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Discovering Fulda – Guided Tours and more
Whether you are travelling alone, with friends or with your family there are several different ways to discover Fulda. You can choose to join one of our regular tours, enjoy an interactive tour with your children, use the Fulda Museum Pass to discover our very varied museums or see the sights using our audio guide. Even if you only here with a small group you can book a tour with one of our trained guides at the Tourist Information Office. We would be glad to arrange a tour which takes into account your individual time schedule and sight-seeing wishes.

1-hour guided tour
...discovering the baroque quarter and the old town with a short visit to the Cathedral, if no church services are taking place.

Meeting point: Tourist Information Office

2-hour guided tour
...visiting the Cathedral, St. Michael’s Church and the Historical Rooms in the Residence. If there are services in the churches we show our guests the old town and the baroque quarter.

Meeting point: Tourist Information Office
Tour of the Residence

In the Historical Rooms in the Residence you get a good insight into courtly life in the 18th century. The guided tour includes the private rooms of the prince-abbot, the banquet room, the mirror cabinet and the porcelain collection.

For guests who would like to do a tour of the city after the tour of the Residence there is a special combo ticket.

Daily except Monday 10.00 am - 5.00 pm

1st April - 31st October:
Daily except Monday and Friday 10.30 am and 2.00 pm
Friday 2.00 pm

1st November - 31st March:
Tuesday - Friday 2.00 pm
Saturday, Sunday, public holidays 10.30 am and 2.00 pm

Meeting point: Residence ticket office [1]

The Historical Rooms are also used as a registry office, so when weddings are taking place, mostly on Friday and Saturday mornings, it is not always possible to visit these rooms. The Residence museum is closed on 24th December.
A tour of the City and Residence with the Audio Guide
If you would like to discover Fulda by yourself, the audio guide is a good option which gives you the opportunity to determine how much time you want to take for the tour. The audio guide commentary is available in German and English and takes you to 17 different stopping points in the city and the Residence. When you reach a sight you are given a description of the sight and its historical significance. The guide is varied and entertaining and by the use of appropriate music and sounds it conjures up the historical spirit of the place.

The Museum Pass
For museum fans we have our Museum Pass which entitles you to one visit to each of the museums in Fulda and includes a guided tour of the museums. The period of validity of the Museum Pass is unlimited.

The Museum Pass includes entrance to the following museums:

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- The Vonderau Museum >>> page 24
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- Schloss Fasanerie Museum >>> page 28
- The Children’s Academy >>> page 30
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Discovering Fulda – guided tours and more

Baroque? What’s that?
The tour guide, dressed in historical costume, takes the children back in time to the 18th century. Frau Hoys, the craftsman’s wife, tells of the customs and arduous life in the baroque period. Special activities and games ensure an interesting time for the children and a lot of fun. Duration: approx. 1.5 hours.

May - October:
the first and third Saturdays of each month 11.00 am
Meeting point: Tourist Information Office

January - April:
the first and third Saturdays of each month 3.00 pm
Meeting point: Vonderau Museum ticket office

Tours for small guests from 5 to 9 years – also bookable for children’s birthdays

Woodpecker, Hare, Mole & Co
When spring comes the woodpecker starts his head-banging! The woodpecker drives his head into tree trunks twenty times a second. How can the woodpecker withstand this? Why does the hare need its long ears and fluffy tail? And how does a mole manage to make so many hills on a football pitch? These are some of the intriguing questions that crop up during the guided discovery tour for young nature fans. Duration: approx. 1.5 hours.
Places to see
The Cathedral

The Cathedral is not just Fulda’s famous, characteristic landmark, it is also the most significant baroque church in the state of Hesse. Following in the tradition of the Roman baroque style, the Cathedral was built by the architect Johann Dientzenhofer between the years 1704 and 1712. Parts of the previous church, the ninth century Rattger Basilica, were integrated in the baroque construction.

