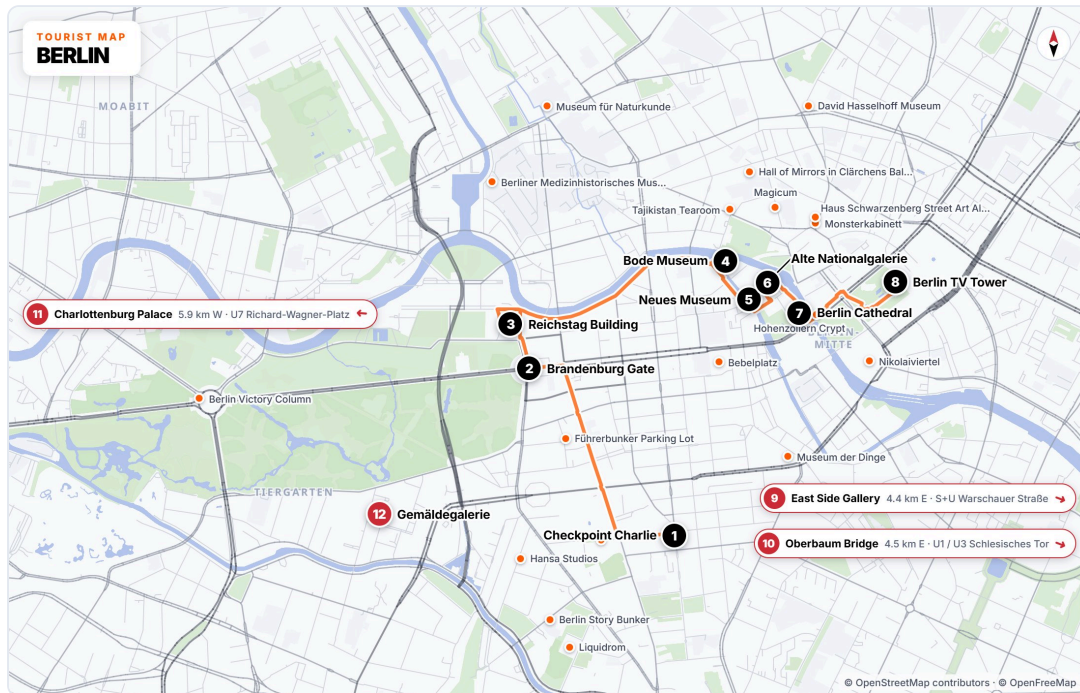


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Berlin Tourist Map

12 top sights, hidden gems and a walking route through the centre. Numbers follow the walking order. Red numbers are worth a separate trip.



● Top sight on the route ● Worth the trip ● Hidden gem — Walking route 5.7 km · 1 h 15

1	Checkpoint Charlie	Mitte	7	Berlin Cathedral	Mitte
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3	Reichstag Building	Tiergarten	9	East Side Gallery	S+U Warschauer Straße
4	Bode Museum	Entrance over the Monbijoubrücke	10	Oberbaum Bridge	U1 / U3 Schlesisches Tor
5	Neues Museum	Museum Island	11	Charlottenburg Palace	U7 Richard-Wagner-Platz
6	Alte Nationalgalerie	Museum Island	12	Gemäldegalerie	U2 / S Potsdamer Platz

Getting around

- The centre is walkable: the route on the map links Checkpoint Charlie, the Brandenburg Gate, the Reichstag, Museum Island, Berlin Cathedral and the TV Tower on foot.
- U-Bahn and S-Bahn: U6 Kochstraße/Checkpoint Charlie for Checkpoint Charlie; U5 and the S-Bahn at Brandenburger Tor for the gate; U5 Bundestag for the Reichstag; U5 Museumsinsel for Museum Island and the Cathedral; U2, U5, U8 and the S-Bahn at Alexanderplatz for the TV Tower.
- Off the route: the East Side Gallery and the Oberbaum Bridge by S-Bahn or U1 / U3 to Warschauer Straße (Schlesisches Tor on the Kreuzberg side); the Gemäldegalerie by U2 or S-Bahn to Potsdamer Platz, then a short walk to the Kulturforum; Charlottenburg Palace by U7 to Richard-Wagner-Platz, U2 to Sophie-Charlotte-Platz or bus M45 to Schloss Charlottenburg.
- One BVG ticket covers the U-Bahn, S-Bahn, trams and buses; zones A and B cover the city, and Sachsenhausen in Oranienburg needs a zone C ticket.
- Paper maps and timetables: the official information points are listed on <https://touristoffice.org/berlin-tourist-office/>

About this map

The sights, photos and descriptions come from touristoffice.org/berlin/, where each sight has opening details, tickets and a longer guide. Addresses come from OpenStreetMap. The walking route was computed with the Valhalla pedestrian profile; its time excludes the visits. Hours and access change, check before you go. Edition: October 2026.

