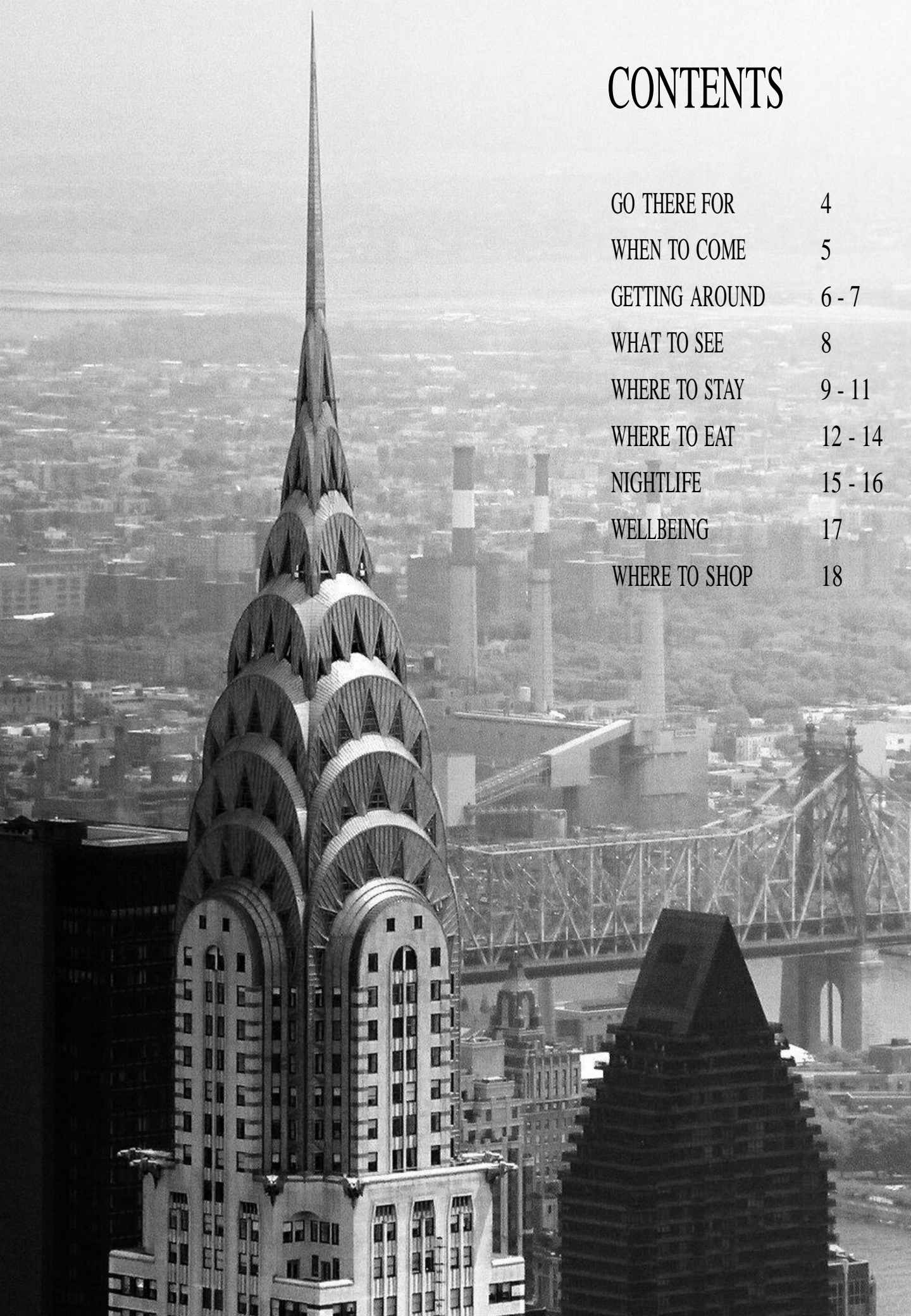


HAMBURG
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Hamburg

Hamburg, the Gateway to the World, the Beauty and Highlight of the North. There are a few good reasons why the green city on the River Elbe is said to be one of the most beautiful cities in Germany. Even the very reluctant Hanseatic inhabitants cannot hide taking pride in "their" city. Everybody who has visited Hamburg is enthusiastic about its flair. Hamburg is young, modern, friendly and open to the world.