The great religious significance of the church derives from the fact that it contains the tomb of St. Boniface. Still today it is an important place of pilgrimage.

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1st April - 31st October:
Monday - Friday 10.00 am - 6.00 pm
Saturday 10.00 am - 3.00 pm
Sunday and public holidays 1.00 pm - 6.00 pm

1st November - 31st March:
Monday - Friday 10.00 am - 5.00 pm
Saturday 10.00 am - 3.00 pm
Sunday and public holidays 1.00 pm - 6.00 pm

There are organ recitals every Saturday morning in the months of May, June, July, September and October (12.05 pm - 12.35 pm). Please note that it is not possible to visit the Cathedral during services or concerts.
The Residence

The Residence, which now serves as the town hall and a museum, was built for the prince-abbots by Johann Dientzenhofer between the years 1706 and 1714. This impressive, stately building forms the centre of Fulda’s baroque quarter.
The Historical Rooms in the Residence are well-worth seeing as they provide a good insight into the courtly way of life during the period of Absolutism. Besides the dining hall and the adjoining rooms, you can also see the prince-abbots’ private apartment. There is also a collection of 18th century porcelain from Fulda and Thuringia on display and some elegant rooms which are decorated in the style of the 19th century.
The Residence Garden, the Orangerie and the Flora Vase

Near the Residence and the Cathedral in the baroque quarter you find these sights. The Residence Garden, a mixture of the baroque and English garden styles, is Fulda’s “leafy heart”.

The Orangerie forms the northern border of the Residence Garden. This palace was built by the prince abbots in the 18th century and was used for summer festivities. The Orangerie has elegant baroque rooms and an original sun terrace which make it a wonderful venue for a multitude of events. The Flora Vase, erected in 1728, is directly in front of the Orangerie. It is one of the most beautiful garden sculptures in Germany.

1st April - 31st October
7.00 am - 10.30 pm
1st November - 31st March
7.00 am - 9.00 pm
Baroque Quarter

The Baroque Quarter, which encompasses many impressive buildings, constitutes a highly important architectural urban ensemble. Many of the former houses of high-ranking court officers are now used by different organisations.
The Old Town
Fulda is largely known as a baroque city, but it also has a medieval core which is located between the Cathedral and the City Centre. Parts of the old city wall and its towers are still intact and in the Old Town you can enjoy a stroll past the old wooden-beamed houses, old craftsmen’s shops and discover the pretty courtyards.
Fulda’s Museums – Something for Everybody
The Residence – Historical Rooms

The Historical Rooms in the Residence give you an impression of how life was at court in the baroque period. The rooms include a large banquet room and its adjoining rooms, the prince abbots’ private apartment from the 18th century and some rooms designed in the classicistic style of the 19th century.
The museum also houses the famous collection of Fulda porcelain manufactured between 1764 and 1789 and some items of Thuringian porcelain. There is also a section devoted to Ferdinand Braun (1850 -1918) who was awarded the Nobel Prize for Physics in 1909.
Vonderau Museum Fulda – Art, Culture & Nature

The Vonderau Museum Fulda is the largest museum between Kassel and Frankfurt. The Vonderau Museum is a regional museum which exhibits items related to cultural history, natural history and the fine arts. The time period covered by the museum stretches right back to the Stone Age and takes us forward to include a particular highlight in Fulda history – the Fuldamobil. The Fuldamobil was a 10 PS three-wheeler car with a speed of 70 km/h and a petrol consumption of 3.5 l/100 km. This car was exported to many foreign countries and therefore spread the name of our city to all corners of the earth.
Starting with the dinosaurs which inhabited the Rhön in pre-historic times the exhibition then goes on to show the natural habitats of today. The art on display also includes stone sculptures and wood-carving from the middle ages, portrait and landscape paintings from later periods and artwork by local contemporary artists.

The Planetarium in the Vonderau Museum
If you fancy a virtual “trip to the limitless space of the universe” then this Planetarium is the place for you. A full-dome video projection enables you to circumnavigate Venus, fly to Mars passing the Rings of Saturn, not forgetting a short visit to the Uranus’ moon, Triton.