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The 12 top sights

In walking order, with the full address of each one. Red numbers are worth a separate trip: they sit outside the centre, so the line below each one gives the transport to use.



1 Checkpoint Charlie Mitte

The crossing between the American and Soviet sectors became the most photographed border post of the Cold War, the place where tanks faced each other in October 1961 and where escapes ended in triumph or in tragedy. What stands on Friedrichstraße today is a reconstruction, a white guard hut with sandbags and the enlarged portraits of a Soviet and an American soldier facing their former sectors. It is a street corner rather than a site, and it is busiest in the middle of the day.

Address Friedrichstraße 43-45, 10969 Berlin

Free to see and photograph at street level; the museums beside it are ticketed separately.



2 Brandenburg Gate Mitte

Berlin's defining landmark closes the west end of Unter den Linden with a Doric colonnade and the Quadriga, the chariot of victory that has crowned it since 1791. For twenty eight years the gate stood inside the border strip, sealed behind the Wall and unreachable from either side, and it became the image of a reunified Germany after 1989. Pariser Platz around it works best early in the morning, before the tour groups, the pedicabs and the street performers arrive.

Address Pariser Platz, 10117 Berlin

Free at any hour, with no ticket booth or opening times on the square.



3 Reichstag Building Tiergarten

Paul Wallot's parliament building carries the scars and the repairs of German history, from the fire of 1933 to the Soviet graffiti still preserved on its inner walls, and since reunification it houses the Bundestag again. Norman Foster crowned it with a glass dome whose spiral ramp climbs above the debating chamber and opens a full circle of views over the government quarter and the Tiergarten. Anyone without a booking can still read the inscription across the west facade from Platz der Republik.

Address Platz der Republik 1, 11011 Berlin

Free, though the dome needs a time slot reserved in advance and a photo ID at the entrance.



4 Bode Museum Entrance over the Monbijoubücke

Ernst von Ihne's museum fills the northern tip of Museum Island like the prow of a ship, its dome rising straight out of the water where the two arms of the Spree divide. The great dome hall opens with a baroque equestrian statue of the Great Elector, and beyond it run the sculpture collection, from Byzantine ivories to Italian Renaissance terracotta and Tilman Riemenschneider's limewood figures, and one of the largest coin cabinets anywhere.

Address Am Kupfergraben, 10178 Berlin

Ticketed, Tuesday to Friday 10:00 to 17:00 and weekends 10:00 to 18:00, closed Monday · Tickets and tours berlintickets.org/bode-museum/



5 Neues Museum Museum Island

Friedrich August Stüler's museum was gutted in the Second World War and stood as a ruin for decades until David Chipperfield rebuilt it, leaving shrapnel scars, bare brick and missing frescoes visible beside the new work. The bust of Nefertiti is displayed alone under the dome of the north cupola room, and around it run the Egyptian collection, the papyrus holdings and the prehistoric galleries, from Stone Age tools to the conical hats of beaten gold.

Address James-Simon-Galerie, Bodestraße, 10178 Berlin

Ticketed, Tuesday to Sunday 10:00 to 18:00, closed Monday · Tickets and tours berlintickets.org/neues-museum/



6 Alte Nationalgalerie Museum Island

A temple raised on a plinth and reached by a double staircase, the Alte Nationalgalerie holds the nineteenth century collection of the Berlin state museums. Caspar David Friedrich's landscapes hang here with Schinkel's architectural fantasies and Menzel's scenes of Prussian life, and the upper rooms carry French Impressionism, Manet, Monet and Renoir among them, alongside sculpture by Rodin. The reflecting pool in the colonnade courtyard outside doubles the facade after dark.

