Düsseldorf Sights -- Old Town History And The Voguish City

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Düsseldorf sights offer its visitors a fascinating blend of ancient history and cutting edge modernity. Step back into history or jump into the future. Both are possible in this fascinating place.

Düsseldorf Altstadt

This Düsseldorf sight is perhaps the main attraction of the city. The *Altstadt*, or Old Town, features many cultural landmarks of Düsseldorf. Here you can find the old city hall (*Rathaus*), the *Schlossturm* and the St. Lambertus Basilica.

And even if you have no interest in old historical architecture, you are still certain to visit the *Altstadt*. It is also known as the "longest bar in the world" for its 300 or so pubs, all concentrated within the area of Old Town.

Schloss Benrath

The Benrath Palace is another highlight of Düsseldorf sightseeing. Built in the rococo style in the 1700s, the pretty pink building is now the home of the Museum for European Garden Art. There's also a lovely park that covers 612,000 square meters, that contains flower beds, fountains and linden trees.

A perfect attraction for architecture and nature enthusiasts, Schloss Benrath is currently in consideration for a UNESCO World Heritage Site designation.

Kaiserswerth

Kaiserswerth is a Düsseldorf sight in the Old Town area. You can visit this spot in northern Düsseldorf and step back into history. It was founded back in the year 700 and has seen much action and drama since that time.

This was where a young German king was kidnapped by the archduke of Cologne in an attempt to capture the crown. It has seen wars with the French and Spanish and been besieged by both. And more recently, this was the home of Florence Nightingale while she was learning medicine at a local clinic.

You can still visit the ruins and old buildings of many of these historical events.

Düsseldorf Hafen

With so much history, it is too easy to overlook Düsseldorf's thriving modern centers. But be sure not to ignore its *Hafen*. This is the city's harbor and has recently been undergoing redevelopment.

Now you can see some wonderful examples of contemporary architecture, including three eye-popping structures designed by the famous Frank Gehry. The *Hafen* is one area in Düsseldorf to keep your eye on: it is changing and developing into the newest hot spot.