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Our new leisure map is available from the municipal Geodata Centre in the Barmen town hall and local bookshops.
A portrait of the city in figures

- In 1527 Barmen and Elberfeld secure a monopoly in yarn bleaching. The textile and garment industry begins to develop.
- Kaiser Wilhelm II inaugurates the suspension line in 1900.
- The city of Wuppertal is officially incorporated in 1929, bringing together the towns Barmen and Elberfeld on the Wupper, as well as nearby communities.
- In 1972 the major city in the Grand Duchy of Berg region opens its own university.
- Today Wuppertal is home to around 360,000 people and has two city centres: Elberfeld and Barmen.
- Approx. 50% of the city’s total area of 16,800 hectares is dedicated to agriculture, gardens, parks and forests. There are 490 km of hiking trails.
- The Wupper runs 34 km through the valley, falling 95 m.
- With around 4,500 architectural monuments, the city is steeped in history.
- The rising and falling paths through the city include 496 stairways with a total of 8,723 steps.
- The 13.3 km-long suspension line transports approx. 75,000 passengers daily – soaring 12 m above the Wupper and 8 m above street level.
- Over the course of the suspension line’s 100-year history, more than 1.5 billion people have had the pleasure of soaring over the Wupper river valley.
- During the 35-minute trip, passengers can get on and off the suspension line at 20 stations ranging in style from art nouveau to high-tech.
- The Von der Heydt Museum shows works of around 1,600 artists in its 7,000 square meters of exhibition space.
- The city’s zoo, one of Germany’s finest, is home to 4,500 animals and approx. 450 species.
- The stadium near the zoo offers seating to more than 23,000 sports fans.
- There are 13 public swimming pools in Wuppertal.
- In 2006, 368,586 visitors stayed in 2,669 beds at 35 hotels, 3 seminar centres, 1 youth hostel and 1 rehabilitation centre.
Sights to see

- Public art (a selection):
  - 01 [E] Johannisberg Sculpture Park
  - 04 [E] Tony Cragg: “Wupper” (next to the Rathaus Galerie shopping centre)
  - 06 [E] Jubilee fountain, Neumarkt
  - 08 [E] Ulle Hees: traditional Wuppertal figures “Zuckerfritz” and “Mina Knallenfalls” (pedestrian zone, Elberfeld)
  - 10 [E] Guillaume Bijl: “Ein neuer erfolgreicher Tag” (‘A successful day’, corner of Herzogstraße/Neumarktstraße, as of summer ‘08)
  - 12 [B] Bert Gerresheim: fountain (Johannes-Rau-Platz)

- Memorial of Kemna concentration camp The Kemna concentration camp was built between Beyenburg and Oberbarmen in 1933. Since 1983 a memorial has served as a reminder of the camp.

  Address. Karl-Ibach-Weg /Beyenburger Straße (bus lines 626, 616)

- Manuelskotten watermill The last functioning watermill-driven knife-grinding workshop within Wuppertal city limits is located in Cronenberg, in the Kaltenbach valley. It is one of the oldest architectural monuments in the Grand Duchy of Berg region (bus line CE 64).
16 [B] **Barmen city hall** Barmen city hall – now the city’s central Rathaus – was inaugurated in 1921. The palatial building in the city centre is surrounded by shopping malls. Johannes Rau Square in front of the Rathaus is alive with inviting outdoor cafés and restaurants.

**Address.** Johannes-Rau-Platz 1 (SUS Alter Markt)

17 [R] **Lüntenbeck castle** Idyllically situated in the lush green between Vohwinkel and Sonnborn, Schloss Lüntenbeck now houses offices and shops, while also offering space to many of the city’s culture and arts events (bus line 629). [Internet.](http://www.schloss-luentenbeck.de)

18 [R] **The suspension line** Since it began running in 1901, Wuppertal’s internationally famous and unique suspended monorail has been an indispensable means of transport and a technological feat. And thanks to the Kaiservagen, it is now also a historical attraction.

**Internet.** [www.schwebebahn.de](http://www.schwebebahn.de)

19 [C] **Administrative building, Elberfeld** Wilhelm II inaugurated the neo-Gothic sandstone Elberfeld city hall adjacent to the Neumarkt square in 1900. Today the building houses administrative offices.

