendorfer Straße 110, 13347 Berlin Sun-Wed 9am-7pm Thur-Sat 9am-10pm

mirage.berlin



SÜßES

Ice cream is very much a 'thing' in Berlin, so don't be afraid to treat yourself! Here are some of the coolest spots in town.

MITTE

Hokey Pokey

Beautifully presented, hand-made ice cream. Stargarder Straße 73, 10437 Berlin Daily noon-10pm

Eislabor

Ice creamery and cakes.

Raumerstraße 31, 10437 Berlin

April-October: daily 2-8pm

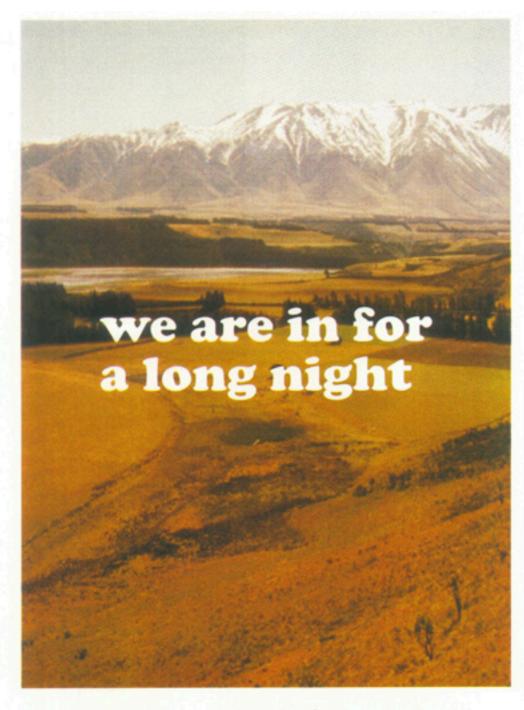
Balaram Eis

All vegan. Gabriel-Max-Straße 17, 10245 Berlin Daily noon–10pm

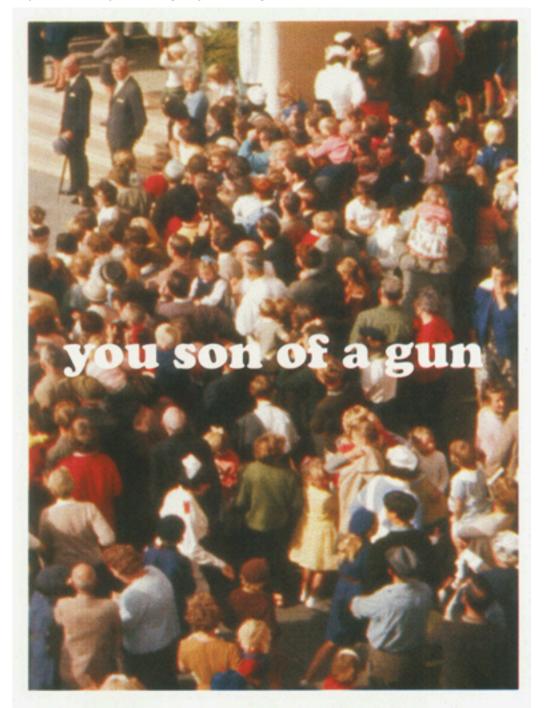


Right: Lucy Dyson, Seated Birds, 2019





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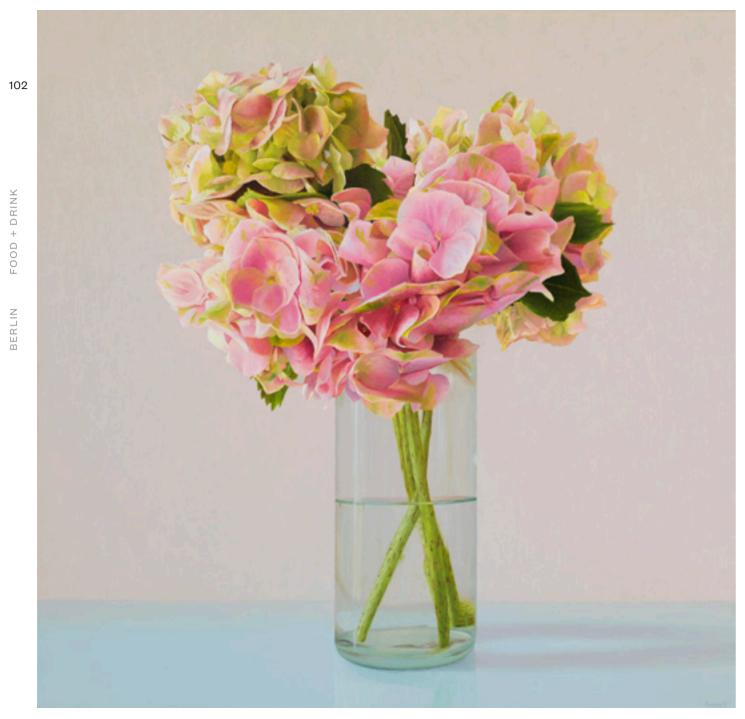


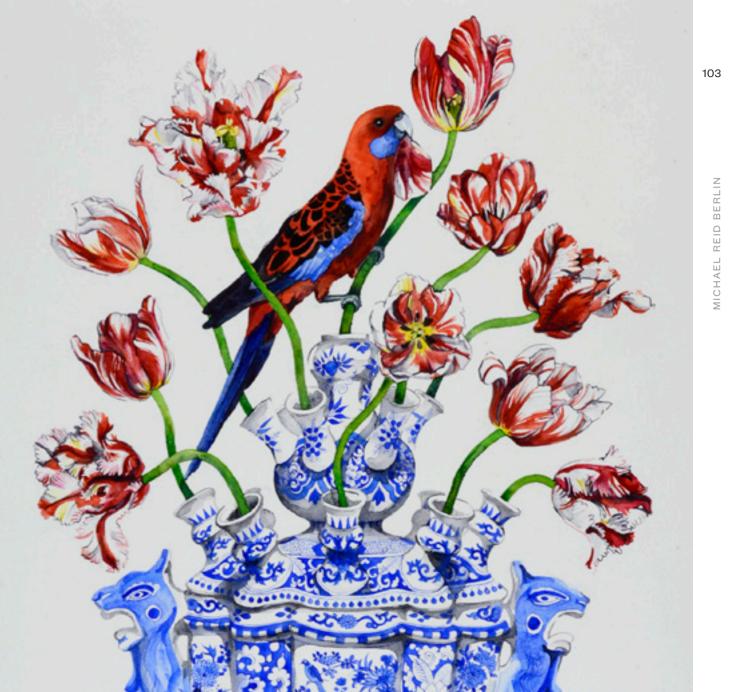


BARS

Berliners certainly don't mind a drink, and some of the best watering holes are found by accident. When summer rolls around, don't be afraid to grab a take-away bier from a local *Späti* (corner shop) and sit on the grass or by the canal in the sun.

Left: Simon-Dach-Straße





John Honeywill, *Hydrangeas*, 2018

Denise Faulkner, Parrot Tulips, 2019 (detail)

PRENZLAUER BERG

Scotch & Sofa

The 1970s' décor only adds to the vibe of this curious bar. Order something in a highball to fit right in.

Kollwitzstraße 18, 10405 Berlin Daily from 5pm

facebook.com/Scotch-Sofa

KREUZBERG & FRIEDRICHSHAIN

Mano Cafe

Cosy, casual bar with vintage furniture and upcycled wooden interiors.

Skalitzer Straße 46A, 10997 Berlin Daily from 2pm

facebook.com/mano.cafe

Holzmarkt

A sprawling riverside location with a bar, bakery and unique retail offerings underneath modern office, studio and production spaces.

Holzmarktstraße 19, 10243 Berlin Check the website for opening times.

holzmarkt.com





MITTE

Meine Bar

MICHAEL'S PICK

The perfect Berlin bar. Effortlessly cool, smoke-stained walls, relaxed atmosphere and one of the best record collections in town. A Michael Reid favourite.

Auguststraße 61, 10117 Berlin Daily from 3pm

Tor Bar

LAURA'S PICK

A classy new addition to our neighbourhood.

Torstraße 183, 10115 Berlin Wed-Sun from 4pm

torbar.berlin

Buck & Breck

A nondescript door hides this small and intimate cocktail bar that appears on most lists of the best cocktail bars in the world.

Brunnenstraße 177, 10119 Berlin Tues-Sat from 6pm

buckandbreck.com

Mein Haus Am See

DANIEL'S PICK

Open 24 hours/7 days a week, this charming place is difficult to categorise. Part bar, part restaurant, part coffee shop and part DJ venue, it is inviting, friendly and filled with the best retro furniture. The venue's website says 'not a bar, not a club ... something sexier in between' – very correct!

Brunnenstraße 197-198, 10119 Berlin

mein-haus-am-see.club

NEUKÖLLN

Klunkerkranich

Catch some remarkable skyline views from the top of an unsuspecting shopping centre car park in Neukölln.

Karl-Marx-Straße 66, 12043 Berlin
Daily from 5pm. Double-check opening times during the colder months.

klunkerkranich.org

Twinpigs

The best gin & tonic in Berlin. Their cocktails are renowned and the crumbling décor adds to the fun. Try the mint julep.

Boddinstraße 57A, 12053 Berlin Daily from 6pm

facebook.com/twinpigsbar

CHARLOTTENBURG

Monkey Bar

Perched atop Bikini Berlin and offering terraces with views across the city, Monkey Bar feels like an upmarket Melbourne rooftop bar. Ideal for a pre-dinner drink.

Budapester Straße 40, 10787 Berlin Daily from noon

bikiniberlin.de/en/food_u_drinks/monkey_bar

BEER GARDENS

Prater Garten

Seasonal, self-service beer garden - the oldest in Berlin - shaded by beautiful large chestnut trees.

