



***Lemgo***  
*active experience*



*The town hall (built around 1350 - 1612). In the background the two unlike towers of the St. Nicolai's Church. The tower guard did his duty in the somewhat smaller tower up to the year 1854.*



# Welcome

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Where the river Bega takes its course, between the green, rolling hills and yellow rape seed fields of northern Lippe, at a cross road of medieval trade routes, there lies the venerable old city of Lemgo. The city has always been a center of life in the region of Lippe and is still as active as on the years of its' foundation over 800 years ago.

The two towers of St. Nicolai's Church, Lemgo's symbol, welcome you into the heart of the city and send you on a journey that connects the past to the present. Experience a fairy-tale world of the architecture of the gothic period as well as from the renaissance period. Step into the historical buildings. The restaurants and shops will gladly be happy to prove their hospitality. Take a walk over the rampart with its' lovely trees that surrounds the entire historical city center. Relish the rich culture and beautiful nature. Enjoy and relax.



***Not only the city center has much to offer. There is also much to be explored in the surrounding area. The "Staff-Landschaftspark" offers true cultural landscape.***





*Enjoy your coffee  
in view of historical  
renaissance facades.*

# *Welcome to our living room*

You want to go where life and history meet? Then begin your journey in Lemgo's living room, the "Stone Hall". That's what the citizens call their market place, because of the rich stone gables surrounding it. Take part in the market activities Wednesdays and Saturdays from 7 AM to 1 PM or observe them from one of the nearby cafés.

Give your mind and soul a treat and step into the nearby St. Nicolai's Church. It was thoroughly renovated in the year 2009. When the city was founded, St. Nicolai's Church was one of the few churches in the region financed by citizens. You love music? Then you will be fascinated by the Church of St. Marien. Its' organ shines in new splendor. During the restoration the instrument was reconstructed into its' original condition from over 400 years ago. Living renaissance for your ears.



***St. Nicolai's font and the richly ornamented parapet balustrade were created by the sculptor Georg Crosman (Lemgo) in 1957.***





# ***A town right out of a picture postcard***

You're looking for further attractions? If you walk through the historical city center then you are already in the middle of one. The systematic road scheme, which was later copied in several cities throughout Lippe, has survived the centuries. A total of around 250 monuments in the historical center also impressively document that neither war, nor the urban renewal processes of the 1970s, could inflict much damage to the buildings. Enjoy your walk through a picture book of the architectural history of half-timbering and stone. As outstanding witnesses to the high art of architecture from the past, particularly the museums "Hexenbürgermeisterhaus", "Junkerhaus" and "Schloss Brake" will appreciate your visit. If you are a fan of historic sports cars, you will undoubtedly love a trip to the car museum "d. kleine Lemgoer".



***Details on the gable of the gate house from 1593. As so many other richly ornamented renaissance facades, this one can be found in the historical city center along the pedestrian zone "Mittelstraße".***



*Take a stroll through Lemgo  
with the variety of 230 shops.*



# ***Trade and delicacies throughout the centuries***

Trade has dominated Lemgo from its beginnings. Even today, more than 200 shops in the pedestrian zone invite to a leisurely stroll around the city center. Discover the rich selection of goods and witness yet more history when articles are being sold under the protection of the “Kram” (in medieval times the rooves of the market stalls were called “Kram”, which gave the “Krämer” their name). Then give yourself a break and enjoy a meal by one of our restaurant proprietors. The flavors range from local to exotic specialties. And as a little snack in between, you can enjoy a “Lemgoer Strohsemmel” – a traditional bread roll baked on straw – on your way.

By the way: Lemgo can easily be reached by bus or train- and of course with the car. You can park at one of the four parking lots throughout the city. Or you can come by bike. In 2009 Lemgo achieved an award as being an exceptionally bicycle friendly town.



***Take a round trip by bike. The old ramparts surrounding the historical city center have been turned into a park.***



*View of the Mittelstraße (Lemgo's almost one kilometer long pedestrian zone) in the evening.*

# ***Celebrations – a special experience***

Lemgo is alive. Even more when the residents celebrate. Be there for the “Strohsemmelfest”, a town festival, on the last weekend in June or visit the traditional “Kläschenmarkt” in December. Drink a mulled wine after trying the newest ride. After that why don't you put on your ice skates and visit the “Lemgoer Eiswelt” from November till January in the “Lippegarten”.