The Vonderau Museum
Daily except Monday 10.00 am - 5.00 pm

The Planetarium in the Vonderau Museum
Information on the shows is available in the museum. Special shows for groups can be booked between 8 am and 4 pm from Monday to Friday.

The museum is closed on 24th December.

Vonderau Museum Fulda
Jesuitenplatz 2 · D-36037 Fulda
Tel: +49 (0) 6 61-1 02 32 10 · www.museum-fulda.de
The Cathedral Museum –
the Cathedral Treasure Chamber

This collection of relics, liturgical vestments and vessels provides a comprehensive insight into the history of Fulda cathedral. The Cathedral collection, which follows in the tradition of the former monastery treasure chamber, has recently been restructured.

1st April - 31st October:
Tuesday - Saturday 10.00 am - 5.30 pm
Sunday and public holidays 12.30 pm - 5.30 pm

1st November - 31st March:
Tuesday - Saturday 10.00 am - 12.30 pm and 1.30 pm - 4.00 pm
Sunday and public holidays 12.30 pm - 4.00 pm

The museum is closed from 15th January to 15th February and on the following days: Good Friday, Easter Saturday and Sunday, Whitsunday and 24th and 25th December.

Dommuseum Fulda
Domplatz 2 · D-36037 Fulda
Tel: +49 (0) 6 61-8 72 07 · www.bistum-fulda.de
Fulda’s Museums – Something for Everybody
The Schloss Fasanerie Museum

Schloss Fasanerie is regarded as the most beautiful baroque palace in the State Hesse. Conceived as a summer residence, the palace was built by the prince-abbots of Fulda in the years 1739 – 1750 and is now in the possession of the Landgraves and Princes of Hesse. The lavishly furnished rooms and elegant halls house an exquisite collection of furniture and artwork from the 18th and 19th centuries. The atmosphere takes you back to when the palace’s courtly heyday. The palace has an idyllic landscape garden and large, original sun terrace with a restaurant/café.
April - October:
Daily except Monday 10.00 am - 5.00 pm
Park and restaurant open all year round.

Palace tours
Daily except Monday 10.00 am - 4.00 pm
(Tours begin every hour on the hour)

Tours for children
Tuesday 2.45 pm
Saturday, Sunday and public holidays 1.45 pm

For special exhibitions and cultural events please visit www.schloss-fasanerie.de

The city bus lines 6 (to Bronzell then a 2.5 km walk), 7 (to Engelhelms, then a 1 km walk) and 43 (goes to the palace, only Monday - Friday from April to November)

Schloss Fasanerie
D-36124 Eichenzell · Tel: +49 (0) 6 61-9 48 60
www.schloss-fasanerie.de
The Children’s Academy, Fulda – a workshop museum

The Children’s Academy, Fulda is the oldest independent children’s museum in Germany. The spacious area is filled with interactive activity stations, which cover subjects ranging from art and culture to science and technology and stimulate children’s natural curiosity (suitable for children over 3 years). Here you can feel free to try out the different activities!

The Walk-through Heart, with an area of 36 qm and a height of 5 m, is unique in Europe. A walk through the four chambers of the heart is an unforgettable experience for the whole family. Children and adults learn about the anatomy of the heart in a playful way and can then listen to their own heart beat with a stethoscope. You also learn the size of the heart and what you can do to keep it healthy. The visitors find their way through the heart as “red blood cells” that flow through the heart chambers and thus learn how blood circulates. The program is rounded off with some insights into cultural history.