Kastanienallee 7-9, 10435 Berlin Daily from 4pm

pratergarten.de

Café am Neuen See

A must-do if you're strolling through Tiergarten in the summer.

Lichtensteinallee 2, 10787 Berlin Daily from 10am

cafeamneuensee.de

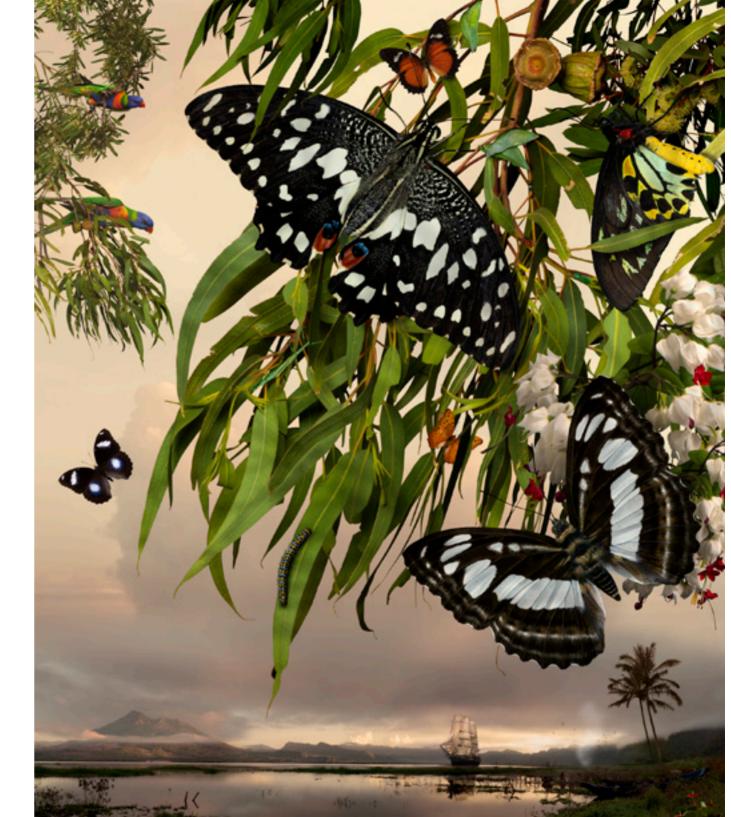
Fischerhütte am Schlachtensee

Fischerhüttenstraße 136, 14163 Berlin Daily from 11am

Fischerhuette-berlin.de











FOOD & FLEA MARKETS

Markets are a huge part of Berlin culture. Communities coming together in shared spaces is much of what 'Berlin' is about.

Mauerpark Flea Market

The largest and most well known market in Berlin. Clothes, records, antiques and lots to eat. Hundreds watch karaoke and buskers during the summer. Neighbouring Mauerpark was once the no-man's land separating East and West Berlin.

Bernauer Straße 63–64, 13355 Berlin Sun 9am–6pm

flohmarktimmauerpark.de

Street Food Thursday at Markthalle 9

Bustling indoor market with great food and wine.

Eisenbahnstraße 42–43, 10997 Berlin-Kreuzberg Thurs 5–10pm

markthalleneun.de/street-food-thursday

Food & Farmers' Market

Arminiusmarkthalle, Moabit Arminiusstraße 2-4, 10551 Berlin Mon-Sat 8am-10pm

arminiusmarkthalle.com

Weekly Produce & Flea Market

Fresh fruit and vegetables, meat and fish, flowers, clothes, flea market.

Winterfeldtmarkt, Winterfeldtplatz, 10781 Berlin Wed 8am-2pm Sat 8am-4pm

Farmers' Market

Seasonal fruit and vegetables, flowers, deli food, hand-made arts and crafts. Organic market on Thursdays and Saturdays.

Kollwitzplatz, 10405 Berlin Sat 9am-4pm Thurs noon-7pm

Arkonaplatz Flea Market

Right: Markthalle Neun, Berlin-Kreuzberg

Really fantastic little Sunday market. Books, records, second-hand clothing, GDR trinkets, household goods and furniture.

Arkonaplatz, 10435 Berlin Sun 10am-4pm

troedelmarkt-arkonaplatz.de

Turkish Market

Street food, fresh produce and textiles in the centre of Berlin's Turkish community.

Maybachufer, 12047 Berlin Tue & Fri 11am-6.30pm

tuerkenmarkt.de





FASHION

KaDeWe

A Berlin institution and one of the largest department stores in Europe

Kaufhaus des Westens, Tauentzienstraße 21-24, 10789 Berlin Daily from 10am Tel: +49 30 21210

kadewe.de

Hackescher Markt

Explore the streets around the station (S-Bahn Hackescher Markt) and step into Hackesche Höfe and Heckmann Höfe - courtyards full of connected alleyways with hidden cafés, designer labels and local boutiques.

Mitte District, 10117 Berlin Daily 11am-8pm

hackeschermarktberlin.de

Bikini Berlin

A concept shopping mall with designated spaces for up-and-coming designers as well as a rooftop garden modelled on the New York Highline. The central hall boasts a panoramic window onto the monkey enclosure in the Berlin Zoo. Who's watching whom?

Budapester Straße 38–50, 10787 Berlin Daily 10am–8pm Tel: +49 30 5549 6454

bikiniberlin.de

Mientus

High-end fashion from top international designers.

Wilmersdorfer Straße 73, 10629 Berlin Kurfürstendamm 52, 10707 Berlin

mientus.com

Mall of Berlin

Leipziger Platz 12, 10117 Berlin Mon-Sat 10am-8pm Tel: +49 30 2062 1770

mallofberlin.de

HUMANA

Humana is Germany's 'op-shop' equivalent. The green Humana logo can be found in every *Kiez* (suburb) of Berlin, and these stores offer second-hand clothing and goods of a considerable variety for reasonable prices.

humana-second-hand.de





BERLIN BRANDS & BOUTIQUES

Andreas Murkudis

LAURA'S PICK

Following 15 years spent directing Berlin's Museum of Things (Museum der Dinge), Andreas Murkudis opened an independent store. Demonstrating a truly talented understanding of objects, fashion and design, Andreas Murkudis is well worth a visit. There are three stores along Potsdamer Straße to explore. The largest (#81) is located in the former printing workshop of the daily newspaper *Tagesspiegel*, which is also home to a number of high-end commercial galleries.

Potsdamer Straße 77 (interior products and design)

Potsdamer Straße 81 (fashion, perfume and boutique objects)

Potsdamer Straße 98 (a fully furnished apartment)

andreasmurkudis.com

Sabrina Dehoff

Unique gems and jewels.

Auguststraße 26A, 10115 Berlin

sabrinadehoff.com

Konk

This is the home of independent fashion in Berlin.

Konk creates a platform for Berlin-based designers to explore their creativity.

Kleine Hamburger Straße 15, 10117 Berlin konk-berlin.de

Lala Berlin

Well-stocked worldwide, you may already know the designs of Berlin-based Leyla Piedayesh. Each piece is shaped by Piedayesh's Iranian heritage, German home base and world citizenship.

Alte Schönhauser Straße 3, D-10119 Berlin lalaberlin.com

1213bst

Trade shops are all in when it comes to sustainable fashion. At 1213bst, you can sell, trade and buy pre-loved items.

Rosa-Luxemburg-Straße 19, 10178 Berlin 1213bst.com

Rianna + Nina

Explore this Cabinet de Curiosities for fine fabrics, colour and kaftans. All designs are one of a kind, and are handmade in Berlin from vintage fabrics. Stocked in various boutiques, but stop by 'Rianna in Berlin' to see the finest.

Große Hamburger Straße 25, 10115 Berlin riannaandnina.com

Rundholz

If you have a taste for Zambesi, Rick Owens or Thom Krom, head to Rundholz. Made in Germany by a power couple.

Oberwallstraße 16, 10117 Berlin studiorundholz.de

SÜPER STORE

If you're after some unique gifts to take home from your travels, you will certainly find something special at $\ddot{\text{SUPER}}$ STORE.

