



From its most beautiful side

# MÜLHEIM AN DER RUHR



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sightseeing

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# Come and visit us!

Mülheim an der Ruhr is one of the smallest cities in the Ruhr region, but it has a very big – and very green – heart. The Ruhr flows right through the centre of the city and is one of the main reasons to come visit and enjoy the vibrant, urbane charms of the river banks and our “go with the flow” approach to life.

The city is also the perfect base from which to explore the region. Whether you're on a business trip to the Essen or Düsseldorf trade fairs, or you want to enjoy the many leisure activities the area has to offer, Mülheim should be your first choice!





A warm welcome  
to a stunning region!









# On the Water





## The White Fleet (Weiße Flotte)

No visit to Mülheim would be complete without enjoying the classic boat trip from the Water Station to Essen-Kettwig through the beautiful Ruhr valley. The White Fleet operates regular services both up and down the River Ruhr from April to October. Are you looking for even more choice?

On the website you will find all offers from the Weiße Flotte Mülheim.

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# Where the White Fleet stops along the Ruhr



## Viking Ship (Wikingerschiff)

Fancy an active, nature-focused and environmentally friendly adventure on the Ruhr? Then take the helm of the Viking longboat "MüWi".

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## Water Station & Lock Island (Wasserbahnhof & Schleuseninsel)

The Water Station is located on the picturesque Lock Island. The boats of the White Fleet depart from here for their “must-do” trips to Essen-Kettwig. The 1920s station building resembles one of these river boats and has long been a popular Mülheim meeting point. The Summer beer garden offer the perfect excuse to linger for a while and enjoy the views.

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## City Harbour & Ruhr Promenade (Stadthafen & Ruhrpromenade)

Mülheim's City Harbour offers tourists, boat skippers and canoeists the chance to relax on dry land.

The City Harbour connects the River Ruhr to the city centre with its many sights.

Meanwhile, the restaurants and café found on the Ruhr Promenade invite you to stop and spend some time relaxing while looking out over the river.



## Canoes & Co.

Take the time to explore the Ruhr valley and its stunning greenery and scenery with a slow trip down the river. Pedal boats, canoes, Escargot canal boats and more are all available for hire.



# Nature & Activities



They line up like pearls on a necklace and are true sights in Mülheim. Places that talk about industrial history, culture and Telling nature. A total of 26 of these pearls are on a 50-kilometre exploration tour through the Ruhr Valley. You can stress-free and active, on foot or explore by bike.

## There is a lot to discover and this is how it works:

- 1 App free of charge download
- 2 Allow location access
- 3 Select route
- 4 Select first destination
- 5 Let's go to the first destination!

In addition to detailed information about each pearl, the app offers you an Audio guide and a quiz.

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## Cycling

One of the most popular activities among visitors to Mülheim and the Ruhr region is cycling.

Exploring the industrial heritage and the unique scenery of the region on two wheels is very easy. There are a number of different routes, most following old railways lines and so free from traffic.

The 240 km Ruhr Valley Cycleroute (“RuhrtalRadweg”) from Winterberg to Duisburg offers the ultimate Ruhr cycling experience, though many shorter routes can also be enjoyed. Learn more at:

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RuhrtalRadweg:



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## Activities

Aim high on the via ferrata in MüGa-Park. Suitable for children and adults, and for beginners or experienced climbers, it's guaranteed to get your adrenaline pumping. Join us as we explore Mülheim an der Ruhr. Get to know the city on a guided tour that is as informative as it is exciting.

Discover Mülheim's green side on one of the many and varied hiking paths. We can show you the best routes through the city's natural surroundings. All you need to do is put on your hiking boots and off you go!







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## Witthausbusch

The Witthausbusch recreation space was created by Mülheim's "Embellishment Society" back in 1890. They cared for this park as well as many other green spaces throughout the city. Thanks to their hard work, the Witthausbusch Park now has playgrounds, hiking paths and lawns. It's also home to the Arche Park petting zoo, with its rare breeds of domestic animals.







Photos: RWW Rheinisch-Westfälische Wasserwerksgesellschaft mbH (t. l.), Anna Meurer (t. r.), PR Fotografie Köhring (b.)

## Ruhr Nature House (Haus Ruhrnatur)

The Ruhr Nature House is an experimental museum that celebrates the rich flora and fauna of the Ruhr Valley. It also explores the theme of renewable energy through a number of interactive exhibits. The museum engages all five senses and is perfect for explorers of all ages.