**Address.** Neumarktstraße 10 (SUS Döppersberg)

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**Museums, from art to history**

20 [R] **Bandwirkermuseum – the museum of ribbon weaving** The museum is dedicated to the history of (early) industrial ribbon weaving.

**Address.** Remscheider Str. 50 (bus lines 670, CE 61, CE 62)

**Telephone.** +49 (0)2 02 / 563-7238

**Open.** Wed. 5 pm – 6 pm
21 [R] **Bandwebermuseum – a ribbon weaver’s workshop**
This museum is a replica of a ribbon weaver’s home workshop.

**Address.** Jung-Stilling-Weg 45, Schulzentrum Süd  
(bus lines 603, 607, 613, 630, 635, 645)  
**Telephone.** +49 (0)2 02 / 5 63-74 42  
**Open.** Thur. 3 pm – 5 pm

22 [R] **Tramway museum**  
More than 30 historic trams are on display in the yard of the Bergisches Straßenbahnmuseum. Rides are offered from May to October on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month.

**Address.** Kohlfurther Brücke 57 (bus line CE 64)  
**Telephone.** +49 (0)2 02 / 47 02 51  
**Open.** Sat. 11 am – 5 pm  
May to October also Sun. 11 am – 5 pm  
**Internet.** www.bmb-wuppertal.de

23 [B] **Bible museum**  
The Bibelmuseum houses a permanent exhibition, ‘From papyrus to microfilms’.

**Address.** Rudolfstraße 135 (bus lines 612, 622, 640)  
**Telephone.** +49 (0)2 02 / 4 96 68 90  
**Internet.** www.bibelwerk-rheinland.de

24 [B] **BKG Studio**  
The Berg Region Art Association (BKG) exhibits works by its members.

**Address.** Geschwister-Scholl-Platz 4 – 6 (SUS Werther Brücke)  
**Telephone.** +49 (0)2 02 / 5 63-65 71  
**Open.** Sat. and Sun. 11 am – 2 pm  
**Internet.** www.bkg.wtal.de
25 [B] **The historic centre** The Museum of Early Industrialisation transports you back into the history of the textile industry, while the late-baroque slate tiled house of the Engels family offers insight into the life and work of social scientist Friedrich Engels.

**Address.** Engelsstr. 10 (SUS Adlerbrücke)

**Telephone.** +49 (0)202 / 5 63-64 98

**Open.** Tue. to Sun. 10 am – 1 pm and 3 pm – 5 pm

**Admission.** € 4.00 | age 7 – 16 € 2.00

**Internet.** www.historisches-zentrum-wuppertal.de

For further information on the history of Wuppertal please contact the regional historic society, Bergischer Geschichtsverein e. V., Abteilung Wuppertal. The association has developed tours through various parts of town that offer an insider’s look at the industrial and social history of Wuppertal (tour map: € 2.00).

**Telephone.** +49 (0)202 / 60 52 78

**Internet.** www.textil-im-wuppertal.kulturserver.de

26 [B] **Children’s museum** Visit the Kindermuseum to see an extraordinary collection of children’s works from all over the world.

**Address.** Beyeröhde 1 (bus lines 608, 604)

**Telephone.** +49 (0)202 / 60 52 78

**Open.** Tue. to Fri. 10 am – 12 noon, Wed. 3 pm – 6 pm

**Internet.** www.bergisches-staedtedreieck.de/kindermuseum

27 [B] **Barmen art gallery** A branch of the Von der Heydt Museum, the Kunsthalle Barmen mounts unusual special shows of contemporary art on a regular basis.
Address. Geschwister-Scholl-Platz 4–6 (SUS Werther Brücke)
Telephone. +49 (0)2 02 / 5 63-65 71
Open. Tue. to Sun. 11 am – 6 pm
Admission. € 3.00 | reduced € 2.00
Internet. www.von-der-heydt-museum.de

28 [C] Timepiece museum The highlight of the Uhrenmuseum’s façade is its spectacular chiming clock. Once inside, you can hear and see how mankind has been measuring time over the past 5,000 years.
Address. Poststraße 11 (SUS Döppersberg)
Telephone. +49 (0)2 02 / 4 93 99-0 and +49 (0)2 02 / 4 93 99-24
Open. Sat. 11 am – 2 pm
Internet. www.wuppertal.de > Kultur & Bildung