You would rather have a solid roof over your head? Then cheer for the Lemgo handball teams victory in the “Lipperlandhalle”. Or visit a performance of the independent theatre group “Stattgespräch..”.

And of course you can get closer to the living history of Lemgo through the help of one of our friendly tour guides. Experience the city in another light with the “Nightwatch”. No matter where your preferences lie – Lemgo is looking forward to you.

**TIP:** Lemgo has much and more to offer. You can find the dates of all the events in the event calendar. Available at the Lemgo tourist information office.



***During the “Strohsemmelfest” in June the abbey garden is turned into an Italian wine village. Recreation and way of life far into the night.***





*Lemgo's city forest offers a large selection of hiking and horseback riding trails that give you a chance to catch your breath away from the hustle and bustle of town.*

# Breath in – breath out

To do sports in Lemgo you don't need to be a pro like our handball players. How about, for example, a round of badminton? Or an exploration of the bicycle and hiking trails at your own pace. Catering on the route through our attractive tourist cafés is included. Relax in the “Eau-Le Freizeitbad” (out- and indoor swimming pool) and take your time in the sauna right beside. The “STAFF-Park” also invites you to an extraordinary blend of art, nature and beautiful views.

Perhaps you also enjoy classical music. Then visit one of the highly appraised concerts in the churches St. Nicolai and St. Marien. And of course all Lemgo churches would be happy if you visited one of their services. It's your leisure time – we want you to feel comfortable.



**High standard wellness. The “Eau-Le Freizeitbad” and sauna offer many ways to relax ([www.eaule.de](http://www.eaule.de)).**





*The Lemgo "Waldwirte"  
(gastonomes located in  
the beautiful countryside)  
offer local delicacies in a  
rustic ambience.*



*Truly a special attraction is to  
logde between structures and  
modern hotel business.*



# *A welcomed guest*

You have discovered Lemgo and believe that it would be a pity to only stay for a day? Maybe you had just wanted to stop by and now you don't want to leave again? We appreciate that. You are welcome in one of our many accommodations that guarantee you a pleasant stay.

Our hotels and inns, whether located in the city center, or in the surrounding country side, will ensure that you feel very comfortable in every way, if you like an historical ambience. Our holiday flats also lack nothing needed to make a stay comfortable. We also have a camping site near the river Bega with enough space for your tent, trailer or RV. No matter how you like to travel you are always a welcomed guest. Of course to fair prices – as the people here in Lippe are famous for their economical lifestyle.

**TIP:** A complete list of all accommodations is available in the Lemgo tourist information located in Kramerstraße 1.



***Let yourself be spoiled. Lemgo and the surrounding countryside, with their many hotels and holiday flats, offer you the chance.***

# Excellent advice

If you don't know where to start your journey through culture and nature, come to our tourist information in the Kramerstraße 1 near the market place. Here you will find not only competent but excellent advice. At least that is the opinion of the local media (e.g. WDR). In the year 2006 Lemgo was awarded the title of being "Friendliest Tourist Information of the German state Northrhine-Westphalia". Whether you would like to book a city tour, buy tickets for a concert or explore hiking und biking trails near Lemgo – these and many other concerns will find an open ear.

Furthermore you can purchase interesting literature about Lemgo and Lippe or buy "tasteful" souvenirs for example our famous heart-shaped gingerbread from our local gingerbread manufacturer.

We have a "heart" for you – in every point of view!



***Our team at the Lemgo tourist information office  
will be glad to help you:***

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# *Experience art and history*

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*"Schloss Brake" – the castle's striking tower.  
The Weser Renaissance Museum is also located here.*





The name of this house, built 1568 – 71, reminds us of the mayor Hermann Cothmann (1629 – 1683). During his term in office Lemgo was swept by its last wave of witch hunts. He himself was known to be an eager witch hunter.

The house is located in the historical city center. It is an important historical monument of urban architecture in the “weser renaissance” style. After undergoing an extensive restoration the 400 year old history of this building can be rediscov-

ered. The many original objects, motion pictures and modern media invite you to encounter the cities’ history. Some of the themes are: The history of the witch hunts, the journeys and the work of the physician and scientist Engelbert Kaempfer (1651 – 1716), the cities’ founding, Lemgo’s history in the Hanseatic League, the convent of St. Marien, reformation and the city history of the 19th and 20th century.

The museum’s pedagogic program “Zeitreise” (time travel) is directed towards children between the ages 5 and 11. They can discover how life was for children their age 400 years ago. If you come with a group, or if it is your birthday, Bernd and Margarete will join you on your “expedition”.