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## Public outdoor swimming area (Naturbad Styrum)

From May to September, the natural, open air swimming bath in Styrum invites you to cool down on a hot summer's day. The water is completely fresh and natural, without any added chlorine.

There's a large water chute to add to the excitement or, if you prefer something a little more relaxing, the small beaches around the pool help add to the summer holiday vibe.

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## Swimming in the Ruhr

What's better than diving into some cool water on a hot day? Finally, you can do just that in our own River Ruhr. At the Ruhr Beach in Mülheim-Saarn, you can enjoy a picnic, soak up the sun and take a refreshing dip in the new bathing area.

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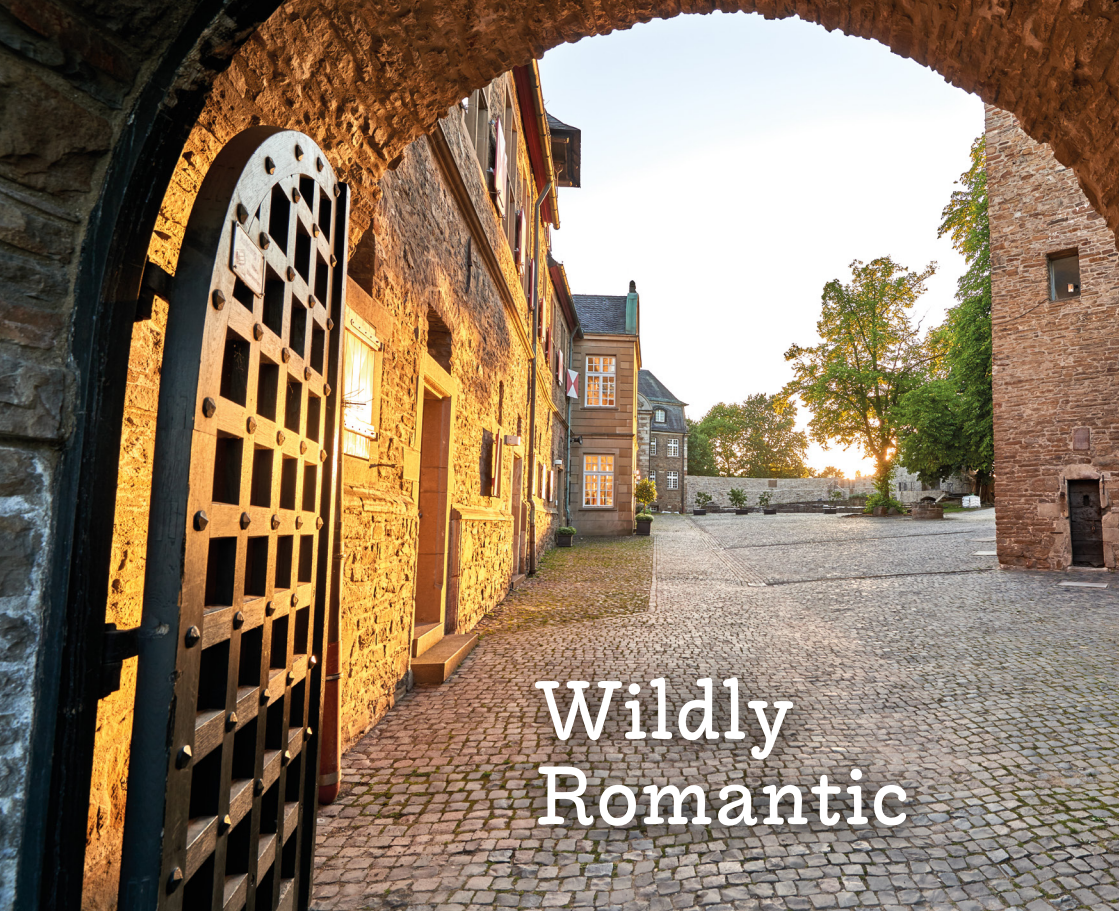
### What you need to know:

- 1** Open from mid-May to early September
- 2** Bathing area: 45 x 10 m
- 3** Not-suitable for non-swimmers. Lifeguards on duty at certain times