Grimmstraße 15, 10967 Berlin sueper-store.de

Ryoko

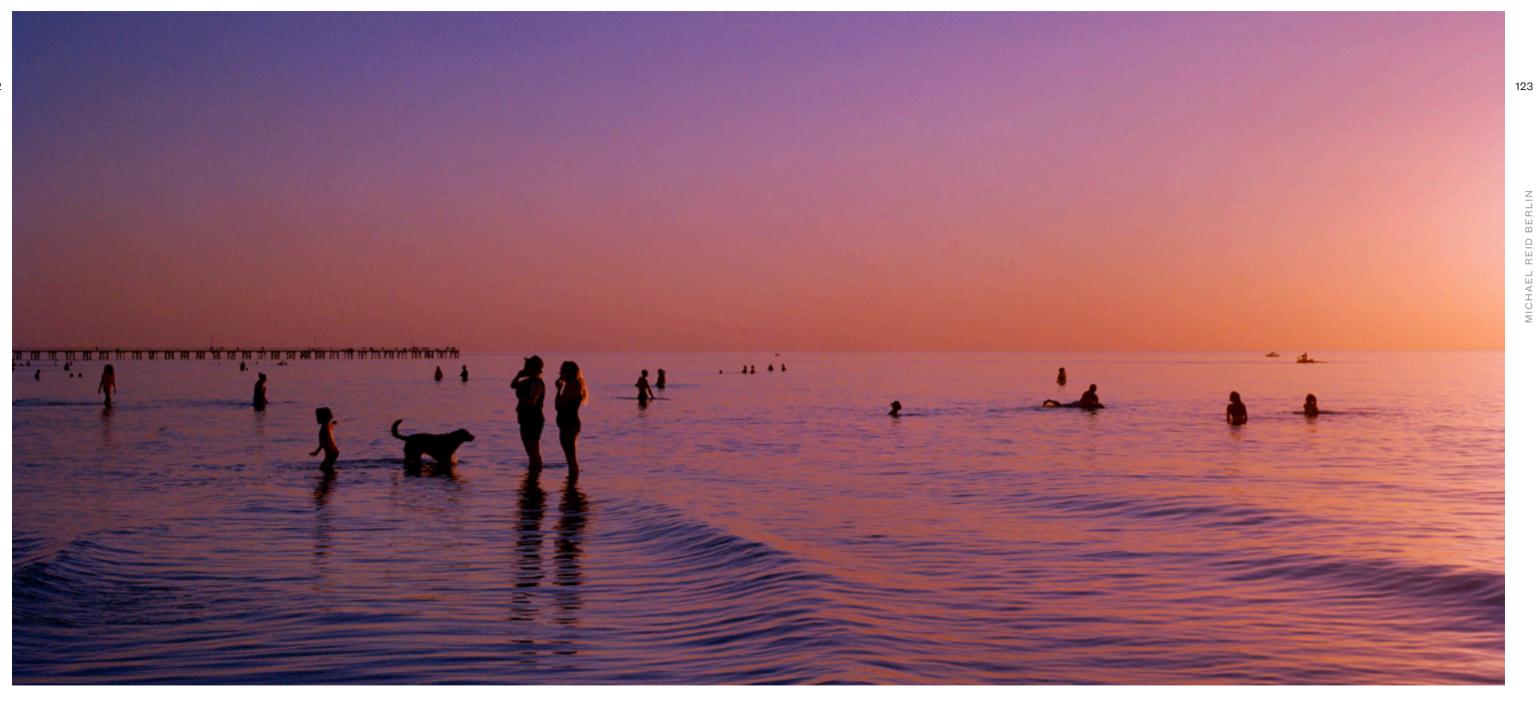
Discovered by Michael Reid artist Brett Weir, Ryoko is a beautifully curated store full of sensual delights. They offer massage therapy (book well in advance) and a Saturday tearoom.

Friedelstraße 11, 12047 Berlin ryoko-berlin.com



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CHAEL REID BERL



BOOKSHOPS

Do you read me?!

A small book and magazine store with a focus on art, design and architecture.

Auguststraße 28, 10117 Berlin

Buchhandlung Walther König an der Museumsinsel

One of the largest art/design/architecture bookstores I have ever seen, located just off Museum Island. I visit every time I'm in Berlin, without fail.

Burgstraße 27, 10178 Berlin

DANIEL'S PICK

Curious Fox

A cosy new and second-hand bookshop in Neukölln. They stock largely English-language books, and serve tea, coffee and cake.

Flughafenstraße 22, 12053 Berlin

Ocelot

A stone's throw from Michael Reid Berlin.
This bookstore has a small cafe with great hot chocolate.

Brunnenstraße 181, 10119 Berlin

Shakespeare & Sons

An English-language bookstore that also serves up bagels. Grab a book, a coffee and a bagel, and watch the passing parade.

Warschauer Straße 74, 10243 Berlin

LAURA'S PICK



Tony Amos, Matter Part 1: #3

Coretex Records

Oranienstraße 3, 10997 Berlin Mon-Sat 11am-8pm coretexrecords.com

Jazz Dreams

Hermann-Hesse-Straße 25, 13156 Berlin Tue-Fri 1-6pm Sat 11am-4pm jazz-dreams-hifi-berlin.de

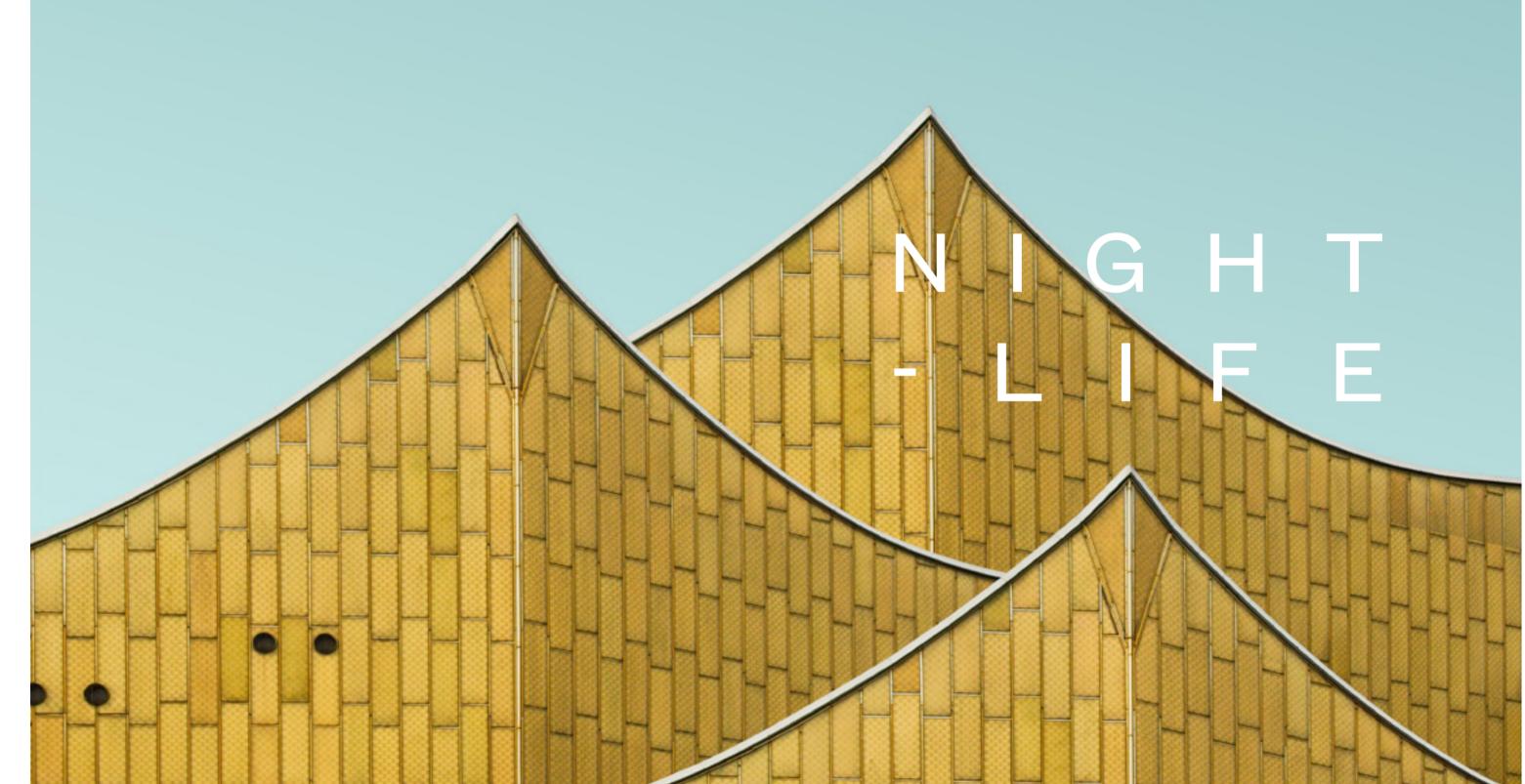
Space Hall

Zossener Straße 33, 10961 Berlin Mon-Sat 11am-8pm spacehall.de

The Record Store Berlin

Invalidenstraße 148, 10115 Berlin Mon-Sat noon-8pm facebook.com/TheRecordStoreBerlin





ENTERTAINMENT

Silent films at Babylon

Step back in time at Babylon Cinema, with midnight screenings of silent films every Saturday. Admission is currently free, and the films are accompanied by live organist Anna Vavilkina.

Rosa-Luxemburg-Straße 30, 10178 Berlin

babylonberlin.eu

Hebbel am Ufer (HAU)

With three venues - HAU1, HAU2 and HAU3 - along the Ufer, HAU is the artistic hub for theatre, dance and performance.

Hallesches Ufer, 10963 Berlin

hebbel-am-ufer.de

Sophiensæle

Similar to HAU, Sophiensæle showcases local and international performance artists, including dance, theatre and music. It is one of the oldest performance venues in Berlin.

Sophienstraße 18, 10178 Berlin

sophiensaele.com

Silent Green Kulturquartier

LAURA'S PICK

Catch a variety of events in Berlin's old Wedding Crematorium. There are concerts, art installations, talks and 'dinner events on MARS'. This privately owned cultural quarter also hosts Savvy Contemporary – a gallery exploring the notions and constructs of the West and non-West.

Gerichtstraße 35, 13347 Berlin

silent-green.net

Schaubühne

This is the place for classical and contemporary theatre in Berlin. Performances often have English surtitles.

Kurfürstendamm 153, 10709 Berlin

schaubuehne.de



A-Trane

Bleibtresustraße 1, 10625 Berlin

Sun-Thurs 8pm-1am Fri-Sat from 8pm

a-trane.de

Ouasimodo

Kantstraße 12a, 10623 Berlin

Restaurant:

Mon-Thurs 3.30pm-midnight Fri 3.30pm-1am

Sat noon-1am

Sun noon-midnight

Doors open for concerts at 9pm

quasimodo.de

ALTERNATIVE

Columbiahalle

Built in 1951, the Columbiahalle was a former sports hall for US soldiers. Since 1998, it hosts music, industry and sports events for international names.

Columbiadamm 13-21, 10965 Berlin

columbiahalle.berlin

Berghain

It's Berlin's most notorious club, but Berghain and Kantine am Berghain host some key events and with a ticket you don't have to be filtered by the door man.

Am Wriezener Bahnhof, 10243 Berlin

berghain.berlin

Waldbühne

Top stars such as Björk, The Rolling Stones and the Berlin Philharmonic perform at this openair amphitheatre in Olympia Park during the warmer months.

