

# Welcome to Stuttgart

## Look forward to seeing a city with many faces

Stuttgart enthral its visitors with its lively art and culture scene, excels with masterpieces of historical and modern architecture, hosts international sporting events, celebrates merry festivals and colourful markets, offers world-class shopping and a wealth of other unforgettable options.



## The combination of cosmopolitan flair and green oases

makes Stuttgart a city of delightful contrasts. Extensive parks in the heart of town, and idyllic vineyards directly opposite the main railway station provide peace and relaxation. The "Wilhelma" – the only zoological and botanical gardens of their kind in the world, invite you to relax and explore. And no fewer than three mineral spas, fed by the most prolific mineral springs in Western Europe, are guaranteed to promote health and wellbeing.

## Architectural highlights and outstanding museums

together create a unique symbiosis in Stuttgart. Its "culture mile" links the historical Old State Gallery and the Postmodern New State Gallery and the House of History. The glass cube of the New Museum of Art provides not only interesting insights into the municipal art collections but also wonderful views over the city. The Weissenhofsiedlung settlement is one of the most significant landmarks of modern architecture: It was built in 1927 as a building exhibition under the artistic direction of Ludwig Mies van der Rohe.



## Stuttgart, the cradle of mobility.

It was here, in a little workshop, that Wilhelm Maybach and Gottlieb Daimler together invented one of the very first automobiles, and today the city boasts two of the world's most magnificent automobile museums. This is still the site of the main production plants of both Mercedes-Benz and Porsche today, and the people here feel a close bond with the history and tradition of these two global concerns. The spectacular double helix construction of the Mercedes-Benz Museum attracts both automobile and architecture enthusiasts from all corners of the globe, while at the new Porsche Museum the Zuffenhausen sports car specialists display their legendary mobile icons in bold architecture and a sophisticated ambience.

## Stages of world renown...

with Stuttgart's State Theatres the region is home to the world's largest tripartite theatre. Its ballet has enjoyed international acclaim ever since the days of John Cranko and Marcia Haydée, and Stuttgart State Opera has been awarded the coveted title of "Opera House of the Year" many times.

## Architecture:

**Le Corbusier House** with an exhibition about modern architecture, at the UNESCO world heritage listed “Weissenhofsiedlung” planned village.

[www.weissenhofmuseum.de/en/](http://www.weissenhofmuseum.de/en/)

## Gardens:

The “**Wilhelma**” – a zoo and botanical garden – is located near the city center and has a large collection of exotic plants in a oriental setting.

[www.wilhelma.de/nc/en/home.html](http://www.wilhelma.de/nc/en/home.html)

## Art Museums:

The “**Staatsgalerie**” is an art gallery in a landmark postmodern building in the city center designed by the architect Sir James Stirling.

[www.staatsgalerie.de/en.html](http://www.staatsgalerie.de/en.html)

„**Kunstmuseum Stuttgart**“ (Museum of Art) - the glass cube directly at the „Schlossplatz“ presents works by artists such as Willy Baumeister and Otto Dix.

[www.kunstmuseum-stuttgart.de/](http://www.kunstmuseum-stuttgart.de/)

## Car Museums:

The “**Mercedes-Benz Museum**” tells the story of the automobile right from the beginning, also giving insights into its social and historical context. A large number of historical vehicles are on display. The museum is also an architectural landmark in Stuttgart.

[www.mercedes-benz.com/en/classic/museum/](http://www.mercedes-benz.com/en/classic/museum/)

The „**Porsche Museum**“ presents a wide range of Porsche cars and a look at the development of the motorcar company.

[www.porsche.com/museum/en/](http://www.porsche.com/museum/en/)

## Oper Stuttgart

The „Oper Stuttgart“ offers concerts, opera and ballet performances in the Opera House in the city center. Performances during your stay are listed on the webpage:

[www.staatsoper-stuttgart.de/en/](http://www.staatsoper-stuttgart.de/en/)



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