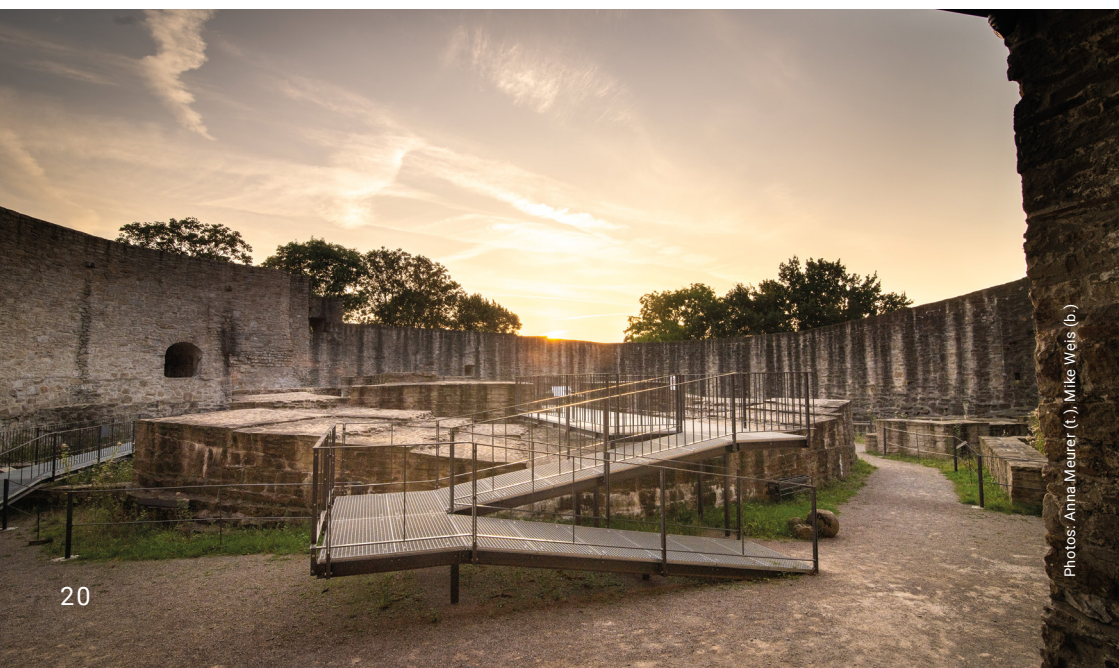
Plan your visit and learn more about the bathing rules before you go.







# Wildly Romantic



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## Broich Castle (Schloß Broich)

Broich Castle was built in 883-884 as a stronghold against the Normans and is the most important Carolingian fortification in German-speaking Europe. On an adventure trail along the castle walls, nine stations take visitors on a journey back through time. Discover the fascinating history of the most important secular monument in all of Mülheim an der Ruhr. Nowadays the castle houses a small history museum and serves a number of public functions. The castle courtyard is also a popular location for weddings, concerts and other events.

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## Styrum Castle (Schloß Styrum)

This small gem in the north of Mülheim was first mentioned in the year 1067. For a long time, Styrum Castle belonged to the counts of Limburg-Styrum. In 1890 it was sold to the most famous industrial pioneer of his time, August Thyssen.

Today the renovated rooms are available for festivities of all kinds, though it is especially popular as a wedding venue. The fabulous park around the castle is open to the public and the castle itself can be hired for private occasions.

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## Saarn Cloister and Museum (Museum Kloster Saarn)

Built in the year 1214, the Saarn Cloisters became a convent for Cistercian nuns two years later. These days it's a popular tourist destination for excursions and, thanks to its location close to the Ruhr, is easy to visit.

As well as a museum, the Saarn Cloister is also a community and cultural centre with a diverse programme of events as well as a herb garden. The historic and picturesque main street of the nearby village of Saarn is also well worth visiting.

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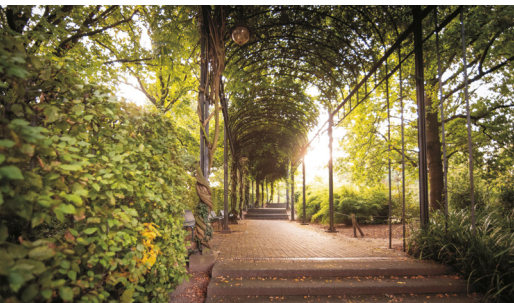






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## MüGa-Park

From Styrum in the north of the city to Saarn in the south, the park built for the Mülheim Regional Garden Show of 1992 (MüGa for short) extends right along the River Ruhr. Themed gardens pay tribute to Mülheim's twin towns, while playgrounds and a water park are perfect for keeping children entertained.

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## Raffelbergpark

Located in Speldorf, close to the city limits with Duisburg, this historic park once formed part of the Raffelberg salt baths. These days, it's home to the renowned Theater an der Ruhr and boasts extensive grounds. Come and enjoy some history and culture and then take a breather on one of the many benches nestled among the imposing plane trees.