Glockenturmstraße 1, 14053 Berlin

waldbuehne-berlin.de



CLASSICAL

Pianosalon Christophori

Concerts take place in a former boat factory, *Uferhallen*, which is now a dusty piano workshop. Very casual. Very Berlin.

Uferhallen, Uferstraße 8-11, 13357 Berlin

konzertfluegel.com

Berlin Philharmonie

The home of classical music in Berlin.

Check the website for tickets and times.

Herbert-von-Karajan-Straße 1, 10785 Berlin

berlin-philharmoniker.de

Komische Oper

The Komische Oper stages opera, operettas and musicals, and since 2012 has been directed by Australian Barrie Kosky.

Behrenstraße 55-57, 10117 Berlin

komische-oper-berlin.de



Berlin attracts people from all walks of life. Many of them are drawn to the electricity and connectedness that typify Berlin's clubbing scene. There is a certain code to the way partygoers engage here, with sometimes hours-long queues for entry, and venue options as diverse as the genres of music on offer. There is something for everybody in the party capital of Germany, and arguably of all of Europe.

Sameheads

Every surface in this street-level bar in the city's south-east is covered in kitsch and colourful artefacts. The chaotic aesthetic matches the variety of offerings. With regular quiz nights, an underground dancefloor, gallery openings and more, you never quite know what you're going to get. All part of the fun.

Richardstraße 10, 12043 Berlin

sameheads.com

Berghain

A Berlin institution located in a massive former power plant, Berghain has a reputation for exclusivity and world-class techno. Often open all the way from Friday through to the early hours of Monday, depending on your timing you could join the darkly dressed masses for a three-hour wait or walk straight in. Be sure to pay attention to the crowd and explore all the nooks and crannies within Berghain's walls.

Am Wriezener Bahnhof, 10243 Berlin

berghain.berlin

Else

A sprawling outdoor club nestled next to the River Spree, featuring food trucks, hidden compartments from aeroplanes and an open-air dancefloor. After dark, the party moves inside and carries on until the early hours, until only the most devoted partygoers remain. Else is an essential destination in the summer months.

An den Treptowers 10, 12435 Berlin

facebook.com/elseklub

OHM

Conveniently located among a selection of other noteworthy Berlin nightlife establishments (Tresor, KitKat), OHM offers a more familiar clubbing experience with a slick low-ceiling dancefloor, remarkable electronic music events, and consistently friendly crowds in a disused power station.

Köpenicker Straße 70, 10179 Berlin

ohmberlin.com

Club der Visionäre

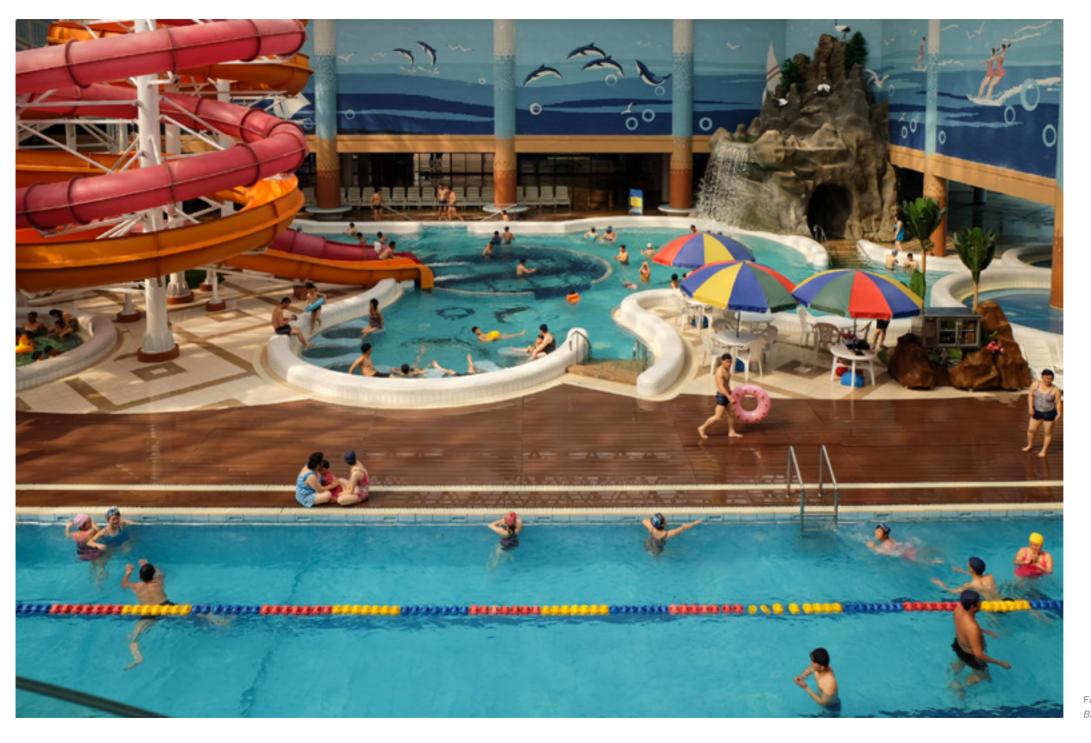
Situated right on the canal, Club der Visionäre is definitely worth a visit. Whether you're enjoying the terrace for an afternoon drink, or the sun has set and the more modest dancefloor is in full swing, it's a perfect spot to get a sense of the waterways of Berlin and to watch an evening go by.

Am Flutgraben, 12435 Berlin

clubdervisionaere.com

Below: Club der Visionäre





Fabian Muir,
Blue Lane #1 (Munsu Water Park, Pyongyang, North Korea), 2015



LAKES

If you fancy a dip, Berlin is surrounded by a variety of lakes, most of which are accessible via public transport or bike.

Wannsee

The S-Bahn will take you directly to Wannsee. This is one of the most popular lakes, dotted with yachts. There are designated beach areas at Strandbad Wannsee, a gay-friendly FKK (nude area, accessible from Nikolassee S-Bahn station) and a beer garden, Loretta am Wannsee. If you want to make a day of it, you can also stop by the House of the Wannsee Conference (Haus der Wannsee-Konferenz).

Krumme Lanke

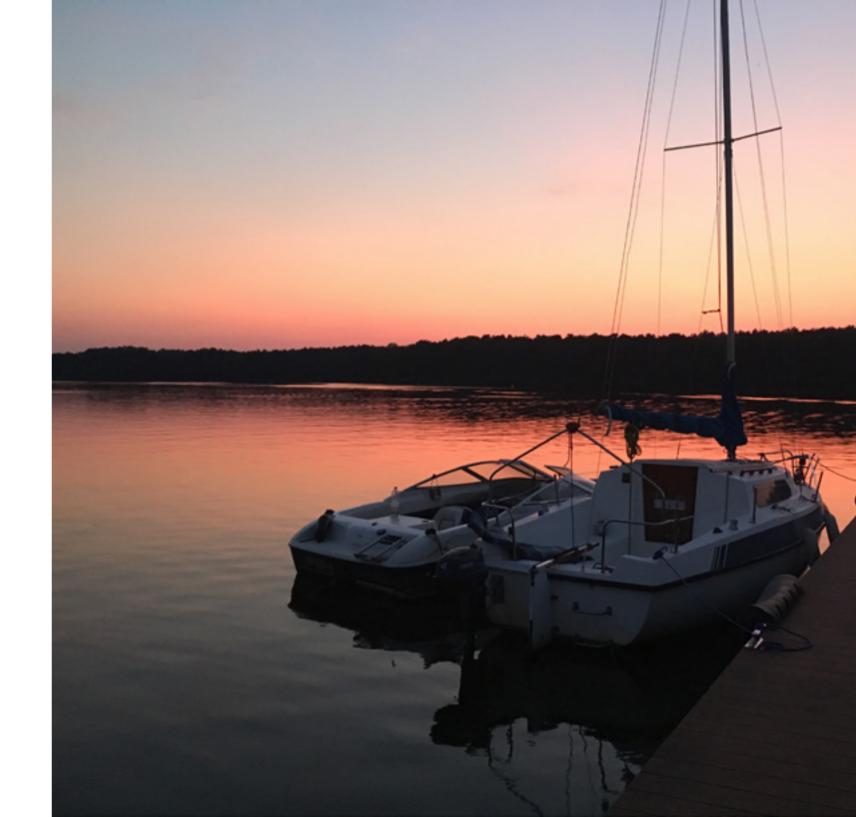
Just on the edge of the Grunewald Forest, Krumme Lanke is a lush spot if you want to head south of Berlin. Ride out, or walk 1 km from U-Bahn Krumme Lanke station.

Schlachtensee

Between Wannsee and Krumme Lanke is Schlachtensee. There's no motorboat traffic on the eastern bank, so this is the perfect spot to hire a rowboat or enjoy the quiet. Accessible from S-Bahn Schlachtensee.

Weißensee

If you don't feel like travelling too far, Weißensee is the closest lake to central Berlin. Popular on weekends, and there's a beer garden, of course. If you want to make your trip in this direction extra worthwhile, stop by Haus Lemke – the last house designed by Ludwig Mies van der Rohe before he emigrated to the United States in 1938. Situated on Obersee.





Nici Cumpston, Oh my Murray Darling, 2019

OUTDOOR POOLS

Prinzenbad (Sommerbad Kreuzberg)

Prinzenstraße 113, 10969 Berlin

Olympiabad (Sommerbad Olympiastadion)

Olympischer Platz 3, 14053 Berlin

Columbiabad (Sommerbad Neukölln)

Columbiadamm 160, 10965 Berlin

Badeschiff

Constructed from an old container ship, this pool lies atop the River Spree.

Eichenstraße 4, 12435 Berlin

Haubentaucher

If you're after a beach-bar vibe, look no further than this open-air club. It's also equipped with an open-air cinema.

