

## Duisburg Sports -- City Of Water Sports And The Regatta

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The Duisburg sports scene provides all of the old favorites, like football (or soccer) and ice hockey. But you will be surprised to discover what else the city has to offer the sports enthusiast.

With more bridges over their canals than Venice or St. Petersburg, Duisburg has gained a reputation for water sports, especially for its famous regatta course.

And if that wasn't unusual enough, then don't miss the Landscape Park, which features an old industrial center gaining new life as a park and recreation site.

### Football / Soccer

MSV Duisburg is the local football club. Duisburg sports wouldn't be the same without them. They are locally known as "the Zebras" for their black and white striped uniforms.

The team was founded back in 1902 and had a successful run, including two undefeated seasons in 1913 and 1914. More recently, the Zebras have achieved moderate success.

They play their matches at the MSV-Arena (Margaretenstraße 5-7) with a capacity of about 31,000.

### Hockey

The Duisburg Foxes ("Füchse" in German) are the city's ice hockey team. Founded in 1971 as the Duisburger SC, the team has changed names a few times, from the Duisburger SV to the EV Duisburg until finally settling on the Foxes in 2004.

This Duisburg sport can be seen at the Scania Arena (Margaretenstraße) with a capacity of just under 5,000.

## **Wedau Sports Park**

Duisburg earns its reputation as a sports-loving city with this park. The Wedau Sports Park features an ice skating rink, soccer stadium and swimming pool. There's even a water-skiing facility. But its real claim to fame is the regatta course, which annually hosts many canoeing and rowing events.

## **Landschapspark Nord (North Duisburg Landscape Park)**

This abandoned and renovated old industrial site is now one of the city's most interesting stops. Sports enthusiasts will delight in the alpine climbing gardens, which was once a storage unit for ore. There is even an artificial diving facility that used to serve as a gasholder in this industrial park.