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GO THERE FOR

FOOD

Original Hamburg dishes are “Birnen, Bohnen und Speck” green beans cooked with pears and bacon There is “Bratkartoffeln” (pan-fried potato slices), “Finkenwerder Scholle” (pan-fried plaice), “Pannfisch” (pan-fried fish), Rote Grütze a type of summer pudding made mostly from berries and usually served with cream. The Hamburg Cuisine is worth tasting.

NIGHTLIFE

Hamburg is noted for several festivals and regular events. Some of them are street festivals, such as the gay parade Christopher Street Day festival or the Alster fair.

But the nights in Hamburg are also an experience you will never forget. Apart from several high class night clubs the main nightlife attraction is the Reeperbahn, Hamburgs red light district with restaurants bars, theatres and nightclubs.

TOURING

Hamburg offers more than 40 theatres, 60 museums and 100 music venues and clubs. More than 8,552 taxable companies – the average size was 3.16 employees – were engaged in the culture sector, which includes music, performing arts and literature.

Besides the city tours by bus or a guided walk through the city there are a lot other ways to explore Hamburg like a harbour tour or tours on a segway.



WHEN TO COME

SUMMER

The best time to visit Hamburg is therefore during the summer as the city then dons itself in its best shades, and allows the tourists to enjoy the city to its full.

WINTER

Winter in Germany is a bitter season, and is naturally avoided by the tourists. Snow falls are frequent and gusts of wind sweep the city, making it impossible to enjoy the sites which it offers. The Elbe and the lakes too freeze, depriving the tourists of some of the most beautiful locales in the city. A visit to Hamburg in the off season can however, be much cheaper as most of the hotels and tour operators offer special discounts during the winter months. The between-season and edge- of- season packages are surprisingly low priced to allow a trip that is really easy on pockets. The best time to visit Hamburg is therefore during the summer as the city then dons itself in its best shades, and allows the tourists to enjoy the city to its full.



GETTING AROUND AIRPORTS

Hamburg Airport

Hamburg, GER

Hamburg Airport:

General Enquiries: +49 40 / 50 75 - 0

VIP Service Hamburg Airport : +49 50 75-20 12

www.airport.de

Taxis and limousines are readily available and a good way for the transfer into the city center.



GETTING AROUND PUBLIC TRANSIT

TAXIS

Taxis in Hamburg are commonplace and reasonably priced, and they can be hailed easily from most locations throughout the city.

SUBWAYS

The Hamburg underground (U-Bahn) and the integrated overland (S-Bahn) systems are typically efficient and, being surprisingly spacious and safe, present a cheap and convenient alternative to road travel, particularly during the rush hour traffic.



WHAT TO SEE

Hamburg Kunsthalle

Hamburg's premier art gallery offers the chance to view works across the time spectrum from the Middle Ages through to the present day. The Kunsthalle's main aim is to educate about art, rather than showcase particular art treasures, and exhibitions are constantly changing to introduce new forms of art.

The Museum of Hamburg

The museum gives a detailed description of the city of Hamburg from the 8th through to the 20th centuries. Scale models have been used to illustrate the changing shape of the city's famous harbor. Exhibits also include reconstructions of various typical rooms, such as the hall of a 17th-century merchant's home to an air raid shelter from World War II.

Miniature Wonderland

Train enthusiasts will love Miniature Wonderland in Hamburg. With over 6,400 square meters of floor space, there is much to see with tiny models of various regions, both local and international. The largest of its kind, there are 900 trains with 12,000 carriages; 300,000 lights, 200,000 trees and 200,000 human figures. Sections include Southern Germany and the Austrian Alps, Hamburg and the Coast, America, Scandinavia, and Switzerland. Construction has begun on an expansion that will add five new sections, including France, Italy, Africa and the UK, by 2015

Blankenese

This quaint destination on the steep Elbe hillside was once a fishing village favored by retired ship captains. Today it has become popular with locals as a weekend outing, and visitors also throng the narrow alleys and stairways between picturesque houses packed together on the Cliffside. The village offers an abundance of cafes and restaurants where patrons can relax and watch ships steaming in and out of the harbor. There is a ferry service to Blankenese from St Pauli-Landungsbrücken in Hamburg's Free Port.



