simply in the Museum
22 popular Munich museums with tips
simply seeing more

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Unfortunately, the “Glyptothek” and “Neue Pinakothek” are temporarily closed.
TIP!

Türkentor

Adjacent to the Museum Brandhorst are the remaining ruins of the Turkish barracks from 1826. Inside is a surprising object: a 25-ton granite sphere in shining red – the installation “Large Red Sphere” by the American artist Walter De Maria.

Museum Brandhorst
Theresienstraße 35a
Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat, Sun 10 am – 6 pm
Thu 10 am – 8 pm

The Brandhorst collection comprises more than 700 works of pioneering artists of the 20th and 21st century such as Cy Twombly, Andy Warhol, Sigmar Polke, Damien Hirst and Mike Kelley.

www.museum-brandhorst.de/en
The Alte Pinakothek is home to one of the world’s most renowned collections of European paintings from the 14th to the 18th century. The displays include works by Dürer, Raffael, Leonardo, Tizian, El Greco, Rubens, Rembrandt, Boucher and others. www.pinakothek.de/en

**TIP!**

**Dürer Painting**

Albrecht Dürer’s larger-than-life self-portrait broke a genuine taboo in 1500. The painting depicts the artist in a pose which up to then had been reserved for kings and Jesus Christ.
“As Pi.lotin it is quite simple to engage visitors in a conversation on design. I really benefit from this exchange.”

Verena Staudinger
Pi.lotin / student

3 Pinakothek der Moderne
Barer Straße 40
Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat, Sun 10 am – 6 pm
Thu 10 am – 8 pm

Four museums under one roof: The Sammlung Moderne Kunst, the Neue Sammlung – The International Design Museum Munich, the Architekturmuseum der TU München and the Staatliche Graphische Sammlung München.

www.pinakothek.de/en

TIP!
Project Visitor “Pi.loten”
Last Sunday of each month
11:30 am – 1 pm

On every last Sunday of the month the “Pi.loten,” young art experts, provide information about their favorite exhibits and look forward to a dialog with visitors.

www.besucherpilot.de/pdm
4 Ägyptisches Museum
Gabelsbergerstraße 35
Wed-Sun 10 am – 6 pm
Tue 10 am – 8 pm
The Ägyptische Museum focuses on the art of Old Egypt. The collection features famous exhibits and presents an overview of all epochs. Since summer 2013 the museum has been accommodated in a spectacular new building in the art quarter.
www.smaek.de -> EN

TIP!
Coffin mask
Time could not dull the sharpness and magic of her gaze: the coffin mask of Queen Satdjehutj from old Egypt (around 1650 BC).

5 NS-Dokumentationszentrum
Brienner Straße 34
Tue-Sun 10 am – 7 pm
With the NS Documentation Center, opened in spring 2015, Munich has received a central place of learning and remembrance about the dark history of National Socialism. In addition to a permanent exhibition, the museum features a multimedia learning facility, special exhibitions as well as a diverse educational and event program.
www.ns-dokuzentrum-muenchen.de/en

TIP!
DenkStätte Weiße Rose
Geschwister-Scholl-Platz 1
The DenkStätte Weiße Rose is located in the atrium of the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität Munich, close to the historical place where the resistance fighters Hans and Sophie Scholl were arrested on February 18, 1943.
"Space Patrol"

The “deep-sea base 104,” starting point of the “Orion” spacecraft from the German TV series “Space Patrol,” was nothing else than the empty Königsplatz which at the time (1966) was still covered with large granite slabs.

If you want a vivid experience of the Greeks, Etruscans and Romans, then you must see the collections of antiquities at Königsplatz. Ancient works of art and utilitarian objects made from the most diverse of materials such as ceramics, metal and stone enable visitors to immerse themselves in the world of antiquity.
TIP!

**Garden of Lenbachhaus**

Like the Lenbachhaus itself the charming garden, a late bloom of historism, was designed according to the Italian Renaissance and is adorned with numerous decorative elements inspired by antique models.

