



## Welcome to Berlin!

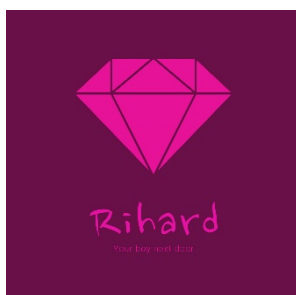
I have prepared for you a little guide for your stay in Berlin. Whether you are planning, or you have already booked me - as a local Berliner, I give you some recommendations and suggestions of what to do, where to stay, and where to go while we are together. These recommendations are only optional and not mandatory. I have included only the activities that are approved by me, so the advice you find on this file should be great for me.

Note that not all venues, places, and things are included in this guide, as Berlin is a big city with lots of options. You can ask for more recommendations directly from me. This guide is not an official guide of all Berlins activities. So please don't publish or share this guide with people who are not involved in our date. The edition is personalized according to our time.

**I am looking forward to greeting and welcoming you in Berlin!**

Kiss, your sweet boy

*Rihard*





Rihard

## Where to stay?

If you are not expecting to stay at my place, you may have first had a question: which hotels are the best for us to stay? Below I outline some hotels that are suitable for us to stay and approved by me.

### Hotels

#### **STEIGENBERGER HOTEL AM KANZLERAMT**



Ella-Trebe-Strasse 510557 Berlin Germany

Whether you are planning to stay for business or a holiday, this hotel is one of the best hotels I would recommend. It is next to the central transportation hub – a Berlin Hauptbahnhof, where you can take trains pretty much everywhere. If you travel to Berlin by train, then that would be most likely the station you approach. It is also not far from the Government hub – where our counselor – Angela Merkel works. You will also have a view of the Bundestag (the German parliament building).

This hotel has 5-stars' excellent facilities. We can go to the gym, to the spa, or spend our evenings at the bar downstairs, of which next, you will also find high-class restaurants with a variety of food – perfect for the dinner date.



Rhara

When I moved to Berlin at the end of 2018, this was the hotel where I stayed for three nights before I moved into my temporary apartment. So the hotel brings me good memories of the beginning of my journey in Berlin.

The staff is excellent, and breakfast served in this hotel on the second floor has a various selection of different beverages. I have stayed in this hotel with my previous clients as well, and the fun fact is that all these clients are the people I am interacting with even today!

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## **NHOW BERLIN**

Stralauer Allee 310245 - Berlin

This hotel is unique because it has elevators where they play a different style of music! Each lift has different music inside - Pop, Techno, Jazz, or Classic. The choice is yours!

The hotel is situated in the Friedrichschain-Kreuzberg area, next to the Universal Music building. The city-part is best known for its nightlife - the party meka in Berlin. You will find nearby lots of Berlin's best and most famous clubs, like Berghain, and so on. The area gets crowded on the weekend, but watch out - it is also an attractive place for pickpockets and drug dealers.



Whether you look for romantic time and fun parties, this hotel would be recommended. It has a beautiful view of Berlin panorama from the room window, and the hotel architecture is exceptional but straightforward.

By the way, I had met my client in this hotel, of whom we stayed a few times before he switched for the incall overnights! And now he has the best client status - a Gold client status.

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## What to do?

You are wondering how we can spend our time wisely? Of course, when you make such a financial contribution of booking someone more than one night, you may want that the time we spend is best as possible. Below I outline some things you can consider as the things to do on your trip to Berlin. I approve of these activities.

### Restaurants

Staying hungry in Berlin is a rare case. Berlin is well known for its wide range of different food and culture. Depending on what your taste is, you can find pretty much everything you need in Berlin. Especially döner places you may find everywhere and they are open even in the nighttime. So you won't stay hungry in Berlin.

But if you look something healthy and not so casual, you may take a look at some restaurants that I would recommend. It is complicated to define which restaurant is the best because they have so many of them. But I have added here only some of them where I have been. It depends, of course, where we stay!

#### **RESTAURANT IN RADISSON HOTEL, BERLIN**

Karl-Liebknecht-Strasse 3 10178 Berlin

This restaurant is a good choice if you like to experience also something unique. The hotel has the biggest indoor hotel aquarium in Europe! You will probably notice it when we approach the restaurant. I have been to this restaurant before, and the quality of the food is not bad. An excellent place to have dinner and not far from Alexanderplatz!

