

MANNHEIM BAROQUE PALACE



OPENING TIMES

TUE – SUN AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS
10 AM – 5 PM
LAST ADMISSION AT 4.30 PM

Special tours with differing prices are clearly indicated

Additional times for group tours may be arranged by telephone

GUIDED TOURS

Guided tours in German; tours in English available by prior arrangement with the Information Centre

DAILY 11 AM AND 3 PM
SAT HOURLY FROM 11 AM – 3 PM
SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS
HOURLY 11 AM – 4 PM

PRICES PER PERSON AS STATED ABOVE, BUT A MINIMUM RATE APPLIES FOR:

· ADULTS	€ 180
· CHILDREN'S BIRTHDAY PARTIES	€ 120
· TOUR WITH COSTUMED GUIDE AND HISTORICAL RE-ENACTMENTS	€ 216

DISABILITY ACCESS

Information is available at www.schloesser-und-gaerten.de/disabilityaccess

ADMISSION

INCL. AUDIO GUIDE

· ADULTS	€ 6.00
· CONCESSIONS	€ 3.00
· FAMILIES	€ 15.00
GROUPS OF MORE THAN 20	
· PER PERSON	€ 5.40

CONTACT US

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Bismarckstrasse,
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INCL. GUIDED TOUR

· ADULTS	€ 8.00
· CONCESSIONS	€ 4.00
· FAMILIES	€ 20.00
GROUPS	
· OF UP TO 20	€ 144.00
· EACH ADDITIONAL PERSON	€ 7.20

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THEMED TOURS

· ADULTS	€ 10.00
· CONCESSIONS	€ 5.00
· FAMILIES	€ 25.00

DIALOGUE TOURS (WITH SEVERAL COSTUMED GUIDES)

· ADULTS	€ 12.00
· CONCESSIONS	€ 6.00
· FAMILIES	€ 30.00

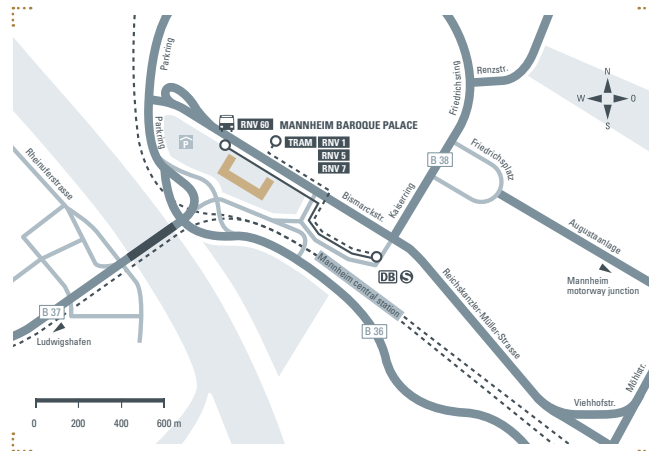
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HOW TO FIND US



GETTING THERE

By public transport: from Mannheim central station, take tram line 1, 5 or 7 to the stop Schloss. Alternatively, the palace is ten minutes' walk from the station. By car: follow the signs in Mannheim. Parking is available in Parkgarage Universität/Mensa, access via Bismarckstrasse.

MORE INFORMATION

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STAATLICHE
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With a vast courtyard, a façade spanning more than 400 metres and a total floor area of six hectares, Mannheim Baroque Palace is one of the largest palaces in Europe.

Mannheim Baroque Palace (*Barockschloss Mannheim*) was intended to be the second largest Baroque palace complex in Europe, after Versailles. Its grand scale was designed to highlight the important role of the Palatine Prince Electors in the Holy Roman Empire.

A GLITTERING COURT

In 1720, Prince Elector Carl Philipp transferred the palatinate's seat of power from Heidelberg to Mannheim and initiated the construction of a new palace. The residence was completed under the reign of his successor, Carl Theodor. A connoisseur of the arts, Carl Theodor was a generous patron of music, theatre and science. He surrounded himself with leading artists and musicians, making Mannheim *a Musenhof, a place known for its circle of luminaries*. Among the illustrious visitors in the 18th-century was Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

👑 *An impressive sight: the grand main staircase*



A RENAISSANCE

In the 19th century, the palace underwent a revival when it became the residence of Crown Prince Karl of Baden and his wife, Stéphanie de Beauharnais, Napoleon Bonaparte's adopted daughter. After her husband died, Stéphanie, a woman of wide-ranging musical and intellectual interests, stayed in Mannheim. Although modest, her court was lively and was seen as the place to be.

RECTILINEAR ARCHITECTURE

The palace is surrounded by the *Mannheimer Quadrate*, or Mannheim squares, which define the layout of the city centre. The palace's architecture echoes this regular, right-angled pattern. The Baroque-style building comprises five wings, with the severity of the long three-storey façades broken up by four-storey pavilions.

MAGNIFICENT INTERIORS

Mannheim Baroque Palace's original interiors were one of the wonders of European architecture – especially the main floor. However, the building was severely damaged during the Second World War. Since then, the main part of the palace has been rebuilt, including the majestic ceremonial staircase and stately *Rittersaal* (knights' hall).

👑 *Mannheim's grandest room: the Rittersaal*



👑 *The main rooms are laid out in a long row – covering the entire length of the main floor*

Today, the restored grand rooms of the *bel-étage* (main floor) are furnished with over 800 exhibits, including 21 *large tapestries*, ornate furniture, priceless paintings, valuable porcelain and costly silverware – recreating its bygone grandeur.