

Augsburg

Bavaria · Germany

TRAVEL GUIDE

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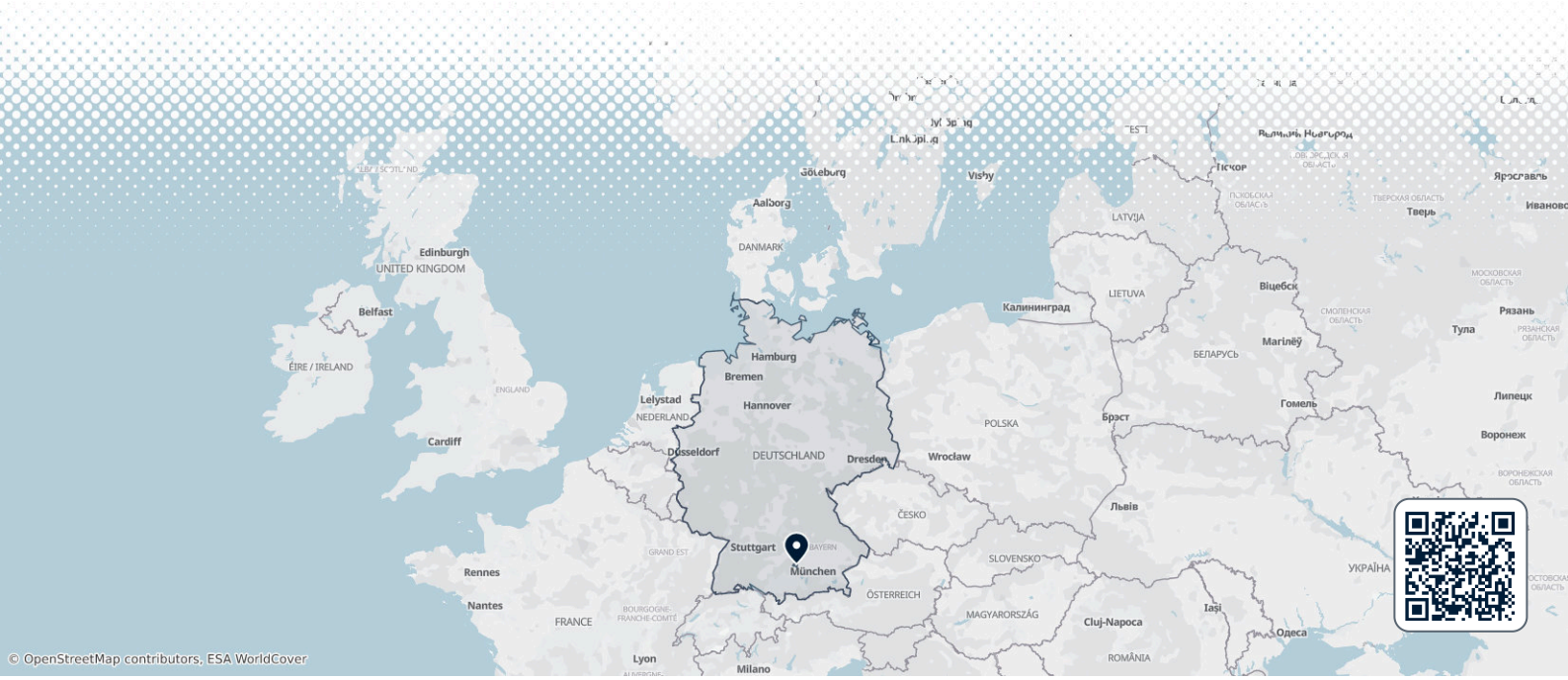


Overview

Augsburg is a Roman city in the Swabian part of Bavaria. It has a long past as a trading and banking centre. The old town has Renaissance houses, fountains, canals and large churches.

It suits a one- or two-night stop. The sights are close together and the pace is calmer than in Munich. Bertolt Brecht and Leopold Mozart were both born here.

When to visit

Late spring to early autumn is the best time for walking and outdoor cafés. Winters are cold with frost, and many days are grey.

