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routes through  
Hamburg**



# HAMBURG IN *A new* LIGHT

## ▲ Trips to the most beautiful spots in Hamburg

Hamburg has lots of other enchanting spots besides its well-known sights. In fact, there is so much to discover in the various neighbourhoods of this major city. This brochure takes you to some wonderful corners of the city – away from the centre, charming and quirky, urban and natural, quiet and lively. Let yourself be inspired by our 12 routes highlighting different aspects such as trendy, nature, street art or shopping. And you can get started right away! We have included some travel tips for using public transport – or you can enjoy getting there by bike or ferry. Use the QR codes to find more information and details online about the respective routes.

We hope you enjoy some unforgettable days out!

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approx. 100 km up the river Elbe



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5 km

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## ▲ Public transport, bikes and car-sharing

It is easy to get from A to B in Hamburg. The network of buses, subways and suburban trains in Hamburg's public transport system (HVV) is excellent and includes the typical harbour ferries. Not to mention the nearly 300 StadtRAD stations offering well-maintained bicycles throughout the entire city area, enabling you to travel flexibly and comfortably. Simply download the app and rent one! Rental cars and car-sharing are other practical solutions for your activities in and around Hamburg.



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## 1 Castle route

# Idyllic HAMBURG TOPPED BY A CASTLE

### ▲ Time to visit the romantic village in the city

If you want to be transported back to the past in the midst of a modern city, take a trip to Hamburg's east. Just a short walk from Bergedorf metro station, the city's only preserved **castle**, framed by water, and an idyllic **monumental park** await you. More than 850 years of history and a lively future merge here, as children's laughter wafts over from the large playground in the immediate vicinity.



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Castle route

If you feel like a cup of coffee and a delicious slice of cake, take a relaxed



stroll through the **historic old town** with its well-preserved half-timbered houses and its many inviting shops and cafés. Then it's on to **Bergedorf harbour**: refuel with a fresh maritime breeze and explore the secrets of the many winding canals on a boat tour.

From here, it takes about half an hour to walk to the famous **observatory** with its neo-baroque dome in the middle of a large park. A great experience for any amateur astronomer.

**Tip:** Cycle through the beautiful **Vier- und Marschlande region** just outside Bergedorf and enjoy regional specialities on historic farms.

## BY THE WAY

The entire complex of the **Hamburg Observatory** with its manorial houses resembles a villa estate built in the Art Nouveau style and is under protection.



## HOW TO GET THERE:

Take the S21 to Bergedorf station, go by Alster or Elbe boats, or cycle along well-developed bike paths.



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## 2 Forest route

# Forest bathing IN WOHLDORF

▲ Pure idyll in Hamburg's largest deciduous forest

Hiking with a jungle feeling: discover the diverse flora and fauna under the green canopy of **Wohldorfer Wald**.

This nature reserve is the city's largest contiguous deciduous forest and also its oldest forest district. It offers everything a hiker's heart desires:



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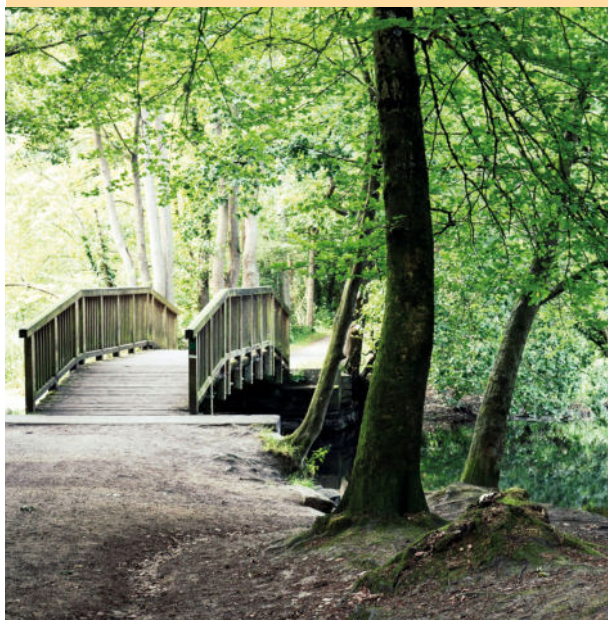
quiet floodplain woods, depressions and hollows with alders and beeches, as well as ancient oak, ash and maple trees. Fragrant woodruff, anemones and primroses are dotted around the trees, many of which are more than 200 years old. The hilly landscape is

shaped by ice-age terminal moraines and traversed by water. **Ammersbek**, **Drosselbek** and some tributaries of the **Alster river** meander through the dense undergrowth. Not to mention the enchanting **Kupferteich** and **Mühlenteich** ponds, perfect for a romantic picnic. If you want to do some animal watching, immerse yourself deep in the woods. With a little luck, you will spot otters, kingfishers, woodcocks and other rare species. 14 different bat species have already been counted in Wohldorf! The information panels along the path provide details on the animals, plants and nature of the forest.

