

Karlsruhe -- Home Of German Justice

Karlsruhe is a German urban district city with 286,000 inhabitants. It is situated close to the French-German border in the southwestern state of [Baden-Württemberg](#). Together with its metropolitan region, it is the center for shopping and cultural events for about 1 million people.

And the city is famous for two Supreme Courts, the Federal Constitutional Court and Federal Court of Justice. Because of this it's also being called as Home of German Justice.

The city was established by Margrave Karl Wilhelm in 1715 (yup, that late) after a clash with the general public of his earlier capital, Durlach. The origin of the city is closely linked to the establishment of the palace. It became the principal capital of Baden-Durlach until 1771, afterward the capital of Baden until 1945.

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The *Ständehaus* was the first parliament house in a German State constructed in 1822. In the consequences of the democratic revolution, a republican government was selected here.

The city has one of the most famous transport circles around the globe for establishing the plan of operating trams on train tracks, to reach a more efficient and attractive public transport system. This helps us to reach other towns in the regions like [Ettlingen](#), [Pforzheim](#), [Bad Wildbad](#), [Bretten](#), [Bruchsal](#), [Heilbronn](#), [Baden-Baden](#) and [Freudenstadt](#) in the [Black Forest](#) right from the city center!

Karlsruhe is linked using highways and rail, with *Autobahn* and *ICE* high-speed train links going to [Frankfurt](#), [Stuttgart/Munich](#) and [Freiburg/Basel](#).

[Frankfurt International](#), one of the major airports in Europe with every day direct connections to the

United States, Australia and Asia, can be reached within an hour. Same with Baden-Baden, the city with Roman-era spas and Germany's largest opera house, can be reached with public transportation from Karlsruhe's city center within 15 minutes only.

The city is a nice and pleasant one and a joy for shoppers. The main city offers a magnificent blend of small fashion boutiques and large department stores.

And there are excellent parks and woods all over the city. More than 800 hectares of public parks and green spaces provide a wide range of calm places in which you can relax and slow down. Some of the city's highlights are the palace gardens, botanical gardens, as well as the city park and zoo.

For example, from *Turmberg* hill and Karlsburg Palace in Durlach, accessible by funicular, you can enjoy breathtaking panoramic views of the entire city and the Rhineland Plain as far as Alsace.

The surroundings are not being affected by heavy industries. We can see many interesting places like, The State Theater of Baden, a large concert hall, jazz clubs, several museums, art collections, and galleries. The globally famous Center for Art and Media Technology (*Zentrum für Kunst und Medientechnologie*) displays the huge collection of German modern-day media art.

In the main city, we can find market square and the popular Pyramid, which can be found on most postcards. The Renaissance-style Gottesaue Palace and Karlsburg Palace in Durlach are also very famous.

At the end of July, there is happening *Das Fest*, one of Germany's biggest open-air music parties. Many people around the world gather for the three-day event to watch the several top international pop and rock bands — for free!

Looking for a bed?

There are several famous hotels like the Best Western Queens Hotel, Elite ALFA, Hotel Blankenburg, Allvitalis Traumhotel, Ringhotel Residenz, and Ambassador.

Karlsruhe has an active nightlife and club scene, and many bars and restaurants offer joyful hours on food and drinks to attract people — including YOU. ;-)