29 [R] Museum of anthropology A fascinating collection of religious and utilitarian objects, masks, jewellery, weapons and statues brought back from Africa by missionaries can be seen at the Völkerkundemuseum.
Address. Missionsstr. 9 (bus line 643)
Telephone. +49 (0)2 02 / 8 90 04-8 41
Open. Mon. to Thur. 9 am – 4 pm, Fri. 9 am – 1 pm
first Sat. and last Sun. of each month 2 pm – 5 pm
Admission. € 1.50 | under age 14 free
Internet. www.bergisches-staedtedreieck.de/voelkerkundemuseum

30 [E] Von der Heydt Museum of fine art The Von der Heydt Museum is internationally renowned for its exhibits of important art from the 19th and 20th centuries: Cézanne, Courbet and Degas, Gauguin, Monet and Munch, Paula Modersohn-Becker, Picasso and Rousseau, Spitzweg
and Toulouse-Lautrec. Paintings, sculptures, photography and one of the strongest graphic art collections anywhere are shown from new perspectives again and again. Also world class: special shows mounted to the delight of art lovers on a regular basis.

**Address.** Turmhof 8 (SUS Döppersberg)
**Telephone.** +49 (0)202 / 5 63-6231
**Open.** Tue. and Wed., Fri. to Sun. 11 am – 6 pm, Thur. 11 am – 8 pm
**Admission.** € 3.00 | reduced € 2.00, special shows € 8.00 | reduced € 7.00
**Internet.** [www.von-der-heydt-museum.de](http://www.von-der-heydt-museum.de)

For more information on Wuppertal’s art scene, galleries and artist’s studios, please visit:
**Internet.** [www.wuppertal.de > Kultur & Bildung](http://www.wuppertal.de)

### Music, theatre, dance and more

- **31** [R] *Ribbon weaving works* An old weaving works provides a unique venue for cultural events at the Bandfabrik.
  
  **Address.** Schwelmer Str. 133 (bus lines 604, 608)
  **Telephone.** +49 (0)202 / 69 85 19 33
  **Internet.** [www.bandfabrik-wuppertal.de](http://www.bandfabrik-wuppertal.de)

- **32** [C] *The old synagogue* Lectures, seminars, readings, concerts and exhibitions are held at the Begegnungsstätte Alte Synagoge.
  
  **Address.** Genügsamkeitstraße 5 and 7 (SUS Döppersberg)
  **Telephone.** +49 (0)202 / 5 63-28 43
  **Open.** Tue. to Fri. and Sun. 2 pm – 5 pm
  **Internet.** [www.ns-gedenkstaetten.de/nrw/wuppertal](http://www.ns-gedenkstaetten.de/nrw/wuppertal)
Address. Berliner Straße 88 (SUS Wupperfeld)
Telephone. +49 (0)2 02 /55 03 66
Internet. www.engels-kinokultur.de

34 [E] CinemaxX Wuppertal A multiplex cinema with nine auditoriums.
Address. Bundesallee 250 (SUS Kluse)
Telephone. Tickets: +49 (0)18 05 /24 63 62 99
Programmes: +49 (0)2 02 /49 30 11 81
Internet. www.cinemaxx.de

35 [E] Wuppertal Elberfeld city church An open meeting place with cultural offerings.
Address. Kirchplatz 2 (SUS Döppersberg)
Telephone. +49 (0)2 02 /97 44 08 11

36 [E] Comic theatre The Comödie Wuppertal am Karlsplatz offers comedy and cabaret theatre of the finest order.
Address. Friedrichstr. 30 (SUS Döppersberg)
Telephone. Ticket hotline: +49 (0)2 02 /759 55 00
Internet. www.comoedie-wuppertal.de

37 [E] die börse – a multifaceted culture centre A programme ranging from young people’s theatre to dance parties for seniors can be found at the culture centre die börse.
Address. Wolkenburg 100 (SUS Landgericht, bus lines 628, NE 5)
Telephone. +49 (0)2 02 /24 32 20
Internet. www.dieboerse-wtal.de
Die Färberei (the dyeworks) Die Färberei is a meeting place for disabled and non-disabled people, with an international programme of events.