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## Open-Air Theater (Freilichtbühne)

Live music of every genre, satirical comedy and theatre are all staged here, in the middle of lush greenery. Built in 1936 as one of Germany's biggest natural stages, the Open-Air Theatre can seat 2,000 people and has been enjoying a remarkable renaissance as a leading cultural hub for the region.

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# Historical



## Old Town (Altstadt)

In about 1200 AD, the church of St. Peter was built upon "Church Hill". From that point on, the city of Mülheim developed around it. Today, the historic Old Town and unique pubs and restaurants combine to create a truly outstanding atmosphere.







## Colony Mausegatt / Kreftenscheer (Mausegatt-Siedlung / Kreftenscheer)



The main type of housing for many of the workers who came to the Ruhr area to work in its coal mines were the so-called "Pit Colonies". This type of home became extremely common across the region, though the Mausegatt / Kreftenscheer in Mülheim is one of the few colonies to have remained unchanged.



Thanks to the efforts of its current residents, the colony looks and feels as it did more than a century ago, giving visitors a rare glimpse into the region's industrial past.

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Photos: Björn Steink

## Town Hall (Rathaus)

The historic Town Hall, with its prominent 60-metre-high tower, has dominated the city skyline since 1915. It was originally built by the architect duo Großmann and Pfeifer. After a century of eventful history, it now has a new sense of splendour, with a modern interior to complement the architecturally impressive exterior.





# Art, Education and Fun



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## Camera Obscura

The world's largest walk-in Camera Obscura was installed in the historic water tower of Broich to celebrate the 1992 Regional Garden Show. Its projection shows a unique panorama of the city. Today, the listed tower also houses the Prehistory of Film Museum, where unique artefacts and exciting interactive exhibits invite you to learn more about the world of moving pictures.

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## Aquarius Water Museum (Aquarius Wassermuseum)

In the century-old, architecturally remarkable water tower of Styrum, a world of interesting facts the “wet element” awaits. Across 14 floors with 30 multimedia stations, the visitor experiences the diversity of water through multimedia exhibits. The Aquarius Water Museum is an important stop on the Industrial Heritage Trail through the Ruhr Area.

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## Leather and Tanning Museum (Leder- und Gerbermuseum)

In the former Abel leather factory, the museum found the ideal space to tell the story of this old trade. Using traditional tools, leather products and old film footage, the exhibitions cover more than 350 years in the history of leather manufacturing and tanning in Mülheim.

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# Ringlokschuppen RUHR

In 1992, the Ringlokschuppen RUHR was opened in the former venue of the Mülheim Regional Garden Show. The old train depot was transformed into a venue for theatre, concerts and satirical cabaret shows. And the turntable once used for the locomotives is now a unique open-air stage.

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## Art Museum Mülheim an der Ruhr (Kunstmuseum Mülheim an der Ruhr)

The old post office now houses the city Art Museum. Here you can find an outstanding collection of pieces by the Nobel Prize winner Ziegler, alongside works by Feininger, Klee, Marc and Macke among many others. The museum also displays graphic art from Beckmann to Zille.

The permanent exhibitions are complemented by various temporary exhibitions of modern and contemporary art. The museum is one of the 20 “RuhrKunstMuseen”.

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# Exciting and pulsating

## Theater an der Ruhr

Founded in 1980 by Roberto Ciulli and Helmut Schäfer in partnership with the city of Mülheim, this theatre is well known across Germany and abroad. It is housed in what was once the famous Raffelberg Spa.

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"Bock" with Joshua Zilinske



Photos: Anna Meurer (l), Franziska Götzten – TAR (r)



## Municipal Hall (Stadhalle Mülheim an der Ruhr)

Directly across from Castle Broich, the imposing Municipal Hall hosts cultural events, festivals and corporate congresses. Built in the 1920s, it's notable for its classic elegance. Indeed, the architectural grandeur of the Municipal Hall, as well as of the Old Town Baths and the Historic Town Hall on the other side of the river, earned Mülheim the nickname "The Venice of the Ruhr".

