



LÜBECK STORY INSPIRATION

UNESCO World Heritage Lübeck

The medieval Old Town with its impressive number of cultural monuments has been part of the UNESCO World Heritage since 1987. Even the archaeological underground of Lübeck with now 3 million findings is part of it. These are some of the places you should visit

- the Town Hall,
- the Castle Monastery,
- Koberg – a completely preserved quarter from the late 13th century – with St. Jacob's and the Hospital of the Holy Spirit,
- the patrician houses from the 15th and 16th centuries between St. Peter and Lübeck Cathedral,
- the Holsten Gate and the salt storage houses on the left bank of the river Trave.
- the so-called "Founders' Quarter", which is presently being redesigned according to historical examples.



Lübeck - Queen of the Hanseatic League

In the middle of the 13th century merchants trading overseas joined together to form the Hanseatic League in order to pursue their economic interests together. In the course of time 70 major cities and 130 smaller towns joined the League. Learn more about the Hanse at the European Hansemuseum. Visit the Museum Harbour, which is located at the Untertrave embankment and take a look behind the facade of typical merchants' houses e.g. at the wine trading company Von Melle (Beckergrube 86) or at the Schabbelhaus (Mengstraße 48).

Lübeck - in the footsteps of three Nobel Prize winners

Lübeck is proud to claim three Nobel Prize winners among its residents: Thomas Mann (1875-1955) Nobel Prize for Literature in 1929; Willy Brandt (1913-1992) Nobel Peace Prize in 1971 and Günter Grass (born in Danzig in 1927 died Lübeck 2015) Nobel Prize for Literature in 1999. The Willy-Brandt-House Lübeck and the Günter Grass-House give insights into the work and lives of the two Nobel prize laureates. While the Buddenbrook-House is undergoing a substantial renovation an interim exhibition about Thomas Mann can be seen at the Drägerhaus in Lübeck.

Lübeck's culinary ambassadors: marzipan and Rotspan

Lübeck is particularly well-known for its marzipan. You should drop by the Marzipan Museum at Niederegger's at Breite Straße 89 and marvel at the 12 life-size marzipan figures. But Lübeck also has a very unique, quite historic tradition of importing young red wines from Bordeaux by the barrel, aging them in the cellars of the city, bottling and branding them as "Lübecker Rotspan." Tastings are offered at the traditional wine trading company "von Melle".



Lübeck Manufactories

A number of unique manufactories can be found in Lübeck. Glassware made by Rotter Glas, exquisite oils from the Löwenapotheke pharmacy, leather belts produced by Mohrmann, fine chocolate handmade at Evers & Tochter: these are just a few of the family-run companies we'd like to recommend.

Art and Culture in the Old Town

Lübeck features 11 museums. Among them - St. Anne's Museum Quarter. The modern St. Anne's Art Gallery features temporary exhibitions on art after 1945 while the historic museum St. Anne's displays significant medieval exhibits in the rooms of the former St. Anne's cloister on nearly 9.000 m². The multimedia presentation combines the diverse areas of the Museum Quarter and allows a virtual tour through seven centuries of art and culture. Download our catalogue, which portrays the players of culture and art in Lübeck. In addition to this cultural centre, the Kolk 17 Puppet Theatre & Museum also enriches Lübeck's museum landscape. It is home to two active institutions dedicated to the art form of puppet theatre in all its facets. With over 20,000 exhibits and a permanent theatre with regular performances, KOLK 17 offers a unique experience and complements the diversity of Lübeck's museum landscape in a special way.

Social welfare from the Middle Ages to the present day

There's quite a number of places to learn more about Lübeck as a place where social welfare was written in capital letters.





Visit the Hospital of the Holy Spirit, one or more of the 90 historic alleyways and the Füchtingshof courtyard as well as the Seafarers' Guild to get an impression of the ideas behind these institutions and the people who financed them.

The seaside resort of Travemünde

Water is the element which characterizes the life of the people in our city. We recommend enjoying a picnic by the water in the so-called "painters' corner" or to board an e-boat for an individual tour around the island-shaped Old Town. But also the Baltic Sea and fine sandy beach are within reach: Travemünde is a city district of Lübeck. The seaside resort offers plenty of activities related to water sports. In addition, Germany's oldest lighthouse and the four-masted barque "Passat" await your visit.

Lübeck - Christmas city of the north

The Christmas market has a long tradition in Lübeck, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. First mentioned in a document dating back to 1648, the historic buildings today form the perfect backdrop for the lively pre-Christmas festivities. Lübeck offers 11 different Christmas worlds. Each of them has an individual focus, e.g. the new harbour glow, the fairytale forest and the Craft Market in the Hospital of the Holy Spirit which is unique in the world.