Address. Stennert 8 (SUS Wupperfeld, bus lines 332, 606, 636, 640, NE 5, NE 8)
Telephone. +49 (0)2 02 / 64 30 64
Internet. www.faerberi.wtal.de

Barmen youth centre and live club Concerts, parties, children’s theatre and more are offered at Haus der Jugend and Live Club Barmen.

Address. Geschwister-Scholl-Platz 4 – 6 (SUS Werther Brücke)
Telephone. +49 (0)2 02 / 5 63·64 44
Internet. www.hdj-online.de | www.lcb-online.de

Rex Theater Since 1887 the Forum Maximum in the Rex Theater has been the place to go for excellent entertainment. The traditional venue remains the first address for cabaret, comedy and concerts to this day.

Address. Kipdorf 29 (SUS Döppersberg)
Telephone. +49 (0)2 02 /4 26 55 45
Internet. www.rex-theater.de

Historische Stadthalle Built in the Wilhelmine style in 1900, the city’s historic guildhall has undergone extensive restoration to become one of Europe’s best-sounding (and most ornate) concert halls. It combines the splendour of the past with state-of-the-art technology.

Address. Johannisberg 40 (SUS Ohligsmühle)
Telephone. +49 (0)2 02 /4 24 58 90
Internet. www.stadthalle.de
42 [8] Immanuelkirche – culture in a church The historic church is a venue for old and new music.
Address. Von-Eynern-Str. 4 (SUS Wupperfeld)
Telephone. +49 (0)2 02 / 64 19 69
Internet. www.immanuelskirche.de

43 [8] The children and youth theatre Great plays and an acting school for young people.
Address. Margaretenstr. 10 (bus line 628)
Telephone. +49 (0)2 02 / 89 9154
Internet. www.kinder-jugendtheater.de

44 [8] Müller’s marionette theatre From fairy tales to the great works of world literature.
Address. Neuenteich 80 (bus lines 623, 612, 622)
Telephone. +49 (0)2 02 /44 77 66
Internet. www.muellersmarionettentheater.de

45 [8] The opera house Opened in 1907, the opera house was designed as a mixture of neo-baroque and art nouveau styles. Following extensive renovation, it will be reopened in January 2009 to serve again as one of two venues for the Pina Bausch Dance Company.
Address. Kurt-Drees-Straße 4 (SUS Adlerbrücke)
Internet. www.wuppertaler-buehnen.de
Wuppertal Symphony Orchestra in the Historische Stadthalle

Art – the place

Jazz double bass player Peter Kowald (1944 – 2002) spent 365 days in this place (‘ort’), working as an artist in residence. During this time he received artists from all over the world, a tradition that is carried on for avant-garde music enthusiasts.

Address: Luisenstr. 116 (SUS Robert-Daum-Platz)
Internet: www.kowald-ort.com

The city theatre

Dance, theatre and opera productions, guest performances, galas and special events, studio and foyer performances, chamber concerts and readings in the boldly modern setting of the Schauspielhaus.

Address: Bundesallee 260 (SUS Kluse)
Internet: www.wuppertaler-buehnen.de

Wuppertal Symphony Orchestra

The Synfonieorchester Wuppertal, headed by Musical Director Toshiyuki Kamioka, is a sought-after guest at concert halls all over the world. The internationally acclaimed orchestra’s wide repertoire includes opera and concert pieces ranging from baroque to modern.

Internet: www.sinfonieorchester-wuppertal.de

Tanztheater Pina Bausch

The world-famous and revolutionary productions of the Pina Bausch Dance Company have been thrilling audiences for decades. Pina Bausch has developed a body language all her own and is considered the world’s most important choreographer in modern dance theatre. An honorary citizen of Wuppertal, she has received a long list of awards over the years.

Internet: www.pina-BAUSCH.de
**50 [R]** TIC Theater  
An energetic ensemble stages comedies, satires, thrillers and rock operas in a small and intimate venue.  
Address.  Borner Str. 1 (bus lines 625, CE 65, NE 7)  
Telephone.  +49 (0)202/472211  
Internet.  www.tic-theater.de

**51 [E]** The multi-purpose hall  
With more than 4,000 seats, the multi-use Unihalle is the city’s largest venue. It offers ample space for events of all kinds – from sports to trade shows and rock concerts.  
Address.  Albert-Einstein-Str. 20 (bus lines 615, 645, 603, NE 15)  
Telephone.  +49 (0)202/563-2673  
Internet.  www.wuppertal.de/unihalle

