

Wiesbaden Sights -- Ancient Citadels And Historic Spas

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Wiesbaden became a sightseeing destination because of its large quantity of hot springs. Many of these can still be seen to this day. But spas aren't all this popular German city has to offer.

Check out my below list for the greatest sights to see while traveling in Wiesbaden.

Wiesbaden Spa Rooms

You can't come to Wiesbaden without seeing the reason it's famous. So begin your trip with a visit to the Wiesbaden spa, located just next to the casino.

This Wiesbaden sightseeing destination features assembly rooms, the longest colonnaded hall in Europe and an English garden. As you explore the area, you can remember those who visited before you.

At its height, 126,000 guests visited the city each year. You may even have heard of a few of them, like Johann Goethe, Richard Wagner, Johannes Brahms and Fyodor Dostoevsky.

Schlossplatz (The Palace Square)

The Palace Square is always a popular stop on the Wiesbaden sightseeing tours. The Square features the city palace that was once home to the [Prussian](#) royal family, until the Duke was forced into exile in 1866. After this time, it was the British Rhine Army that called this magnificent palace home.

But the Palace didn't escape [World War II](#). It suffered extensive damage, was rebuilt and now acts as the seat of the Hessian Parliament.

Old City

The old twisting streets of the historical city provide a charming setting for a leisurely walk. While in the area, be sure not to miss the Heathen's Wall, the oldest structure in all of Wiesbaden or the *Bäckerbrunnen* fountain.

Burg Sonnenberg Castle

This Wiesbaden sightseeing spot is another popular destination. The Burg Sonnenberg Castle stands imposingly over the city, a ruined citadel that once protected the citizens from outside threats.

These days, the impressive castle acts as a small museum with a terrace restaurant offering fine views of the city.

Market Church

The Market Church with its 92 m (301 ft) high tower is the tallest building in the city. This Neo-Gothic church was constructed in the 1850s as the first all-brick edifice in Wiesbaden.

A statue of William of Orange (a.k.a. William the Silent) stands in front.

Cuckoo Clock

Wiesbaden just happens to be the home to what is reputedly the world's largest cuckoo clock. This monumental cuckoo clock strikes every half hour, so come by just to say you've seen — and heard — it! ;-)

Town Hall

[German cities](#) are well-known for their exquisite town hall architecture. You'll find the same here in Wiesbaden. This Wiesbaden sightseeing destination is a lovely example of Neo-Renaissance architecture and features an ever-changing display of artworks in the foyer.