

Kiel -- Sparkling City With Kieler Week

Kiel is the capital of the northernmost federal state [Schleswig-Holstein](#) and has about 235,000 inhabitants. It is situated on the eastern side of the base of the Jutland peninsula off the south-east corner of the Baltic Sea.

The city is especially renowned for its sailing events, including the world wide well-known **Kiel Week** (*Kieler Woche*), which is the biggest sailing event in the world.

When the Olympic Games were organized in Berlin and Munich alternatively in 1936 and 1972, the Olympic sailing events took place in Kiel-Schilksee.

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Kiel is regarded as a sparkling city. Bustling with a university, naval base, important harbor and Germany's largest passenger port, it provides a wonderful blend of maritime lifestyle, urban charm, culture and history.

Apart from the festivals, it has plenty other places of interest. From the 67 m high tower of the town hall in downtown, you have a wonderful view of the Fjord and the city. And you can see the *Hindenburgufer Promenade*, ministerial buildings, Kiel Institute for World Economics, and the marina.

You will love to see the **Hörn Bridge**, which is a wonder of technology, situated right in the city center. If you love marine life simply stand by the harborside and soak up the maritime ambiance. Here, you can avail some excursions as the city is surrounded by a holiday region with beaches, sailing areas and [Kiel Canal](#) on its doorstep.

If you take a trip along the Fjord to the Baltic resort of Laboe, then you'll surely get a sight of military naval history. Further major attractions might comprise the 42 m (138 ft) high Railway Bridge over Kiel Canal. Hovering over the water attached to the bridge by cables, is it the only one of its kind in Germany.

This place attracts a large number of tourists every year.

If you like museums, then the Schleswig-Holstein Open-air Museum would be a place to visit. It comprises of a number of ancient agricultural buildings including crofts, mills, stores, and barns. And you can look at demonstrations by basket weavers and potters.