DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SPRING 2017
Herrenhausen KunstFest-Spiele art and music festival

This year marks the 8th Hannover Festival of contemporary art. Hordes of visitors flocked to the event in 2016 thanks to the new venues throughout the city, new formats and the attraction of new audiences. Now in 2017 the festival is set to tap into new geographic and cognitive spaces. Approximately 50 events will be held on a total of 17 days in the Herrenhausen Gardens and across the city. The artistic expedition will lead from the Galerie in the Orangerie, through the Baroque Great Garden, the newly renovated Arne Jacobsen Foyer right to the Georgengarten. New performance venues such as the Capitol and the Pavillon cultural centre have been added. As a grand finale, visitors can enjoy the production of “Surrogate Cities” in the transporter factory of Volkswagen Commercial Vehicles.

5 – 21 May 2017
Herrenhausen Gardens & Hannover

Made in Germany Three

Three renowned exhibition venues, three months of supershows! “PRODUCTION. Made in Germany Three” is the third festival exhibition marking the successful collaboration between the Kestner Gesellschaft, Kunstverein Hannover and the Sprengel Museum Hannover. At “Made in Germany One and Two” in 2007 and 2012, over 120,000 visitors gained an insight into Germany’s multifaceted and diverse art scene. The third edition of “Made in Germany” focuses on the conditions for the production of art in Germany as well as how geographical, political and institutional structures and new technologies provide crucial pre-requisites for the creation of art. It also highlights themes such as Germany as a training ground, global networking via blogs, alternative spaces with a more flexible programme and art apps. New this year: The Schauspiel Hannover theatre, the Festival Theaterformen and the Herrenhausen KunstFestSpiele art and music festivals now also feature with multidisciplinary projects.

3 June – 3 September 2017
Sprengel Museum, Kestner Gesellschaft, Kunstverein Hannover

Package deal

Your package includes:
- 1 night B&B based on 2 sharing in a 4-star city centre hotel
- Admission to Made in Germany Three (all three exhibitions)
- Information pack
- Two course meal close to the Sprengel Museum
- HannoverCard for 2 days

4-star hotel € 125 per person sharing
Single room supplement € 35

Bookable: 3 June – 3 September 2017 on request
By makers for everyone – Maker Fairs 2017

The Maker Fairs are taking place at the Hannover Congress Centre (HCC) for the fifth time. This is a colourful family festival where creative folk, lateral thinkers and technophiles present their unusual and creative homemade ideas. The extensive interactive programme includes robotics, wearables, Arduino bricolage, 3D print, quadcopter flights, steampunk, as well as traditional crafts and needlework. The maker fairs are all about touching and trying out. Around 900 makers are expected at this year’s fair, where they will again capture the imagination of 20,000 visitors, old and young, at 200 stands and in over 30 presentations and workshops.

26 – 27 August 2017
Hannover Congress Centre

Germany’s largest youth event for science and technology
IdeenExpo 2017

Around 351,000 visitors were inspired in 2015 – be part of it in 2017!

The IdeenExpo is the perfect platform for exploring careers in maths, IT, science and technology in a fun and challenging way. The key to the event’s success is over 600 exciting and interactive exhibits, approx. 650 workshops and live edutainment in the form of spectacular live experiments and careers advice in ClubZukunft.

The IdeenExpo offers a unique blend of education, fun and training opportunities. Whether looking through a microscope, soldering, measuring or programming – every sense is awakened here to foster a love of science and technology: everyone is encouraged to get involved! Enthusiasm, curiosity and innovation are brought to life in many different ways. Once again this year, top acts will be performing live concerts at weekends on the large open air stage, creating an unforgettable atmosphere.