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“**When I first heard the name ‘Sacharoff’ I thought of a Russian manufacturer of artificial sweetener.**”

“**Axel! Sacharoff was the first male free dancer in Europe.**”

*Judith and Axel Milberg*

Art historian and actor

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**Lenbachhaus**

Luisenstraße 33
Tue 10 am – 8 pm
Wed-Sun 10 am – 6 pm

The Städtische Galerie in Lenbachhaus has a unique collection about the ‘Blue Rider’ artist group. In addition to artworks from the 19th century, the museum also exhibits art from the period after 1945.

*www.lenbachhaus.de* -> EN
TIP!

There is a cat! Where?
It is not that easy to spot it! It is sitting on the roof of the building between the Spielzeugmuseum and St.Peters-Kirche. As early as medieval Munich, figures of cats on the roof ridge were symbols of happiness and wealth and helped to prevent the building from being damaged.

Spielzeugmuseum
Marienplatz 15
Daily 10 am – 5.30 pm
The Spielzeugmuseum is located in the tower of the Altes Rathaus directly on Marienplatz. With its rustic tower rooms, it is itself reminiscent of a doll house. It is pure nostalgia: dolls, soft toys, model railways and tin toys which go back more than 200 years are lovingly presented on more than four floors.

“In the Spielzeugmuseum there is sheltered housing for old bears like me, and right in the centre of town! What more could I possibly want!”

Teddy Baer
Resident of the Spielzeugmuseum
“I DJ in clubs from New York to Tokyo. I need Munich both as an artist and a person: For me it is the most beautiful city on this planet!”

Julietta
Disc Jockey

9 Kunsthalle München
Theatinerstraße 8
Daily 10 am – 8 pm

On an area covering 1,200 sqm, the Kunsthalle of the Hypo-Kulturstiftung in the heart of Munich hosts at least two major exhibitions per year. As a gallery without a permanent collection there are infinite options with respect to contents. The themes cover the gamut of art from the antiquities to our present day.

www.kunsthalle-muc.de/en

TIP!
„Re-Act!“
Harry Klein goes Kunsthalle

“Re-Act!” furnishes proof that art presented during a party featuring DJs, visual artists and special guides is a mind-expanding experience.

#ReActMuc
10 **Residenzmuseum**
Residenzstraße 1
April – mid-October: daily 9 am – 6 pm
Mid-October – March: daily 10 am – 5 pm

The Residenz, one of the greatest palaces in Germany, served as residence and seat of government to the Wittelsbach rulers until 1918. The splendid historical rooms and the Treasure Chamber are as impressive as the art collections.

[www.residenz-muenchen.de -> EN](http://www.residenz-muenchen.de)

**TIP!**
**Gatekeepers**
Bravery of a lion: You can gain good luck by stroking the muzzles of the golden lions on Residenzstraße.

11 **Bier- und Oktoberfestmuseum**
Sterneckerstraße 2
Tue - Sat 1 pm – 6 pm

The history of Munich breweries and beer production is displayed in Munich’s oldest town house which dates back to 1340. The museum tour explains the development of the Munich Oktoberfest from the royal wedding in 1810 to the greatest folk festival in the world.

[www.bier-und-oktoberfestmuseum.de/en](http://www.bier-und-oktoberfestmuseum.de/en)

**TIP!**
**Special exhibitions**
The Bier- und Oktoberfestmuseum offers more than its name gives away: a really cosy parlour and changing comic and cartoon exhibitions.
Pictures, films, documents as well as surprising oddities illustrate the life and work of the comedian Karl Valentin and his congenial partner Liesl Karlstadt. The folk singers’ exhibition presents the development of the earliest pop culture in Munich.

An audio guide is offered for English-speaking visitors which can be played by scanning QR codes with your smartphone. The system does not require the installation of any app.

www.valentin-musaeum.de

“Why do I beat my drum for Karl Valentin? We folk singers and musicians must simply stick together.”

Elena Rakete
Drummer “The Moonband”

TIP!

Turmstüberl
This comfy café under the roof of Isartor is furnished in the style of the period around 1900. Hundreds of exhibits illustrate the life and work of the Munich folk singers and comedians.
Together with the synagogue and the center of the Jewish religious community, the Municipal Jewish Museum Munich forms an architectural ensemble in the city center. It provides insight in the past and present culture of Jewish people in Munich.

www.juedisches-museum-muenchen.de/en

TIP!