WHERE TO STAY

Kempinski Hotel Atlantic 5*

An der Alster 72 -79 | 20099
Hamburg

www.kempinski.com/en/hamburg

The Hotel Atlantic Kempinski Hamburg, one of the few true Grand Hotels of our times, has been a local landmark since its opening a century ago in 1909. Situated on Lake Alster and in the city centre of Hamburg, the Atlantic is one of the leading luxury hotels for exploring the Hanseatic culture and lifestyle.

Louis C. Jacob 5*

Elbchausse 401- 403 | 22609
Hamburg

www.hotel-jacob.de

Sophisticated and with timeless elegance in true Hamburg style: 85 rooms and suites await you at the Louis C. Jacob, an urban oasis in closest vicinity to the cosmopolitan city. This is the **hotel for clients** who do not really like hotels. This is home from home, where stylish living meets exclusive relaxation. Start your day with a sumptuous breakfast: superb food in an exquisite environment, a backdrop which is usually reserved for good personal friends. As Hamburg's only privately owned luxury hotel the Louis C. Jacob prides itself to offer the service of a Grand Hotel - however it is complemented with the customised care of a private mansion..

Sofitel 5*

Alter Wall 40 | 20457 Hamburg

www.sofitel.com

Sofitel Hamburg welcomes you to the heart of the Hanseatic city. The hotel is within easy reach of the main train station and airport and is located between the town hall and harbor, where Hanseatic elegance meets French savoir vivre. Distinct shapes and colors characterise our cozy guest rooms and function rooms. Enjoy our exclusive spa, eat international cuisine at their restaurant "Le Bistro," or relax with a cocktail on the bar terrace taking in the views over the Alster canal.



WHERE TO STAY

Empire Riverside 5*

Bernhard Nocht Straße 97 |
20359 Hamburg

www.empire-riverside.de

The Empire Riverside is a 4 star superior hotel situated in the heart of Hamburg. The hotel is 12 kilometers from Hamburg International Airport and near to St. Pauli Street. There are 2 bars and a restaurant in the hotel. The restaurant has a view of the docks and serves international cuisine; its dishes are prepared in a show kitchen. There are 327 guest rooms and suites in total. All rooms have panoramic windows with the view of Hamburg.

Fairmont Hotel 4 Jahreszeiten 5*

Neuer Jungfernstieg 9-14 |
20354 Hamburg

www.hvj.de

The Fairmont Hotel Vier Jahreszeiten is the essence of what is understood to be a Grand Hotel in the European tradition and offers an experience rich in spectacular historic charm and great luxury. For more than 100 years it is the first address in Hamburg's city centre based on the Inner Alster Lake and close to the main attractions of the City. The famous Harbour, the State Opera House, the Congress Centre and the elegant shopping arcades are only a walking distance away from the hotel.

Grand Elysee Hamburg 5*

Rothenbaumchaussee 10 |
20148 Hamburg

www.grand-elysee.com

The Hotel is located in Rotherbaum - one of Hamburg's most beautiful districts- between the Outer Alster and university - only a few minutes by foot away from the city centre. Nice fitness area with pool, saunas and solariums. Medical massages are available for relaxation as well. The ELYSEE Hotel Hamburg offers modern luxury and gastronomy.

EAST Hamburg 5*

Simon von Utrecht Straße 31 |
20359 Hamburg

www.east-hamburg.de/en

Serving the needs of a guest is one of the basic principles – with each and every minute of the stay with us. A Supreme design, with unparalleled style and exclusive service. The best connections and the warmth of their staff go are natural complements to the service.