[Radissonhotels.com](https://www.radissonhotels.com)

#### **GRILL ROYAL**

Friedrichstrasse 105B 10117 Berlin Germany

Need a fancy night? Watch out! Although the restaurant is one of the best choices in Berlin, it can get very crowded during the weekend. The restaurant itself has a beautiful bar area and a good selection of wide-range food - starting from fish to a good stake. It is a good place for a romantic dinner, and the service is exceptional!

[Grillroyal.com](https://www.grillroyal.com)



## Shopping

There are a few excellent shopping places in Berlin which I would like to highlight.

### **ALEXA**

Grunestrasse 20, 10179 Berlin, Germany

The shopping center is located at Alexanderplatz, and it has many floors and its vast. You can shop for clothing, shoes, accessories, food, and pretty much for everything.

### **SHOPPING STREET AT KURFÜRSTENDAMM**

If you want to go fancy, you will find the street at West Berlin, near Zoo, covered with lots of well-known brand clothing shops, like Lacoste, Armani, Tommy Hilfiger, etc. There is also an Apple store and some restaurants next to it.

### **BRUNO'S**

Not far from Kurüstendamm, right at the spot of gay scenes, you will find a shop with a wide range of LGBT products, especially for gay male people. You can buy there clothing, sexy underwear, sex toys, magazines and videos, souvenirs, accessories, and much more! It is especially suitable for people looking for some naughty shopping experience, but also best for people who are looking for a more casual experience. Go fancy, but don't expect brands likewise you find at Kurfürstendamm Shopping Street. But the shop is a however unique and must-visit place if you like gay scene and gay Shopping!

Not far from Brunos, you will find lots of other gay shops for underwear, toys, uniforms, and even books, calendars, and any such kind of publications!




## Museums and sightseeing



Photo: [theconversation.com](http://theconversation.com)

### **BERLIN WALL**

While you stay in Berlin, you may wonder what to see around. Well, Berlin is quite a historical city. If you like excellent art museums, go instead to Paris! But if you wish to see and experience the former soviet union time, few things are noteworthy. There is no doubt that Berlin's historical icon is a Berlin Wall. The history in short about the Berlin wall:

*The **Berlin Wall** (German: Berliner Mauer, pronounced [\[bɛʁˈliːnə ˈmaʊɐ\]](#)  [listen](#)) was a guarded concrete **barrier** that physically and ideologically divided **Berlin** from 1961 to 1989.<sup>[1]</sup> Construction of the Wall was commenced by the German Democratic Republic (GDR, **East Germany**) on 13 August 1961. The Wall cut off **West Berlin** from surrounding **East Germany**, including **East Berlin**.<sup>[2]</sup> The barrier included guard towers placed along large concrete walls,<sup>[3]</sup> accompanied by a wide area (later known as the "death strip") that contained anti-vehicle trenches, **beds of nails**, and other defenses.*

*The **Eastern Bloc** portrayed the Wall as protecting its population from **fascist** elements conspiring to prevent the "will of the people" from building a **socialist state** in East Germany.*

Source: [Wikipedia.org](http://Wikipedia.org)



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While we are in our tourism phase, I can take you to the East side gallery, which is the biggest outdoor art gallery (very urban) in Europe. It is located at Warschauer Strasse, near where the hotel nHow is.

If you want to see also the in-depth visual history of the Berlin wall, we can go to the Berlin Wall memorial, located in Mitte. There you will find the original piece of Berlin wall, ruins of the wall's administrative buildings, the path of the Wall, and so on. The tour involves mostly walking outside (because the wall is outdoor). It is an excellent activity when the weather is beautiful and sunny. I can talk to you more about what you will see.



Photo: [tabletmag.com](http://tabletmag.com)

## MEMORIAL TO THE MURDERED JEWS OF EUROPE

When I am thinking about that sightseeing, I remember how excited my parents were to see it. Nowadays people are making fun of there, taking a lot of photos, and so on. The actual purpose and meaning of that monument are much different than people realize when they don't know the background of that.