**Tip:** Combine the 7 km loop walk through Wohldorfer Wald with a tour of the beautiful **Duvenstedter Brook** nature reserve.

## BY THE WAY

The Wohldorfer Wald **nature reserve**, with its 144 hectares, is part of a biotope network spanning 1,800 hectares. More than 10% of Hamburg's land mass is under nature protection – the highest nationwide.



## HOW TO GET THERE:

Take the U1 in the direction of Ohlstedt to the last stop.



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### 3 Alster route

## Picturesque HIKE IN THE VALLEY

▲ Out of the city and into wild nature

Your hiking route will take you from the **Binnenalster** lake through elegant Hamburg neighbourhoods to the far north of the city. The paths are marked with yellow directional arrows and the letter "P".



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Alster route

First, stroll along **Neuer Jungfernstieg** towards the Außenalster lake and enjoy the parks and gardens of the west bank with its magnificent homes. Swans, sailors and boats on the Alster will put you in the mood for a relaxing walk. Admire the artworks and old



trees in the Alsterpark before turning onto Leinpfad at the Krugkoppelbrücke bridge and following the course of the Alster to the **Winterhuder Fährhaus** theatre. On your way north, you will pass pretty allotments before reaching the world's largest **park cemetery** in **Ohlsdorf**. Continue along the romantic riverside landscape with its lush vegetation, which offers a wonderful play of colours at any time of the year. The further north you go, the scenery becomes quieter and more tranquil as you pass river locks, romantic ponds and quiet woods. In winter, the meadows and trees are shrouded in sparkling frost.

## BY THE WAY

There are 10 locks along the approximately 56 km from where the Alster rises until it flows into the Elbe. They are mainly used to regulate the water levels of the Alster.



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## HOW TO GET THERE:

Take the S1, S2 and S3 or U1, U2 and U4 to Jungfernstieg. Join the tour later using other stops on the S1 line in the direction of Poppenbüttel and the U1 in the direction of Norderstedt.



## 4 Park route

# Refreshing OASIS IN THE CITY

### ▲ A green hangout

The **Stadtpark** (City Park) is one of the city's largest green spaces and a popular destination for getting together and chilling out.

Wind down, have a picnic or get some exercise. Do as the people of Hamburg do and enjoy some time out in the lush greenery of the Stadtpark. Maybe you feel like joining the football players on the large meadow, diving into the **Stadtpark Lake**, or even exploring the water by SUP, canoe or pedal boat. You could spread out a blanket and have a barbecue – amidst natural groves and charming greenery. Then follow the **Tree Trail** and discover unique exotic plants. The **Rhododendron Trail** and **rose gardens** are gorgeous when in bloom. And in the summertime, children can splash around in the large wading pool. 22 works of art line the paths in the extensive park and if you love music, you've come to the right place: in summer, international artists give well-attended open-air concerts on the **Freilichtbühne**.



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Park route



## BY THE WAY

Opened in 1930, the **planetarium** used to be a water tower. This impressive brick building attracts around 300,000 visitors a year.

A heavenly experience can be had at the historic and fully modernised **Planetarium** offering a wide range of shows, including films and concerts. The roof terrace offers a wonderful view over the entire Stadtpark and large parts of the city.



## HOW TO GET THERE:

Take the S1 to the Alte Wöhr stop or the U3 as far as Borgweg.



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## 5 Boulevard route

# CITY STROLL WITH *insider* CHARM

### ▲ Explore Hamburg's favourite neighbourhoods

Magnificent old buildings, excellent restaurants and unique boutiques: a walk from **Eimsbüttel** to **Eppendorf** has it all – and much more.

**Eppendorfer Weg** connects two popular neighbourhoods and is just perfect for a longer walk. Saunter the three kilometres from the Eimsbüttel district exuding Hanseatic coolness to the sophisticated and very upmarket Eppendorf quarter. Look forward to an inspiring variety of inviting stores and eateries. The magnificent Art Nouveau buildings and apartment complexes with their



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turrets and dazzling white stucco are home to restaurants that are as exclusive as they are down-to-earth. Not to mention all the charming cafés, elegant boutiques and small owner-run shops. Running parallel to this boulevard is perhaps Hamburg's most beautiful canal, the **Isebek Canal**, which flows into the Alster lake at **Heilwig Park** in Harvestehude. A tour by SUP, canoe or pedal boat opens up entirely new perspectives on these parts of the city, with the canal network and the Alster canals providing some unique insights into the secret gardens of the grand villas.

