

## Bielefeld -- City With Passion In Linen

Bielefeld, an urban district in the state of [North Rhine-Westphalia](#), is considered a cultural and economical center, surrounded by the [Teutoburg Forest](#).

There are names connected with this city that you eventually know of... Dr. Oetker (ice cream), Seidensticker (clothing), and Schüco (high-quality windows), to name a few...

Other key industries comprise food processing, home appliance manufactory, information technology, and various other heavy industries.

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Along with the growing market, Bielefeld has plenty to offer for its visitors. You would surely like to take pleasure from the *Sparrenburg*, a castle which is the most famous landmark of the city. You can go up to its top and enjoy an incredible view over the city!

Old City Hall (*Altes Rathaus*) is another favorite spot since you can discover a mixture of architectural styles, including elements of the Gothic style and of the Renaissance.

About the same style has the City Theater (*Stadttheater*). Its Jugendstil façade is quite astonishing...

Also interesting are the four churches of Bielefeld. *Altstädter Nicolai-Kirche*, one of them, is the city's oldest church. The most precious wealth of this church is a carved altar from Antwerp which is decked out with 250 figures.

Another one is the *Süsterkirche*. The blunder eggs in the church are remarkable, especially the

typically reformed communion table. And the mosaic in the choir room inserts itself beautifully into the proportion and mass of the churches room.

Are you interested in museums? Bielefeld has six of them. The one that might interest you most is the *Historisches Museum* in the *Ravensberger Park* since it represents the history of the city and its region. Of the early suburban settlement into the present is documented how the persons worked and lived. Focal point is the industry age that stamped since the middle of the 19th century the city and its surrounding countryside most persistently.

For nature fans (like me ;-)) the city offers three parks, one of which is an animal park (*Heimat-Tierpark Olderdissen*, that is.) Over 430 animals in 100 different types can be observed. Some of them cannot be found in the free nature anymore.

Bottom line? Lot's of things to discover in Germany's 18th largest city! :-)