In short, what is that monument, then? It is not just a monument you see in most places, it has unique architecture, and it remains kind of maze, with different sizes of blocks. The story of that monument is the following:

*The **Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe**<sup>[1]</sup> (German: Denkmal für die ermordeten Juden Europas), also known as the **Holocaust Memorial** (German: Holocaust-Mahnmal), is a memorial in Berlin to the Jewish victims of the Holocaust, designed by architect Peter Eisenman and engineer Buro Happold. It consists of a 19,000-square-metre (200,000 sq ft) <sup>[2][3]</sup> site covered with 2,711 concrete slabs or "stelae," arranged in a grid pattern on a sloping field. The original plan was to place nearly 4,000 slabs, but before the unveiling, a new law was passed mandating memorials to be wheelchair accessible.*

*There is also an underground passage to the museum, located in the basement of the memorial.*

*Source: [Wikipedia.org](https://www.wikipedia.org)*



Photo: [planetware.com](https://www.planetware.com)

## **BRANDENBURG GATE, SOVIET WAR MEMORIAL TIERGARTEN, AND REICHSTAG BUILDING**

The most touristic area in Berlin is the Mitte area, where you can find Brandenburg Gate, Soviet War Memorial Tiergarten, Reichstag Building, and of course - the biggest park in Berlin: Tiergarten Park!

*The **Brandenburg Gate** (German: **Brandenburger Tor**; [[ˈbrʌndnbʊɛɐ̯e ˈtoːɐ̯](#)]) is an 18th-century **neoclassical** monument in **Berlin**, built on the orders of **Prussian** king **Frederick William II** after the temporary restoration of order during the **Batavian Revolution**.<sup>[1]</sup> One of the best-known landmarks of **Germany**, it was built on the site of a former **city gate** that marked the start of the road from Berlin to the town of **Brandenburg an der Havel**, which used to be capital of the **Margraviate of Brandenburg**.*

Source: [Wikipedia.org](https://www.wikipedia.org)





It is nowadays the place where the most prominent venues are hosted. When, for instance, happens the World Fifa Cup (by the way, Germans are big football enthusiasts), or such significant events, the Brandenburg Gate is the place where most Berliners are gathering together to watch the matches and tournaments live on the big screen. It is also the host of the New Year eve parties (which is the biggest outdoor event in Europe) and CSD (Christopher Street Day) the Berlin pride. It has long street towards ending at the Gate, which on both sides are covered with the Tiergarten park. During the summertime, the Tiergarten park is the best, but a very crowded place to chill and walk.

Not far from Brandenburg Gate is also a Soviet War Memorial monument. If you go a bit on the left, you will find the German parliament building (Bundestag) with a beautiful glass dom. You can book the ticket and go inside to the dom, where you can enjoy a 360 degree of a nice view of Berlin city. Watch out, during the summer it can be very crowded and bookings that are highly recommended.

## **BERLIN ZOO**

Berlin Zoo is classified as one of the best Zoo in Europe. It is very compact, but with a wide range of different species of animals. If you want to go to the Zoo, the plan ca 3-4 hours to spend on it, because there is a lot of things to see.



Friedrischain 1962. Photo: [oldthing.net](http://oldthing.net)

## NEIGHBORHOODS

Berlin's remarkable district is Friedrischain (by the way, that's the neighborhood where I live!). It has most of the restaurants and Bars in Berlin! But on top of that, it has a unique architecture. There is not much to do around in this neighborhood, except going out for lunch or dinner, but it has a remarkable view of the old Stalin architecture. The buildings at Frankfurter Allee street on both sides are unique and exceptional. Building blocks are vast and massive (in one of the buildings is also my home).



Photo: [stripes.com](http://stripes.com)

### **CHECKPOINT CHARLIE**

Checkpoint Charlie (or "Checkpoint C") was the name given by the **Western Allies** to the best-known **Berlin Wall** crossing point between **East Berlin** and **West Berlin** during the **Cold War** (1947–1991).

You can take their photos with the Soviet soldier.

### **SCHWULES MUSEUM**

The Berlin's gay museum, located at Schöneberg, which is the most significant gay area in Europe, covered with tens of bars, cafeterias, and shops.



Photo: [tropical-islands.de](http://tropical-islands.de)

## **TROPICAL ISLAND**

Tropical Island is the best place to relax. In fact that it is not actually in Berlin (it is located about 70km outside Berlin), its the best place to go and relax after busy days. Probably the best choice at the end of our date.