The visitors to the academy are “heartily” welcome and should not leave with a “heavy heart”. We would like to show you that you should “have a heart” for your heart.
During school term time there are courses in the art school and an inventors’ club for children from 6 to 16. In the school holidays there are one-day or one-week workshops.
The German Fire-fighting Museum

Fire engines dating from the Renaissance up to the present are here on show in two large halls. Models and original exhibits trace the development of fire-fighting and fire protection back to the 14th century. Museum visitors often long to take a peek behind the scenes of a museum – groups, who have booked this option, have the opportunity to do this. In a storage area of 1,440 qm which is usually kept behind closed doors, you get a chance to see unique museum treasures.

1st April - 31st October:
Daily except Monday 10.00 am - 5.00 pm

1st November - 31st March:
Daily except Monday 10.00 am - 4.00 pm

Tours for groups by appointment.

The museum is closed from 24th to 26th December and on 31st December. During the school holidays the opening hours are extended.

City bus lines 3 (Maberzell) 4 (Haimbach)
Bus stop: Feuerwache

Deutsches Feuerwehr-Museum
St.-Laurentius-Straße 3 · D-36041 Fulda
Tel: +49 (0) 661-7 50 17 · www.dfm-fulda.de
Propstei Johannesberg with Baroque Garden

The Propstei Johannesberg lies to the south-west of Fulda. In the 18th century it underwent a renovation in the baroque style which transformed it into a more palatial building. Since 1984 a large amount of repair and renovation work has been undertaken. Today the Propstei Johannesberg houses a centre for the conservation of historical buildings and runs courses and advises house-owners. On the tours you can visit the historical rooms in the “Rote Bau”, the gardens, the church, the workshops and the Johannesberg craftwork collection.

Group tours by appointment:
1st March - 30th November, daily 10.00 am - 5.00 pm

Individual tours:
June to September, every Sunday 2.30 pm

Meeting point: entrance to garden

City bus lines 3 (Johannesberg/Istergiesel) and 5a (Johannesberg/Harmerz); Bus stop: Propstei

Propstei Johannesberg gGmbH · Fortbildung in Denkmalpflege und Altbauerneuerung
D-36041 Fulda · Tel: +49 (0) 6 61-94 18 13 0
www.propstei-johannesberg.de
**University and State Library**

**Temporary Exhibitions**

In the newly designed exhibition of the University and State Library there are temporary exhibitions of valuable books drawn from the extensive library collection – just one example of the rare books in the collection is a Gutenberg Bible.
Mollenhauer’s Interactive Recorder World

A hands-on, interactive recorder museum where you can have fun learning about recorders and experimenting with sounds. Great for people of all ages! Mollenhauer’s Recorder World is ideal for school classes, families, play groups, school staff groups, students or anybody who is just curious to find out more. You can discover how a recorder is made, see historical instruments, experiment with sounds and test your knowledge about recorders with the “Where does the wood come from?” quiz. Lots to see and do!

Monday - Friday 10.00 am - 3.00 pm

It is possible to book a tour of the recorder factory workshop for groups of over 15 persons. Individual visitors/families are welcome to join a group tour.

The museum is closed on public holidays.

City bus lines 4 (Kohlhaus/Edelzell) and 6 (Kohlhaus/Bronnzell)

C. Mollenhauer GmbH
Weichselstraße 27 · D-36043 Fulda
Tel: +49 (0) 6 61-9 46 70 · www.mollenhauer.com
Please note that all the historical churches can only be visited when no services are taking place.
Historical Churches
The Cathedral

The Cathedral (1704 - 1712) is one of the most impressive baroque buildings in Fulda. Still today, St. Boniface’s tomb in the Cathedral is an important place of pilgrimage and every year the German bishops meet here for their autumn conference.
Concerts in the Cathedral

Under the artistic direction of Prof. Hans-Jürgen Kaiser, regular organ recitals are held in the Cathedral, giving you the chance to enjoy the full sound of the Cathedral organ. The organ recitals take place from 12.05 pm to 12.35 pm every Saturday in May, June, July, September, October and in Advent. On these days the Cathedral is only open for concert-goers from 11.30 am until after the concert. In the evening there are also regular concerts with the organ and choir.