Address Bodestraße, 10178 Berlin

Ticketed, Tuesday to Sunday 10:00 to 18:00, closed Monday · Tickets and tours berlintickets.org/alte-nationalgalerie/



7 Berlin Cathedral Mitte

The Protestant cathedral of Museum Island rises beside the Lustgarten, built for Wilhelm II between 1894 and 1905 to a design by Julius Carl Raschdorff. Its dome carries an outer gallery 50 metres up, climbed by 270 steps for a sweeping view over the Spree, while the Sauer organ fills the nave below. The Hohenzollern crypt beneath holds around ninety burials of the dynasty and reopened in March 2026 after six years of work. Wartime bombing gutted the building in 1944, and it reopened in 1993.

Address Am Lustgarten, 10178 Berlin

Ticketed, dome gallery and crypt included, open from 9:00 on weekdays with last admission an hour before closing.



8 Berlin TV Tower Alexanderplatz

East Germany built the Fernsehturm to be seen from every corner of the divided city, and it still is the tallest structure in the country, its steel sphere hanging over Alexanderplatz like a pin dropped on the map. A high speed lift reaches the observation deck 203 metres up in under a minute, and the revolving restaurant one level above turns a full circle while you eat. On a clear day the view runs well past the city limits.

Address Panoramstraße 1A, 10178 Berlin

Ticketed, open daily from 09:00 to 23:00 · Tickets and tours berlintickets.org/tv-tower/



9 East Side Gallery Friedrichshain

The longest surviving stretch of the Berlin Wall runs more than a kilometre along the Spree in Friedrichshain, where artists from around the world painted the east face in 1990 and turned a border installation into an open air gallery. More than a hundred works line it, among them Dmitri Vrubel's fraternal kiss between Brezhnev and Honecker and Birgit Kinder's Trabant breaking through the concrete. The paintings have been restored more than once, and the riverside path beside them never closes.

Address Mühlenstraße 47-80, 10243 Berlin

Worth a separate trip · 4.4 km E of the centre · S+U Warschauer Straße · Free to walk along, day or night.



10 Oberbaum Bridge Over the Spree between Kreuzberg and Friedrichshain

Otto Stahn's double-deck bridge of red brick crosses the Spree between Kreuzberg and Friedrichshain, its two neo-Gothic towers modelled on a medieval gate. Built between 1894 and 1896, it carries road traffic, cyclists and walkers on the lower deck, while U-Bahn lines U1 and U3 run across the upper level between Schlesisches Tor and Warschauer Straße. While the city was divided the bridge served as a pedestrian border crossing, and after 1989 it was rebuilt to its old form with a new steel middle span by Santiago Calatrava. The East Side Gallery lines the Friedrichshain bank at its foot.

Address Oberbaumstraße, 10997 Berlin

Worth a separate trip · 4.5 km E of the centre · U1 / U3 Schlesisches Tor · Free to cross on foot at any hour.



11 Charlottenburg Palace Charlottenburg

The largest surviving royal palace in Berlin began as a summer house for Sophie Charlotte and grew wing by wing into the Hohenzollern residence west of the centre. The Altes Schloss keeps the baroque state apartments and a porcelain cabinet lined floor to ceiling with Chinese and Japanese pieces, while Knobelsdorff's Golden Gallery and the White Hall sit in the newer wing. Behind the building the gardens run down to the carp pond, French in plan and later reworked in the English manner.

Address Spandauer Damm 10-22, 14059 Berlin

Worth a separate trip · 5.9 km W of the centre · U7 Richard-Wagner-Platz · Ticketed, Tuesday to Sunday 10:00 to 17:30 from April to October, closed Monday · Tickets and tours berlintickets.org/charlottenburg-palace/



12 Gemäldegalerie Kulturforum

The Kulturforum building holds one of the finest collections of European painting from the thirteenth to the eighteenth century, hung along a spine of daylight rooms that runs the length of the museum. Dürer, Cranach and Holbein fill the German rooms, Vermeer, Rembrandt and Rubens the Dutch and Flemish ones, Botticelli, Raphael and Caravaggio the Italian. It sits away from Museum Island, among the museums and concert halls built beside the former course of the Wall.

Address Matthäikirchplatz, 10785 Berlin

Worth a separate trip · 1.5 km SW of the centre · U2 / S Potsdamer Platz · Ticketed, Tuesday to Sunday 10:00 to 18:00, closed Monday · Tickets and tours berlintickets.org/gemaldegalerie/

31 hidden gems

Smaller places from the same guide, each with its address. Those outside the map frame show their distance from the centre.