10 – 18 June 2017
Hannover exhibition grounds

Package deal

Your package includes:
- 1 night B&B per person sharing with cot bed or in family room in 4-star hotel in the city
- Trip up the town hall tower
- “The Red Thread” booklet
- 2-day HannoverCard for the family
- Information package (incl. IdeenExpo programme)

4-star hotel € 149
for 1 adult and 1 child in double room
for 2 adults and 1 child in double room with cot bed: € 175
for 2 adults and 2 children in family room: € 195

Bookable: 9 – 11 June 2017
+ 16 – 18 June 2017
“ProAm” – this popular blend of professional and amateur competition is the motto of Hannover’s new cycling highlight at the end of July. One week after the final stage of the Tour de France, the stars of cycling start off the traditional cycling event on Friedrichswall at the New Town Hall in the “Night”. Just a few hours later the “amateur cyclists” will set off from the same place along the 70 / 140 kilometre course through the city and the Hannover region in the premiere of “ProAm – Dein Tag” (Your Day). While the pros will be fighting it out for victory and places on the spectacular 850 metre long hotdog course with heats, junior and derny races, the amateurs can expect an interesting route with a height difference of up to 816 m along the 114 km stretch through the Deister hills and the Weserbergland. So don’t miss out on the premiere: 24 hours of pure cycling in Hannover!

29 – 30 July 2017
Start / finish in front of the New Town Hall

Fancy a long weekend at the beach?

Come straight from hibernation to the biggest sandpit in the state capital. Just in time for the long Labour Day weekend, many of the top beach volleyball players will be serving up a treat at the 23rd Beach Volleyball Cup at Steintor. Besides a first-class line-up, top quality sport and spectacular rallies, spectators can look forward to an abundant supporting programme, activity areas and most importantly a party atmosphere in the free stands at the first competitive event of the new beach volleyball season. But it’s not just about the fun: once again this year participants are competing for crucial ranking points for the German and North West German Beach Volleyball Championship.

28 April – 1 May 2017
Steintorplatz

ProAm Hannover

Experience “The Night” and “Your Day”

Your package includes:
- 1 night in double or single room
- Racer’s breakfast
- Late check-out by 2 pm
- Bike storage in hotel
- Entry into amateur race for one person*
  incl. hotdog voucher for Saturday
- Info material

3-star hotel € 153
based on 2 sharing (event: 113 or 69 km),
€ 135 per person in single room

4-star hotel € 173
based on 2 sharing (event: 113 or 69 km),
€ 149 per person in single room

* Price for two race participants available on request

HAJ Hannover Marathon 2017

Running gear on, laces tied...and off to the HAJ Marathon. This beautiful course is like a running sightseeing tour, offering plenty of surprises and vantage points of the green city along picturesque Lake Maschsee, past many of Hannover’s sights such as the opera house, the Adventure Zoo and Welfenschloss university. The world-famous Nanas along Sculpture Mile provide welcome encouragement for the last few metres. And finally, finish to the cheers of the crowd in front of the New Town Hall, where athletes and visitors can enjoy a diverse supporting programme including a pasta party, marathon expo, business village, etc.

9 April 2017
Start / finish in front of the New Town Hall
Further info:  
www.HANNOVER TOURISM.de

Gilde Schwooof
Hannover Frühlingswiesn

Where can you find fetching dirndls, killer calves, brightly lit stalls and lively musicians creating a jolly mood for five days long over the Ascension holiday? At the Gilde Schwooof. Have a great time at Hannover's new Frühlingswiesn festival with hearty meals and delicious drinks. Visitors can enjoy Alpine rock, après-ski sound & party hits – everything that hootenanny music has to offer. Top class live entertainment will be provided in the unusually decorated marquee by stars of the party scene such as Markus Becker (Das rote Pferd), Mickie Krause (Schatzi schenkt mir ein Foto), Tim Toupet (So ein schöner Tag) and Ina Colada (Alle Kinder lernen lesen).

24 – 28 May 2017
Schützenplatz

Package deal

Your package includes:
- 1 night B&B in a 3-star city centre hotel
- Late check-out by 2pm
- Admission to Gilde Schwooof on Friday or Saturday per person
- Three-course meal in marquee and 1 litre of beer per person
- Info material

3-star hotel € 99
per person sharing,
€ 119 per person in a single room

Bookable: 26 – 28 May 2017

Pure hip-hop between the Ihme and the Leine
Hangover Jam 2017

For the third year in a row hip-hop greats will take the mic on the banks of the Ihme river and enchant the crowd with their powerful words and voices, set, of course, to the sound of rich beats. Fans of the rhyming & rapping music industry can once again look forward to a first class line-up: Bausa’s beats will rock the Gilde Parkbühne stage, the Orsens will spread love instead of hate with their rewritten hip-hop rules in their own unique style, and even one of the few “real” crews of the scene, the 187 Strassenbande, will bring their own house style with them.

