



Ludwigsburg Residential Palace

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The stately palace: a unique and diverse experience

The Ludwigsburg Residential Palace is one of the few Baroque buildings to have survived the tumultuous history of the last centuries almost unscathed. It is an *impressive* palace complex with 18 building sections and more than 450 rooms.

This truly palatial complex stands out not just because of its impressive size, but also its sumptuous interiors. Another feature is the unique blend of three quite *different eras and their architectural styles*: Baroque, Rococo, and Neoclassicism.

A wide selection of museums and exhibitions, for both young and old, help to make Ludwigsburg Residential Palace a popular tourist attraction: the *Ceramics Museum* houses not only Ludwigsburg porcelain, but also works of art ranging from Medieval stoneware to artisan ceramics of the 20th century; the *Fashion Museum* showcases clothing from the 18th and 20th centuries;

the apartments of Duke Carl Eugen, with their original decor, boast rare and valuable furniture and accessories from the Rococo era. The extraordinary theater and its technology are presented in the Theater Museum.

Kinderreich is an interactive museum where young visitors are downright encouraged to touch the exhibits and try things for themselves!

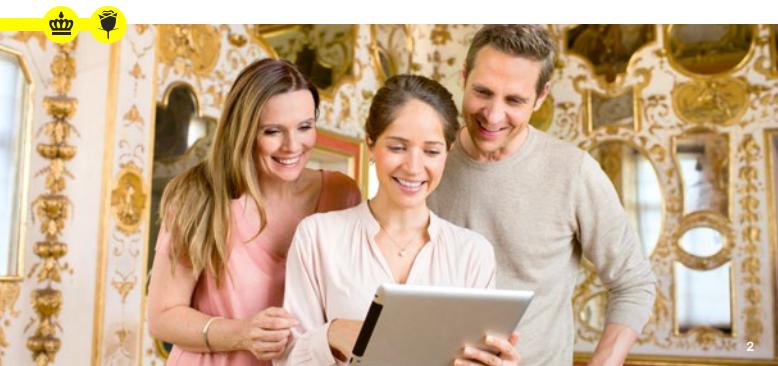
Restoration efforts have been underway at Ludwigsburg Residential Palace since spring 2019; however, the tour detour still takes a charming route. Instead of going through the new corps de logis, it leads through the larger, northern portion of the bel étage. This route includes the palace church, one of the stately galleries as well as one of the magnificent Baroque pavilions. Thus, it also offers visitors already familiar with the palace a new experience.

Ludwigsburg Residential Palace (Residenzschloss Ludwigsburg) is one of the largest Baroque buildings in Europe to survive in its original condition. It offers visitors a striking tour through the centuries – from Baroque to Rococo to Neoclassical.

From hunting lodge to stately residence

The first palace on the site – the old corps de logis – was constructed from 1704 onward. It was initially intended to serve as a hunting lodge for Duke Eberhard Ludwig. In 1718, however, when Ludwigsburg became the Duke's principal place of residence, he sought a more fitting reflection of his power and prestige. Donato Giuseppe Frisoni, who was responsible for the construction of the palace, also developed the plans for a new corps de logis to the south. As a result, the three-wing complex acquired a fourth wing, creating a square. The impressive structure was completed in 1733.

The Hall of Mirrors offers interesting views for young and old alike



The order hall is impressive with its Baroque ceiling paintings and the throne of King Friedrich I of Württemberg

An impressive tour through the ages

A walk through the palace's grand rooms is time travel in style: The magnificent interiors offer a *glimpse of life in the Baroque, Rococo and Neoclassical eras*. With its extraordinary authenticity and a charming touch of "transience", this palace gives guests a first-hand impression of the period in which Ludwigsburg was the central hub and residence of the Duchy of Württemberg.

A highlight of these spaces is the Baroque enfilade, a strung-together sequence of rooms. Another special feature of the palace is in the east wing: the Palace Theater. With nearly intact stage

The eagle sits enthroned on the palace fountain





machinery and stage decoration, it is one of Europe's oldest theaters. The various museums are well worth a visit, too.

Kinderreich and Blooming Baroque

In "Kinderreich", Ludwigsburg Residential Palace offers *a unique interactive museum just for children*. It is here that younger visitors to the palace can learn about life in the Baroque era, more than 300 years ago, in a playful way and explore it with all five senses. By dressing up as courtiers, they can experience a bit of what life was like in the duke's court. But visitors can also enjoy a feast for the senses, in the form of the park "Blooming Baroque" that surrounds the palace on three sides.

In Ludwigsburg, you can admire one of the oldest palace theaters in Europe, with original stage machinery



Visitor information

Opening hours and guided tours

Palace Open all year round;
Viewing only possible on a tour

Fashion and Ceramics Museums Open on a seasonal basis;
Visits possible without a guided tour or with a guided tour by arrangement

Kinderreich For up-to-date information, check our website or call our hotline.

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Our website also provides information on accessibility, discounts, special tours and other important details relevant to your visit.

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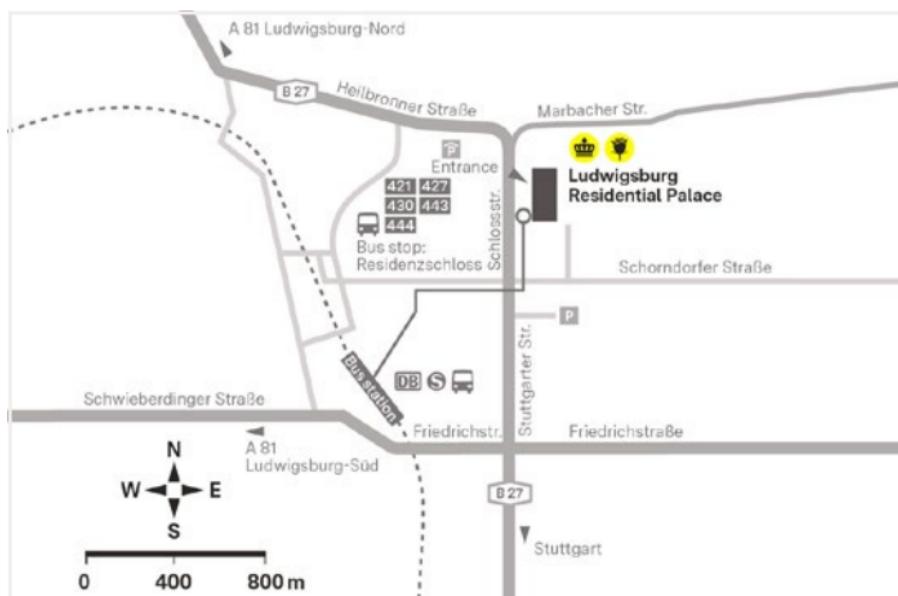
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