WHERE TO STAY

The George Hotel 4* design

Barcasstraße 3 | 20359
Hamburg

www.thegeorge-hotel.de/in-hamburg

This 4-star design hotel next to Hamburg's Alster Lake offers large rooms with flat-screen TVs, a Marrakech-style spa, and free Wi-Fi. The city center is only a 15-minute walk away. Each of the spacious rooms at the George Hamburg includes air conditioning and windows that open. The George's DaCaio restaurant serves fine Italian food and wines. The Bar DaCaio offers traditional British chairs and furniture as well as afternoon tea and a large selection of spirits.

SIDE Desinghotel 5*

Drehbahn 49 | 20354 Hamburg

www.side-hamburg.de/

The one and only SIDE Hotel is the first and sole 5 star Design Hotel in Hamburg. Located near the inner Alster lake and the city's shopping arcades, it combines wellness with lifestyle and luxury with design. 11 floors of puristic design composed by architect Matteo Thun lay between the spacious SPA-area and the impressive sky lounge. Discover the essence of indulgence in the restaurant [m]eatery where our chef prepares specialities meat.

Steigenberger 5*

Heiligengeistbrücke 4 | 20459
Hamburg

de.steigenberger.com/Hamburg/Steigenberger-Hotel-Hamburg

From the luxurious Steigenberger Hotel in the city centre of Hamburg it is only a few minutes on foot to the Inner Alster, the historic town hall and the shopping precincts. With local public transport, the guest can quickly and comfortably reach not only many of the city's landmarks, such as St. Michael's Church known as "The Michel", or the Miniature Wonderland, the musical theatres such as the Neue Flora and the cabarets on the Reeperbahn.

Le Royal Meridien 5*

An der Alster 52 - 56 | 20099
Hamburg

www.lemeridienhamburg.com

Le Méridien Hotel Hamburg is seated in St. Georg – Hamburg's trendy district at the Alster lake – a chic hotel in the heart of Hamburg close by the central station. Hamburg's historical quarters, the city center, trade fair grounds, the harbour and the musical halls are within easy reach. All of the 275 rooms, incl. 14 suites, offer comfort and elegance - many of them provide Alster view. A night's stay in Le Méridien is an uniquely appealing experience.



WHERE TO EAT

Henssler & Henssler

Große Elbe Straße 160 | 22767
Hamburg

www.hensslerhenssler.de

The Kitchen is unpretentious, fresh and sophisticated. Classic Japanese recipes are with innovative, international culinary expertise. Guests can watch the whirl and twirl of the open kitchen from the bar stools along the counter, or simply take a seat in the unadorned ambiance of the restaurant.

Restaurant Haerlin

Neuer Jungfernstieg 9 – 14 |
20354 Hamburg

www.restaurant-haerlin.de

A Top Hotel needs a top restaurant and the Hotel vier Jahreszeiten has hit the Jackpot with Haerlin. Decorated in feudal style, this place has firmly established itself at the top of Hamburg's culinary premier league. Huge windows provide great views over the beautiful lake Alster, a piano player tinkles in the background and the winelist is simply unbeatable.

Rive Bistro Restaurant

Van der Smissen Straße 1 |
22767 Hamburg

www.rive.de

A Restaurant that is located at the harbor of Hamburg. The cuisine is awarded with 15 Gault Millieu points. If you are looking for a restaurant where you can also have an amazing view over the harbor, then the Rive is exactly what you are looking for.

EAST Hamburg Restaurant

Simon von Utrecht Straße 31 |
20359 Hamburg

www.east-hamburg.de/en/restaurant

Europe meets Asia Crossover, top-class, different styles, and fusion of cultures. All are Wonderful words, but not nearly enough to describe the special quality of the top-level chefs and their culinary works of art.



WHERE TO EAT

Jacobs Restaurant

Elbchausee 401 – 403 | 22609
Hamburg

www.hotel-jacob.de

For Hamburg's connoisseurs of excellent food and fine wines the Jacobs Restaurant has been a regular haunt for many years. Offering contemporary, light, fresh cuisine and a well stocked cellar, guests can expect unforgettable dining experiences – seven days for lunch and dinner. The spectacular panorama, magnificent wall paintings, molded ceilings and large crystal chandeliers are a most suitable backdrop. Weather permitting, the famous Lime Tree Terrace becomes a much enjoyed outside room for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Le Canard Nouveau

Elbchausee 139 | 22769
Hamburg

www.lecanard-hamburg.de

One of the best restaurants in town, with the most stunning view on river Elbe. The Service is totally amazing and are always on there feet to make your evening an unforgettable one.