Revaler Straße 99, 10245 Berlin



Narelle Autio, Nippers I, 2014





Derek Henderson, Mesembryanthemum, Bondi, Australia, 2020

FREILUFTKINO (OPEN-AIR CINEMAS)

DRINKS

Freiluftkino im Volkspark Friedrichshain

Landsberger Allee 15, 10249 Berlin freiluftkino-berlin.de

Island in Cassiopeia

Revaler Straße 99, 10245 Berlin freiluftkino-insel.de

Freiluftkino Hasenheide

Hasenheide, 10967 Berlin freiluftkino-hasenheide.de

Radler

Radler is a mix of lemonade and beer, and is particularly refreshing in summer.

Weinschorle

That's wine and fizzy water. (It's a fair guess that anything ending with 'schorle' on a drinks menu is mixed with sparkling water.)

Sekt

The less-fancy version of champagne.

Club Mate

A non-alcoholic (unless you mix it) Berlin favourite, containing South American Mate tea.

Holundersirup

Made from elderberry flowers, which you will see growing everywhere in the summer. Like cordial, sirup is mixed with water.

A DAY IN SUMMER

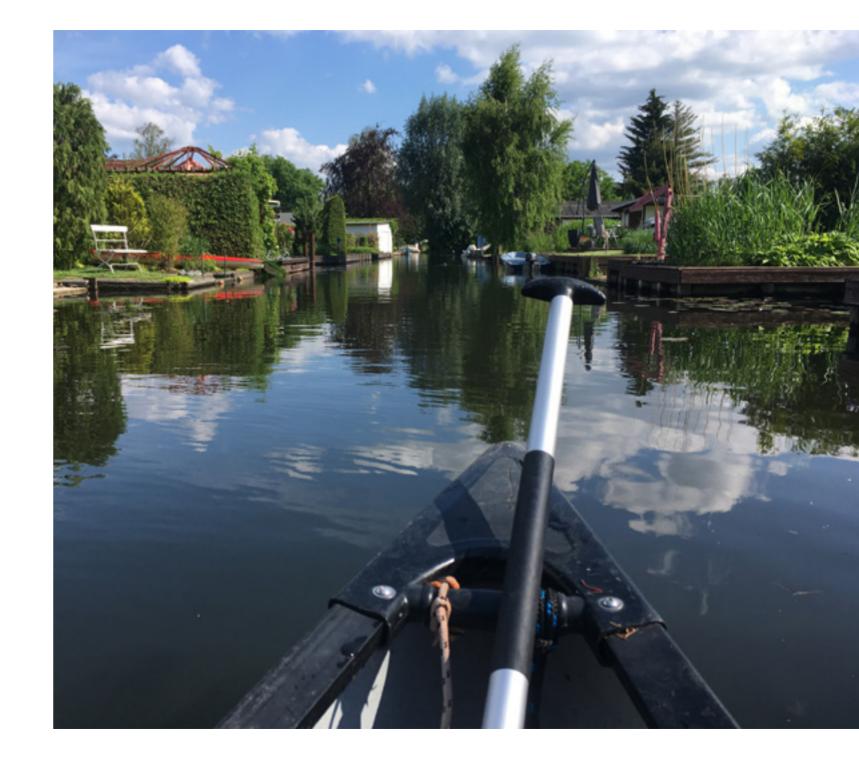
Neu Venedig (New Venice)

If you're looking for a day trip out of the city, this journey will take you through some quaint canals. You'll feel like you're on a mini-holiday, and it's a perfect day trip for families, too. Take the S-Bahn to Rahnsdorf station, hop on bus 161 S-Ekner for two stops to Waldschützpfad. Now you'll meander down to the S-Bahn ferry (included in your BVG ticket). Hop off at Neu Helgoland and grab some lunch at the restaurant on the canal. Back onto the S-Bahn boat for one stop to Kruggasse-Müggelheim. Here you can hire a canoe (Kanuverleih) and head into the canals of New Venice. There are different routes, tours and accommodation options available to make the day trip your own.

neu-venedig.de

Pfaueninsel (Peacock Island)

You can visit Pfaueninsel easily from Berlin. Take the S-Bahn to Wannsee, and then bus 218 to Pfaueninsel. From here, take the ferry across to the island. Pack a picnic lunch and explore the island, which is home to the former summer house of King Frederick William II. Do also spot some peacocks.



Teufelsberg

Visit the former American listening station in Grunewald. Teufelsberg is German for *Devil's Mountain*. The Americans used antennas and radomes erected on the hilltops to intercept communications. The site was intended to be a Nazi military college, but plans changed and it became a dumping ground for rubble. Occasionally, concerts are held here. Check the website to book events and tours, or explore the site alone.

teufelsberg-berlin.de

Wilhelmshagen

If you hop on a train in almost any direction from the city centre, you will likely find a beautiful forest or lake along the way. The south-east is no exception, with Müggelsee (a huge lake with multiple swimming options), Köpenick (a riverside town with a waterside art museum) and Erkner (a small town on the edge of Dämeritzsee) all accessible by public transport. Particularly beautiful in this area is a walk through Wilhelmshagen Nature Reserve. Hop off the S-Bahn 3 at Wilhelmshagen, just one stop before the end of the line, and head to the eastern side of the charming train station towards Wilhelmshagen-Woltersdorfer Dünenzug for a beautiful walk towards the Berlin-Brandenburg border.





SAUNAS

Liquidrom

Equipped with a floating and omn-sound pool, Finnish, Kelo Herbal and Himalayan Salt saunas, Liquidrom is the place to go when you need to unwind. Located near Potsdamer Platz, Liquidrom also hosts unique music events with DJs.

Möckernstraße 10, 10963 Berlin liquidrom-berlin.de

Vabali

Forget you're in Berlin, or Europe for that matter, with a striking Bali-style spa facility boasting 11 saunas and several indoor and outdoor pools throughout the 20,000-square-metre complex. There are treatments on offer, as well as a beautiful restaurant, but do note that like many of the listings here, the entire facility is sans clothing.

Seydlitzstraße 6, 10557 Berlin vabali.de

SAUNABAD

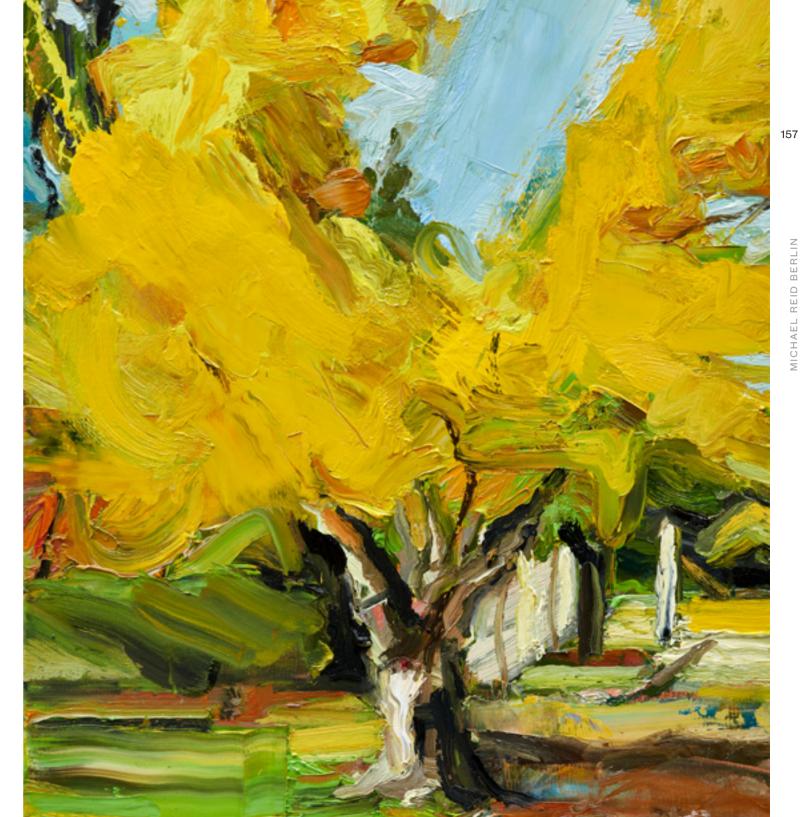
Rykestraße 10, 10405 Berlin saunabad-berlin.de

Olivin

Schönhauser Allee 177, 10119 olivin-berlin.com

Gewölbe-Sauna

Fröbelstraße 17, 10405 Berlin gewoelbe-sauna.de





INDOOR POOLS

CINEMAS

Schwimmhalle, Hotel Stadtbad Oderberger

Oderberger Straße 57, 10435 Berlin hotel-oderberger.berlin/bad

Stadtbad Neukölln

Ganghoferstraße 3, 12043 Berlin berlinerbaeder.de

Stadtbad Mitte 'James Simon'

Gartenstraße 5, 10115 Berlin berlinerbaeder.de

Stadtbad Charlottenburg

Krumme Straße 9, 10585 Berlin berlinerbaeder.de

Babylon Berlin

Rosa-Luxemburg-Straße 30, 10178 Berlin babylonberlin.eu

b-ware! Ladenkino

Gärtnerstraße 19, 10245 Berlin ladenkino.de

Astor Filmlounge

Kurfürstendamm 225, 10719 Berlin berlin.premiumkino.de

CHRISTMAS MARKETS

DRINKS

Charlottenburg Palace

Schloss Charlottenburg, Spandauer Damm 22, 14059 Berlin

Alt-Rixdorf, Neukölln

Decorated with historic oil lamps. Richardplatz 28, 12055 Berlin

Natur-Park Schöneberger Südgelände

Rückwärtiger (S-Bahnhof Priesterweg), 10829 Berlin

Glühwein

German mulled wine.

Feuerzangenbowl

Similar to *Glühwein*, but with rum-soaked sugar that is set ablaze.

Berliner Luft

This translates to 'Berlin Air' and is fondly called 'Pfeffi' by the locals. If you need an alcoholic hit that's a bit like mouthwash, order a Pfeffi. Look out for the bottle shaped like the Brandenburg Gate.