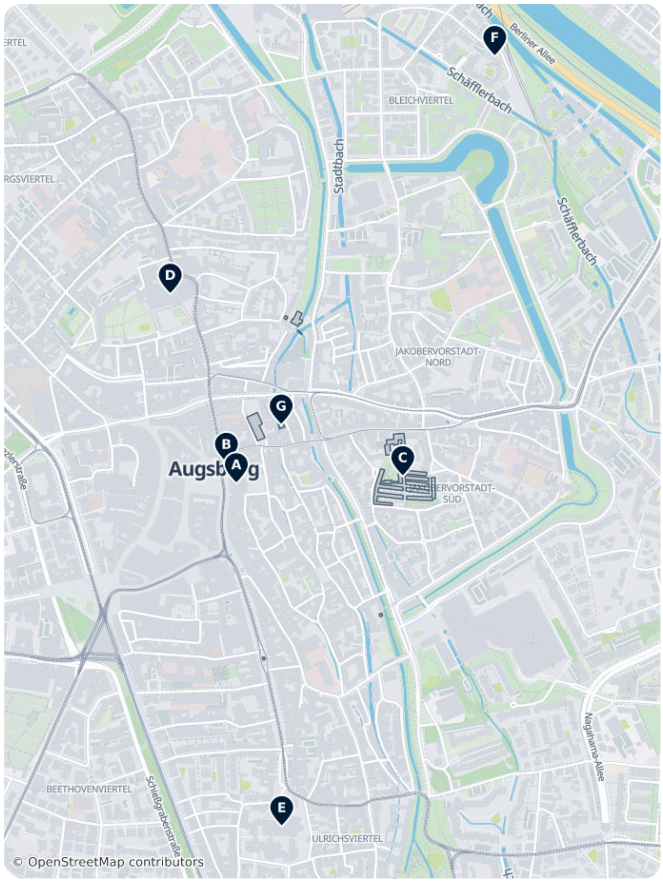
The Christkindlesmarkt fills the square in front of the town hall in Advent.

MONTH	CONDITIONS	DAY °C avg / max	NIGHT °C avg / min	
January	Poor Poor for watersports	3° / 10° Feels like -3°	-4° / -12°	Dry air
February	Poor Poor for watersports	5° / 13° Feels like 0°	-3° / -12°	Dry air
March	Poor Poor for watersports	10° / 18° Feels like 5°	0° / -6°	Dry air
April	Fair Fair for sightseeing	14° / 22° Feels like 11°	3° / -3°	Dry air
May	Good Good for sightseeing	18° / 25°	8° / 2°	15 rainy days · Dry air
June	Good Good for sightseeing	22° / 28°	12° / 6°	15 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
July	Good Good for sightseeing	23° / 29°	13° / 8°	15 rainy days · Calm winds
August	Great Great for sightseeing	23° / 30°	13° / 8°	14 rainy days · Calm winds
September	Great Great for sightseeing	19° / 26°	9° / 3°	Dry air · Calm winds
October	Fair Fair for sightseeing	15° / 22° Feels like 11°	5° / -1°	Dry air
November	Poor Poor for watersports	8° / 16° Feels like 3°	1° / -5°	Dry air
December	Poor Poor for watersports	3° / 10° Feels like -2°	-3° / -10°	12 rainy days · Dry air

Best months: August, September

Climate data: NASA POWER (MERRA-2) · 1996–2025

Top sights



- A Rathaus is a Renaissance building from 1620. Go inside to see the Golden Hall.
- B Perlachturm stands next to the town hall. Climb it for views over the old town.
- C Fuggerei is a walled housing complex for people in need. It has been in use for centuries. One apartment is a museum.
- D Dom Mariä Heimsuchung is the city's cathedral, north of the main square.
- E St. Ulrich und Afra has a Catholic church and a Lutheran church side by side. It is at the southern end of the old town.
- F Augsburger Wassermanagement-System is the canal, tower and fountain network that became a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2019.
- G Brechthaus is the birthplace of the writer Bertolt Brecht, born in 1898.
- Maximilianstraße is the wide main street with fountains and merchant houses. It links the town hall area with the southern old town.