12 August 2017
Gilde Parkbühne

Der Sonne entgegen

One of the biggest indoor music festivals in northern Germany will be taking place on three floors of the Hannover Congress Centre. The 17th edition of “Der Sonne entgegen” will see one of the world’s most popular electronic musicians, Claptone (Exploited), DJ in the newly renovated domed hall. Sascha Braemer (Whatiplay), Q-Tip (Der Rote Salon), Kai Kroeger (Uschi Rakete), Sanfrandisko (Uschi Rakete) and Chris Gerber will also present a contemporary mix of electronic acts ranging from house to techno to over 3,000 fans. In the Sidefloor, Busy B (200ponies) and Muray (High:Fidelity) will play new genre-specific tunes from the urban segment with hip-hop and Trap; likewise Twin Set and Demir Cesar (Wayback) will turn up the heat in the Sidefloor with dance and disco classics.

8 April 2017
Hannover Congress Centre
Little Festival in the Great Garden

The “Little Festival in the Great Garden” has become Germany’s most successful cabaret festival. On several evenings in July, over 130 artists enchant visitors as they wander around some 30 stages in the Herrenhausen Gardens.

Your package includes:
- 1 night B&B in a double or single room in a 3- or 4-star hotel
- 1 admission to the Little Festival in the Great Garden for each person
- 1 programme for two

Your package includes:
- 1 night B&B in double or single room in a 3- or 4-star city centre hotel
- 1 admission to the 27th International Fireworks Competition for each person
- Info material

Optional: Four-course meal in a selected restaurant (€ 49 per person supplement)

3-star hotel € 105
per person sharing, € 135 per person in a single room
4-star hotel € 115
per person sharing, € 149 per person in a single room

Bookable:
12 – 16 July 2017 | 19 – 23 July 2017
26 – 30 July 2017

Fireworks competition 2017:
Explosive Hannover

This event is a highlight in the true sense of the word – this is where the best pyrotechnists in the world compete against each other! The combination of music, drama and fireworks is spine-tingling. One fireworks array follows the next – you’ll wish the 25 minute performance would never end. It’s hard to imagine a more beautiful setting for these breathtaking works of art in the sky than the Baroque Great Garden.

There’s also a warm-up programme featuring cabaret and live music a few hours before the competition to entertain the crowd in the Herrenhausen Gardens.

Your package includes:
- 1 night B&B in double or single room in a 3- or 4-star hotel
- 1 admission to the Little Festival in the Great Garden for each person
- 1 programme for two

3-star hotel € 80
per person sharing, € 109 per person in a single room
4-star hotel € 90
per person sharing, € 125 per person in a single room
Group rates (10+ people) on request

Bookable:
20 May, 10 June, 19 August, 2 September, 16 September 2017

Herrenhausen Garden Festival 2017

Enjoy the Garden Festival at Herrenhausen Gardens at Whitsun!
Discover the latest garden and plant trends, wander around the many stalls with creative garden and home accessories and explore the Great Garden. In the afternoon, relax over a fine English Afternoon Tea with fresh sandwiches and delicious desserts from the kitchen.

Your package includes:
- 1 night B&B in a 4-star hotel next to the main station
- 1 admission to the “Garden Festival” in Herrenhausen for each person
- Admission to Herrenhausen Gardens
- Public tour of Herrenhausen Gardens (either Saturday or Sunday at 11 am or 2 pm)
- “Tea Time” in the hotel café, including 1 pot of tea / coffee, homemade desserts and sandwiches
- 1 day pass for public transport in greater Hanover
- “Im Garten” magazine and info material

3-star hotel € 80
per person sharing, € 109 per person in a single room
4-star hotel € 90
per person sharing, € 125 per person in a single room
Group rates (10+ people) on request

Bookable:
2 – 5 June 2017
(10 am to 7 pm)
Start off your short break in Hannover with a varied tour in an open-top double-decker bus before enjoying an impressive view from the town hall dome in the New Town Hall. Spend the next day at the exciting Autostadt! First off is a guided tour giving you an overview of the main attractions and buildings of the automotive theme park. Take a maritime panorama tour to see everything again from a totally different angle, topping off your visit to the Autostadt.