Berliner Unterwelten

Guided tours through wartime air raid bunkers, tunnels and Cold War shelters under the Gesundbrunnen station, booked in advance...

Brunnenstraße 105, 13355 Berlin · 3.5 km N of the centre, outside the map

Haus Schwarzenberg Street Art Alley

An unrestored courtyard beside the polished Hackesche Höfe, its walls layered with paste ups, stickers and murals that change...

Rosenthaler Straße 39, 10178 Berlin

The DDR Museum

Everyday life in East Germany laid out to be handled: a furnished flat, a Trabant to sit in and drawers you are meant to open.

Karl-Liebknecht-Straße 1, 10178 Berlin

Berlin Story Bunker

A 1943 air raid bunker near Anhalter Bahnhof, now a documentation centre on the Nazi regime and the bunker system beneath the...

Schöneberger Straße 23a, 10963 Berlin

David Hasselhoff Museum

A basement shrine to the singer's 1989 concert at the Wall, assembled by fans in the Circus Hostel and free to walk into.

Weinbergsweg 1a, 10119 Berlin

Magicum

A small museum of magic and superstition covering alchemy, astrology and illusion, with hands on tricks along the route.

Große Hamburger Straße 17, 10115 Berlin

Hall of Mirrors in Clärchens Ballhaus

A mirrored ballroom above a dance hall opened in 1913, its plaster left cracked and unrestored, used for concerts and dancing.

Auguststraße 24, 10117 Berlin

Monsterkabinett

Robotic creatures and clanking metal beasts staged as a guided walk through of about twenty five minutes, in a courtyard behind...

Rosenthaler Straße 39, 10178 Berlin

Stasi Museum

The former ministry where Erich Mielke ran East Germany's secret police, his office preserved with the furniture, surveillance...

Ruschestraße 103, 10365 Berlin · 7.1 km E of the centre, outside the map

Museum für Naturkunde

Germany's largest natural history museum, built around the mounted Brachiosaurus skeleton, the Archaeopteryx fossil and thirty...

Invalidenstraße 43, 10115 Berlin

Museum der Dinge

Over thirty thousand mass produced objects of the twentieth century, packed into vitrines.

Leipziger Straße 54, 10117 Berlin

Berliner Medizinhistorisches Museum

Rudolf Virchow's pathological collection at the Charité, with specimens, a reconstructed nineteenth century lecture theatre and a...

Charitéplatz 1, 10117 Berlin

Tajikistan Tearoom

A Soviet era pavilion given to East Berlin by Tajikistan, carved and painted inside, where tea is served seated on cushions on...

Oranienburger Straße 27, 10117 Berlin

Café Strauss

A cafe inside the former mortuary of a Kreuzberg cemetery, with tables among the graves and cake served under the trees.

Bergmannstraße 42, 10961 Berlin · 3.3 km S of the centre, outside the map

Führerbunker Parking Lot

The bunker where Hitler spent his last months lies sealed under a residential car park, marked only by an information board.

In den Ministergärten / Gertrud-Kolmar-Straße, 10117 Berlin

Flakturm Humboldthain

A wartime anti aircraft bunker half buried in rubble in Volkspark Humboldthain, its surviving platform climbable for a view over...

Volkspark Humboldthain, 13357 Berlin · 3.4 km N of the centre, outside the map

Liquidrom

A saltwater pool under a dark dome inside the Tempodrom, where music is played underwater and swimmers float on their backs to...

Möckernstraße 10, 10963 Berlin

Remnants of the Berlin Wall

Beyond the famous stretches, fragments of wall, watchtowers and the cobbled line of its course surface all over the city.

Niederkirchnerstraße, 10963 Berlin

Teufelsberg

An abandoned listening station on a hill of war rubble in the Grunewald, its torn radomes now covered in murals and open on tours.

Teufelsseechaussee 10, 14193 Berlin · 10.0 km W of the centre, outside the map

Pfaueninsel

A Havel island of wild peacocks and a folly castle built as a ruin, reached only by a small summer ferry, 10:00 to 18:00.