**52 [R]** Playback theatre  
This brand of lip-synch theatre enjoys a cult following far beyond Wuppertal. The group stages hilarious reenactments of classic radio plays throughout Germany. The artists have also begun to write plays of their own.  
Address.  Norrenbergstr. 108  
Telephone.  +49 (0)202/7977354  
Internet.  www.vollplaybacktheater.de

**Tickets and reservations**

**WSW. 53 [E]** WSW-MobiCenter Elberfeld  
Address.  Turmhof 6 (SUS Döppersberg)  
Telephone.  +49 (0)202/569-4444
Discover at leisure

Fun in the valley

Funfairs are a German staple – in Wuppertal there’s one at Easter, in May and in autumn. But we’re much more than that! Traditional festivals and markets like the Cronenberger Werkzeugkiste (Cronenberg Toolbox), Heckinghauser Bleicherfest (Heckinghausen Bleacher Festival), Johannisberg Mediaeval Market, Ronsdorfer Liefersack (Ronsdorf Peddler’s Sack) or the Market Crier Festival at Johannes-Rau-Platz bring the region’s rich history to life. Music for every taste gets people swinging and rocking at ‘Barmen Live’, the ‘Elberfeld Cocktail’ and the Johannisberg Festival. Neighbourhoods celebrate at the old-town festivals Luisenfest and Ölbergfest. The world’s biggest one-day flea market is the place to go for the greatest deals and bargains. And the whole city celebrates and explores its many sides during ‘Wuppertal 24 Stunden Live’ (Wuppertal 24 Hours Live) as well as at the ‘Lange Tisch’ (Long Table), which is held every five years. The Christmas markets in Elberfeld, Barmen and Schloss Lüntenbeck glow with yuletide spirits. And of course salsa, tango and jazz have a long tradition and a cult following in Wuppertal.

Internet:  www.wuppertal.de
            > Leben in Wuppertal
            > Veranstaltungen online
            www.kulturserver-bergischesland.de
            www.w24live.de
City squares with a Mediterranean flair Wuppertal has numerous charming city squares with inviting outdoor cafés and restaurants. On sunny days, the atmosphere is enchantingly Mediterranean.

**Squares.**  
Alter Markt  
Deweerthscher Garten  
Geschwister-Scholl-Platz  
Johannes-Rau-Platz  
Karlsplatz  
Kerstenplatz  
Kirchplatz  
Laurentiusplatz  
Von-der-Heydt-Platz

**Luisenviertel, the old town** There is more to the old town centre of Elberfeld than its beautiful art nouveau façades. A lively pub scene and a world of interesting boutiques to browse and shop at keep people coming back. The area around Laurentiusplatz and Luisenstraße is home to numerous restaurants with an elegant ambience.

Next door to the historic quarter, at the beginning of the pedestrian zone, many cafés have sprung up, livening up the area with Mediterranean-style outdoor seating in summer.

**Address.**  
Luisenstraße, Laurentiusplatz, Herzogstraße  
(SUS Ohligsmühle)

Restaurants and pubs are scattered all over the city, some offering entertainment. The club scene draws revellers from far and wide.

**Internet.**  
[www.wuppertal.de](http://www.wuppertal.de) > Leben in Wuppertal
Recreation and sports

\[56\] Bergische Sonne spa Bergische Sonne is an adventure pool with Caribbean flair and a multifaceted sauna landscape.
Address. Lichtscheider Str. 90 (bus lines CE 62, 620, 630, NE 6)
Telephone. +49 (0)202 / 55 3605
Internet. www.bergische-sonne.de

\[57\] Golf
Bergisch Land golf club One of Germany’s top golf clubs, Bergisch Land features an 18-hole course that ranks among the country’s most demanding.
Address. Siebeneickerstraße 386
Telephone. +49 (0)2053 / 70 77
Internet. www.golfclub-bergischland.de

\[58\] Juliana golf club The Juliana golf club is known for the beauty of its landscape. Together with the neighbouring Felderbachtal Club, it offers a 36-hole course.
Address. Gut Frielinghausen, 45549 Sprockhövel
Telephone. +49 (0)202 / 64 9630
Internet. www.golfclub-juliana.de

\[59\] Nützenberg high ropes park An adventure course for daring climbers. By request only.
Address. Nützenbergpark, Elberfeld-West (bus lines 619, 629)
Telephone. +49 (0)202 / 63 26 46
Internet. www.natur-hochseilgarten-wuppertal.de
**Indoor football and skating rink**

Address: Vohwinkeler Str. 115 (bus line 784)

Telephone: +49 (0)2 02 / 283 69-0

Internet: www.hako-sport.de

**‘opera house’ pool** One of Wuppertal’s 11 public pools (four of which are outdoors). This architecturally unique facility is currently undergoing restoration.