Your package includes:
· 2 nights B&B in a double or single room in a 3- or 4-star city centre hotel in Hannover
· 1 day pass for Autostadt Wolfsburg for each person (transport not provided)
· General tour of Autostadt
· Maritime Panorama Tour along Mittelland Canal in Autostadt
· Ticket for public hop-on hop-off city tour
· Tickets for the parabola lift in the New Town Hall

3-star hotel € 145
per person sharing, € 209 per person in a single room

4-star hotel € 165
per person sharing, € 235 per person in a single room

Optional: We’d love to book you a Niedersachsenticket for the train to the Autostadt!

Bookable: all year-round

Hannover Adventure Zoo:
A beastly globetrot
Visit the Adventure Zoo and go on a trip around the world with your family. See over 3300 animals in seven unique, sophisticated adventure worlds: a boat trip along the Zambesi, the Indian Jungle Palace, the fascinating Gorilla Mountain, the Australian Outback, the quaint Lower Saxon Meyers Hof and Helme Heine’s “Mullewapp” children’s paradise. Discover the huge underwater world in the Canadian Yukon Bay landscape on the “Yukon Queen”! 39 panoramic windows provide an unrestricted view of diving polar bears, seals and penguins. In addition, over 30 daily shows and commented show feeds as well as three summer toboggan runs make for a great day out.

Your package includes:
· 1 night B&B in double room with cot bed or family room in a 4-star hotel
· 1 admission to Adventure Zoo for each person
· Info material

4-star hotel from € 139
2 adults sharing
2 adults + 1 child in a double room with cot bed: from € 163
2 adults + 2 children in a family room: from € 193

Bookable: April – October

Holiday special:
Easter in Hannover!
Are you planning a short break over the Easter holidays? Take advantage of the long weekend and get to know the green city along the Leine. Take an open-top doubledecker bus tour for an impressive view of the New Town Hall, Herrenhausen Gardens and Lake Maschsee.

This varied tour features fascinating stories about Hannover. The flexible hop-on hop-off principle allows you to customise your tour, hopping on and off at seven different stops and taking a break whenever you like. Enjoy a delicious Easter brunch in the hotel restaurant the next day.

Your package includes:
· 2 nights B&B in a double or single room in a 4-star city centre hotel
· Ticket for public hop-on hop-off city tour
· Easter brunch in the hotel restaurant (Easter Sunday or Easter Monday)
· Info material

Optional: Supplement for Easter menu in hotel restaurant (four courses): €69 per person

3-star hotel € 145
per person sharing, € 209 per person in a single room

4-star hotel € 155
per person sharing, € 235 per person in a single room

Optional: Supplement for Easter menu in hotel restaurant (four courses): €69 per person

Bookable: 14 or 15 April 2017
Who says travelling alone is boring?!
Stay in a 4 star city centre hotel in Hannover and enjoy a welcome drink on arrival. Just a stone’s throw away is the starting point for your discovery tour on the doubledecker bus. This varied hop-on hop-off tour allows you to customise your trip by hopping on and off at seven different bus stops to explore the local sights. For example, enjoy the spectacular view from the town hall dome and discover Hannover’s picturesque Old Town. There are plenty of restaurants and cafés here for you to rest a while.

Add a night to your stay and complement your discovery tour through Hannover with some time for quiet reflection in the exclusive Aspria Club overlooking Lake Maschsee.

Your package includes:
- 1 night B&B in a single room in 4-star city centre hotel
- 1 welcome drink at the hotel bar
- 1 “The Red Thread” mini city guide
- Ticket for the public hop-on hop-off city tour
- Ticket for the parabola lift in the New Town Hall (only available March to October)
- Info material

4-star hotel € 119
per person sharing,
€ 154 per person in a single room

Bookable: all year round
Arrival: Friday
(selected dates)
Maschsee Festival 2017

Book your all-inclusive package with accommodation at the best price for the 2017 Maschsee Festival!