Memory Loops

‘Memory Loops’ is an audio artwork based on original historical soundtracks of Nazi victims and contemporary witnesses. Every loop is associated with a different location in the city.

www.memoryloops.net/en
“Typically Munich? What I think of first is the exhibition of the same name that is dedicated to the history of the city: A glimpse behind the scenes beyond clichés and traditions.”

Christian Schottenhamel
Oktoberfest host at Schottenhamel

Typically Munich!
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Münchner Stadtmuseum
St.-Jakobs-Platz 1
Tue - Sun  10 am – 6 pm

‘Typically Munich!’ is the title of the great display about the history of the city. Additional highlights of the multi-facetted collections, that also comprise the film museum, include photography, contemporary events, musical instruments and puppet theater / fairground attractions.

www.muenchner-stadtmuseum.de/en
Deutsches Museum
Museumsinsel 1
Mon-Sun 9 am – 5 pm

The Deutsche Museum ranks among the greatest museums of technology and natural sciences in the world. In addition to historical originals it also presents models for experimenting. Natural laws, instruments and technical procedures are explained in a hands-on manner.

www.deutsches-museum.de/en

TIP!
Banks of the Isar river
Simply casual: Biking along the river, bathing and barbecuing at designated spots. The Isar river is synonymous with nature and quality of life in the heart of the city.
The Haus der Kunst is an internationally leading center for contemporary art featuring an interdisciplinary program. Every year the gallery presents about ten exhibitions of new talents and established artists. Since 2011 a selection of video art from the Goetz Collection has been shown in several displays in the former air raid shelter. In addition to exhibitions and events, great store is set by research, study and dissemination of knowledge.

www.hausderkunst.de/en

TIP!
Eisbach Wave

Probably the greatest standing water wave in the middle of a city is only a few steps away from Haus der Kunst. Thanks to neoprene, surfing is possible in any weather! But keep in mind: The wave is only suitable for experienced surfers!

www.igsm.info

“Whether Haus der Kunst or Eisbach wave: The stars of the scene explore the limits of their art. – To plunge in at the deep end is part of the deal.”

Stephanie Pirron
Surfer / Sports scientist
**Bayerisches Nationalmuseum**

Prinzregentenstraße 3
Tue-Sun 10 am – 5 pm
Thu 10 am – 8 pm

Works of European art and culture from the early Middle Ages to Art Nouveau, including sculptures, paintings and handicrafts. The manger collection featuring figurines from Naples, Sicily and the alpine region is world-famous.

[www.bayerisches-nationalmuseum.de](http://www.bayerisches-nationalmuseum.de) - EN

**TIP!**

**Monopteros**

Elegant Classicist temple with a beautiful view of the English Garden and the Munich skyline.

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**Museum Villa Stuck**

Prinzregentenstraße 60
Tue-Sun 11 am – 6 pm
First Friday of the month 11 am – 10 pm

Franz von Stuck’s (1863 – 1928) villa was designed as a synthesis of the arts. Today its historical rooms accommodate a municipal museum. Traveling exhibitions of the 19th and 20th centuries as well as contemporary art are also on display.

[www.villastuck.de](http://www.villastuck.de)

**TIP!**

**Haidhausen City Quarter**

The Haidhausen quarter with its historical village center, proximity to the Isar river, numerous quaint stores, boutiques and pubs ranks among the all-time favorites of Munich’s ‘in’ neighborhoods.
**TIP!**

**Schloss Nymphenburg**
Nymphenburg is more than a palace. The fairytale park with its brooks and bridges is also home to a hunting lodge, a baroque bathing lodge, exotic chinoiserie and a hermitage.

[www.schloss-nymphenburg.de -> EN](http://www.schloss-nymphenburg.de)

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**Museum Mensch und Natur**

Schloss Nymphenburg  
Tue, Wed, Fri  9 am – 5 pm  
Thu 9 am – 8 pm  
Sat, Sun 10 am – 6 pm

Natural history is presented in an entertaining and thrilling fashion here – for the entire family. Visitors can discover primeval animals, learn about volcanism and earthquakes, explore the functions of our brain, meet ‘Bruno’ the brown bear, and much more.