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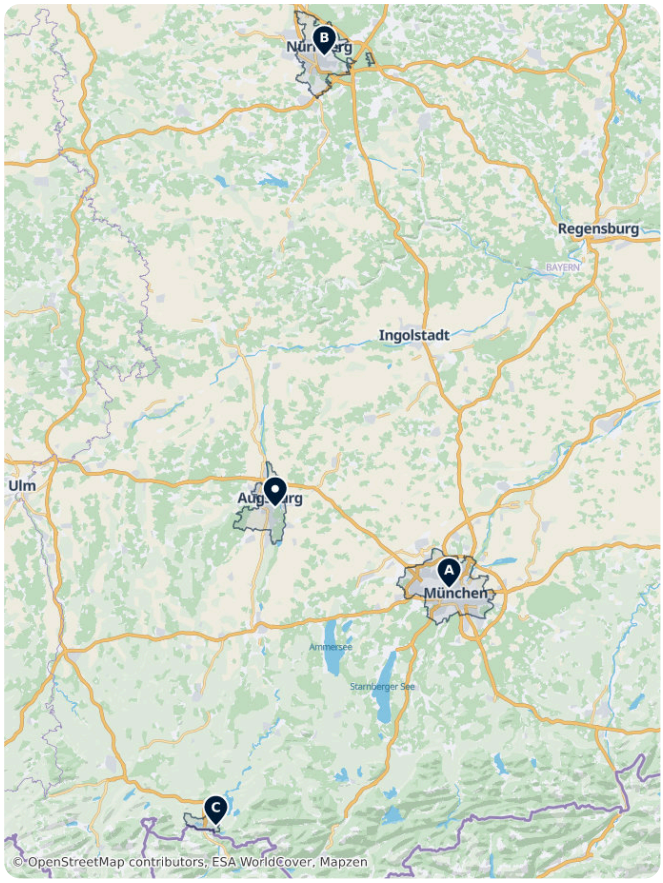
What to experience

- Watch a marionette show at the Augsburger Puppenkiste. The theatre is known across Germany for its television puppet series.
- Visit the Christkindlesmarkt on the square in front of the town hall in Advent.
- See the Eiskanal, the artificial whitewater course that hosted the whitewater events at the 1972 Olympics.

Day trips

Augsburg has good rail links. These trips are listed from closest to farthest.

- A Munich: 30 to 60 minutes by train. Bavaria's capital has big museums, the old town and beer halls.
- Ulm: about 1 hour by train. See the Gothic minster and the riverside old quarter.
- Nördlingen: about 1 to 1.5 hours by train. A medieval town with a complete town wall that you can walk.
- B Nuremberg: about 1 to 1.5 hours by train. It has a castle and a large old town.
- C Fussen: about 2 hours by train. It is the base for visits to the royal castles near the Alps.



Where to explore

More places in Bavaria and nearby regions:

- Heading north: Ingolstadt and Regensburg.
- Towards the Alps: Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Allgau and Kempten.
- Lakes: Lake Starnberg and Lindau.

Getting there

- **By air**: The main airport is Munich (MUC). Take a train to Munich main station, then a train to Augsburg. Allow about 1.5 to 2 hours in total.
- **By train**: Augsburg main station is on the main line between Munich and Stuttgart. Direct trains run to Munich, Ulm, Stuttgart and Nuremberg. Book at Deutsche Bahn.

Getting around

- **Public transit**: Trams and buses cover the city. Buy tickets in the meinAVV app or at ticket machines at stops. The Deutschlandticket is valid on the network. Plan journeys at AVV Augsburg.
- **On foot or by bike**: The old town is compact and flat. Most sights are within a 20-minute walk of the town hall.

Getting around on foot & by bike

WALKABILITY

High

The old town is compact and flat. Most sights are a short walk apart.

CYCLING INFRASTRUCTURE

High

The centre is flat and easy to cycle.

Food & drink

Swabian dishes are the local food. Try Käsespätzle (cheese noodles), Maultaschen (filled pasta) and Zwetschgendatschi, a plum cake from the region.

For a meal, go to the Lechviertel, the canal quarter with small restaurants. Maximilianstraße and the streets around the town hall also have many cafés and restaurants.

What to eat & drink

LUNCH

Doner Kebab · Döner Kebab
A sandwich of roasted meat, salad, and sauce in flatbread, invented by Turkish immigrants in Berlin and now a national staple.

DINNER

Schnitzel
A thin, breaded and fried cutlet, usually pork, served with potatoes or fries and a lemon wedge.

Sauerbraten
A pot roast marinated for days in vinegar and spices before slow cooking, served with red cabbage and dumplings.

SNACKS & STREET FOOD

Bratwurst
A grilled or fried pork sausage, often served in a bread roll with mustard, sold at stands nationwide.

Currywurst
Sliced sausage topped with curry-spiced ketchup, a Berlin invention now popular across the country.

Pretzel · Brezel
A large, chewy salted bread pretzel, especially common in Bavaria, often eaten with butter or cheese.

SWEETS & DESSERTS

Black Forest Cake · Schwarzwälder Kirschtorte
A layered chocolate sponge cake with cherries, cherry liqueur, and whipped cream.