**Tip:** Every Tuesday and Friday at Isebek Canal, under the iron arches of the elevated railway, Isestraße is transformed into a paradise of market stalls – the **Isemarkt**.

## BY THE WAY

The historic **Holthusenbad** in Eppendorf was opened in 1914. Even today, this spa offers wonderful relaxation as you experience the charm of the 1920s.



## HOW TO GET THERE:

Go to Eimsbüttel by taking the U2 to the Christuskirche or directly to Eppendorf with the U3 to the Eppendorfer Baum stop.





## 6 Trendy route

# A DIFFERENT TYPE OF *shopping tour*

▲ Welcome to a colourful and creative life

The Karolinenviertel, affectionately called “**Karoviertel**”, whets the appetite for something special in everyday life.

Pulsing with life far away from the mainstream, this neighbourhood with its many stately old buildings is authentic, unconventional and alternative. It thrives on the creative commitment of its residents and tradespeople who have created a particular culture of togetherness here. And right in the middle of it all is the famous **Marktstraße** – a dream destination if you’re looking for something exceptional.



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Trendy route



Here and in the surrounding streets, such as **Glashüttenstraße**, there is nothing that cannot be found in small owner-run stores: fashion and accessories, design and decorations, art and music. Many stores also serve as studios where individual brands and small series are created. Feminine fashion and sportswear easily coexist with vintage and rock 'n' roll – often fair or green fashion. “Made in the Karoiviertel” – some of these brands already enjoy international renown. Such diversity is bound to make you hungry. Fortunately, there are plenty of places to take a break in the Karoiviertel. From an early morning coffee to a late nightcap, you can eat, drink, celebrate and enjoy yourself no end in this district.

**Tip:** The legendary flea market **Flohschanze** takes place around the **Alte Rinderschlachthalle** (old cattle slaughterhouse) on Saturdays from 8 am to 4 pm.

## BY THE WAY

As early as the 19th century, a market hall provided space for trading up to 2,500 cattle and 5,000 sheep. It was destroyed in World War 2 and replaced in 1950 by a building similar to the original **Alte Rindermarkthalle**.



## HOW TO GET THERE:

Take the U3 to Feldstraße stop, the U2 to the Messehallen or metrobus 3.



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## 7 Panorama route

# ELBE PLATEAU WITH A SPLENDID *view*

### ▲ Shopping and fun in a district full of character

Situated directly on the Elbe, the Altona and Ottensen neighbourhoods delight walkers with many parks and even more trendy stores and cafés.

**Ottenser Hauptstraße** begins at Altona station – the first highlight on your tour towards the Elbe. This area is pulsating with life: shops of all sizes, pretty cafés and international restaurants are ideal for a short flying visit. In the area around the intersecting **Bahrenfelder Straße**, owner-run stores with individual offerings invite you to browse and shop.



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the Panorama  
route

## BY THE WAY

### Altona

**Town Hall** used to be a train station. Today the building is used as a district office. On the north side, there is a monument in honour of Kaiser Wilhelm I.



After so much hustle and bustle, there are quieter areas, too: stroll south through the streets lined with old buildings and enjoy the relaxing green spaces of **Donners Park** and **Heine Park**. The nearby **Altonaer Balkon** (Altona Balcony), some 27 metres high, offers a fantastic view of the harbour and fish market all the way to the Harburg mountains. No wonder Hamburg natives like to meet here for a picnic – the ultimate Hanseatic city feeling. The other side of the street features **Altonaer Rathaus** (Altona Town Hall), an impressive neoclassical building in gleaming white with many columns and reliefs.

**Tip:** Descend the picturesque **Elbe steps** and enjoy all kinds of freshly caught seafood in the fishing port on Große Elbstraße.



### HOW TO GET THERE:

Take the S1, S3, S11 or S31 to the Altona stop or ferry 62 from Landungsbrücken to Dockland (Fischereihafen).



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## 8 Elbe villa route

# SUNSHINE ON THE *Elbe*

### ▲ From Övelgönne to the stairway quarter

Rippling waves, ships gliding by, stately mansions: discover Hamburg from its most beautiful side.