Telephone: +49 (0)2 02 / 563-68 28 or +49 (0)2 02 / 70 92 04

Internet: www.wuppertal.de

**Sports and leisure centre** Tennis, badminton, bowling and more.

Address: Dönberger Str. 70 (bus lines 625, 627, 637, CE 65, NE 3)

Telephone: +49 (0)2 02 / 70 50 55

Internet: www.rainbow-park.de

**Zoo stadium** More than 23,000 fans can watch football matches here.

Address: Hubertusallee 4 (SUS Zoo)

Telephone: +49 (0)2 02 / 563-22 77

Internet: www.wuppertalsv.com

**Wicked Woods** The large arena offers a range of indoor sports facilities for skaters, inline skaters, bikers and parkour runners.

Address: Schwesterstraße 60a (bus lines 612, 622, NE 4)

Telephone: +49 (0)2 02 / 459 78 93-95

Internet: www.wickedwoods.de
**Climbing walls** Find walls and other facilities for all climbing skill levels at Wupperwände ('Wupper Walls').

**Address.** Badische Str. 76 (bus lines 602, 604, 606, 616, 626, NE 5)

**Telephone.** +49 (0)202/2503958

**Internet.** www.wupperwaende.de

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**Barmen historical gardens** Visitors to Barmer Anlagen park, which dates back to the 19th century, can walk ten-kilometer trails that lead past ponds, woods, architectural and natural monuments. Paths connect the Barmen forest, Toelleturm and Vorwerkpark.

**Address.** Park access: Lünsstraße | Untere Lichtenplätzer Straße | An der Bergbahn | Toelleturm (bus lines 640, 644, 646)

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**Museum railway** Rides on historic trains to exciting destinations are available from April to October, on the second and fourth Sunday of each month.

**Address.** Kohlfurther Brücke 57 (bus line CE 64)

**Telephone.** +49 (0)202/4781638

**Internet.** www.bergischer-ring.de

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**Beyenburg and its lake** The most easterly section of Wupperthal, this is a ‘village’ of slate-roofed buildings in the typical Romantic style of the Berg region – directly on a lake, surrounded by woods and meadows.

**Address.** Wuppertal Beyenburg (bus lines 626, 616, 669, NE 8)

**Internet.** www.beyenburger.de
Botanical garden

The ‘Hardtanlage’ features botanical gardens and offers recreation in nature right in the middle of the city. Expansive lawns, majestic old trees and greenhouse gardens that are as beautiful as they are educational invite visitors to stroll and explore. The café in the Orangerie next to the Elisenturm tower and the beer garden are popular spots for a rest.

Address.  
Elisenhöhe 1 (bus line 643)
Telephone.  +49 (0)2 02 /5 63-42 07
Open.  7:30 am – 7 pm in summer
7:30 am – 4:30 pm in winter

Arboretum

The Burgholz Arboretum, covering a surface of around 250 hectares in the west of Wuppertal, is home to more than 100 different conifer and deciduous tree varieties from three continents.

Address.  Waldpädagogisches Zentrum, Friedensstraße 69
Park access: Amboßstraße (bus lines CE 64, CE 65, 633, 625) | Obere Rutenbeck | Am Burgholz (bus lines 633, 645)
Telephone.  +49 (0)2 02 /2 47 82 16
Internet.  www.arboretum.nrw.de

Gelpe valley

The Gelpe river snakes through a huge landscape conservation area. Alongside it, an historic trail dedicated to the region’s industrial heyday leads past ponds and remnants of water-driven forges.

Address.  Park access: Talsperrenstraße | Lichtscheid |
In der Gelpe | Zillertaler Straße (bus lines 630, 633)
North Park

The hilly Nordpark has meadows, woods and a fallow deer park.