DRINKS

Beer · Bier
Germany brews hundreds of regional styles, from Bavarian Weissbier to Cologne's Kölsch, each tied to its home city.

Gluhwein · Glühwein
Mulled, spiced red wine served hot, a staple of winter and Christmas markets.

Apfelschorle
Apple juice mixed with sparkling water, the everyday non-alcoholic drink of choice.

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Safety & health

Augsburg is a safe city for visitors. Violent crime against tourists is rare.

- Pickpockets work in crowds. Watch your bag at the main station, on trams and at the Christmas market.
- Keep valuables out of parked cars.

History

Romans founded the city in 15 BC as Augusta Vindelicorum. The Fugger family made it a banking centre in the 16th century. Their housing complex, Fuggerei, is still in use.

The Peace of Augsburg in 1555 allowed Lutheran and Catholic rulers in the Holy Roman Empire to practise their own faith. The Catholic and Lutheran churches next to each other at St. Ulrich und Afra show this shared past.

The Renaissance Rathaus dates from 1620. The city's canals and fountains are part of the UNESCO listing of 2019.

Country facts

Quick practical facts for Germany at a glance:

CURRENCY
EUR €

EMERGENCY
112

ELECTRICITY

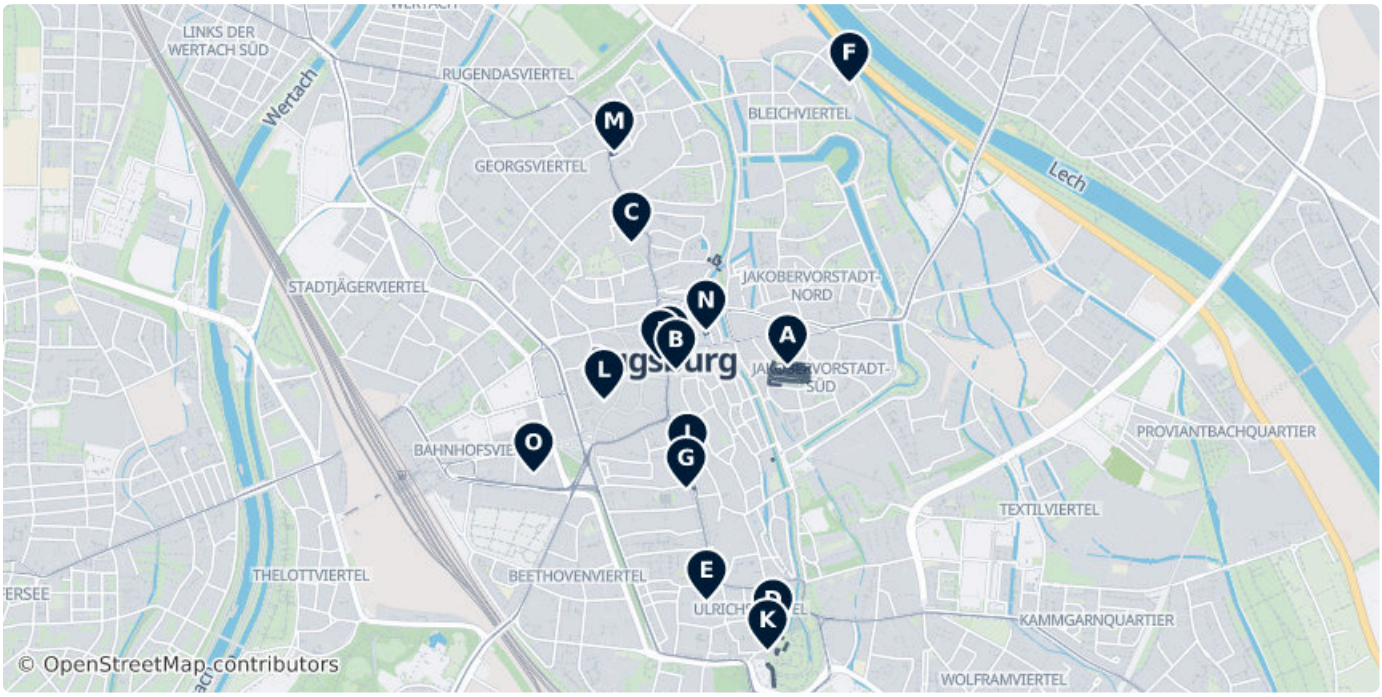
Type C / Type F
230 V · 50 Hz

LANGUAGES
German

TAP WATER
Safe to drink

Augsburg Essentials

Augsburg, founded by the Romans, showcases centuries of history through its Renaissance Town Hall and the Fuggerei, the world's oldest social housing complex. The city's UNESCO-listed water management system features historic canals and water towers dating back to the 14th century. Notable cultural landmarks include the Augsburger Puppenkiste marionette theater, the birthplace of Bertolt Brecht, and the former home of Leopold Mozart. Religious sites like the Romanesque-Gothic Cathedral and the massive Basilica of SS. Ulrich and Afra anchor the historic city center.