Start your Elbe hike at the **Övelgönne Museum Harbour** if you want to walk eight kilometres to the Treppenviertel (stairway quarter) on Blankenese Elbe beach. It is about four kilometres if you start at **Jenisch Park**. The city shows off its diversity on the slopes of the Elbe where you can discover magnificent Wilhelminian villas in tranquil gardens, while the



More about the  
Elbe villa route



high-tech Airbus operation is bustling with activity on the other side of the river. It's a world of contrasts, accompanied by the crashing waves of passing container giants and cruise ships. When you arrive in **Blankenese**, the restaurant on the ferry pier is ideal for a short break. Fortify yourself with a delicious fish roll before climbing the 5,000 steps of the **Stairway district** with its breath-taking views of the Elbe. Walking past historic villas and fishermen's cottages with charming gardens, you will reach **Hesse Park** right in the centre of Blankenese. Here, pretty boutiques and cafés invite you to shop and dine.

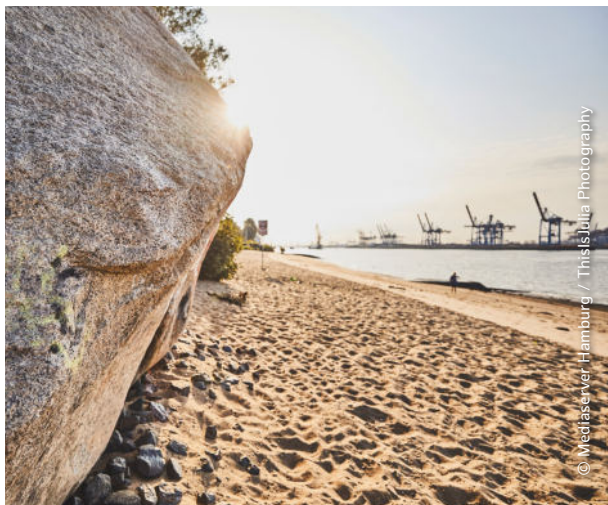
**Tip:** If you are not good on foot, take the "mountain goat" bus 488 in the Stairway quarter.

## BY THE WAY

The Neo-Gothic **church in Blankenese** features a baptismal font dating back to the 13th century.



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## HOW TO GET THERE:

Take ferry 62 to the Neumühlen stop (Museumshafen Övelgönne) or take ferry 64 or bus X21 to the Teufelsbück stop (Jenischpark).





## 9 Heath route

# WORLDS OF *contrasts*

### ▲ Through the harbour to the heath

First feel the pulse of the city and then immerse yourself in nature – all made possible by this versatile excursion.

Start at Landungsbrücken and simply take your bike with you on board the ferry. This takes you down the Elbe, passing many sights along the way such as the **Fischmarkt** (Fish Market), the **Övelgönne Museum Harbour** and the Elbe beach. The gigantic ships in the container port on the other side of the Elbe are real eye-catchers. Then the ferry crosses the river and takes you to **Finkenwerder**. This gateway to the **Altes Land** reveals fascinating views of the historic cultural landscape south of Hamburg. Lovingly renovated half-timbered farmhouses, lots of lush greenery and apple trees as far as the eye can see make this route a romantic experience. Cycle through the meadows and orchards as far as **Fischbeker Heide**. You will find it hard to believe that this is still Hamburg: the city's largest heath landscape enchants with romantic hills and winding paths. And when the heather



More about the  
Heath route



## BY THE WAY

Fischbeker Heide is home to the **Hasselbrack**. At proud 116.2 metres above sea level, this is the highest point in Hamburg.



blooms in late summer, everything is bathed in bright purple. You might also like to take a look at the heath from above: at the **glider airfield**, you can watch the light planes take off and land – and even take to the air yourself!



## HOW TO GET THERE:

Take your bike on ferry 62 to Finkenwerder or the S3 to Neugraben. Then take the bus 250 to the final stop Fischbeker Heideweg.



## 10 Urban nature route

# A TOUR FULL OF *opposites*

### ▲ Industrial romanticism meets garden charm

Your excursion to **Wilhelmsburg** combines historic industrial culture with lots of greenery and an extra bit of action.