1st April - 31st October:
Monday - Friday 10.00 am - 6.00 pm
Saturday 10.00 am - 3.00 pm
Sunday and public holidays 1.00 pm - 6.00 pm

1st November - 31st March:
Monday - Friday 10.00 am - 5.00 pm
Saturday 10.00 am - 3.00 pm
Sunday and public holidays 1.00 pm - 6.00 pm

Programme and information on Cathedral music:
Tel: +49 (0) 6 61 - 8 74 57 · www.bistum-fulda.de

Dom zu Fulda
Domplatz 1 · D-36037 Fulda · www.bistum-fulda.de
St. Michael’s Church

St. Michael’s Church was built between 812 and 822 as a chapel for the monks’ cemetery of the Benedictine monastery which was in this area.

With a crypt dating back to the 8th century, St. Michael’s Church is one of the most significant medieval church buildings in Germany.

1st April - 31st October:
Daily 10.00 am - 6.00 pm

1st November - 31st March:
Daily 10.00 am - 12.00 pm and 2.00 am - 5.00 pm

St. Michael’s Church is closed on 24th and 31st December and on Carnival Monday.

Michaelskirche
Michaelsberg 1 · D-36037 Fulda
www.bistum-fulda.de
Historical Churches
St. Blasius, the City Parish Church

The City Parish Church was built between 1770 and 1786 under the prince-bishop Heinrich von Bibra. St. Blasius was the last baroque building built in Fulda. On Saturdays at 11.55 am there are meditation sessions with organ music. The city parish church is responsible for the pastoral work in the city and runs many different events.
Benedictine Abbey St. Maria

The Benedictine Abbey St. Maria was founded in 1626 and has continued the Benedictine tradition up to the present. The abbey church is a simple construction in late Gothic and Renaissance architecture. The position of the altar in church and the paintings of Lioba Munz OSB († 1997) are noteworthy. There is an abbey shop which was built onto the old abbey wall. When the shop is open you can look into the abbey garden which is open on Saturdays from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm from May to September.

Abbey Church: Daily 6.00 am - 8.00 pm
Abbey shop: Monday - Friday 10.00 am - 5.00 pm
Saturday 10.00 am - 4.00 pm

The abbey shop is closed on all public and religious holidays (6th January, 21st March, 6th May, 22nd June, 15th August, 1st and 11th November).

Abtei St. Maria
Nonnengasse 16 · D-36037 Fulda
Tel: +49 (0) 6 61-902 45 0 · www.abtei-fulda.de
The Christuskirche

The Christuskirche (built 1894-1896) lies midway between the station and the Residence. Built in the New Gothic style, it is the oldest and largest protestant church in Fulda. The church also serves as a venue for a varied selection of church music concerts.
Frauenberg Monastery

This Franciscan monastery, which was founded in 1623, is situated in a park on one of the seven hills of Fulda – the monastery is a late baroque group of buildings with a fine church interior which was the subject of extensive restoration work which finished in 2003.

Frauenberg Monastery is a 15-minute walk from the Cathedral.
Propstei Churches
Several smaller monasteries grew up around Fulda monastery. The churches of most of these monasteries still exist.

Propstei St. Andreas
St. Andreas was built in the 11th century and the crypt still remains from this period. The crypt was painstakingly restored and now the murals from the ottonic period are well visible. The Propstei church is a 15-minute walk from the Cathedral.

- The crypt can only be visited by appointment.
- City bus line 4 (Haimbach/Malkes)
  Bus stop: Bonifatiushaus
- Propsteikirche St. Andreas
  Andreasberg 5 · D-36041 Fulda
  Tel: +49 (0) 6 61- 92 87 90 · www.st-andreas.info
Propsteikirche St. Peter (Liobakirche)

Under Rabanus Maurus a monastery and a church for St. Lioba’s tomb were erected. The crypt of the original church from the 8th century has been conserved until today.