Address: Park access: Mallack | Märkische Straße (bus lines 612, 622)

Nützenberg

This expansive forest park is located in the middle of Elberfeld and has an adventure playground as well as a natural climbing area.

Address: Elberfeld-West (bus lines 619, 629)

Ronsdorf dam

Walking paths surrounding the dam include a forest adventure trail.

Internet: www.wupperverband.de

Old railway line

The curving ‘Samba-Trasse’ offers exciting routes for cycling, walking and exploring, complete with historical information. The nature trail on the age-old train line extends ten km from Elberfeld to the city zoo and on to Cronenberg. Nordic walking, mountain-biking. Suitable for wheelchairs.

Address: Access to tracks: Zoo (Hindenburgstraße and Selmarweg) | Cronenberg (old terminus)

The trail passes a heated outdoor pool at Neuenhof and the Burgholz Arboretum.
**76** Nature and environment station In line with its motto “Get a grasp of nature”, the seven-hectare nature study area ‘Station Natur und Umwelt’ offers a multifaceted environmental educational programme.

**Address.** Cronenberger Straße 375a (bus lines 603, 602, 625, 630, 635, 645, CE 64, CE 65)

**Telephone.** +49 (0)202 /5 63-62 91

**Internet.** www.stnu.de

**77** Vorwerkpark In May, a wide variety of Rhododendra bloom in the 100 year-old Vorwerkpark.

**Address.** Adolf-Vorwerk-Straße 33 (bus lines 640, 646)

**78** City zoo The new lion enclosure looks like a steppe landscape in Africa, and the new environments for penguins, gorillas and orangutans are no less close to nature. Thanks to its beautiful landscaping and old trees, the Wuppertal zoo is one of the finest in Germany.

**Address.** Hubertusallee 30 (SUS Zoo)

**Telephone.** +49 (0)202 /5 63-56 66

**Open.** Summer 8:30 am – 6 pm
Winter 8:30 am – 5 pm

**Admission.** Day ticket € 8.00, children € 4.00
Families (2 adults, 3 children) € 22.00

**Internet.** www.zoo-wuppertal.de
Nearby:

79 Müngsten bridge park Where the city limits of Wuppertal and Solingen meet, a peaceful culture and landscape park has grown up around Germany’s tallest steel bridge. The century-old structure spans the Wupper valley in a breathtaking arc – a compelling symbol of the famed industrial achievements in the history of the Berg region.
Address. Münstener Brückenweg 71, Solingen
Internet. www.solingen.de

80 Burg castle Schloss Burg is one of the largest fortifications in western Germany and home to the Schloss Burg Museum. It offers insight into mediaeval history and culture as well as into life in the Berg region over the centuries.
Address. Schlossplatz 2, Solingen
Telephone. +49 (0)212/24 22-626
Internet. www.schlossburg.de

Shopping in Wuppertal

Elberfeld pedestrian zone This lively shopping strip extends between Döppersberg, Neumarktstraße and Herzogstraße. The City Arkaden at Döppersberg offer some 80 shops, boutiques and restaurants, while the Rathaus Galerie groups around 60 businesses under a single roof at Willy-Brandt-Platz (SUS Döppersberg, Ohligsmühle).
Bremen pedestrian zone A wide variety of specialised shops as well as the Galerie Alter Markt shopping centre, with 10,000 square metres of sales floors (SUS Alter Markt, Werther Brücke).

Farmer’s markets Numerous and diverse stands offer produce, meat and cheese, much of it organically grown, fresh from the farm.

Markets  Neumarkt: Mon. to Sat.
          Laurentiusplatz: Tue. and Thu.
          Otto-Böhne-Platz: 2nd and 4th Fri. of each month
          Lienhardtplatz: Tue. and Sat.
          Bremen (Rathaus parking lot): Tue., Fri. and Sat.
          Berliner Platz: Wed.

Internet  www.bauern-in-wuppertal.de
          www.wuppertaler-wochenmaerkte.de

Parking  Elberfeld’s parking guidance system informs drivers on the current availability of the approximately 4,000 inner-city parking spaces. Additional signage provides directions to around 1,000 parking spaces without indication of occupancy. In Bremen, a parking guidance system with 40 continuously updated signs points the way to about 1,400 public places to park. Simple signs direct drivers to around 500 more parking spaces. Park+Ride options are available at the Vohwinkel city train station and at Berliner Platz in Bremen.
Where to stay or to convene

41 [E] A refined atmosphere for meetings For conferences and events in high style, the Historische Stadthalle offers seven auditoriums in an elegant and time-honoured setting combined with state-of-the-art communications and presentation technology.

