

Essen Attractions -- The Top Ten Essential Experience

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Essen attractions are a varied and impressive bunch. Whether you are marveling at an old coal mine, dancing the night away in a night club or cheering the local soccer club, Essen is sure to please.

My below top ten list is Essen in a nutshell.

1. Delving Into Coal Mining History At The Zollverein

Don't miss Essen's UNESCO World Heritage Site and the reputed most beautiful coal mine in the world. Take a tour of the interior and admire the exterior's Bauhaus charms.

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2. Illuminating The Streets At The Festival Of Lights

This Essen attraction is a traditional holiday delight. Embrace the Christmas spirit as you check out the beautiful holiday lights and decorations adorning the city.

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3. Going Green In The Gruga Park

One of Europe's largest green areas, Gruga Park is a must for nature lovers. Experience the best

of city and natural life as you visit the Japanese garden, tropical plant house and colorful flower beds.

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4. Checking Out The Masters At Folkwang Museum

This huge museum is a major Essen attraction. You'll see the world-famous, beloved Impressionists, as well as some heroes of German art, like Max Beckmann.

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5. Shopping Til You Drop In Downtown Essen

Essen's downtown area is chock full of stores and boutiques. With over seven hundred shops and 300,000 square meters of retail space, you will quickly learn why Essen is called the "city of shopping."

- Learn more about [Essen Shopping](#)

6. Eating Like A King At The Schloss Hugenpoet

What better place to splurge on a meal than an actual palace? Feel like royalty as you are treated to five-star service and fancy French cuisine.

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7. Hitting The Local Club Scene

With so many interesting clubs, a night out in downtown is definitely recommended in Essen. From dance clubs to beer houses and local pubs, you'll find somewhere to suit your tastes — and quench your thirst — in Essen's nightlife scene.

- Learn more about [Essen Nightlife](#)

8. Rooting For The Rot-Weiss Essen

Head to Georg-Melches-Stadion for a local game as you cheer the city's soccer heroes, the Rot-Weiss Essen.

- Learn more about [Essen Sports](#)

9. Exploring The Majestic Exhibits Of Villa Hügel

This former mansion of industry captain Alfred Krupp is now a great place to experience the local culture. This Essen attraction is home to many concerts and artistic exhibits.

- Learn more about [Essen Theaters](#)

10. Touring The Beautiful Architecture Of Essen

From the stately synagogue to the imposing cathedral and charming town center of Kettwig, Essen is a pretty place. Be sure to stop at these highlights of German architectural style.

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