



Did you know that...

... Baden-Baden is a town of superlatives?

... Baden-Baden is home to the oldest and largest casino in Germany? According to actress Marlene Dietrich it is "the most beautiful casino in the world". Baden-Baden also possesses Germany's first tennis club, which was founded in 1881.

... Baden-Baden is home to Europe's second largest opera house? The Festival Hall Baden-Baden has a seating capacity of 2,500 and hosts over 300 performances per year.

... the Baden-Baden Philharmonic Orchestra is one of Germany's oldest orchestras? Placido Domingo often accompanies it at numerous open-air concerts worldwide.

... between 1860 and 1862, the architects Dérchy, Couteau and Lang built the "Theater Baden-Baden" along the lines of the Paris Opera? It ranks among Germany's best theatres.

... the multi-award winning avenue "Lichtentaler Allee", which has played a major part in the town's history, is more than 360 years old? This 40 hectares big "green oasis" stretches for over 3.5 km through the heart of the town and accommodates 300 species of trees and shrubs.

... the renowned American architect Richard Meier built the Museum Frieder Burda, located in the middle of the "Lichtentaler Allee"? The Museum Frieder Burda is a symbiosis of modern and contemporary art. On display are a private collection of 550 paintings and sculptures and exclusive guest exhibitions of international artists.

... in Baden-Baden 800,000 litres of healthy, 68°C hot, curative water rise daily from 12 thermal springs?

... the Caracalla Spa is said to be one of the most beautiful thermal baths in Europe with 900 sqm of thermal water pools?

... more than 2,000 years ago, the Romans were the first to build baths in Baden-Baden? The ruins can still be visited today below the "Friedrichsbad", which houses the Roman-Irish bath.

... the "Friedrichsbad" in Baden-Baden is the only Roman-Irish bath in Europe? It is a combination of thermal water (= Roman) and cold water (= Irish).

*How do you say
»lifestyle«
in German?*



BADEN-BADEN
The good-good life.

... the International Horse Races in Baden-Baden are among the most prestigious meetings in the world? Three times a year Baden-Baden is the meeting point of the international turf elite hosting the “Spring Meeting”, the “Great Festival Week” and the “Sales & Racing Festival”.

... the Südwestrundfunk (SWR) Broadcasting House has its headquarters in Baden-Baden? It is the second largest television company within the ARD broadcasting organisation and Baden-Baden’s largest employer.

... one of Europe’s steepest funicular railways transports around 162,000 guests each year to the top of Baden-Baden’s scenic landmark, the Mercury Mountain? It is 668 m high and has an incline of 54 %.

... the Battert Rock is one of the best climbing centres in Germany? 568 m high, featuring all alpine grades of difficulty.

... Baden-Baden possesses the largest percentage of woodland of any German town? 61 % of its entire area is forested (8.6 hectares).

... Germany’s prettiest walking trail (awarded by the German Tourist Board in 2004) encircles the town of Baden-Baden and has a length of 40 km? Altogether, the hiking trails in Baden-Baden and its region have a length of more than 500 km.

... Baden-Baden possesses the third-largest self-contained viticulture and wine enjoyment regions?

... the owner of the castle “Schloss Neuweier” received a written legal confirmation allowing the bottling of Baden-Baden wine in the round-shaped “Bocksbeutel” bottle in 1785? This is the only exception made to a wine region outside the German wine district of Franken (Bavaria).

... the “Altes Schloss” (old castle) in Baden-Baden was the first ancestral home of the Margraves of Baden? Today, its romantic backdrop is used, among other things, for philharmonic concerts.

... for more than 760 years, Cistercian nuns have continuously occupied the Abbey Lichtenthal?

... the visitor’s tax has already been established in 1507 in Baden-Baden? Today, it amounts to EUR 3.80 per night and person and with this, it is the highest health resort tax on visitors throughout Germany.



... in 2017, the notorious conference “G20” was held at the Kurhaus Baden-Baden? Around 540 delegates, consisting of central bank governors and finance ministers, were talking about future political events in favor of global concerns.

... the only remaining German dwelling of the grand composer Johannes Brahms can be found in Baden-Baden? Brahms lived in the “Brahmshaus” from 1865 to 1874. Today, it is a memorial to Brahms and open to the public.

... the Russian national anthem was written in Baden-Baden? Vasilij Andreevic Zhukowskij, a Russian poet and author, has lived in Baden-Baden until his death in 1852. During that time, he wrote the text for the Russian national anthem.

... Baden-Baden possessed Germany’s first cigarette factory? The “Batschari” company produced more than 3,000,000 cigarettes every day.

... one of the first golf courses in Germany, the “Golf Club Baden-Baden” was founded in 1893 in Baden-Baden? Today, six golf clubs make up the “Golf Region Baden-Alsace”.

... in 1931, the town of Baden-Baden was officially given its double name? It is a short form for “Baden in Baden” which stands for “Baden the city in the state of Baden”.

... the town escaped destruction in both World Wars? After World War II, Baden-Baden became the headquarter of the French forces in Germany. Today, more than 1000 buildings are under a preservation order.

... the best beer in Brazil is called “Baden-Baden”? In Campos do Jordão, the highest city in Brazil and located in the state of São Paulo, eleven different types of beer are brewed according to the German purity law whereby only hops, malt, water and yeast are permitted to be added in the brewing process.