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**1st April - 31st October:**
Tuesday - Sunday 10.00 am - 11.30 am and 2.30 pm - 4.30 pm

**1st November - 31st March:**
Tuesday - Sunday 2.30 am - 4.00 pm

In January and on church holidays on request.

The church is closed on 24th and 25th December and on Good Friday and Easter Saturday.

**City bus line 9A (Ziehers-Nord)**
Bus stop: Propstei

**Propsteikirche St. Peter (Liobakirche)**

An St. Peter 1 · D-36100 Petersberg
Tel: +49 (0) 6 61-6 22 79 · www.st-peter.de
Fulda in Green: Parks and Gardens
The Residence Garden
The extensive Residence Garden was an integral part of the general architectural concept of the baroque Residence. The garden consists of several parts: the Residence and Orangerie terraces with sculptures and water basins, the "parterre" with the large fountain and shady trees and the former boxwood garden which stretches out to the east. In course of time the garden has been changed to match the tastes of the time and therefore various different elements from the baroque up to the modern period can be seen here.

Here you can relax on a bench in the shade of the trees, or maybe you prefer to be close to a refreshing fountain or tranquil pond. For children and teenagers there is also a playground and a crazy golf course.
The Dahlia Garden

The entrance to the Dahlia Garden is hidden in the wall the runs along the Johannes-Dyba-Allee, opposite the Cathedral. In late summer the dahlias come into bloom in a spectacular burst of different forms and colours. The council garden department shows and cares for over 30 different types of dahlia in this charming walled garden. In spring the garden is opened with changing flower border designs.

The Dahlia Garden is the perfect place to take a break, relax and enjoy the views of the Cathedral and the Witches’ Tower.

Mid-April / Beginning of May - October (depending on the blooming of the flowers):
Daily 9.00 am - 7.00 pm
The Deacon’s Garden

The Deacon’s Garden, directly beside the Cathedral, is the area which is in front of the entrance to the Cathedral Museum. This garden is devoted to historical types of rose. Stone sculptures from the Cathedral Museum’s “lapidarium” are displayed in a leafy arcade, creating, in combination with the roses, the particular charm of this garden.

There is access to the garden during the opening times of the Cathedral Museum.

1st April - 31st October:
Tuesday - Saturday  10.00 am - 5.30 pm
Sunday and public holidays  12.30 pm - 5.30 pm

1st November - 31st March:
Tuesday - Saturday  10.00 am - 12.30 pm
and 1.30 pm - 4.00 pm
Sunday and public holidays  12.30 pm - 4.00 pm

From 15th January to 15th February inclusive and on the following days the museum is closed: Good Friday, Easter Saturday and Sunday, Whitsunday and on 24th and 25th December.
The Cloister Gardens

The Benedictine and the Franciscan cloister gardens show different garden use concepts.

St. Maria’s Abbey

Centrally located, this garden is within the closed cloister area of the abbey. The abbey’s vegetable garden is lovingly tended by the nuns. One part of the garden is a herb garden which was laid out according to the concept of the Fulda monk Walahfried Strabo (808-849). You can see the garden from the terrace of the abbey shop. In summer the nuns give guided tours of the garden and are pleased to give gardening tips.

The abbey garden:
During the gardening season (from May to September) the garden is open on Saturdays from 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm. For details please go to www.abtei-fulda.de.

The abbey shop:
Monday - Friday 10.00 am - 5.00 pm
Saturday 10.00 am - 4.00 pm

The abbey shop is closed on all public holidays including religious holidays.
Frauenberg Monastery
This monastery is a 15-minute walk from the city centre. This garden is mainly used to grow produce for the monastery kitchen and to grow flowers for decorating the church. You can look into the garden from the Way of the Cross which is to the left of the church.
Schloss Fasanerie Park

This large, idyllic landscape park is a wonderful blend of made and natural elements. The garden encompasses natural meadows, formal borders and landscaped ponds. Small groups of trees are dotted around the park and there is a large wood which is criss-crossed by pretty paths. The wood, through which a stream meanders, has been largely left in its natural state and is surrounded by a high wall. The different parts of the park are connected harmoniously and provide the opportunity to discover rare plants, enjoy fine views and see the pretty summer pavilions.