Se7en Oceans

Ballindamm 40 | 20095
Hamburg

www.se7en-oceans.de

Exclusive ambience – star chef Sebastian Andrée – fresh fish and more! You can choose one of the delicious dishes from the small but nice cart or choose your meal out of the fish-counter or the lobster-bowl. The Se7en Oceans offers regional and international fish specialities in addition to especial meat-meals



WHERE TO EAT

Piment

Lehmweg 29 | 20251 Hamburg

www.restaurant-piment.de

The Gault Millau elected Wahabi Nouri as one of the best chefs of 2010 and for the Michelin Guide his kitchen is one star worth. Piment offers in a warm ambience featuring classic French dishes with allusions to North African flavours.

IndoChine

Neumühlen 11 | 22763
Hamburg

www.indochine.de

As with all other IndoChine establishments around the world, guests are treated to a real sensory journey from the moment they step into the venue. Lush waterfalls; exotic palm trees and bamboos; Buddhist artefacts, Oriental sculptures and beautiful Asian antiques greet guests as a prelude to their culinary journey into old Indo-China – modern-day Laos, Cambodia and Vietnam. Romantic chandeliers and subtle violet lighting accentuate the Old World charm softened by Asian calm. Only the large window front with a view of the River Elbe and the port offer the guests a glimpse of the world they left behind, if they have not already been captivated.

ONO by Steffen Henssler

Lehmweg 17 | 20251
Hamburg

www.onoby.steffenhenssler.de

Ono is hawaiian and means „dewier fish on the table“. The sushi restaurant is the second restaurant of celebrity cook Steffen Henssler.

Clouds | Heaven Bar & Kitchen

Reeperbahn 1 | 20359
Hamburg

www.clouds-hamburg.de

Julian Münder, who heads up the gastronomic side of the restaurant, is a passionate rotisserie chef. “This careful and low-fat preparation method refines our already high-quality poultry. Many dishes are prepared right at the table, like for example poultry, meat and fish creations, which are carved in front of dining guests. Tell Wagner, east Executive Chef, and Sebastian Brugger, east Chef de cuisine, are responsible for the menu. Only sustainable and certified products such as the 700 g Dry Aged T-Bone Steak from North Germany are served from the kitchen.

The restaurant on the 23rd floor seats 120 dining guests. There is also a snack menu available at the bar.



NIGHTLIFE BAR´S

20 UP

Bernhard Nocht Straße 97
Empire Riverside Hotel | 20359
Hamburg

www.empire-riverside.de

The 20 Up Lounge Bar is one of the most stylish in Hamburg. Housed within the Empire Riverside Hotel, it is perched on the top floor of this gleaming glass tower. Floor to ceiling windows provide superb views of the city and it's an ideal place to perch – on one of the slender, elegant barstools – with a cocktail in the early evening, as the streets light up below you.

David´s Place

Bernhard Nocht Straße 97
Empire Riverside Hotel | 20359
Hamburg

www.empire-riverside.de

Located next to the lobby we present "David's" with its fireplace-lounge as the new place to meet both for locals and guests. The bar invites you to spend some cosy hours in an attractive ambience. It is named after the famous David Street which borders the hotel. Enjoy coffee-specialties, delicious wines and snacks from the bar food-menu.

Le Lion Bar de Paris

Rathausstraße 3 | 20095
Hamburg

www.lelion.net

Though comparatively new on the scene, Le Lion's Bar de Paris is a classic bar in every sense. One of the best bars in town, it's also one of the stand out cocktail bars in Germany - full stop. It's not a fashion-driven bar, far from it; the ambience is sophisticated, without ever feeling pretentious and the drinks are truly something. Le Lion isn't cheap but the quality of the experience is worth every penny – these are world class cocktails. An up market evening is guaranteed, but booking a table is very much recommended.