Warm Holunderbeeren

A warm, rich drink made from elderberries.





Marc Etherington, A Little House I liked So I Painted It, 2019





A DAY IN WINTER

The maze of museums and galleries that you will find across Berlin will keep you warm and entertained during the cooler months. If you're up for something different, here are some additional options.

Airport Tempelhof

thf-berlin.de

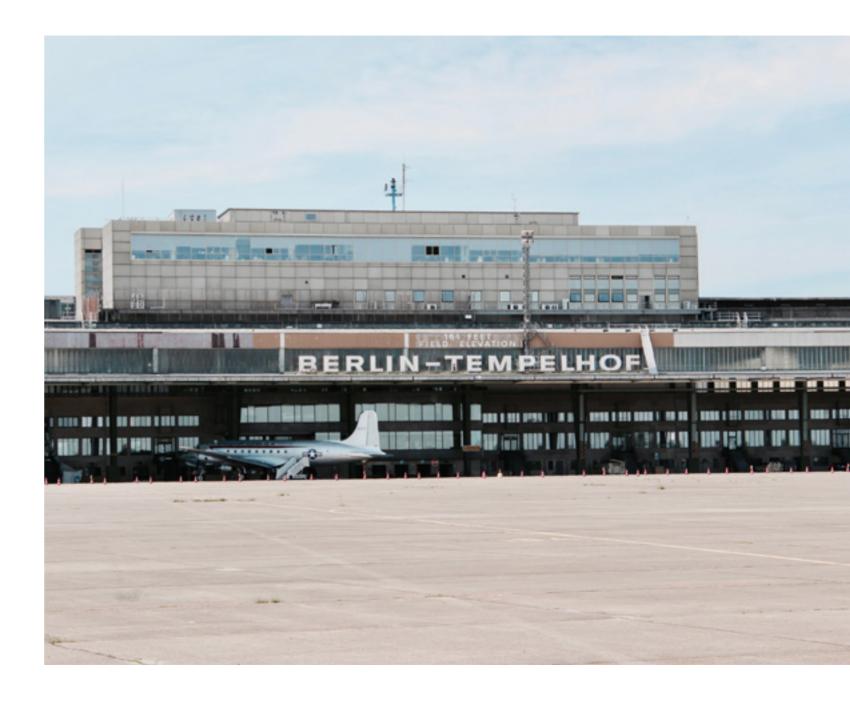
Take a tour of the former Tempelhof airport. The site was where many of the world's first aircraft were tested before it was renovated by the Nazis between 1936 and 1941. The scale and design speak to the monumental nature of Nazi architecture and the Nazi mentality. During the Second World War, the airport was used as a weapons production site through forced labour. These days, in the summer months, rollerbladers, cyclists and yoga enthusiasts enjoy the expanse of what were previously runways. The hangars are used for large events (such as art fairs) and, when needed, to house refugees. Book in advance for various tours.

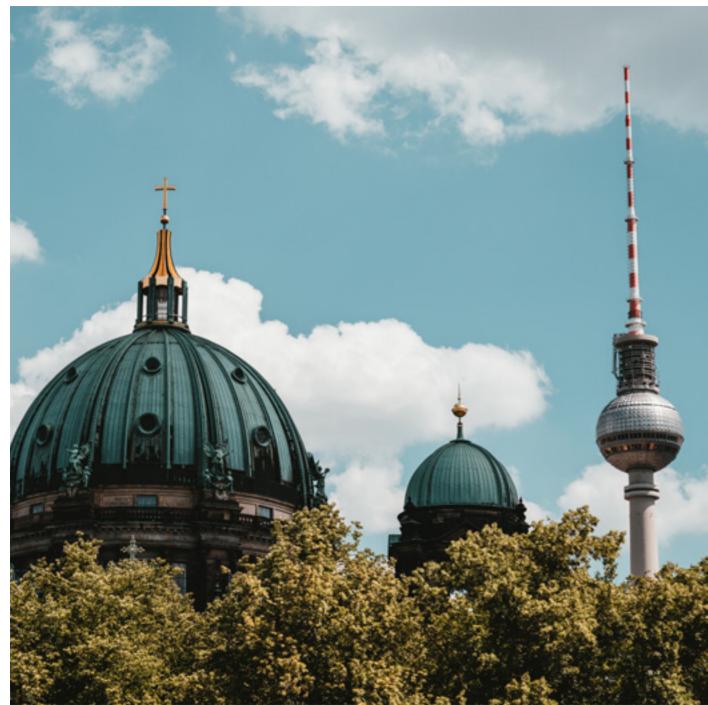
Platz der Luftbrücke 5, C2 near the main entrance, 12101 Berlin

Deutscher Bundestag

When parliament isn't sitting, you can tour the Bundestag (Reichstag). The Bundestag was first built to house the Imperial Diet of the German Empire, which function it performed from 1894 to 1933. One month after Adolf Hitler was sworn in as the Chancellor of Germany, fire damaged the building and it thereafter lay disused, sustaining additional damage from Allied bombing during the Second World War. After the reunification of East and West Germany at the end of the 1980s, the building was renovated, including its unique glass dome. The seat of government was moved from Bonn to Berlin and the inaugural parliament session was held there in September 1999. Book a tour online and bring ID. You can head to the rooftop restaurant, Käfer Dachgarten, for dinner with a fine view.

Platz der Republik 1, 11011 Berlin bundestag.de Below: Tempelhof Airport, Tempelhof-Schöneberg





Botanischer Garten (Botanic Gardens)

If the chills are multiplying, head to the Botanic Gardens to warm up in their array of impressive and warm greenhouses.

Königin-Luise-Straße 6–8, 14195 Berlin bgbm.org

TV Tower

Every first Sunday of the month you can zoom up the iconic TV Tower for a buffet breakfast. It's a revolving restaurant that also hosts a bar, has options for dinner and lunch, and provides panoramic views over the city.

Panoramastraße 1A, 10178 Berlin tv-turm.de





POTSDAM

The River Havel runs neatly through the town of Potsdam, which is easily accessible from Berlin by train or car, making it a perfect weekend getaway from the bustling city. As with many journeys in and around Berlin, public transport is often the best option. From Berlin Hauptbahnhof (central station), it's an easy ride. The S-Bahn 7 takes about 40 minutes, or a regional train can get you there in 30 minutes. Be sure to purchase an ABC zone ticket. If you're driving, head due west through Tiergarten and follow the signs for the 115.

The undisputed best way to explore Potsdam is by bike. The remarkably level city is surrounded by lakes and dotted with extensive parks and palaces, perfect for leisurely cycling. You can rent a bike from any of the main train stations at hourly or daily rates.



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Begin your day at Brandenburger Tor, the slightly smaller, yet notably older, cousin of the Berlin landmark. Wander around the surrounding streets to get a sense of the town centre.

Make your way north-east to Park Sanssouci, the grounds, gardens and palaces of which make up the largest World Heritage site in Germany. The park was the favoured summer home of Frederick the Great in the 18th century, and you can purchase a day ticket that gives you access to all the Prussian palaces in Potsdam. The gardens can be enjoyed in the space of a few hours and feature some buildings that are now part of the University of Potsdam.

In the summer months, there are plenty of spots to stop off for a swim. Both Heiliger and Tiefer lakes are an easy ride from the city centre, with certain areas set aside for nude bathing. The rest of your time in Potsdam can be spent cycling around the city and surrounding parklands, specifically Park Babelsberg, as well as visiting some of the museums on offer.

Museum Barberini

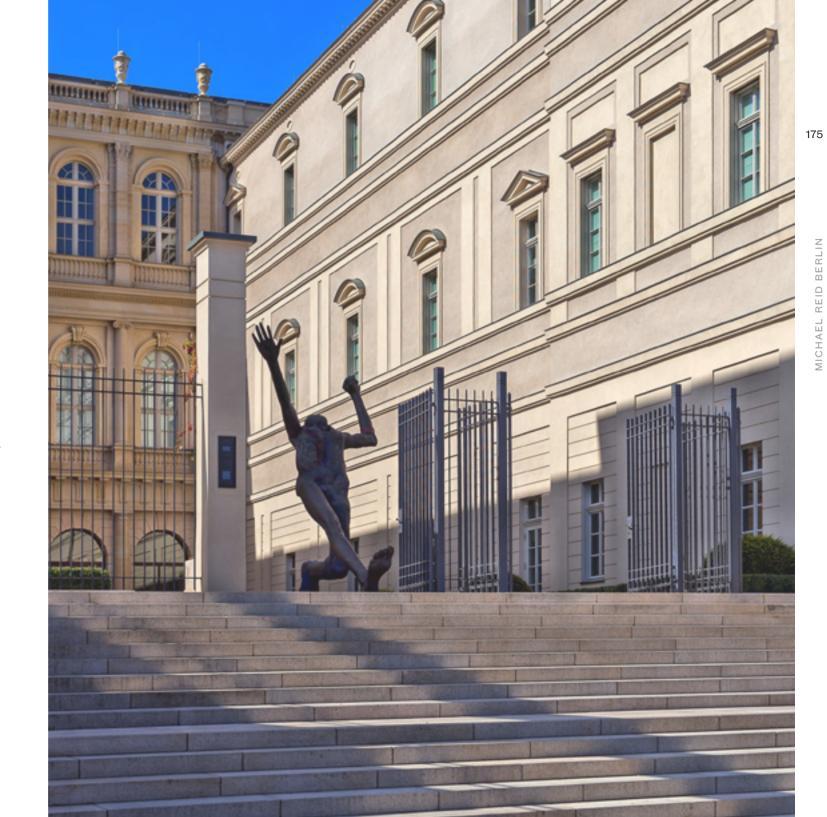
Rebuilt between 2013 and 2016 on the site of the Barberini Palace, which was destroyed by Allied bombing in 1945, the Museum Barberini is one of the most highly anticipated new museums in Europe. The museum is home to the collection of philanthropist and software magnate Hasso Plattner. The temporary exhibition programme focuses on Impressionism, as well as Rodin, Monet and Munch.