The park is open daily until dusk.

City bus lines 7 (to Engelhelms then a 1km walk), 6 (to Bronzell then a 2.5km walk) and 43 (only from Monday to Friday – Circular bus system)
Fulda-Aue – the River Meadows

This park area is only a few minutes from the city centre. The whole area was renaturised when Fulda hosted the first State Hesse Garden Show in 1994. This area provides many opportunities for people of all ages to get active – cycling, canoeing, gliding or inline skating or simply going for a stroll. Maybe you would like to visit the German Fire-fighting Museum or the Centre for the Environment with its beer garden, or just opposite you could try out the “barefoot path”. In the summer months the children have great fun at the “water playground”. 
Sport Activities in Fulda and Region
In Fulda and the surrounding hilly areas, the Rhön and Vogelsberg, there are many sport activities that you can do. Here is a short selection:

**Cycling**
Fulda lies at the crossing of three interregional cycle paths. The R1, the “Fulda Cycle Path”, runs alongside the River Fulda ensuring good views throughout the route.

The R3 cycle track runs along the route of a disused railway track. The cycle path takes you through the Milseburg tunnel, an old railway tunnel. The tunnel (1,173 m) is one of the longest tunnels for bikes in Germany. In winter (November-March) the tunnel is closed because bats hibernate there.

Towards the west you come to the R3 (the “Vulcano Cycle Path”) which goes through the Vogelsberg area.

**Canoeing**
The scenery along the river is very beautiful and a canoe trip is an ideal way of experiencing this natural environment. Kayaks and Canadian canoes can be hired, or you can book a canoe trip with an experienced canoeist as your guide.

Tours can be booked from April to October depending on the weather and the river water levels. There are special tours for children, teenagers and adults.

**Hiking in the Rhön**
The Rhön is well-known as a hiking area. The hiking path called “der Hochrhôner”, which takes you across the whole area, has received many awards as a premium hiking route.

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**Canoe trips can be booked with the following companies:**

**Rhön Adventures**
Karlstraße 33 · D-36037 Fulda
Tel: +49 (o) 6 61-2 50 26 23 · www.rhoen-adventures.de

**Kanutours Fulda**
Waldstraße 2 · D-36043 Fulda
Tel: +49 (o) 6 61-5 81 00 · www.kanutours-fulda.de
Several other paths (extra tours) take you through the low-lying mountains which lie in three different federal states – Hesse, Bavaria and Thuringia.

**Gliding**

As early as the 1920s the first gliding pioneers took to the air in the Rhön. Hessen’s highest mountain, the “Wasserkuppe”, is still today an Eldorado for this sport. You can take a flight and enjoy the magnificent views, or visit the Gliding Museum which gives you a fascinating insight into the development of this sport.

**Wasserkuppe – a sports paradise**

The “Wasserkuppe” is not only a gliding centre, here you can enjoy many different sport activities: you can go on the woodland climbing course, take a ride on the summer toboggan run, go hang-gliding or, in winter, go skiing.

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**Rhön and Wasserkuppe**

Rhön Info Zentrum Wasserkuppe · D-36129 Gersfeld
Tel: +49 (o) 66 54-91 83 40 · www.rhoen.info

Region Vogelsberg Touristik GmbH
Vogelsbergstraße 137 a · D-63679 Schotten
Tel: +49 (o) 60 44-96 48 48 · www.vogelsberg-touristik.de
Event Highlights
The events in Fulda are very varied. Art and cultural events take place throughout the year in museums, in the theatre, open-air and during our various festivals. Up-to-date information on events is posted on our website www.tourismus-fulda.de. Here is a small selection of events:

**Carnival Monday (Rosenmontag) and the Shooting Club Festival (Schützenfest)**
Two large public festivals take place annually. The highlight of the carnival season is State Hesse’s largest carnival parade on Carnival Monday. Floats with specific themes and groups of costumed carnival footfolk parade through the city to the delight of the carnival fans who line the streets. Every year the Shooting Club Festival, with its huge fairground, begins on the second last Friday in July and ends on the first Sunday in August. The festival takes place in a very central location near the main station.