Holiday feeling in the city: from 2 – 20 August 2017 visitors can once again look forward to free open-air concerts, thrilling water spectacles and an abundance of culinary delights over 19 days at northern Germany’s biggest folk festival.

An exciting supporting programme featuring cabaret and comedy complete the fun. There’s plenty for the little ones too in the children’s area, from bouncy castles to face painting.

The Mediterranean feel of Lake Maschsee lifts the spirits and brings people together at what is probably northern Germany’s biggest open-air party.

Your package includes:
- 1 night B&B in a double or single room in a 3- or 4-star hotel
- 1 cocktail per person at a selected stall at the Maschsee Festival
- 1 city tour in Velix bicycle taxi (approx. 45 minutes)
- 1 trip on the Maschsee boat

3-star hotel € 99 per person sharing, € 149 in a single room
4-star hotel € 109 per person sharing, € 159 in a single room

Maschsee Festival Special (book with friends, 4+ people)
Tip: Save € 10 per person when you book 4+ tickets to the Maschsee Festival

Bookable: 2 – 20 August 2017

Marksmen’s Festival 2017

For ten days the huge Schützenplatz on the outskirts of the city centre is transformed into a gigantic amusement park: the festival offers folksy hustle and bustle and a jolly party atmosphere into the early hours of the morning. The highlight of the festival is the impressive marksmen’s parade, which has captivated the people of Hannover since the 17th century. At precisely 10 am, the procession comprising some 12,000 members of rifle clubs, folk and carnival groups set off on the command “Double time, March!” Accompanied by over 100 national and international bands, the colourful procession makes its way along the four kilometre route through the city centre and historic Old Town passing up to 200,000 cheering spectators over some three hours.

Your package includes:
- 1 night B&B in a double, triple or single room in a 3-star city centre hotel
- Reserved seating in the marquee at the Marksmen’s Festival
- 1 voucher for rides at the Marksmen’s Festival per person
- Voucher for a whole knuckle and 300 ml beer or a 200 ml non-alcoholic drink per person

3-star hotel € 75 per person sharing, € 99 per person in a single room
4-star hotel € 85 per person in a triple room

Optional: Grandstand ticket for the marksmen’s parade on 2 July 2017 at 10 am (price per person € 16.50)

Facilities and Services

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When Trammplatz swings, the rest of Hannover swings too.
enercity swinging hannover

Trammplatz. Ascension Day. enercity swinging hannover. Once again this year Ascension will be marked in Hannover by the art of swing. Jazz lovers and newcomers to the genre alike will again get their money’s worth at this annual music festival. The hosts, Jazz Club Hannover e.V. and enercity, will be putting on top musical performances with famous jazz greats on the open-air stage, ensuring a jolly holiday atmosphere on at Trammplatz. Some 35,000 people from Hannover and the whole of Germany are expected to listen in. For those keen to get warmed up the night before, there’s the opportunity to experience all the artists live at the traditional jazz band ball in the HCC.

24 May + 25 May 17
HCC & Trammplatz

“Hammerhart!” “Remmidemmi” at the N-Joy Star Show

A promise is a promise: The greatest line-up of all time! “Leider geil” and “Remmidemmi,” “Hammerhart” and “Ahnma” in one night, on one stage. But it doesn’t end with the two heavyweights of hip-hop, Deichkind and the Beginners... Also getting the crowd fired up are multi-platinum award-winning electropop band Clean Bandit, who stormed to number 1 in the German charts with “Rather Be,” and Imany with “Don’t Be So Shy”. And that’s not all:

Germany’s most successful house DJ Alle Farben will get the plaza rocking with his hits “She Moves (Far away)” and “Please Tell Rosie”.

27 May 2017
Expo-Plaza

NDR 2 Plaza Festival 2017

Musical highlight of the 2017 open-air season – the NDR 2 Plaza Festival. The annual tête-à-tête of the international music scene features a line-up that will bring the house down: Henning Wehland kicks off proceedings with his first solo album “Der Letzte an der Bar”. He will be followed by a spectacular array of superstars: the original lineup of Die Söhne Mannheims with Rolf Stahlhofen, Claus Eisenmann and Xavier Naidoo, Walking on Cars with their mega hit “Speeding Cars” and Bastille with their debut album “Bad Blood.” As if that wasn’t enough, Max Giesinger will be performing his Euro 2016 hit “80 Millionen” and Axel “Aki” Bosse will ensure an unforgettable night under the stars with his gold album Kraniche and the singles “Schönste Zeit” and “So oder So.”