Tropical Island is Europe's biggest indoor tropical park, which has a built-in beach, tropical forest, camps, and even hotel inside! The park is built inside an old flight hangar and has a huge space inside, where you can find souvenir shops, bars, restaurants, and a relaxing area. People can also stay overnight in this park!



Photo: [hlh.de](http://hlh.de)

## **FLUGHAFEN TEMPELHOF**

Flughafen Tempelhof, located in between Schöneber and Neukölln, is the oldest airport that since 2002, not operating. Nowadays people can go for running, biking or just chilling. The fun fact that Berlin has among the Tegel and Scöenefeld airport, the "brand new Brandenburg Airport" that has been planned to open already more than 20 years, but never was opened, and still, they expect it to open, probably will not happen because of the issues with the construction.

The Flughafen Tempelhof airport building is the largest built building in Berlin with its Soviet-style of architecture.



## Where to go out?

Need a fancy night? Whether you are a party animal or just casual drinker, you can find below tips for the nightlife in Berlin. These bars and venues are approved and should be beautiful to me, depending on your needs.

### Bars

#### **BLOND BAR**

Blond Bar is the gay bar located at Schöneberg, right at the Gay area. It is an excellent place to chill and feel open. The bartenders have the first work uniform that remains something like a sailor. In fact that in most bars in Berlin, you cannot pay with your credit card, this bar also accepts card payments.

Heads up! Because the bar itself is not so big inside, it might get very crowded on the weekends. But it is my favorite cocktail bar. And you can smoke inside there.

#### **CARAMBAR**

If you don't feel so much gay, you can also take me to my other favorite bar - to Carambar. It is located at Alexanderplatz, and it has a quite casual and chill atmosphere. There are two lounges in there - one room is for smoking, and the other one is for non-smokers. During the weekend it can be quite crowded and difficult to get in.

But note that in the smoking lounge, the music can be quite loud. So it's not the best place to talk too much.

At Carambar, you can also order some snacks and food, but the food selection is not so big.

#### **RADIO LABEL BAR**

The other bar - Radio Label Bar, where "Unicorns Are Welcome," is also the bar where the mixed crowd is coming to have after-dinner drinks. Unlike Carambar, at Radio Label Bar, you don't have many options for eating (or not at all). It is only the place for drinking, but the interior is charming and kind of "old school." You can also smoke inside the bar. By the way, the Radio Label Bar is next to my home. 😊



Richard

## Nightclubs

Berlin is the party city: it is the capital and home for the best techno parties in Europe. But some clubs can be very naughty and wild. 😊 I have listed below my favorite venues and parties weekly.

### **MONDAY-WEDNESDAY**

Probably not the best days to go for nightlife. Usually Monday till Wednesday, there is not so much going on. However, KitKat club in Berlin hosts on Mondays the Electro Monday party, and on Wednesdays various fetish parties, which tends not to be so gay, somewhat mixed.

### **THURSDAYS**

The best Thursday gay party in town is Chantal House of Shame, hosted by Chantal. It is located in Suicide Circus, at Warschauer Strasse. It has a small darkroom and a bit kinky atmosphere. People, there are normal, and the party itself is not so small. There is one big (main) dance floor, and then other smaller dance floor with the bar and lounge. During the summer, they also open the outdoor terrace and dance area with the outdoor bar.

The host, Chantal itself, performs a show at this party every Thursday around 2-3 am.

### **FRIDAYS**

If you are not so much into the gay scene, then you can go to one of the famous Berlin clubs - Kater Blau, which is an electro club. If you are into the gay scene and young crowd, then the best place to go to is Youngsters Party at Connection.

Connection club has the biggest darkroom in Berlin, and the club is located in the "gay neighborhood" in Schöneberg. The dancefloor in the club is not so big, but fortunately, it tends to usually not be so crowded that you cannot move. There are two floors in this club: the main floor and basement floor, where you can also have access to the darkroom. On the main floor, you can find the bar area and the main dancefloor, and on the basement floor, you see the lounge, bar, dancefloor, and access to dark rooms. The darkrooms are significant and have two levels, with private cabins and public areas.

There is also next to the Connection club, a Connection shop, which is the gay fetish shop and owned by the same owner.

The Connection club in Berlin is a popular place also to go for escorts (probably because it is located in the tourist area).