Telephone. +49 (0)202/24 58 90
Internet. www.stadthalle.de

Hotels More than 2,000 beds are available at 35 hotels in categories ranging from standard to first class. You can stay right in the city or in a rural area nearby, surrounded by green – the choice is yours. We would be glad to make hotel arrangements for you, free of charge. Simply call to receive our list of hotels, or look at the range of accommodations on the Web.

Telephone. +49 (0)202/194 33 | +49 (0)202/5 63-22 70 or 21 80
Internet. www.wuppertal.de > Tourismus & Stadtinfo > Übernachten & Tagen

81 [B] Youth hostel
Address. Obere Lichtenplatzer Str. 70
Telephone. +49 (0)202/55 23 72
Internet. www.jugendherberge.de/jh/rheinland/wuppertal

Caravan parking sites

82 [R] City parking lot with automated ticket dispensers. The suspension line stations Zoo/Stadion and Sonnborn are nearby.
Address: Kluse station
Telephone: +49 (0)202/569-6901
Fees:
- 6 hrs € 2.00
- 12 hrs € 4.00
- 18 hrs € 6.00

**Bergische Sonne spa**
A fun recreation pool with a sauna and sporting club. Visit the Gelpe valley and the historic water-driven forge Käshammer. Bus connections to central Barmen and Elberfeld.

Address: Lichtscheider Str. 90
Telephone: +49 (0)202/553605
Internet: www.bergische-sonne.de

**Zum alten Kuhstall – The Old Cattle Barn**
Restaurant, hiking, City Zoo, Zoo Stadium, suspension line station: Zoo

Address: Boettingerweg 3
Telephone: +49 (0)202/74064
Internet: www.zum-alten-kuhstall.de

**Travel connections**

- **Operating hours, Wuppertal public transport**
  - Suspension line: 5:30 am – 11 pm
  - Night Express bus lines from 1:30 am

- **Schedule and fare information**
  Telephone: +49 (0)202/569-5200

**WSW-MobiCenter Elberfeld**
Address: Turmhof 6
WSW-MobiCenter Barmen

Address. Werth 22

Taxi dispatch centre
Telephone. +49 (0)202 /27545100
Internet. www.taxi-wuppertal.de

Long-distance travel
German Rail schedules:
Telephone. +49 (0)800/150 70 90
Internet. www.bahn.de
www.reiseauskunft.bahn.de

Tickets and reservations:
Address. DB Travel Centre at Wuppertal-Elberfeld main station

Motorway connections
A 46 to Düsseldorf
A 46 to Dortmund
A 44 to Münster and to Bremen
A 1 to Köln and Dortmund

Air travel
Düsseldorf International Airport, distance approx. 45 km
Telephone. +49 (0)211/42 10
Cologne Bonn Airport, distance approx. 60 km
Telephone. +49 (0)2203/4 00
Dortmund Airport, distance approx. 50 km
Telephone. +49 (0)231/92 13-01
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The Wuppertal shop: practical, fun or fashionable – for Wuppertal souvenirs and gift items, please visit us at:

Internet. www.wuppertalshop.de

Wuppertal KulTour

Wuppertal has a lot to offer. Weekend holidays for connoisseurs. Plan your weekend packed with culture, suspension line rides and much more.

Internet. www.wuppertal-kultour.de

We would be glad to help you plan – simply give us a call!

Wuppertal for inquiring minds

Theme tours on foot give you fascinating insights into historic town centres, monuments of early industrialisation and the lifestyle of the grand bourgeois. Ask for our pamphlet “neugierig – keiner wie wir” (curious – like no place else).

Internet. www.wuppertal.de

Like in the time of the Kaiser

At the inauguration of the suspension line in 1900, Emperor Wilhelm II was the first to get a ride in Wuppertal’s soaring salon high above the Wupper valley. City guides dressed in period costumes serve up culinary treats and historical insights in a nostalgic atmosphere. Ask for our brochure “schwebend – keiner wie wir” (soaring – like no place else).

Internet. www.kaiserwagen.de