A Fuggerei

Founded in 1516 by Jakob Fugger, this is the world's oldest social housing complex still in use. Residents today still pay an annual base rent of less than one euro and follow original community rules.

Herrengasse, 86152 Augsburg, Germany
(48.36889, 10.90396)

Apr-Sep Mo–Su	09:00–20:00
Oct-Mar Mo–Su	09:00–18:00

fugger.de/fuggerei, +49.821.319 881-0



B Augsburg Town Hall

Augsburg Town Hall is the administrative centre of Augsburg, Bavaria, Germany, and one of the most significant secular buildings of the...

Rathausplatz 2A, 86150 Augsburg, Germany
(48.36874, 10.89867)



C Augsburg Cathedral

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Tu–Su	10:00–19:00

puppenkiste.com, +49 821 450 3450



E Basilica of SS. Ulrich and Afra, Augsburg

The Basilica of SS. Ulrich and Afra Is a Catholic parish in Augsburg, in Bavaria, which originated from the Roman tomb of St.

23 Ulrichsplatz, Augsburg 86150, Germany (48.36150, 10.90011)

ulrich-afra-anton.de



F Water Management System of Augsburg

Under the name Augsburg Water Management System, structural objects in Augsburg and the surrounding area that testify to the importance and...

Reischlestraße, 86153 Augsburg, Germany (48.37777, 10.90688)



G Schaezlerpalais

The Schaezlerpalais is a baroque palace in Augsburg. The palace extends far back from the street, encompassing dozens of rooms, courtyards...

Maximilianstraße 46, 86150 Augsburg, DE (48.36503, 10.89915)

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H Perlach Tower

The 70-metre-tall Perlachturm is a belltower in front of the church of St. Peter am Perlach in the central district of Augsburg, Germany.

Rathausplatz 6, Augsburg, Germany (48.36917, 10.89835)

augsburg.de/kultur/sehenswuerdigkeiten/perlachturm



I Augustusbrunnen

A Renaissance fountain created between 1588 and 1594 featuring a bronze figure of Emperor Augustus, the city's founder. It is one of three monumental fountains situated along Maximilianstraße.

4 Philippine-Welser-Straße, Augsburg 86150, Germany (48.36904, 10.89793)



J Maximilianstraße

Following the path of the ancient Roman Via Claudia Augusta, this historic boulevard is lined with Renaissance and Baroque facades, upscale shops, and the city's three monumental fountains.

Maximilianstraße, Augsburg, Germany (48.36579, 10.89921)



K Rotes Tor

Part of the medieval city fortifications, this gate complex features a massive red tower and adjacent historic waterworks that form part of the UNESCO-listed water management system.

Am Roten Tor, 86150 Augsburg, Germany
(48.35993, 10.90300)



L St. Anne's Church, Augsburg

St. Anne's Church in Augsburg, Germany, is a medieval church building that was originally part of a monastery built in 1321.

(48.36780, 10.89526)

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M Leopold-Mozart-Haus

The 17th-century birthplace of Leopold Mozart, father of Wolfgang Amadeus. The museum showcases the family's history and Leopold's own musical career through interactive exhibits.

Frauentorstraße 30, 86152 Augsburg, DE
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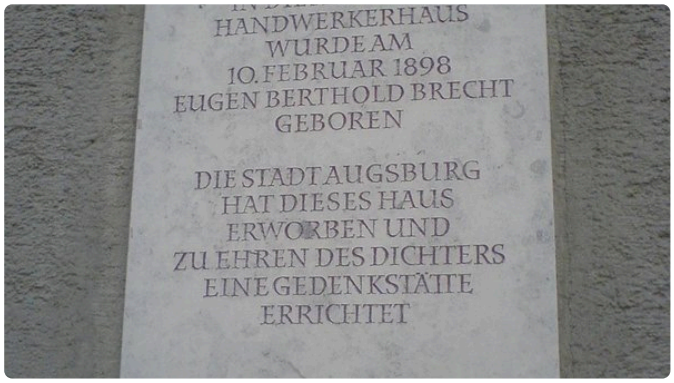

N Brechthaus

The birthplace of playwright and poet Bertolt Brecht, this museum preserves the atmosphere of his childhood home and documents his life, literary works, and political influence.

