

Hanover Sights -- Royal Gardens And Elegant Town Halls

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Hanover sights will be a pure delight for you. From the spectacular gardens of Herrenhausen to the old and new Town Halls to the historical Leibnizhaus, there is a wide array of attractions.

For convenient and simplified sightseeing, be sure to use the city's "Red Line" walking route. This path will take you past most of the city's major sights.

Royal Gardens of Herrenhausen

The crown of Hanover sightseeing is perhaps its Herrenhausen Gardens, which was once the property of Hanover's kings.

This beautifully landscaped area include four separate garden complexes: the Great Garden, Welfengarten, Georgengarten and Berggarten. Within each separate complex, you can see grandiose fountains, botanical gardens, butterfly and bird exhibits and even an aquarium. Strolling through these immense gardens is a great way to spend a sunny summer day in Hanover.

New Town Hall (Neues Rathaus)

This Hanover sight has become a landmark for the city. With its brightly decorated exterior and attraction-filled interior (including four full-scaled models of Hanover throughout history and Ferdinand Hodler's mural "Unanimity," for instance), there is much to do and see.

Don't miss a ride in Europe's only diagonal elevator up to the dome, where you can get a picture-perfect vista of the surrounding mountains!

Old Town Hall (Altes Rathaus)

This 15th century brick structure was the site of the original Town Hall. The Old Town Hall showcases some extraordinary examples of architecture, like the decorative frieze on the exterior and many Gothic-styled elements as well.

Market Church (Marktkirche)

This Hanover sight is a beautiful 14th century church. The *Marktkirche* is an immense example of Gothic architecture. Both the outside facade and inside decoration are sure to impress.

Leibnizhaus

The Leibnizhaus was the former home of the city's preeminent mathematician, philosopher and scientist, Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz. His work known as "the Leibniz Letters" are kept here, and have been awarded UNESCO World Heritage status.

Apart from its famous inhabitant, this house is also noteworthy for its fine architecture.