The tour begins by bike at an industrial monument that is unique to Hamburg: the **Alter Elbtunnel**. Glass freight elevators take you down to a depth of almost 24 metres where tiled tunnel tubes form an unusual bike path. On the other side of the Elbe, you will be rewarded with a breath-taking panoramic view of Hamburg's harbour. Then set off along Vering Canal to the Wilhelmsburg **energy bunker**. Treat yourself here – the view from the café is magnificent! After that, cycle to **Wilhelmsburger Inselpark** (Wilhelmsburg Island Park) and let yourself be



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inspired by the themed worlds of "Nature & Garden" or "Sports & Exercise". The "Mist & Fog" garden takes you on a short trip to the rain-forest. The Rose Boulevard and Home Garden are very well kept and feature classic designs. Sport fans will love the Inselpark **indoor swimming pool**, the HanseRock **high ropes course**, the





**skate park** and the **climbing wall** in the Nordwandhalle. Young children can let off steam at the “Desert Waves” and “Mysterious Island” fantasy playgrounds.

## BY THE WAY

The **Wälderhaus** in Inseipark is a project that impressively illustrates the themes and interrelationships of forests, the environment and sustainability.



## HOW TO GET THERE:

By bike through the Alter Elbtunnel or take the S3 to Wilhelmsburg.



## 11 Cultural route

# Art AND Culture IN THE SOUTH OF HAMBURG

### ▲ Architecture and street art

Harburg offers a great variety for fans of romantic industrial monuments and modern street culture.

Cycle via Wilhelmsburg, crossing the Süderelbe over the imposing **Alte Harburger Elbbrücke** (Old Harburg Elbe Bridge) built in 1899. This is the first architectural highlight of your excursion. And it brings you right into the heart of the hustle and bustle of Harburg's inland port. Here, the charm of old brick halls and office buildings merges with the dynamism of modern architecture.



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Let your eyes wander – taking in old ships, locks, oil mills and extravagant new buildings. Harbour basins and canals give the quarter its unique maritime flair. If you cycle in the direction of Harburg City, you should definitely keep an eye out for the beautiful neo-Renaissance **town hall**. Take a detour to **Lämmertwiete** and discover the half-timbered houses that nestle crookedly against each other.

## BY THE WAY

The **Hölertwiete** shopping arcade features five high-tech flower beds. These have so-called tree trenches that store rainwater from the roofs and release it to the trees.

Harburg is one big open-air gallery for street artists: in the town centre, in the harbour, in courtyards, underpasses and on electrical boxes, artists from all over the world have immortalised themselves with street art as part of the “**Walls Can Dance**” project. And there is even more art to admire in the **Falkenberg Collection**, which is housed in the Deichtorhallen exhibition halls. It comprises 2,200 works of contemporary German and American art, 700 of which are exhibited on a rotating basis.



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## HOW TO GET THERE:

By bike via Veddel and Wilhelmsburg or take the S3/S31 in the direction of Neugraben to the Harburg-Rathaus stop.

## 12 North Sea route

# READY FOR HAMBURG'S *island*

### ▲ Expanse, North Sea, Wadden Sea

A district that is in fact an island – where's that? In Hamburg! Take a trip to Neuwerk, the city's northernmost "quarter".

**Neuwerk Island** is located in the middle of the **UNESCO World Heritage Wadden Sea**, 100 km north-west of Hamburg City Hall. 25 inhabitants share the 3 km<sup>2</sup> island – and they look forward to your visit! Take the regional train to Cuxhaven, from where you can cross over most comfortably by horse and cart or by boat at high tide. Or you can hike 10 kilometres through the mudflats as part of a guided group. Now take a deep breath: on Neuwerk, the few houses are built in the island's rough terrain and a fresh breeze blows on the small **beach**. But you needn't go without snacks or refreshments as it goes without saying that there are pubs and places to stay.



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the North Sea  
route

The literal highlight of the island is the **lighthouse** – more than 700 years old, it is the oldest structure in the city. It originally protected merchant ships



entering the Elbe estuary and has been a listed building since 1924. From its viewing platform, you can see as far as the mainland. A special highlight is to stay over-night in one of the small rooms.

## BY THE WAY

The permanent exhibition in the **National Park House** with its fascinating tidal basin gives you insights into the island's history and the flora and fauna of the Wadden Sea.



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## HOW TO GET THERE:

Take the regional train RE 5 to Cuxhaven. From there on foot, by boat or horse and cart.

## sustainable inspired

Hamburg is Germany's second largest city, yet it is also a green oasis with an abundance of nature. Around 10% of the Hanseatic city is accounted for by nature reserves, more than in any other federal state! The city has a great variety of sustainable offers. Be inspired by eco-fashion, upcycled souvenirs, regional food and eco-friendly hotels. Sustainability is easy to experience in Hamburg as environmental protection and nature conservation are already "included" in many of our routes and excursion tips. Simply because this is important to us Hamburgers.



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