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## Our Main events

### Spring

Fahrradfrühling  
Mülheim mittendrin  
Pfungst-Spektakulum  
Mülheimer Theatertage  
Voll die Ruhr  
Broicher Schlossparty  
Impulse Festival

### Summer

ExtraSchicht  
Mölsche Kirmes  
Kulinarischer Treff  
Broicher Schlossnacht  
MÜLHEIM SUMMER OPEN AIR  
Theaterinsel  
Castle Rock  
Ruhr Reggae Summer







## Autumn

Drachenboot-Festival  
Mülheimer Oktoberfest  
Weltkindertag

## Winter

Broicher Schlossweihnacht  
Mülheimer Schiffsweihnacht  
Adventsmarkt Mülheimer Altstadt  
YONEX German Open  
medl-Winter-Grillen





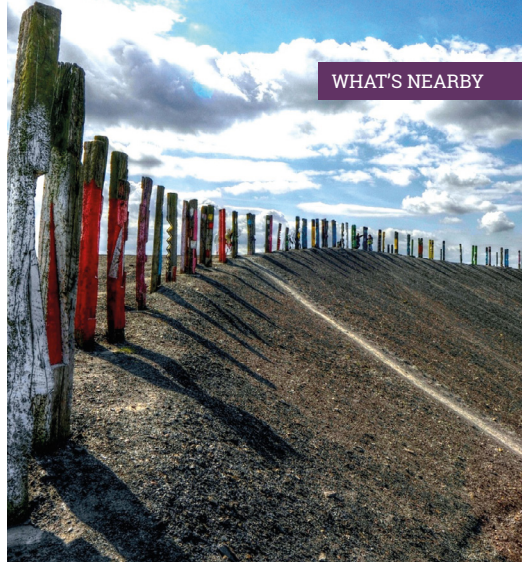
# What's nearby



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The incredible diversity of the Ruhr region means there really is something here for everyone. From unique industrial heritage and historical sites to green spaces, rivers and lakes, you're sure to find what you're looking for.

Discover the monuments of the Ruhr region on the Industrial Heritage Route.

Along the way, you can explore the sprawling Zeche Zollverein mine complex, a UNESCO World Heritage Site in Essen, as well as the towering Gasometer in Oberhausen, and Landschaftspark Nord in Duisburg.



find out  
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the Ruhr Area:



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Route Industriekultur:







## Zeppelin NT

Take to the skies for an airship adventure over the Rhine-Ruhr region. From a height of 300 metres, you will enjoy breath-taking panoramic views of the landscapes, history and heritage. Sightseeing flights start and end at the Essen/Mülheim Airport and there are four different routes to choose from.

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## WDL Airship Hangar (WDL Luftschiffhanger)

Thanks to its cavernous size, the Mülheim airship hangar not only has enough room to house an airship, there's also plenty of space to host a wide range of events. The huge hall, as well as the spacious outdoor area, can be configured to events of any type and any size. And since, the new airship hangar was built with 557 tons of wood, your event will not only be completely unique, it will be sustainable too!



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# Service

## A professional service with the personal touch

If you have any questions about Mülheim or the Ruhr area, the team at the Mülheim Tourist Information Center is ready to help. Our information center in the heart of the city is open six days a week. Here, a qualified team with many years of experience will be happy to give you personalised advice.

If you need assistance outside of our opening hours, in addition to our websites and social media channels, a smart kiosk located directly in front of our entrance can provide you with information 24/7.