Auf dem Rain, 86150 Augsburg, Germany
(48.36998, 10.90009)

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Tu–Su	10:00–17:00

brechthaus-augsburg.de, 0821 / 450 982 31



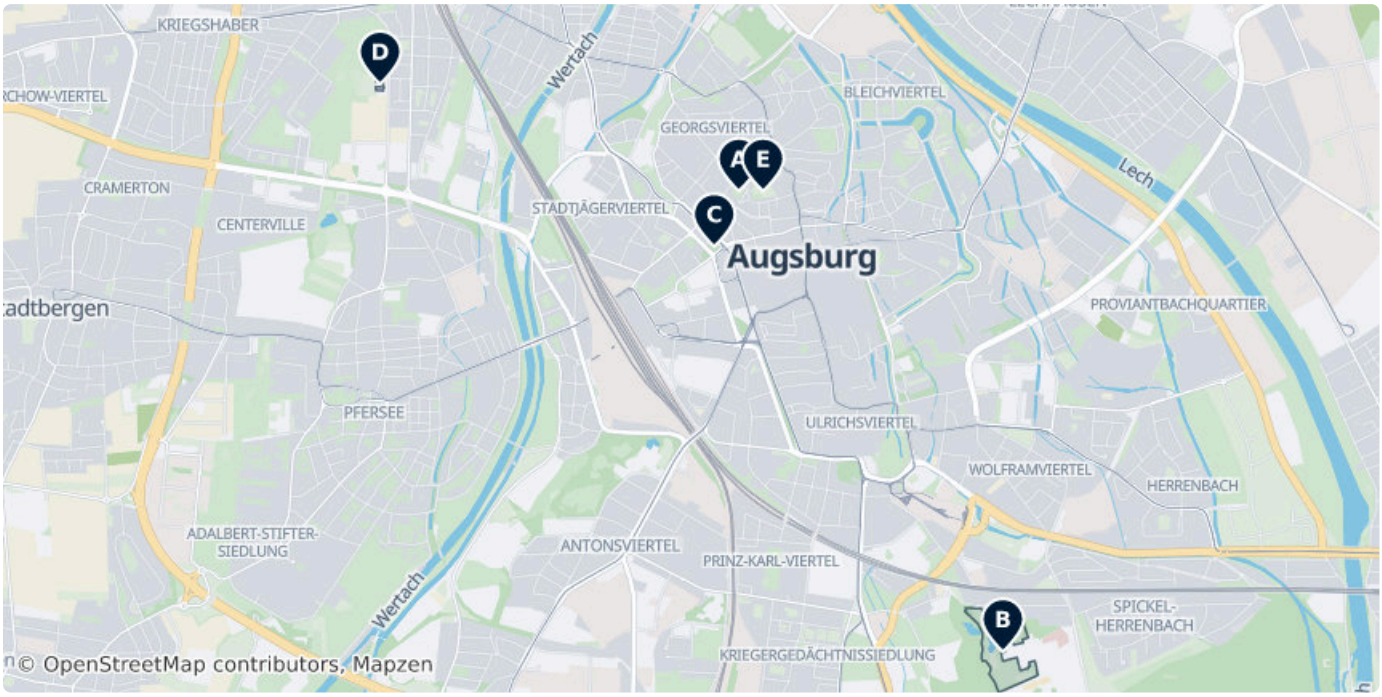
Augsburg Synagogue

Built between 1914 and 1917, this synagogue features a distinctive blend of Art Nouveau and Byzantine-Orientalist styles. It houses the Jewish Museum Augsburg Swabia.

(48.36551, 10.89193)

Augsburg's Hidden Gems

Augsburg’s lesser-known spots range from 18th-century gardens to contemporary cultural hubs. The Hofgarten and Fronhof provide quiet retreats near the cathedral, featuring manicured lawns and historical monuments. The Botanical Garden offers a vast collection of plant species across themed areas, while the Stadtpflegeranger provides a smaller urban green space. For arts and community events, Kulturhaus Abraxas serves as a multi-disciplinary venue situated in a former military building, blending historical architecture with modern creative programming.





