



Mettmann – Tips for explorers.

Neanderthal-Stadt
METTMANN

Global culture is our heritage.

**Come and look, be amazed,
and come back!**

The highlight of any visit to Mettmann is a trip to the Neanderthal Museum.

Through permanent multimedia installations children and adults alike can experience the development of mankind throughout the ages. A changing series of special exhibitions further enhance the museum experience.



Archaeological site

The discovery site of Neanderthal man is only a couple of minutes walk away. An audioguide tells the story of the valley and the extensive research carried out there.

Stone age workshop

Sow with a real bone needle, make fire with a stone age tinder box or shoot at lifelike animal mock-ups with a bow and arrow? Here you can learn the art of stone age craftsmanship and create your own object using natural materials.

Ice age game reserve

In the large outdoor reserve Auerochs, Tarpan and Wisents, formerly hunted as game by Neanderthal man, are appropriately kept and reared. One circuit of the reserve takes between 60-80 minutes.

Evolution trail

The 5 kilometer route from the centre of Mettmann to the Neanderthal museum is adorned with installations, sculptures and industrial monuments, all reflecting the evolution of man.

Find out more on :
www.neanderthal.de

Take a walk back in time.

Go for a stroll in the historic old town with its winding alleys and regionally typical slate houses.

Pass the time in one or more of the numerous small café's and restaurants and pay a visit to one of the oldest working cinemas in Germany.

From traditional to modern – Mettmann offers a wide range of cultural and leisure activities.



Not just a prime location for restaurants with outdoor seating and trendy pubs – the picturesque marketplace, with its circular structure dating back to the middle ages, is home to the ancient 12th century **St. Lambertus church**, and also forms the peaceful setting for numerous town festivals and events.

The old town hall (Alte Bürgermeisterei), dating back to 1594, can be found adjacent to the historic marketplace. Now a listed building, it is home to the **Stadtgeschichtshaus**, where 3 floors of exhibits and historical documents tell the story of over 1100 years of Mettmann's history. If this has whetted your appetite, then upon reservation the town heritage society „Aule Mettmanner“ will prepare a local feast for you – the „Bergische Kaffeetafel“.

Take a guided tour of Mettmann or go it alone with an illustrated guidebook? No problem.

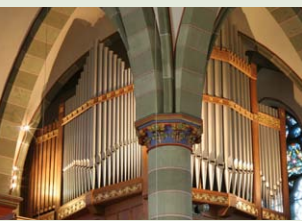
Mettmanns **Erinneringe** on Lavalplatz form a constantly growing memorial to town events – the first of its kind world-wide.

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Visitor's Almanac. Experience nature, culture and history.

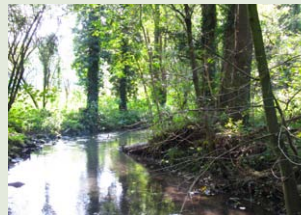


A special treat for organ fans : an individual guided tour of the centrepiece of the St. Lambertus church - the over 100 year - old romantic organ.

Enjoy nature at its finest on Mettmann's numerous trails and paths. The tranquil streams of the Neanderthal are enjoyed by walkers and trekkers all year round.



Book a visit to the **Goldberger Mühle**, one of the oldest buildings in Mettmann. Experience the restored working mill and bake your own bread in a traditional oven.



The **Urtour** – the alternative guided tour of the Neanderthal. Learn about the history of the valley and surrounding nature in German and English. Catering available on request.



Mettmann's famous christmas market, the „**Blotschenmarkt**“, is known far and wide for its pretty seasonal illuminations. It opens at the end of November and runs for 2 weeks.



Explore the „**MenschenSpuren**“ artist trail between the Neanderthal museum and the game reserve, with works from 10 internationally renowned artists. An audio guide to the trail is available in the museum.



Enjoy bathing at its most natural in the middle of Mettmann's park at the „**Naturfreibad**“, complete with beach area, springboards, water slide and generous grounds – all without chemicals!



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Living close to the source.

The Netherlands,
ca. 1 hour away by car

The Ruhr valley metropolis comprising Dortmund, Essen, Bochum, Duisburg, Oberhausen and many more besides from 35 km



Motorways:

A3: Exit Düsseldorf/Mettmann, B7 direction Mettmann, ca. 5 km

A 46: via Sonnenborner Kreuz, exit Mettmann, B7 direction Mettmann, ca. 9 km

A 44: Düsseldorf, Velbert via L 239, exit Ratingen-Schwarzbach, ca. 8 km

Rail: With Deutsche Bahn to Düsseldorf main station. From there direct connection with the Regiobahn (every 20 min.).

Air: From Düsseldorf-International Airport by car ca. 15 Min. (public transport ca. 45 Min.) Köln/Bonn Airport is also only 53 km away.



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