Alter Markt, Humboldstraße 5-6, 14467 Potsdam Closed Tuesday Mon, Wed, Thurs, Sun 10am-7pm Fri-Sat 10am-9pm museum-barberini.com

FilmMuseum Potsdam

Studio Babelsberg, located in Potsdam, is the oldest film studio in the world. The FilmMuseum Potsdam, located in a remarkable 17th-century baroque building, explores the long history of the studio as well as providing insights into the world of German film and TV. With permanent and special exhibits, a cinema hall and cafe, it's a unique opportunity to learn about the studio responsible for such films as *Inglourious Basterds* and *Grand Budapest Hotel*.

Breite Straße 1A, 14467 Potsdam Closed Monday Tues-Sun 10am-6pm filmmuseum-potsdam.de



EAT

STAY

Dairy in the New Garden

A quick cycle north of the town centre, Dairy in the New Garden is a classic *Biergarten* with an outdoor '*Wurst*' window in the summer months and an indoor seated à la carte menu. Serving wonderful local beers and located right on the water, it's a great spot to rest and recharge or to spend an afternoon in the sun.

Im Neuen Garten 10, 14469 Potsdam

Rosenberg

Potsdam's go-to vegan cafe.

Dortustraße 15, 14467 Potsdam rosenberg-potsdam.de

Maison Charlotte

A French bistro with indoor and outdoor seating.

Mittelstraße 20, 14467 Potsdam maison-charlotte.de

Augustiner Potsdam

For local German cuisine.

Mittelstraße 18, 14467 Potsdam augustiner-potsdam.de

Hotel Brandenburger Tor Potsdam

Located in Potsdam's historic town centre and with a remarkable baroque façade, the hotel has spacious rooms, a sun terrace, breakfast room and street-side Voltaire Bar.

Brandenburger Straße 1, Innenstadt, 14467 Potsdam

hotel-brandenburger-tor.de

Apartment am Neuen Garten

Serviced apartments with free private parking, kitchen and dining area, and a terrace, situated slightly north of the town centre, close to New Garden and the Dutch Quarter.

Am Neuen Garten 1A Erdgeschoss (First Floor), vv14469 Potsdam

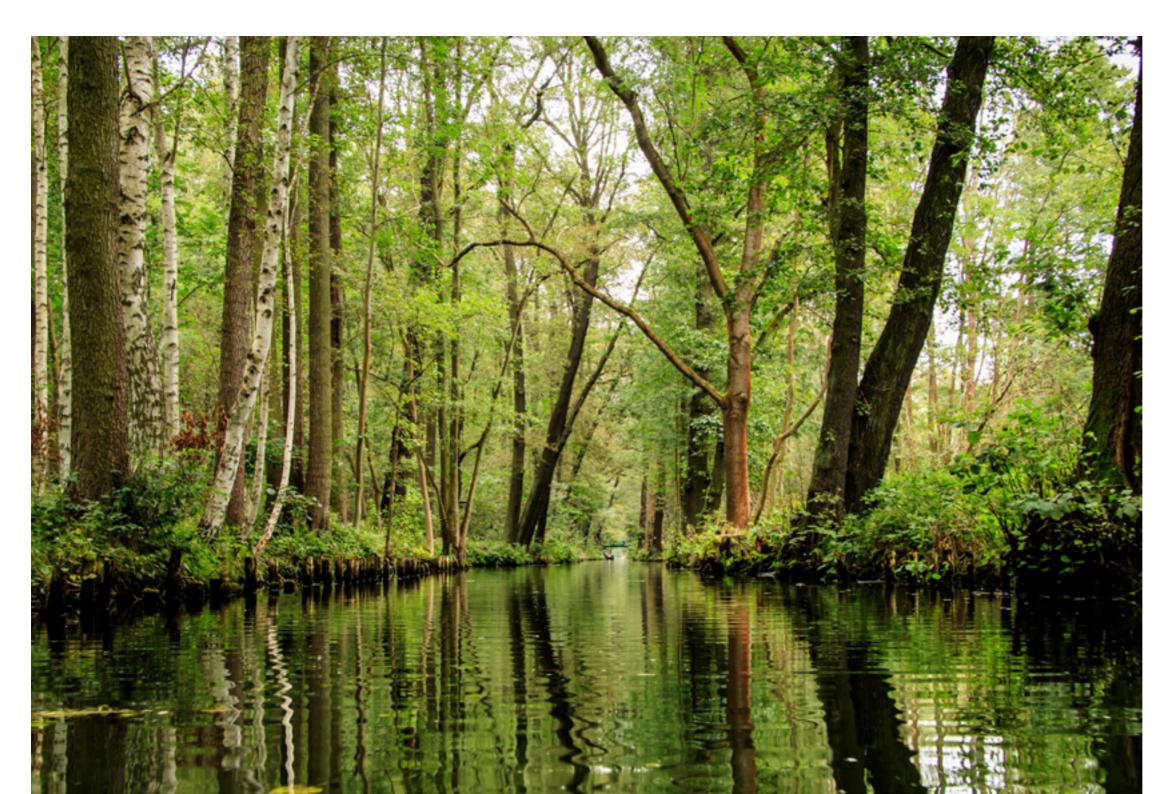
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Romantik Hotel Bayrisches Haus

Located in the middle of the forest, Romantik Hotel Bayrisches Haus is the perfect setting for a weekend out of Berlin. The hotel also houses Potsdam's first Michelin-starred restaurant, Kabinett F.W.

Elisenweg 2, 14471 Potsdam bayrisches-haus.de





SPREEWALD

Spreewald is a UNESCO-protected reserve to the south-east of Berlin boasting lush forests, wetlands and canals that stem from the Spree River. If you're a nature lover and keen to learn more about the culture and traditions of the Sorbs and Wends (descendants of Slavic tribes), add Spreewald to your list. The main town, Lübbenau, just 1.5 hours by train from central Berlin, is the perfect starting base for your journey. You can hire kayaks, and book tours and accommodation.

DO

Spreewald is famous for its gherkins. You can take a bike tour along the Gurkenradweg (pickel bike path); however, the best way to explore is by kayak. For those less adventurous but still keen to get on the waterways, you can hire a gondolier known as a 'Kahn Captain'. Boat trips in a traditional wooden hand-propelled boat, or Kahnfahrt, are a Spreewald tradition. Post is still delivered by Kahn to this day. In winter, you can book a Kahnfahrt with Glühwein to keep you warm and charmed. There are small museums scattered throughout the region. Visit the open-air Freilandmuseum in Lehde.

EAT

Kräutermühle

Translating to 'herbal mill', Kräutermühle serves up a seasonal menu flavoured with herbs from the in-house garden. They have extensive outdoor seating during summer and an indoor garden for the cooler months.

Kurparkstraße 7B, 03096 Burg

Kaupen No. 6

Located on an island in the Spree, Kaupen No. 6 is also a guesthouse that serves up a delightful local feast. Babben is the local beer and Grützwurst is blood sausage.

Kaupen 6A, 03222 Lübbenau

LINARI

If you're on the hunt for some healthy and alternative options, Linari, part of the Schloss Lübbenau, should have something for you.

Schloßbezirk 6, 03222 Lübbenau

STAY

STRANDHAUS Boutique Resort & Spa

This is a deluxe sustainable hotel with large rooms and a wellness spa. The terrace offers great views of the surrounding area and the Spree.

Ernst-von-Houwald-Damm 16, 15907 Lübben strandhaus-spreewald.de

Bio-Hotel Kolonieschänke Burg

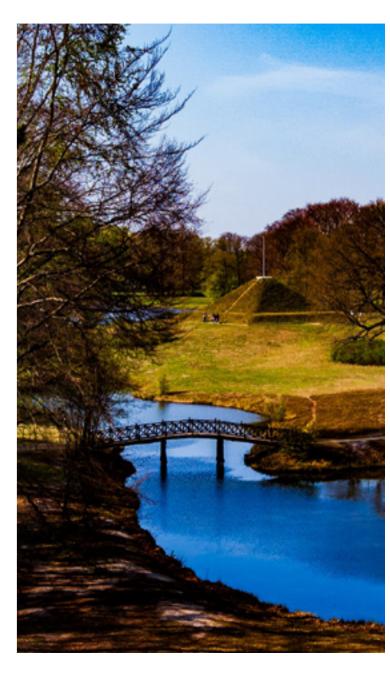
Like many hotels in the area, Kolonieschänke includes its own restaurant and pub, and offers bike and boat hire for guests.

Ringchaussee 136, 03096 Burg kolonieschaenke.de

Schloss Lübbenau

Stay in the local castle in the Spree Forest. It's only a five-minute walk to the large harbour.

Schlossbezirk 6. D-03222 Lübbenau schloss-luebbenau.de



LEIPZIG

The ICE high-speed trains travel at up to 300 kph, meaning you can reach Leipzig in just over an hour from Berlin's central station. The trip by car will take two hours, and a little longer by bus (Flixbus or Omio). Leipzig, home to over half a million people, is the largest city in Saxony. The city sits on the Via Imperii and Via Regia, two medieval trade routes, making it a trade city since the time of the Holy Roman Empire. In 1989, the Monday Prayers which started at St Nicholas Church began a peace movement against the East German government that led to the fall of the Berlin Wall.



If you can, align your visit with the Spinnerei Rundgang, a quarterly event when artists and galleries in the Spinnerei open their doors for the full weekend. The Spinnerei is an old cotton factory that is now a cultural hub. If you miss the Rundgang, you can still explore the galleries in this area or book a private tour.