A Hofgarten

An 18th-century green space in the Old Town, formerly part of the bishop’s residence. It features a central fountain, stone dwarf statues, and provides free Wi-Fi access.

8 Fronhof, Augsburg 86152, Germany (48.37220, 10.89348)

Apr-Oct Mo–Su	08:00–21:00
Nov-Mar Mo–Su	Closed



B Botanical Garden Augsburg

The Botanischer Garten Augsburg is a municipal botanical garden located at Dr.-Ziegenspeck-Weg 10, Augsburg, Bavaria, Germany.

Augsburg 86161, Germany (48.35045, 10.91226)

Mar 01-Mar 31 Mo–Su	09:00–18:00
Apr 01-Apr 30 Mo–Su	09:00–19:00
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Sep 16-Oct 15 Mo–Su	09:00–18:00
Oct 16-Feb 28 Mo–Su	09:00–17:00

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C Stadtpflegeranger

A small public park situated in the city center, providing a quiet green space within the urban environment.

1 Am Alten Einlaß, Augsburg 86150, Germany
(48.36958, 10.89172)

E Fronhof

A historical park located adjacent to the Augsburg Cathedral. It serves as a public green space and frequently hosts outdoor cultural events and concerts.

(48.37220, 10.89519)

D Kulturhaus Abraxas

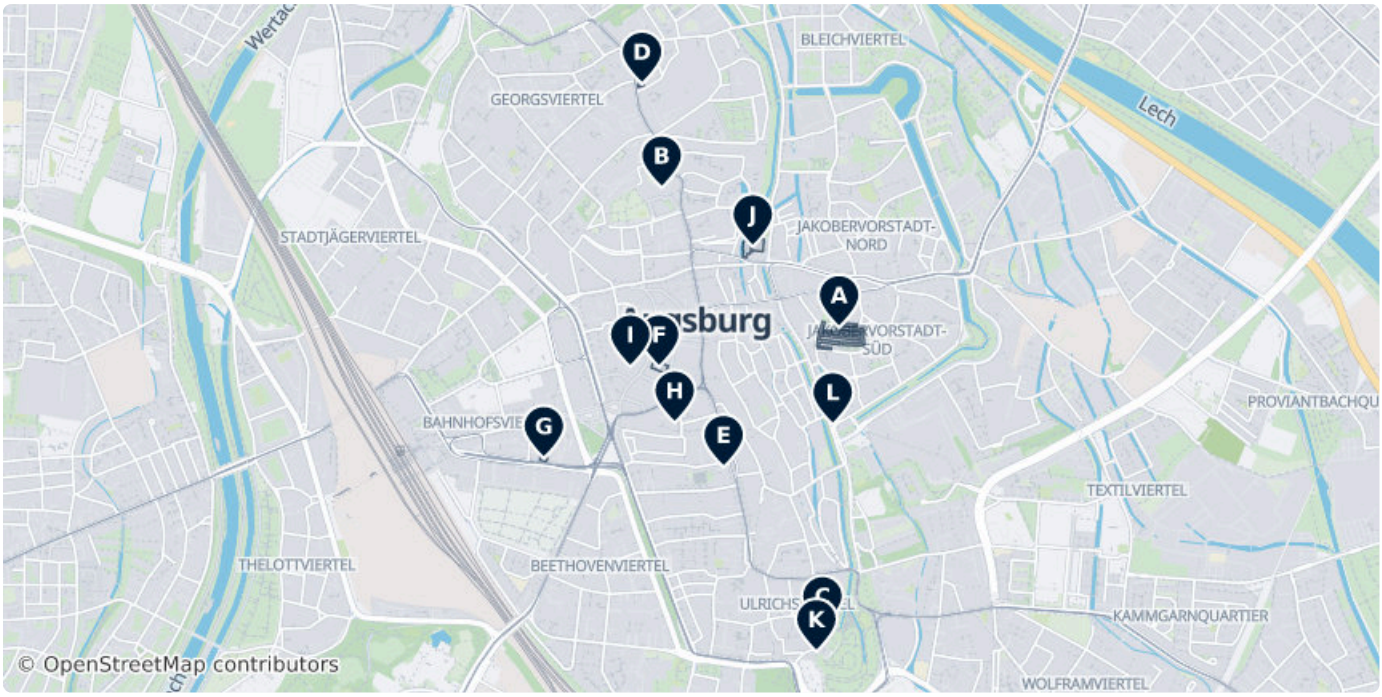
A multi-disciplinary cultural center housed in a former military building. It hosts theater performances, concerts, exhibitions, and community workshops.

