

Nuremberg – The city with a great history

Thick city walls with a total of 80 towers surround the historic Old Town of the Franconian metropolis, which was first mentioned in official record in 1050. It's almost one thousand years of history, coupled with a host of great names, which can be perceived at every step of the way. A wealth of sights to see, headed by the historic Imperial Castle, all help to bring the past of life. The German National Museum, important testimony of German art and culture, awaits the visitor in the center of the Old Town. The Transport Museum with the legendary "Adler", the first German railway locomotive, vividly recounts the over 150 years of railway history. Works of art from the famous Nuremberg sculptors Veit Stoß and Adam Kraft can be seen in the great churches of St. Lorenz and St. Sebald in the Old Town. The Toy Museum with all its nostalgic exhibits, radiates in new splendence. The Education Museum depicts the development of education from the time of writing and arithmetic masters up to the present day. The main market enlivens the center of the Old Town every weekday. The numerous art galleries with exhibitions of the works of well-known artists, modern paintings and sculpture and plastics create charming contrasts with the flair of the Middle Ages.

The city of gourmets

The famous Nuremberg grilled sausages – just big enough to eat a round dozen of them – taste best in one of the snug historic "Bratwurstküchen" inns in the Old Town. Crisply roasted "Schäufele" (shoulder of pork) and "Aischgründer" carp are also among the local specialities which are nowhere as well cooked as in Nuremberg. Nevertheless, in accordance with the worldly mentality of Nuremberg people, a whole range of first-class international restaurants are also to be found in the Meistersinger city, restaurants which need to have no fear of comparison. Cosy evenings are best spent in one of the many taverns in the Old Town in the castle quarter and around the main market square. Not to be forgotten, of course, are numerous beer gardens, which are inviting spots for a break in the warm season.

The city with connections

With direct flights to virtually all the European metropolitan centers and almost 60,000 take-offs and landings per year, the international airport in the north of the city provides for rapid access. The good motorway network with fast roads from all directions and the pulsating main railway station in the city center (close to the workshop venue), which links underground and fast local rail services, bring thousands of business travellers and tourists into the city day by day.

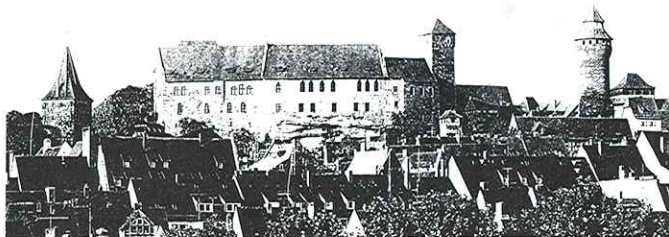
The city with good shopping facilities

A pleasant stroll and shopping in Nuremberg are enjoyable pastimes. The pedestrian precinct has one of the largest choices of department stores in the whole of Germany, and its glass shopping arcades and exclusive boutiques add a lot of atmosphere. The Craftsmen's Courtyard at the King's Gate (Königstor) is a successful contrast to the modern shopping world. Traditional craft skills combine with Franconian hospitality in the small timberframed houses nestling snugly against each other and surrounded by the historic walls of the old city fortifications. Glass grinders, doll makers, pewterers and goldsmiths pursue their trade here as in old times and offer their own products for sale.

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