

A glance on the swabian history

Excursions in Stuttgart and the surrounding area

Not all websites are available in English

The following museums provide an overview of the history of Baden-Württemberg

Landesmuseum Stuttgart

<https://www.landmuseum-stuttgart.de/en/visit/visitor-information>

Haus der Geschichte Baden-Württemberg

<https://www.hdgbw.de/english/>



The Jurassic Sea

Fossils from the Posidonia slate of the prehistoric times 180 million years ago. Museum and stone pit to search and find in Holzmaden.

Urwelt-Museum Hauff and stone quarry

<https://www.urweltmuseum.de/>



Excursion to the Stone Age

Where art originated

Works of art from the Stone Age 40,000 years ago: Venus from the Hohle Fels, the male lion and flutes made of mammoth ivory. The UNESCO World Heritage can be seen at:

Landesmuseum Stuttgart

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UMRU – Urgeschichtliches Museum in Blaubeuren

<https://www.urmu.de/de/Museum-Steinzeithoehlen>

MUT – Museum der Universität Tübingen

<https://www.unimuseum.uni-tuebingen.de/en/>

The Celts in the Southwest

The Prince of Hochdorf

2500 years ago, a Celtic prince is buried in a large wooden chamber. His wealth and prestige are shown by the glittering grave goods that follow him into the grave. Soon a mighty mound, visible from afar, rises above his burial place.

Keltenmuseum Hochdorf / Enz

Museum near the excavation mound with replica

<https://www.keltenmuseum.de/>

The originals can be found in the **Landesmuseum Stuttgart**

<https://www.landmuseum-stuttgart.de/en/visit/visitor-information>



Heidegraben in Erkenbrechtsweiler

Hiking trail with information stations on Celtic life

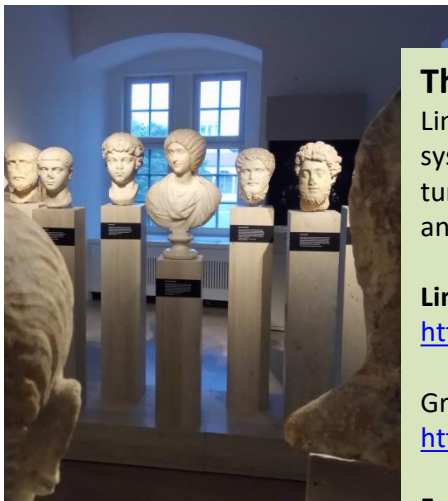
<https://www.grabenstetten.de/freizeit-tourismus/sehenswuerdigkeiten/heidengraben>

Large Celtic city on the Danube

Pyrene was the name given by the Greek historian Herodotus in the 5th century BC to a large Celtic city, which is said to have been located at the source of the Danube. On the Heueburg is its archaeological site. With mighty ramparts and large burial mounds, life in the Celtic period can be traced here.

Open-air museum Heuneburg

<https://museen.de/freilichtmuseum-heuneburg-herbertingen.html>



The Roman Limes

Limes refers to the border ramparts or military border protection systems built by the Roman Empire from the 1st to the 6th century AD. A limes also ran directly through Baden-Württemberg and is still visible in many places.

Limesmuseum Aalen with an insight into the world of the Romans

<https://www.limesmuseum.de/>

Grenaro – **Roman fort in Köngen**

<https://www.museum-koengen.de/de/startseite>

Fort in Welzheim an archaeological park

<https://www.schwaebischerwald.com/kultur-erleben/welterbe-limes/ostkastell-welzheim>

Middle Ages - Monasteries and Minsters

Bebenhausen Monastery and Palace (near Tübingen)

A Cistercian monastery and a retreat of the last king of Württemberg

<https://www.kloster-bebenhausen.de/en/>

Maulbronn Monastery - UNSECO World Heritage Site

Hermann Hesse describes the monastery in his novel "Beneath the Wheel".

<https://www.kloster-maulbronn.de/en/>

Schwäbisch Gmünd Cathedral

The cathedral in late Gothic style is one of the great church buildings in the southwest, along with Ulm Cathedral and Freiburg Cathedral.

<https://www.tourismus-bw.de/attraktionen/heilig-kreuz-muenster-9e5cd28a4e>



Baroque and Classicism

Ludwigsburg Palace - In the middle of the city lies the residential palace with baroque park
Guided tours through the royal chambers
<https://www.schloss-ludwigsburg.de/en/>

Schloss Solitude Invites you to take a walk
Only open for guided tours
<https://www.schloss-solitude.de/en/>

Burial chapel on the Württemberg
King Wilhelm had the temple-like burial chapel built on the Württemberg for his wife Queen Katharina - a classicist building full of grace and beauty.
<https://www.grabkapelle-rotenberg.de/en/>



Schiller Birthplace and National Museum in Marbach am Neckar
German Museum of Modern Literature
<https://www.dla-marbach.de/en/museums/schiller-national-museum/>



Romanticism

Many historical buildings were rediscovered during the Romantic period. After the success of the novel "Lichtenstein" by Eduard Mörike, the castle was rebuilt.

Palace Lichtenstein
<https://www.schloss-lichtenstein.de/en/>

Castle Hohenzollern
The ancestral castle and burial place of the Prussian emperors
<https://www.burg-hohenzollern.com/startpage.html>

Industrialization

The birthplace of automotive driving and many technical inventions. The following museums provide insights into the industrialization of the Stuttgart region:

Mercedes-Benz Museum Stuttgart
<https://www.mercedes-benz.com/en/art-and-culture/museum/>

Porsche Museum
<https://www.porsche.com/international/aboutporsche/porsche-museum/>

Technoseum in Mannheim
<https://www.technoseum.de/>





Agriculture and life in the countryside

Farmhouses and craftsmen's houses from different villages were moved to the **open-air museum in Beuren**. They tell about life and work in the countryside in the 17th - 20th centuries.

<https://www.freilichtmuseum-beuren.de/ihr-besuch/kurzportraet-fremdsprachen/welcome/>

The twenties

The Weissenhofsiedlung

The buildings of the 1927 exhibition of the Deutscher Werkbund are still partly preserved. UNESCO World Heritage Site

Museum in the Le Corbusier House

<https://weissenhofmuseum.de/en/>



War and dictatorship

Memorial Hotel Silber - Gestapo Headquarters in Stuttgart

<https://www.geschichtsort-hotel-silber.de/>

Stauffenberg-Memorial

Small museum in the Old Castle on the life of Claus Schenk Graf von Stauffenberg

<https://www.gedenkstaetten-bw.de/gst/stuttgart-stauffenberg>

Birkenkopf - With the rubble of the city of Stuttgart destroyed in the war, the mountain was filled up by 40 meters, lookout point and memorial place

<https://www.stuttgart.de/tourismus/sehenswuerdigkeiten/birkenkopf.php>



New Democracy

Haus der Geschichte Stuttgart

The exhibition shows the path of the Southwest from Napoleon to today. The state histories tell of the birth of the Southwest state as well as of the human chain in the Cold War or the founding of the party "The Greens".

<https://www.hdgbw.de/english/>

Museum of Everyday Culture in Waldenbuch Castle

The museum shows the development of our domestic environment and invites you to take a tour through the home furnishings of the last 150 years.

<https://www.museum-der-alltagskultur.de/>

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