NIGHTLIFE CLUBS

Golden Cut

Holzdammer 61 | 20099
Hamburg

www.goldencut.org

The philosophy of the GOLDEN CUT is based on a careful pick & mix of international trends with exotic influences and surprising news. The music direction of the golden CUT will take up national and international trends, without having to follow general currents. DJs and VJs produce the fusion of guests, pictures, light and music.

Upper East

Simon von Utrecht Straße 31 |
20359 Hamburg

www.east-hamburg.de

Cloud nine hangout for multimedia junkies. LED lights and HD screens almost 360 degree throughout the club. Bonfire of vanities. Pumping Top hits in the air. This is a very upscale club, have fun and enjoy yourself. Reservations are required as this is a private members club as well.

Clouds Heaven Bar

Reeperbahn 1 | 20359
Hamburg

www.clouds-hamburg.de

The view at night over the lively goings-on of the Reeperbahn is an experience in itself. Dark tabletops made from oak and tanned leather with a "used" look create a trendy, upmarket and cosy atmosphere. Under the direction of Richard Dührkohp, who has remained faithful to the "east cosmos" for ten years now as Head Barman in east and in coast by east in the HafenCity, innovative cocktail creations are served here in addition to a selection of international fine wines. Whatever the occasion, be it as a "warm-up" for a subsequent tour of the Kiez or as a final treat after watching a musical, it is always worth paying a visit to the clouds bar with its breathtaking views over the port of Hamburg and the HafenCity. As well as the considerable range of drinks on offer, the 70-seat bar also caters to guests' appetites with a snack menu available up until 01.00 a.m. We would ask for your understanding that we cannot accept any reservations for places at the bar.



WELLBEING

EAST Mandarin Body & Soul
Simon von Utrecht Straße 31 |
20359 Hamburg

www.east-hamburg.de

Accessible to guests from inside the hotel itself or to anyone wishing to experience a little pampering and relaxation from the outside, Berlin's premier luxury day spa is set inside its most famous hotel. The calming, clear white interior and minimalist East Asian influences provide a soothing escape to enjoy a wide range of personalized spa and beauty treatments.

**Fairmont Vier Jahreszeiten
Spa and Fitness Club**
Neuer Jungfernstieg 9 – 14 |
20354 Hamburg

www.hvj.de

The Spa facilities include:

- Treatment rooms with individual shower
- a wet room for spa body therapy treatments
- plunge pools, sauna, steam room, solarium
- chaise lounge rest area with music head sets
- Atlantis bathtub
- treatment room for couples

Holmes Place Health Club
Gassstraße 2 | 22761 Hamburg

www.holmesplace.de/en/

Between the suburbs of the Elbe and the city of Hamburg, Holmes Place Health Club Bahrenfeld looks after your well being. In the listed factory building of the former gasworks, there are very spacious and light areas, inviting opportunities for exercise and relaxation. A comprehensive well being and fitness programme in a relaxed atmosphere.

Day Spa at George Hotel
Barcasstraße 3 | 22097
Hamburg

www.thegeorge-hotel.de

On the sixth floor of the hotel an oasis of wellness in the style of Marrakesh invites you to relax. In addition to the sauna and quiet lounge, there is a partially covered roof terrace with a view over Hamburg's St. Georg district. The spa team offers countless opportunities for massages and beauty treatments for body and soul.



WHERE TO SHOP

Two of the oldest and most prestigious shopping streets, Grosse Bleichen and Neuer Wall, run parallel to the canals, connected transversely by Jungfernstieg and Ufer Straße on the Binnenalster.

The Mönckebergstraße. The "Mö", as the people of Hamburg call their pedestrian zone, runs from the central train station to the richly decorated City Hall of Hamburg.

The shopping boulevard is lined with historical merchant's villas, which are now home to a wide variety of popular department stores; expect no less than Europe's largest sports store (Karstadt), and the world's biggest electronics store (Saturn).

An architectural gem is the historical Levantehaus, a traditional brick stone house-turned-shopping centre, now home to high class specialty shops, international restaurants, and the exclusive hotel Park Hyatt.