Pfaueninsel, 14109 Berlin · 19.4 km SW of the centre, outside the map

Hohenzollern Crypt

The dynastic crypt under Berlin Cathedral reopened in March 2026 after six years of work, with around ninety Hohenzollern burials...

Berlin Cathedral, Am Lustgarten, 10178 Berlin

Sachsenhausen Memorial

The concentration camp north of Berlin is preserved as a memorial and museum, with the roll call ground, barracks and Station Z...

Straße der Nationen 22, 16515 Oranienburg · 28.9 km N of the centre, outside the map

Hansa Studios

The studio beside the former Wall where David Bowie recorded Heroes and Iggy Pop worked, still in use and open on guided tours.

Köthener Straße 38, 10963 Berlin

Neighbourhoods

Pariser Platz and the government quarter

The Brandenburg Gate (2) closes the west end of Unter den Linden on Pariser Platz, a few minutes on foot from the glass dome of the Reichstag (3) and the Bundestag buildings along the Spree. The Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe fills a whole block just south of the gate.

Alexanderplatz and the Nikolaiviertel

The TV Tower (8) rises over Alexanderplatz, the square East Berlin rebuilt in the 1960s as its showcase centre. South of it, the Nikolaiviertel recreates the medieval core of the city around the Nikolaikirche.

Tiergarten and Potsdamer Platz

The Kulturforum by Potsdamer Platz holds the Gemäldegalerie (12), with European paintings from the 13th to the 18th century, next to the Philharmonie. The Tiergarten park stretches north and west from there to the Victory Column.

Charlottenburg

Charlottenburg Palace (11), the largest palace in Berlin, stands in its baroque gardens west of the centre. The Kurfürstendamm, the shopping boulevard of former West Berlin, runs about two kilometres to the south.

Bebelplatz

A pane of glass in the paving looks down into a room of empty white shelves, the memorial to the book burning of 1933.

Bebelplatz, 10117 Berlin

Berlin Victory Column

The gilded Victoria stands on a column in the middle of a Tiergarten roundabout, reached through a tunnel and then 285 steps.

Großer Stern 1, 10557 Berlin

Berlin Botanical Garden

One of the largest botanical gardens in the world, with a vast tropical greenhouse.

Königin-Luise-Straße 6-8, 14195 Berlin · 8.4 km SW of the centre, outside the map

Burgermeister

A burger stand in a converted public toilet from 1900, wedged under the elevated U1 tracks at Schlesisches Tor.

Oberbaumstraße 8, 10997 Berlin · 4.4 km SE of the centre, outside the map

Gärten der Welt

Chinese, Japanese, Balinese and Renaissance gardens laid out across a park in Marzahn, with a cable car crossing above them.

Blumberger Damm 44, 12685 Berlin · 12.9 km E of the centre, outside the map

Tempelhof Airport terminal

Guided tours enter the vast 1930s terminal and its hangars, the airport of the Berlin Airlift, standing empty beside the free...

Platz der Luftbrücke 5, 12101 Berlin · 3.7 km S of the centre, outside the map

Nikolaiviertel

East Germany rebuilt Berlin's medieval core around the Nikolaikirche for the city's 750th anniversary, mixing salvaged facades...

Nikolaikirchplatz, 10178 Berlin

Badeschiff

A swimming pool built into an old cargo barge and moored in the Spree, so bathers swim in the river without swimming in it.

Eichenstraße 4, 12435 Berlin · 5.2 km SE of the centre, outside the map

Museum Island

Five museums share the island in the Spree, among them the Bode Museum (4), the Neues Museum (5) and the Alte Nationalgalerie (6); UNESCO listed the ensemble in 1999. Berlin Cathedral (7) faces the Lustgarten at the southern end of the island, beside the rebuilt palace that houses the Humboldt Forum.

Friedrichstadt and Gendarmenmarkt

Checkpoint Charlie (1) marks the old Allied crossing on Friedrichstraße, with the Topography of Terror and a surviving stretch of the Wall on Niederkirchnerstraße a few minutes west. Further north, Gendarmenmarkt sets the Konzerthaus between the French and German churches.

Friedrichshain and Kreuzberg

The East Side Gallery (9) runs for more than a kilometre along the Spree on Mühlenstraße, a stretch of the Wall painted by artists in 1990. At its southern end, the Oberbaum Bridge (10) carries the U-Bahn on its upper deck across the river to Kreuzberg.