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Acting king in the Children's Museum

The opportunity to experience their wealth of creative ideas, each splendidly and skillfully realized in the style of their respective age, makes a visit to the palace an exciting journey through time.

Along the extensive overall program of interesting objects in the residential palace and its museums and gardens is in itself a worthwhile reason for repeat palace visits. A broad range of special guided tours on artistic and historical topics – also offered as an experience of a special kind with a guide wearing a period costume – further adds to the rich offerings.



# A Baroque Experience Palace Ludwigsburg



# Baroque Splendour



Old Main Building, Ludwigsburg Palace

Ludwigsburg Palace is one of Europe's largest preserved Baroque palaces. Thanks to its highlights – the Baroque Gallery, the Fashion Museum and the Ceramics Museum as well as the Children's Museum which opened only lately – the Palace can be called one of Europe's largest cultural centers. However, it is not the size alone that is the basis for the international rank of this complex. The fact that the royal apartments from the Baroque, Rococo and Empire periods have been preserved as a unit, with room decorations affixed to the walls and rich appointments, is also unique. Three generations of sovereigns, architects, artists and artisans designed the rooms.

# A stroll through three periods of history

In the 300th anniversary of its founding in 2004, Ludwigsburg Palace has been turned over to the public with a new radiance following extensive construction and restoration work.

With special consideration devoted to the apartments from the age of Eberhard Ludwig, the newly furnished apartment of Duke Carl Eugen of Württemberg and the rooms redecorated under the Württemberg King Friedrich I, visitors to the Palace Museum have the unique opportunity to experience the three great epochs – Baroque, Rococo and Empire – in their original, historical context.

Now the numerous sculptures created for the buildings and gardens of the Ludwigsburg palace complex are presented in a Lapidarium.

With its technical equipment from 1758 and the extensive collection of extremely early historical stage decorations, the Palace Theater, a monument to theatrical and technological history, holds an outstanding position among the historical theater buildings still preserved today. In the summer months it forms the setting for the productions of the Ludwigsburg Palace Festival (Ludwigsburger Schlosstheaterspiele).

A visit to the Theatre Museum provides us with an insight into the history of the theatre in Württemberg and where we can also see much of the original stage scenery preserved in the court theatre.



Audience room

In the new Fashion Museum, the Württemberg State Museum (Landesmuseum Württemberg, Stuttgart) presents fashionable clothing from the middle of the 18th to the end of the 20th century in a permanent exhibition. The focus of this collection is the courtly clothing of the second half of the 18th century and fashion of the post-revolutionary period.

From the collections of the State Gallery (Staatsgalerie) in Stuttgart, the public can view selected works of European Baroque Painting, primarily German and Italian masterpieces of the 17th and 18th centuries. The Children's Museum shows the multifaceted history

of the Palace. This interactive world invites families and groups of children to discover history themselves.

The Württemberg State Museum in Stuttgart also has its extensive Collection of China, Faiences and Ceramics on exhibit in Ludwigsburg Palace. China from the outstanding manufactories of the 18th and 19th centuries is shown with special attention paid to the products once produced at the Ludwigsburg China Manufactory (Ludwigsburger Porzellanmanufaktur). In addition, contemporary ceramics of the 20th and 21st century are also on display.



Carl Eugen's private quarters

## Opening times, guided tours and admission charges

### Ludwigsburg Castle

The Official Palace of the Dukes and Kings of Württemberg. With the Barock Gallery, the Fashion and the Ceramics Museum as well as the Children's Museum.

### OPENING TIMES

Palace Ticket Office  
Mon - Sun 10.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m.

### Children's Museum

Sat 1.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.  
Sun 11.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m.  
on school holidays in addition:  
Wed 11.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m.  
closed on 24st and 31st December

### GUIDED TOURS

Mid-March to Mid-November  
Continuously 10.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m.

### English tours

Mon - Fri 1.30 p.m.  
Sat, Sun and bank holidays  
11.00 a.m., 1.30 and 3.15 p.m.

### Mid-November to Mid-March

Mon - Fri 10.30, 11.45 a.m.,  
1.30, 3.00 and 4.00 p.m.  
Sat, Sun and bank holidays  
10.30, 11.30 a.m., 12.00 p.m.,  
from 1.00 to 4.00 p.m. every 30 min.

English tours daily 1.30 p.m.

### Children's Museum

Guided tours for families through  
the Palace and the Children's Museum  
Sat 2.30 p.m. and 4.00 p.m.  
Sun 1.30 p.m. and 4.00 p.m.  
on school holidays in addition:  
Wed 1.30 p.m. and 4.00 p.m.

Guided tours for groups by prior  
arrangement; special tours according  
to program and by prior arrangement

### ADMISSION CHARGES

Residential Palace  
Adults € 6.50  
Concession rate € 3.30  
Families € 16.30  
Groups of 20 and more € 5.80  
Special guided tours € 130.00  
(max. 10 persons)

### Tour of castles:

Residential Palace and Favorite Palace  
Adults € 8.00  
Concession rate € 4.00  
Families € 20.00  
Groups of 20 and more € 7.20

### Children's Museum - Combi-Ticket:

Museums or Official Palace  
combined with Children's Museum  
Adults € 6.50  
Concession rate € 3.30  
Families € 16.30

### Museums with audio guide:

Adults € 3.50  
Concession rate € 1.80  
Families € 8.80  
Groups of 20 and more € 3.10

### Museums' Tour with audio guide:

Baroque Gallery, Fashion Museum,  
Ceramics Museum, Carl Eugen's  
Apartment  
Adults € 6.50  
Concession rate € 3.30  
Families € 16.30  
Groups of 20 and more € 5.80

### Residence Tour:

(2 days valid) all museums, Carl Eugen's  
Apartment, Residential Palace and  
Favorite Palace  
Adults € 12.50  
Concession rate € 6.30  
Families € 31.30  
Groups of 20 and more € 11.20

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