**The Princely Garden Festival**
Every year Schloss Fasanerie opens its gardens, courtyards and barns for the Princely Garden Festival. In a huge area of 30,000 qm the stands present new and interesting products which are associated with country life and gardening.

**Fulda Musical Summer**
There is no doubt about it! Fulda is a centre for musicals. From mid-June to mid-August musicals with a historical background are staged at the Schlosstheater by spotlight Musicals GmbH. Up until now 5 world premieres have been produced in Fulda and have been highly acclaimed by both critics and theatre-goers. The combination of the best musical performers, inspiring music, excellent dance scenes and impressive stage scenery make it an easy decision to book tickets for the Fulda Musical Summer. Attractive packages including an overnight stay are also available!

**Concerts on the Cathedral Square**
The cathedral square provides an impressive backdrop for open-air concerts. Many world-famous stars have performed here and every year the best musicians from the fields of pop and classical music are booked for this historical location.

**The Christmas Market**
From the last Friday in November to 23rd December over 80 stands open for the Christmas market in the historical heart of the city.
Food and Wine Festivals
In June there is a gourmet food festival on the “Pauluspromenade” and in August/September there is a wine festival. There are also wine-tasting events at the historical vineyard at the foot of the “Frauenberg” from May to September – these are just some of the many interesting culinary events that take place in Fulda.

Sport
Every year people have plenty of opportunities to combine a visit to our baroque city with a sports event. The triathlon, the city marathon and the cycle race around the cathedral square are just three of the events which take place in within the city.

Literature
Good literature is highly appreciated in Fulda. One of the many literature events which bring authors and readers together is the series of readings by distinguished, successful authors under the title “Literature in the Residence” which takes place in the most beautiful historical rooms in the Residence.

Preview: 2019 will be a big year for celebrations in Fulda as it is the “city’s birthday”. To celebrate the “1275th Anniversary of the City of Fulda” many interesting events will take place.
Key to the Sights

1. Tourist Information Centre
2. Residence and Historical Rooms, Museum, Citizens’ Office, Lost Property Office
3. The Residence Garden
4. Orangerie and Flora Vase
5. St. Paul’s Gate
6. Catholic Diocesan Office
7. St. Michael’s Church
8. Cathedral with St. Boniface’s tomb
9. Cathedral Museum – Cathedral Treasure Chamber, the Deacon’s Garden
10. The Dahlia Garden
11. St. Severi Church, mother house of the Sisters of Charity
12. The City Parish Church
13. Vonderau Museum, Planetarium
14. St. Maria’s Benedictine Abbey
15. City Bus Station
16. Main Post Office
17. State and University Library
18. Christuskirche
19. Main Rail Station (with ICE connections)
20. Congress and Cultural Centre Fulda, city indoor swimming pool
21. District Council office
22. Fulda University
23. Frauenberg Monastery
24. Ziehers sport swimming pool (indoor)
25. Fulda Hospital
26. Local and District Courts, Tax Office
27. Rosenau swimming pool (outdoor)
28. Central Sports Area, Fulda Stadium
29. The Environmental Centre, Fulda
30. The German Fire-fighting Museum
31. St. Andreas Church, Bonifatiushaus
32. The Children’s Academy, Fulda
33. Mollenhauer’s Interactive Recorder World
34. Schloss Fasanerie
35. St. Peter’s Church (Liobakirche)
36. Propstei Johannesberg
37. Fulda-Aue – the River Meadows
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On the following days, the tourist office is closed:
24th, 25th and 26th December, 1st January and Carnival Monday