If you like more Vanilla stuff, then go to Schwuts, although, it might not be the best idea for Friday. Some Fridays, they host the Special lesbian party called "let's be on." But there is also the typical Friday parties like "Tasty" or "Hot Topic." If any of these parties at all, then



instead choose "Tasty." Note that every Friday is a different party, and Youngster's party at Connection is about every second week (not every Friday)!

Other parties on Fridays that tend to be popular, is Revolver party (once every month) and Buttons Berlin (once every month as well).

Revolver Party is hosted at KitKat Club and its very kinky party. Usually, people there are naked or almost naked. It might suit your needs, but might not - depends on your mood. Don't worry tho, and it won't be too kinky. But basically, there are no darkrooms, and people can have sex pretty much everywhere. Revolver Party is super gay, and you will see there mostly naked guys.

Buttons party is more modest, compared with the Revolver one. It is designated mostly for techno fans, and it is gay. Also, quite a big party in Berlin hosted once every month.

## **SATURDAYS**

Saturdays are the most popular days for nightlife in Berlin because most people are not working on Sundays, but they do on Saturdays because Sundays all shops are closed in Berlin. So if you want to go out on Saturday, then prepare for the long queues.

On Saturdays, you can find some "touristic party" in Schwutz, like Buttcocks or Popkicker, or not "so touristic" venues, like - Irrenhouse, Schaamlos, or Propaganda Berlin. The non-touristic parties are mostly known for locals, but they are not advertised so much on the tourist sites.

Popkicker is the most popular party of the month in Schwutz. The queues are usually as long as 2 hours, but the door policy is very flexible, and everyone is welcomed. The staff is friendly and courteous. Popkicker is the best event if you are pop music and drag fan (but you don't have to be a drag). Popkicker is also known as a big party for a young crowd. Popkicker is tending to be once a month every second Saturday.

Schwutz is the queer club in Berlin, and it has a big area inside - three dancefloors, and three bars. Noteworthy is the fact that you can pay for your entrance even with the credit card! Although credit card payment is also supported in one of the bars inside, but not at every bar.

If Buttcocks is on Saturday, then there will also be a darkroom in Schwutz. But in other events, the darkroom is missing, or it is tiny.

The non-touristic parties (but popular ones among with gay people) such as Irrenhouse, is the party hosted by famous Nina Queer. She also hosts the Party "Schaamlos," but the venues occur at different locations. These parties are not in the gay clubs, but they are gay. Both places are kinky, but not as curly as the Revolver party on Friday at KitKat.

At Schaalos or Irrenhouse, you will find the screens with gay porn, the drag- and porn shows, and pop music. There you can also have the dancefloor, where they play classical retro hits from the '80s or '90s. Even the parties that are popular for the young crowd. Fortunately, all these popular parties, along with Popkicker, are organized different weeks, so they are not





at the same time (thanks for the cooperation!). Either at Schaamlos or Irrenhous, you will find lots of bars, vast areas of dancing and chilling, and much more!

The Propaganda party is hosted at Metropol Berlin, next to Nollendorfplatz (at the gay area), and usually happens once a month, on the first weekend. It is the biggest gay party in terms of its space. It has four floors, with lots of bars and a huge dancefloor. There are also two other, and smaller dancefloors, plus smoking areas. Don't be surprised; if you get there a tiny white token after ordering drinks - they are for pants, and if you return your empty glass or bottle with along with this token, you get one euro back. But the drinks tend to be there more expensive than on other parties.

Not so much into gay stuff? I've got you covered! There is a quite popular and famous club in Berlin - a Tresor. It can be tough to get in there, as it has a strict door policy. But it's the best place to enjoy techno music, as the club itself has a unique interior and atmosphere.

The Tresor club is built in the old factory and has more than five dancefloors, but not all of them are opened once. They open at once around 2-3 different dance floors each day, while they keep others closed.

In this club, they also have dark tunnels and exciting passages.

## **SUNDAYS**

The best Sunday gay party is GMF. It is the party hosted at Ritze Butzke and popular venue for young people. The entrance fee is 12 Euros, but you have all night long lots of fun!

Also, the Berghain club is a Sunday club, so its probably the best to go to Berghain on Sunday. But heads up! Berghain has a stringent door policy and doesn't get offended if they reject you for no reason!

I hope you enjoyed my Berlin "welcome guide," and lets now have a lot of fun together!