## FRENKEL-HAUS

The Frenkel House shows a permanent exhibition about the Jews in Lemgo. Objects of religious nature and out of the everyday life of the Jewish community, are part of the collection.

The house itself represents a part of Lemgos’ Jewish history. Around 1900 the Jewish family Frenkel built the house as their private and business residence. During the years 1939 to 1942 the building was one of the so called “Jewish houses” in the city. During this time up to 15 people were forced to live cramped together. Herta and Walter Frenkel, along with their children Karla, Ludwig and Uriel, as well as Laura Frenkel and Helene Rosenberg, were all deported in July 1942. All of them, except for the daughter Karla (after her marriage: Raveh)

and her grandmother Helene Rosenberg, were murdered in the Nazi concentration camps.

Karla Ravehs’ relationship to her home town Lemgo did not end when she emigrated to Israel. Her autobiography “Surviving. The ordeal of the Jewish family Frenkel from Lemgo” (no official translation). Through this book and the opening of the “Frenkel-Haus” as a museum, a new connection has been created. Since 1988 Karla Raveh has visited Lemgo for a few months every year. As a living witness to history she has led many groups through “her” house and told them her life story.



The Junker House was created by the artist Karl Junker (1850 – 1912). It is a two story framework building with a brick base and a square ground plan. Richly ornamented carvings give the building its extraordinary appearance. As in the façade wood dominates in the room furnishings. All the walls and ceilings, with exception of the painted stoves and ovens, are covered with carved wooden furnishings. Some of the rooms and the stair case are also painted. The peculiar

furniture, designed and built by Karl Junker, has a quality of its own. Together with the wall and ceiling decorations the entire house forms a unity. As an artists' house and an artwork all of its own, the "Junkerhaus" is a unique monument and an expression of enormous artistic consistence.

After a thorough maintenance and restoration "Junkerhaus" was reopened in 2004. A second museum building was erected behind the "Junkerhaus". The two buildings are connected by a glass corridor. Paintings, drawings, sculptures, furniture and architectural models by Karl Junker are on display in the exhibition hall.

## WESERRENAISSANCE-MUSEUM SCHLOSS BRAKE



The construction of the renaissance castle "Schloss Brake" began 1587 on top of older foundations from around 1200. Its striking tower makes the castle a landmark that can be seen from a far distance.

"Schloss Brake" is home to the "Weserrenaissance-Museum". With its paintings, furniture, ceramics, scientific and religious artifacts the museum shows the cultural diversity of the river Weser area in the 16th and early 17th century. Especially the

paintings by Cornelis van Haarlem, Hans Vredeman de Vries, Joachim Beuckelaer and Hans Rottenhammer which are of great artistic value.

In the so called "Tower of Sciences" a chamber of art, chamber of wonders and an alchemy kitchen can be found. The modern chemistry laboratory allows the visitor to attempt experiments first performed in the early days of science. The unique world wide three dimensional anamorphosis is installed on the grounds outside of the castle.

Surrounding buildings, including stables, three water mills and a wash house, still give a good impression of a noble residence in the early modern age.



The city art gallery “Städtische Galerie Eichenmüllerhaus” opened in 1989. The house was built in the second half of the 18th century and was a gift to

the city of Lemgo from Gertrud Eichenmüller-Sonntag and Ludwig Eichenmüller. The palace, built in the late baroque style with its axial symmetry and its habitable outline, is perfect for the chance of an art exhibition. Many artists apply for exhibits every year. Up to nine exhibitions with different genres are presented in the “Eichenmüllerhaus” annually.

The nationwide scholarship “Junge Kunst” which is awarded by the city of Lemgo and the “Staffstiftung Lemgo” (a foundation) enriches the annual program of the gallery twice a year.

The “Städtische Galerie Eichenmüllerhaus” in Lemgo/Brake gives a varied and informative approach to contemporary art.

## STAFF LANDSCHAFTSPARK

Since 1994 the “STAFF Landschaftspark” has been emerging north of Lemgo. The villa at the parks center is the donator’s old place of residence. This house lies only 2000 meters from Lemgo’s historical market place. The park is split into two parts. The larger area lies at the “Spiegelberg”, a sunny southwest hillside. Appealing pathways have opened up a public space between the core city and the urban forest. Decades of intensive farming drove out many plants, animals, birds and insects. Now the park is giving them a home again. The promotion of arts and the protection of nature in the region were concerns of the Lemgo lighting manufacturers and park founders Alfred Staff (1908 – 1989) and Werner Staff

Starke (1922 – 1995).