[www.mmn-muenchen.de](http://www.mmn-muenchen.de)

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“Heat and dryness take a lot out of me during my desert expeditions. Here I am relieved to find that geography at home is not necessarily dusty and dry.”

Michael Martin  
Photographer / globetrotter
Elephant lady Mangala is an artist in her own right. She would love to delve into some original Nymphenburg porcelain.

Cow elephant Mangala
Tierpark Hellabrunn

TIP!
Tierpark Hellabrunn
Asian elephants, kangaroos, chimpanzees, giant tortoises from the Seychelles, moose and lions – in the Hellabrunn zoo visitors can discover more than 750 exotic and domestic animal species.
www.hellabrunn.de/en

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Nymphenburger Porzellan

Schloss Nymphenburg
April to October 15: daily 9 am – 6 pm
October 16 to March: daily 10 am – 4 pm

A unique private collection of Nymphenburg porcelain from the 18th to the 20th century is on display in the southern wing of the main palace, in the Marstallmuseum. Particularly noteworthy are the Comedia Dell’Arte figures by Franz Anton Bustelli, which used to adorn the dessert table at the royal court.
www.schloss-nymphenburg.de -> EN
**BMW Museum**
Am Olympiapark 2
Tue-Sun 10 am – 6 pm

Extending over 5,000 sqm the museum presents the history of the BMW corporation, brand and products since 1916. Approximately 125 automobiles, motorbikes and engines are on display. The BMW Welt and BMW Group Werk complete the visitor experience.

www.bmw-welt.com -> EN

**Olympiapark**
In sun and rain, indoors and outdoors – there is always plenty to do in the Olympic Park. Established for the 1972 Olympics the facilities have ever since been Munich’s premier address for sports, entertainment and leisure-time.

www.olympiapark.de/en

**FC Bayern Erlebniswelt**
Allianz Arena
Daily 10 am – 6 pm (adjusted on days when there is a match)

In the FC Bayern Erlebniswelt, the history of the German record holder is brought to life from the foundation of the club right up to the present day.

www.fcb-erlebniswelt.de/en

**Tip!**

**Arena Tours**
Even more FC Bayern? The Allianz Arena is soccer temple, top sight and home to the FC Bayern München soccer team. During a tour of the Arena, visitors cast a glance behind the scenes of the imposing stadium and discover normally hidden areas such as the team dressing room and the player tunnel.

www.allianz-arena.com/en
Infopoint Museen & Schlösser in Bayern

Alter Hof 1 – close to Marienplatz
Wed-Sat 10 am – 6 pm

On the way from Marienplatz to the Residenz palace is the Infopoint Museen & Schlösser in Bayern where visitors are provided with information material about museums, personal recommendations on current exhibitions and the free brochure “Museums in Munich”.

www.infopoint-museen-bayern.de

TIP!

Emperor’s Castle Exhibition
On the lower level of the Infopoint in the Old Court (Alter Hof) a free multimedia display presents the history of the so-called “Kaiserburg” building. It used to be the first residential palace of the Wittelsbach dynasty in Munich.

Museum Portal Munich

More than 60 Munich museums and galleries from A to Z at a glance. Including information about the current program and events, opening hours, admission fees and barrier-free access.

www.museen-in-muenchen.de/en
Full accessibility for the disabled throughout Munich
For more information on accessible stays in Munich, please see: www.muenchen-tourismus-barrierefrei.de/en

Tourist Information
Opening hours valid as of mid-2019

Marienplatz in the Neues Rathaus
Mon - Fri 9.30 am – 7.30 pm
Sat 10 am – 5 pm
Sun 10 am – 2 pm

Hauptbahnhof (Luisensraße 1)
Mon - Fri 9 am – 8 pm
Sun 10 am – 6 pm

Telephone +49 89 233-96500 (Mon - Fri 9 am – 5 pm)
Email tourismus.gs@muenchen.de

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