26 May 2017
Expo-Plaza
Easter Dance Days

Easter – the time to dance … for the past 14 years! The State Opera presents its first class “Easter Dance Days” festival, focusing on the various facets of classic and contemporary ballet with performances, workshops, readings and an exhibition. The theme of this year’s festival is urbanity. Once again international dance companies will be performing, such as the young but already hugely successful ensemble of the São Paulo Dance Company from Brazil with a three-part evening, the Argentinian choreographer Constanza Macras with her company DorkyPark and Accrorap from France with its hip-hop à la française. The State Opera’s hosting ballet will, of course, also be showcasing its artistry with its own production – Jörg Mannes’ acclaimed choreography for “Dangerous Liaisons” based on the famous novel of the same name. A new dimension has been added to the workshops: hip-hop and breakdance will feature for the first time. The 2017 Tanzstadt Hannover exhibition is dedicated to Hannover dance icon Yvonne Georgi.

11 – 17 April 2017
Hannover State Opera

22nd MASALA Weltbeat Festival

Just like “masala,” the fiery blend of spices used in Indian cuisine, diversity has been the motto of the MASALA Weltbeat Festival for the past 21 years. In its history the festival has already welcomed 290 bands from over 80 countries as part of its main programme. Once again this year international artists from near and far will whisk the audience off to another world or present a little piece of home. Besides the main ingredient of music – the universal language – the interactive nature of this festival includes workshops, discussions, exhibitions, an extensive children’s and family programme and, most importantly, the free outdoor MASALA world market.

12 – 21 May 2017
Pavillon & other venues

Hannover welcomes summer

Fête de la Musique 2017

In little alleyways and big plazas, in shop windows and walkways, under cover and in the open air: Hannover will once again see in the summer on the longest day of the year with an abundance of music. Some 2500 musicians from the city and wider region will be partying at over 35 venues, bringing Hannover to life. In keeping with this year’s motto “Fête in Bewegung” (Fête in motion), visitors can look forward to marching bands and dance stunts. The town-twinning stage will once again feature at Kröpcke, where bands from Poznań, Rouen, Leipzig and Hannover to name but a few will be appearing. The Schiller Memorial will play host to musicians from Katowice, Liverpool and Seville. The ultimate highlight of the festival will again be Cirque Électrique at Goseriede.

21 June 2017
City centre
Neue Bult season starter
Goodbye winter! The Neue Bult racetrack kicks off the 2017 season on Easter Monday with exciting horseracing and an impressive supporting programme! The great VGH family race day marks the start of a very special year: the Hannover Racing Association is celebrating its 150th anniversary and will be presenting its fans with plenty of highlights over the season.
7 May 2017
VGH Race Day

Deister Day
The 10th Deister Day once again promises visitors a delightful mix of experience, information and fascination – right in the heart of nature. The Deister districts Bad Münder, Bad Nenndorf, Barsinghausen, Rodenberg, Springe and Wennigsen have organised walking and cycling tours, idyllic carriage rides, live music, theatre performances and even a “crime challenge.”
7 May 2017
Around the Deister

Events at Wiesentgehege Springe
Easter games 16 / 17 April
Waxpurgis festival 6 May
Wolf evening 13 May
Animal story festival 27 / 28 May
Midsummer night’s festival 24 June
Children’s festival 29 July
Wiesent Run 30 July
Wiesentgehege Springe

Long Museum Night
10 June 2017
Various museums

Long Theatre Night
28 May 2017
Various stages

Theaterformen Festival 2017
From city to stage
From South Africa to North America, from Finland to Italy: for eleven days the festival will embark on a journey through the world of contemporary theatre. The programme includes 15 plays from eleven countries, and an extensive supporting programme, giving the audience an opportunity to exchange, meet and take part. Three productions will lead spectators to unusual locations throughout Hannover.
8 – 18 June 2017
Various stages