In the “STAFF Landschaftspark” visitors will find a granite sculpture named “Das blaue Leuchten” (the blue glowing) from Dorsten Diekmann and walk into the force field of the “Lemgo Vectors” by Richard Serra. The landscape park offers a wonderful view over the city and Bega valley up to the slopes of the Forest “Teutoburger Wald”. Near the park cozy inns invite the visitors to enjoy a drink or a meal.

The second part of the park is the damp biotope near the Radsiek stream, a silent, isolated water landscape. New paths touch the historical defensive dyke. Wooden footbridges lead through marsh lands and over flowing waters.





Almost 400 years ago a cousin to the famous “Lügenbaron von Münchhausen” built the castle in the style of the weser-renaissance and turned it into a romantic gem of Lemgo’s architecture.

The motivation to ecologically cultivate the land was not only a trend or fashion but deepest conviction. The owner of the Castle Joachim von Reden has been doing so for over 20 years

and his success proves him right. The family Reden is well known as collectors of contemporary art, even far outside of German borders. Therefore it is no wonder that the castle and its park regularly exhibit art and culture.

“Schloss Wendlinghausen” is an ideal location for events of any kind. From small business events, up to marriages, “crime dinners”, art- and culture events, garden parties or seasonal festivals. The great hall, arch-basement or castle barn give room for events counting from 30 up to 800 people. “Schloss Wendlinghausen” offers an unforgettable wonderful atmosphere for all occasions.

## STADTBUS (CITY-BUS SYSTEM)



The comfortable city-bus system “STADTBUS” will take you to many destinations. Fast and immediate – the blue busses stop at all museums or for example at the Eau-Le leisure pool. You will find a bus stop almost everywhere in Lemgo. Tickets are

available in all busses or in the “STADTBUS-Zentrum” in the Lemgoer Mittelstraße. Just hitch a ride!

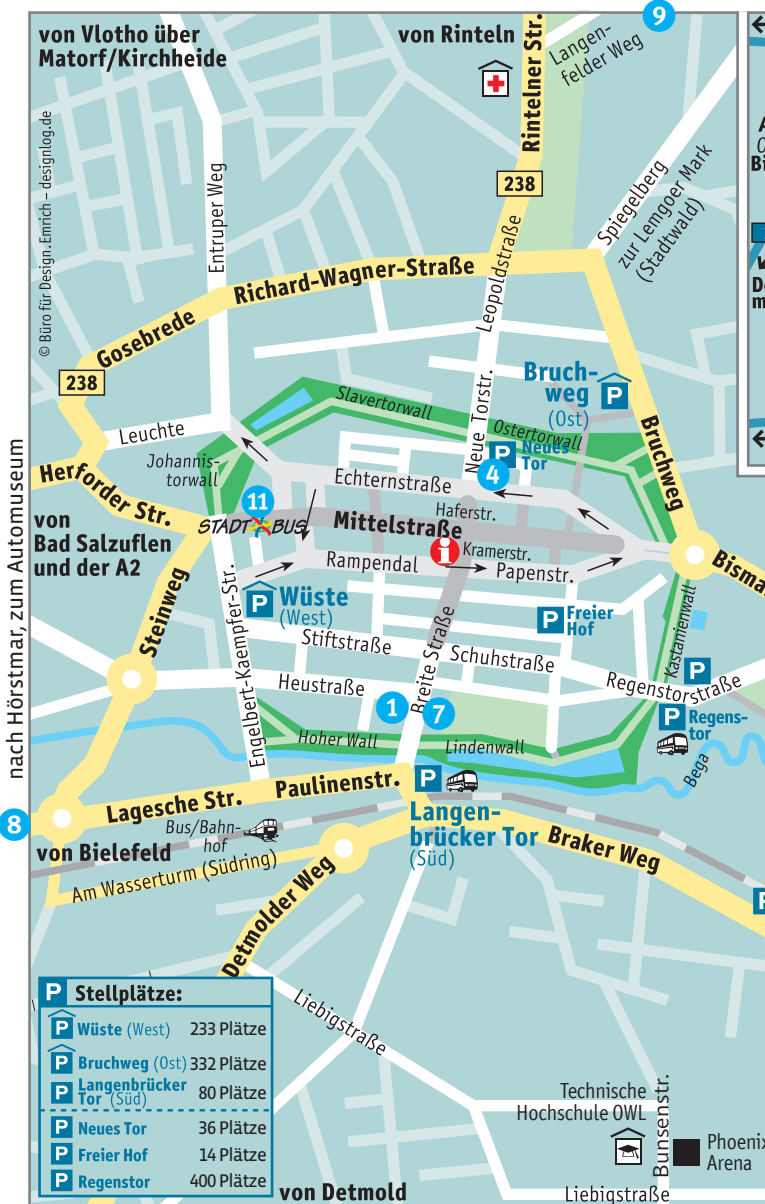
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## 11 STADTBUS-Zentrum (Citybus-Center)