Leipzig Oper

Leipzig is home to the third-oldest opera house in the world. You can also view the ballet and musical comedy here.

Augustusplatz 12, 04109 Leipzig oper-leipzig.de

Museum der Bildenden Künste (MdbK)

The Museum der Bildenden Künste Leipzig was founded in 1848 by local merchants, publishers, traders and bankers who wanted to share their passion for art. Over the years, the collection has grown with contributions from others who followed in their footsteps. The museum features impressive works from the late Middle Ages to the present day.

Katharinenstraße 10, 04109 Leipzig mdbk.de

The Mädler Passage

Explore the beautiful arcades and stores of the Mädler Passage. The complex was built between 1530 and 1911.

Grimmaische Straße 2–4, 04109 Leipzig maedlerpassage.de

Panorama Tower

Head up Leipzig's tallest skyscraper, a 'whopping' 36-storey, 142-metre building. Jokes aside, it offers a great view over the city and has a wonderful restaurant from where you can soak it all in.

Augustusplatz 9, D-04109 Leipzig panorama-leipzig.de



Right: The Spinnerei

EAT

If you're searching for a good coffee during your stay, step back in time at Kafeehaus Riquet; or for something more upbeat, head to Franz Morish or Dankbar Kaffee.

Gasthaus Barthels Hof

Tucked away in a courtyard with indoor and outdoor seating, Gasthaus Barthels Hof offers classic and seasonal food from Saxony. They are open every day of the year.

Hainstraße 1, 04109 Leipzig

Auerbachs Keller

Auerbachs Keller is one of the oldest restaurants in Leipzig and was known for its wine as long ago as the 16th century. Featured in Goethe's play $F\alpha ust$, it is located in a cellar with murals of Faustian tales.

Grimmaische Straße, Mädler Passage 2-4, 04109 Leipzig

IMPERRI

A casual, yet modern, setting awaits you at IMPERRI. Be sure to try the cocktails.

Brühl 72, 04109 Leipzig

Bayerischer Bahnhof

This is Germany's oldest preserved railway station, dating to 1842. Now you can enjoy meals and home-brewed beers.

Bayrischer Platz 1, 04103 Leipzig

STAY

Hotel Fregehaus

This grand 16th-century merchant's house is well located in the centre of Leipzig. You can book a room or a complete apartment.

Katharinenstraße 11, 04109 Leipzig hotel-fregehaus.de

Motel One

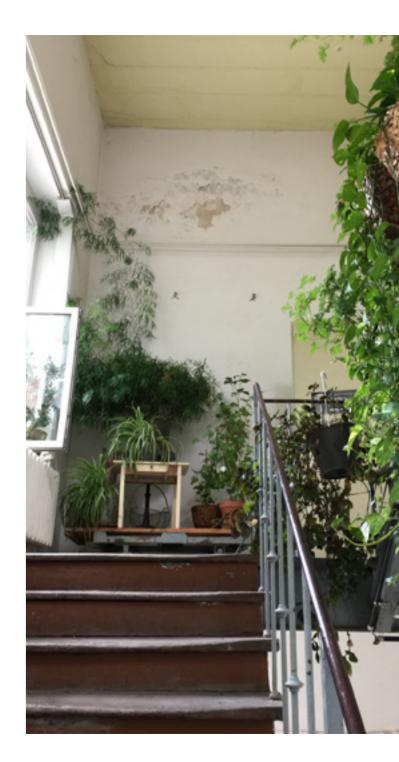
Located next to St Nicholas Church and Leipzig University. Modern rooms with a fashionable approach.

Nikolaistraße 23, 04109 Leipzig motel-one.com

Arthotel ANA Symphonie

A great location and an affordable option with soundproofed windows.

Hainstraße 21, 04109 Leipzig ana-hotels.com/symphonie-leipzig



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BEST APPS

Stil in Berlin

A guide to the best places to eat, drink and visit in Berlin.

stilinberlin.de

Slow Travel Berlin

A guide to Berlin that offers very good, not so touristy, tours.

slowtravelberlin.com

INDEX Berlin

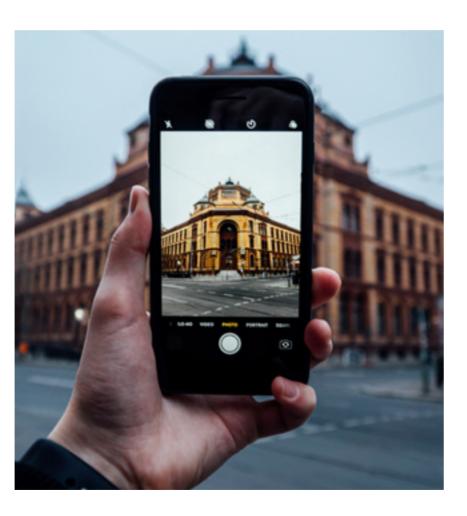
A guide to Berlin's contemporary art galleries, openings and events.

indexberlin.de

Cee Cee

These guys are onto the latest bars, cafes and cakes. They also list some great shops, day trips and events.

ceecee.cc



BVG Fahrinfo-App

Up-to-date schedules and trip plans for Berlin's public transport systems.

Duolingo

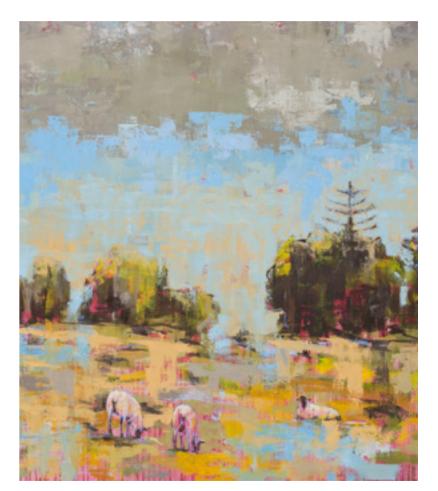
Learn German for free - 'far and away the best language-learning app', *The Wall Street Journal.*

Linguee

A supportive translating app that includes helpful examples and phrases.

Lieferando

If you're tired of exploring and want your dinner delivered to your door, Lieferando is Germany's answer to UberEats.



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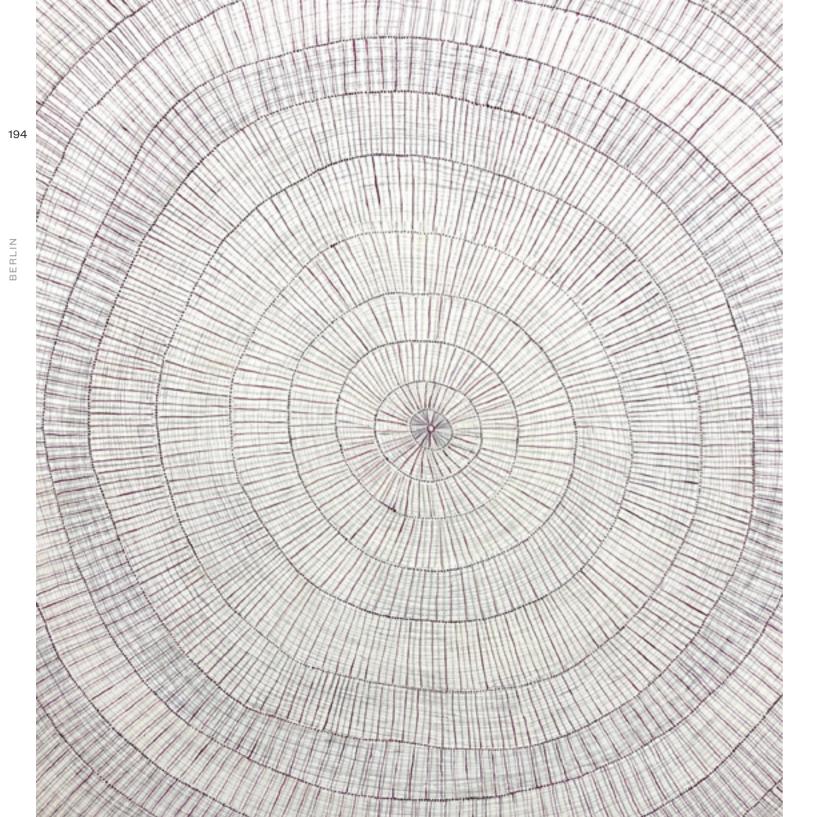
Linda Berg urban photographer @lindaberlin



Cee Cee Berlin



Mary Scherpe Stil in Berlin @stilinberlin



HERE FOR A LONGER STAY?

LONG-TERM ACCOMMODATION

Ex-Rotaprint Guest Apartments in Wedding

exrotaprint.de

Home Yet Away sites.google.com/site/homeyetaway

WG-gesucht wg-gesucht.de

Immobilien Scout 24 immobilienscout24.de

RESOURCES

The Field Guide Berlin

If you're an artist heading to Berlin for a while, order a copy of The Field Guide, which lists all the resources you'll require during your stay. Made by artists, for artists.

fieldguideberlin.com

Post Offices

Many post offices have been bought out and are operated through your local Späti. Look out for the yellow trumpet-like Deutsche Post symbol.

deutschepost.de

Museum Card

A Classic museum membership will set you back 50 EUR (concession: 25 EUR) and get you into the permanent collections of state museums for the entire year. smb.museum

HELP!

Hilfe! = Help!

Not = Emergency

Es ist dringend = It's an emergency

Artzt = Doctor

Zahnartzt = Dentist

Augenarzt = Eye doctor

Emergency number: 112

Take out travel insurance before your trip to assist in the event of a medical emergency.

Find a doctor on the Berlin database www.aerzte-berlin.de

Find the type of doctor you need with the help of Google Translate. Enter the type (GP, physio, etc.) in 'Fachrichtung', select the district where you are staying, and under 'Sprache' select 'Englisch'.

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Right: Alesandro Ljubicic, Nothing can dim the light which shines from within #4, 2020



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