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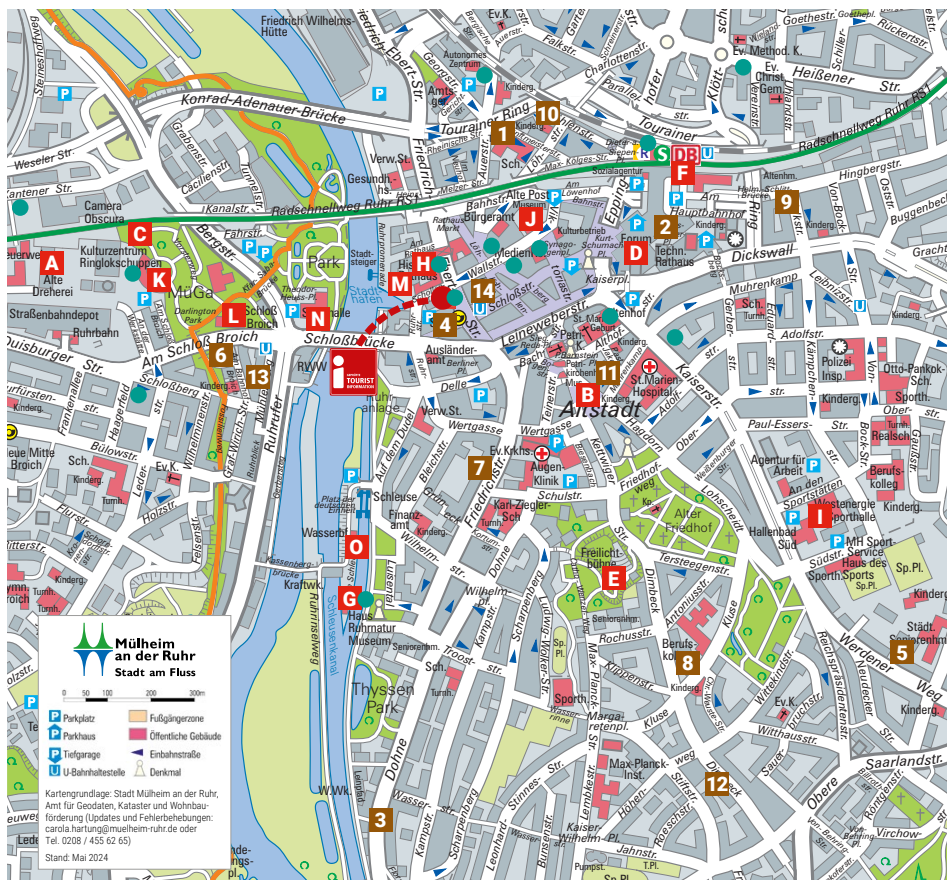
- Tips for unforgettable excursions
- Personalised travel advice and bookings
- Experience packages
- Leisure recommendations
- Advance tickets for events across Germany
- RUHR.TOPCARD & Co.
- Souvenirs & Gift Vouchers



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# CITYMAP.



## TOURIST SIGHTS

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <b>A</b> Alte Dreherei                  | <b>L</b> Broich Castle  |
| <b>B</b> Old Town                       | <b>M</b> City Harbour / Ruhr Promenade                        |
| <b>C</b> Camera Obscura                 | <b>N</b> Municipal Hall                                       |
| <b>D</b> FORUM Mülheim                  | <b>O</b> Wasserbahnhof (Water Station) / Weiße Flotte Mülheim |
| <b>E</b> Open-air theatre               |   |
| <b>F</b> Central Station                |   |
| <b>G</b> Ruhr Nature House              |   |
| <b>H</b> Historical Town Hall           |   |
| <b>I</b> Westenergie Sports Hall        |   |
| <b>J</b> Art Museum Mülheim an der Ruhr |   |
| <b>K</b> Ringlokschuppen Ruhr           |   |



RuhrtalRadweg



Radschnellweg Ruhr RS1

RS1 under construction

## HOTELS

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| <b>1</b> B & B Hotel                         | <b>9</b> T & T by Thiesmann            |
| <b>2</b> Best Western Hotel im FORUM Mülheim | <b>10</b> Hotel Minsu                  |
| <b>3</b> Villa am Ruhrufer                   | <b>11</b> Hotel Kölner Hof             |
| <b>4</b> Holiday Inn Express                 | <b>12</b> Hotel Thiesmann              |
| <b>5</b> Hotel Am Oppspring                  | <b>13</b> Hotel KOCKS am mühlenberg    |
| <b>6</b> Hotel Am Schloß Broich              | <b>14</b> Tante ALMA's Mülheimer Hotel |
| <b>7</b> Hotel Friederike                    |  |
| <b>8</b> Hotel Haus Kastanienhof             |  |

Water stations

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### TOURIST SIGHTS

- P** Aquarius Wassermuseum Styrum Castle
- Q** Bismarck tower
- R** Airport Essen / Mülheim
- S** Founder and Entrepreneurs Museum
- T** Saarn Cloister
- U** Leather and Tanner Museum
- V** Raffelberg Racecourse
- W** Rhein-Ruhr Zentrum (Shopping Mall)
- X** Theater an der Ruhr
- Y** Caravan Mile

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### HOTELS

- 15** Hotel Dümptener Hof
- 16** JustStay
- 17** Hotel Raffelberger Hof
- 18** Hotel-Restaurant Kämpgens Hof
- 19** Hotel-Restaurant Landhaus Sassenhof
- 20** Hotel-Restaurant Waldschlößchen
- 21** Hotel U.
- 22** Hotel Zur Kastanie
- 23** Mintarder Wasserbahnhof
- 24** Möllecens Altes Zollhaus



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Our focus is on tourism, events, communications, the Mülheim an der Ruhr Municipal Hall and the Camera Obscura. We also preserve important monuments such as Broich Castle and Styrum Castle for future generations to enjoy.

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