

The European Capital of the Art of Living

It is rarely so easy to find a city in the heart of nature that offers both tranquillity and entertainment. But that's exactly what Baden-Baden is - a place where lemons blossom, museums hang young art alongside masterpieces, the best orchestras in the world perform and culture to see, hear and dance meets Mediterranean flair.

The Romans discovered the healing powers of the 12 thermal springs in Baden-Baden and built the first thermal baths there. People's well-being is still the centre of attention: guests can find soothing relaxation in the spacious Caracalla Spa and the historic Friedrichsbad has been combining Roman bathing culture and Irish bathing tradition for more than 145 years. The changing temperatures and thermal water have a beneficial effect on body and soul.

The town is surrounded by rolling hills and vineyards and the sun shines more often than anywhere else in Germany - in short: nature pampers people here. Nature blossoms in the centre of Baden-Baden, the Lichtentaler Allee runs through the city like a green ribbon, linking grand hotels and museums, inviting visitors to stroll and relax.

There are countless hiking trails with magnificent views, exciting mountain bike trails, top-class golf courses and the local Merkur Mountain for climbing and paragliding adventures. And the best thing is: Germany's most beautiful hiking trail is at home here. The Panorama Trail leads along four varied stages around Baden-Baden and offers surprising views and vistas of the city and the northern Black Forest along the way.

In addition to the extensive wellness and leisure facilities, Baden-Baden offers a variety of cultural highlights. Music in particular has a long tradition in Baden-Baden. Johannes Brahms, Ed Sheeran and the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra: Baden-Baden's music scene knows many tones. Art lovers can look forward to countless exhibitions on a wide variety of themes. Whether internationally renowned artists, the work of a young generation of artists, literature or jewellery - there is a suitable museum for every interest. The Baden-Baden Kurhaus, with its colonnades and state rooms reminiscent of French royal palaces, is home to the Casino Baden-Baden. Even Lev Tolstoy and Fyodor Dostoyevsky spent their evenings here. Even today, everything at Casino Baden-Baden revolves around roulette, blackjack and poker.

Sometimes modern and stylish, sometimes traditional, award-winning Michelin-starred restaurants, fine international eateries and Baden wine taverns invite you to make culinary discoveries. The culinary spectrum is also evident in the nearby Baden-Baden Rebland, one of the most famous Riesling growing regions in Germany and an insider tip for gourmets and friends of good wine.

The wellness and health offerings, the variety of tourist and cultural attractions and Baden-Baden's lifestyle make the city at the foot of the Black Forest a popular destination for guests from all over the world.