

Mettmann District -- Excavation Of Neanderthal 1

The Mettmann District became somewhat popular when they found **Neanderthal 1**, an initial specimen found during an archaeology dig in the year 1856. It lies in the state of [North Rhine-Westphalia \(Nordrhein-Westfalen\)](#), and the states capital [Düsseldorf](#) is to its left hand side.

Mettmann District Map

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Due to the found of Neanderthal 1, the Mettmann district is also called the **Neanderland**. That means you'll find lots of museums covering almost forgotten cultural gems and great human history, and simple crafts of impressive industrial history.

Historic walls invite not only for viewing, but also for exhibitions, concerts, or simply into astonishing beautiful beer gardens.

Besides Neanderthal, you'll come across gentle hills, pastures and forests inviting you to cycling and walking. Thereby you may discover some other cultural gems... For example, the nature reserve ***Wildgehege Neandertal*** with countless animals and green areas is just one tiny step away. :-)