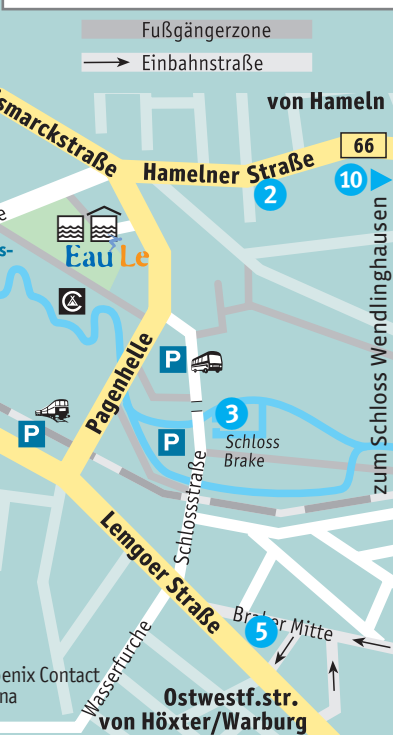
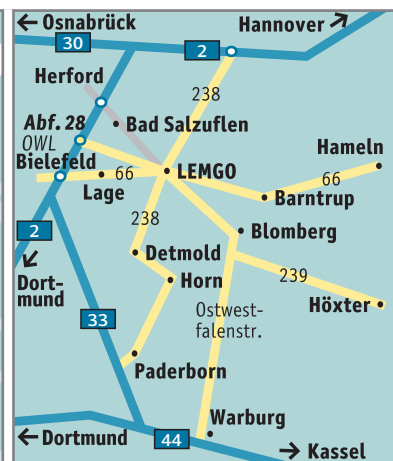
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**1 Städtisches Museum  
Hexenbürgermeisterhaus**

Breite Straße 19 · 32657 Lemgo  
(0 52 61) 213-276

Opened: Tu. – Su. 10 AM – 5 PM  
[www.museen-lemgo.de](http://www.museen-lemgo.de)

**2 Museum Junkerhaus**

Hamelner Str. 36 · 32657 Lemgo  
(0 52 61) 66 76 95

Opened: 1.04. bis 31.10.  
Tu. – Su. 10 AM – 5 PM,  
1.11. bis 31.03 Fr. – Su. 11 AM – 3 PM  
[www.museen-lemgo.de](http://www.museen-lemgo.de)

**3 Weserrenaissance-Museum  
Schloss Brake**

Schlossstraße 18 · 32657 Lemgo  
(0 52 61) 9 45 00

Opened: Tu. – Su. 10 AM – 6 PM  
[www.museum-schloss-brake.de](http://www.museum-schloss-brake.de)

**4 Frenkel-Haus**

Jewish documentary and commu-  
nity centre as well as an atelier  
Echternstraße 70 · 32657 Lemgo  
(0 52 61) 213-276

Opened: Sa. + Su. 3 AM – 5 PM  
and by appointment  
[www.museen-lemgo.de](http://www.museen-lemgo.de)

**5 Städtische Galerie  
Eichenmüllerhaus**

Braker Mitte 39  
32657 Lemgo/Brake  
(0 52 61) 213-273

Opened: Th. – Su. 10 AM – 1 PM  
and 1.30 PM – 6 PM  
[www.eichenmuellerhaus.de](http://www.eichenmuellerhaus.de)

**7 Volkshochschule Lemgo  
Galerie Alte Abtei**

Breite Straße 10 · 32657 Lemgo  
(0 52 61) 213-278 / -279

[www.vhs-lemgo.de](http://www.vhs-lemgo.de)

**8 Automuseum  
„d. kleine Lemgoer“**

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Opened: Su. 12 PM – 4 PM

**9 STAFF STIFTUNG Lemgo**

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