Sommestraße 30, 86156 Augsburg, DE
(48.37726, 10.86795)

kulturhaus-abraxas.de

Museums & Heritage

Augsburg's history spans from its Roman foundations to its status as a wealthy Renaissance banking hub. This selection highlights the world's oldest social housing complex, the Fuggerei, alongside the opulent Baroque interiors of the Schaezlerpalais. Visitors can explore the city's musical heritage at the Leopold-Mozart-Haus, view Roman artifacts in the historic Zeughaus, and experience the unique marionette tradition at the Augsburger Puppenkiste. The list also includes significant ecclesiastical architecture and preserved medieval city gates.





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F Maximilian Museum

The Maximilian Museum is a large, public museum housed in a palatial building erected in 1546 in Augsburg, Germany.

Fuggerplatz 1, 86150 Augsburg, DE (48.36780, 10.89646)



G Jewish Museum Augsburg Swabia

Housed within the historic West Wing of the Augsburg Synagogue, this museum documents the history and culture of Jewish life in Augsburg and Swabia from the Middle Ages to the present day.

Halderstraße 8, 86150 Augsburg, DE (48.36527, 10.89166)

Mo–Fr	09:00–18:00, 09:00–16:00
Su	10:00–17:00

jmaugsburg.de



H Römerlager im Zeughaus

A former city arsenal built between 1602 and 1607 by architect Elias Holl. It features a prominent bronze group of Archangel Michael and currently hosts an exhibition of Roman archaeological finds discovered in the region.

Zeugplatz 4, 86150 Augsburg, DE (48.36625, 10.89711)

Mo	Closed
Tu–Su	10:00–17:00

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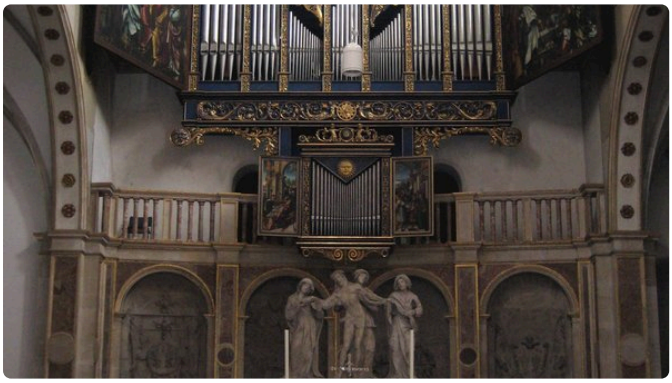

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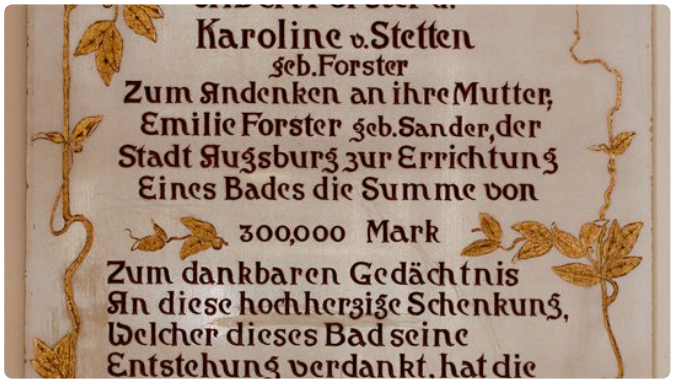

J Altes Stadtbad

An Art Nouveau public bathhouse opened in 1903, featuring ornate Jugendstil architecture, vaulted ceilings, and original decorative tiling. It remains a functional swimming facility and a preserved example of early 20th-century spa culture.

(48.37112, 10.90036)

Mo	08:00–19:00
Tu	08:00–19:30
We–Fr	08:00–21:00
Sa–Su	10:00–18:00

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K Rotes Tor

A historic gatehouse that formed part of the city's southern fortifications. Rebuilt by Elias Holl in 1622, the complex includes two water towers and a bridge, serving as a key monument of Augsburg's medieval defense system.

Am Roten Tor, 86150 Augsburg, Germany
(48.35993, 10.90300)



L Vogeltor

A square fortification tower built in 1445 as part of the city's medieval wall. It served as a gateway to the Jakobervorstadt district and remains one of the few surviving gates of the historical urban defense.

Oberer Graben, 86152 Augsburg, Germany
(48.36621, 10.90368)

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