



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS IN LÜBECK - TRAVEMÜNDE 2025/2026

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800 years of St. Catherine's Church (Franciscan Monastery)

2025

St. Catherine's Church is the only surviving one of the formerly four monastery churches in Lübeck.

Around 1300, St. Catherine's Church was built as a church for the Franciscan Order - as a church of a mendicant order without a church tower.

WineSummer

May 2025

The best wines from various German wine-growing regions at an authentic location in the old town: the Koberg directly next to the 12th-century Holy Spirit Hospital.

Brahms Festival

May 2025

May 2026

Johannes Brahms is one of the outstanding composers of the 19th century. His music continues to fascinate to this day. The Brahms Festival of the Lübeck University of Music (MHL) is unique in the German-speaking university landscape. Since 1992, lecturers and students of the MHL have annually presented symphonic and chamber music at the highest artistic level.

mh-luebeck.com

FehmarnbeltDays

June 14 - 16, 2025

FehmarnbeltDays: An open forum for idea exchange and collaboration in the Fehmarnbelt region and beyond.

The citizens celebrate outdoors around the MUK. Two music stages are set up, featuring both Scandinavian and local artists. Gastronomy is offered with a focus on Scandinavian cuisine. Films showing the future tunnel are presented in the "Infinity Dome." The festival ends with a communal sing-along.

fehmarbeltdays.com

"The Concert of His Life – Thomas Mann's 150th Birthday"

June 6, 2025, 7:30 PM

The concert takes place at the Lübeck Theater in the Great Hall.

HanseKulturFestival

June 2026

The HanseKulturFestival is a lively and entertaining street festival that transforms one of Lübeck's old town districts into a colorful festival mile every two years. Numerous small creative theaters and individual regional culinary offerings characterize this typical event.

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Schleswig-Holstein Music Festival

Summer 2025

Summer 2026

The Schleswig-Holstein Music Festival presents high-caliber international soloists and orchestras every year.

shmf.com

Heritage Open Day

September 14, 2025

September 13, 2026

Every year on the second Sunday in September, Lübeck celebrates Heritage Open Day by opening doors to various monuments and even private homes that are not accessible outside of this event day.

tag-des-offenen-denkmals.de

Nordic Film Days Lübeck

November 2025

November 2026

The film industry from Northern and Eastern Europe gathers in Lübeck every year to present their latest movies, documentaries, and short films. However, guests don't just come to watch but also to actively participate - a festival for the audience awaits with discussions, seminars, and round-table talks!

nordische-filmtage.com

Lübeck Christmas Market

November/December 2025

November/December 2026

A stroll through the Lübeck Christmas market is one of the highlights of the pre-Christmas season. Thousands of lights and festive decorations in the streets and shop windows contribute to the unique and impressive atmosphere.

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Craft Market at the Holy Spirit Hospital

December 2025

December 2026

The ambiance of this medieval brick building with its beautiful murals and art treasures is a perfect place to find high-quality handicraft products made of ceramics, wood, glass, wool, silk, leather, gold, silver, and iron. There are dolls, puppets, braiding, and books. Exhibitors come from all over Europe, showcasing the diversity of old and new craft techniques.

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Craft Market at St. Petri

December 2025

December 2026

St. Petri Church is beautifully decorated during the Christmas season. Craftsmen and women present their wonderful works in the overwhelming ambiance of the 800-year-old, bright, and clear church hall. A fine selection of ceramic and wooden objects, excellent textile and felt art, jewelry, glass, and amber as well as wool and weaving - the variety of goods ensures that everyone will find a great gift.

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125 Years of "Buddenbrooks"

2026

In 2026, the anniversary of the novel "Buddenbrooks," for which Thomas Mann received the Nobel Prize in Literature, is to be celebrated as a festival of, for, and with Lübeck.

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Ostermünde

18. - 21. April 2025

April 2026

Every year, over the long Easter weekend, the seaside resort of Travemünde dresses up and kicks off spring with a colorful Easter festival for the whole family. Atmospheric highlights include the large Easter bonfire on the beach on Saturday evening and the Giant Easter Egg Parade followed by an Easter egg hunt for children on Easter Sunday. Travemünde's restaurateurs spoil their guests with crepes, cupcakes, coffee, and cake, as well as delicious grilled and seafood specialties, tarte flambée, and snacks for the whole family.

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Season opener

May 2025

May 2026

The annual tradition of the first swim has become a beloved tradition in the seaside resort. In early May, the low water temperature already demands courage from all bathers. It's a joyous experience filled with plenty of North German humor on the Kurstrand (resort beach) of Travemünde.

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SeebadKultur.Festival

May 2025

May 2026

Small but delightful event moments such as live music, literature, and summer fitness activities are scheduled along the Trave promenade and at the Kleiner Fährplatz (Small Ferry Square).

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Travemünde Week

18.-27. July 2025

July 2026

One of the largest sailing events worldwide. Over 2,000 sailors from 20 different nations participate in the sports event. The organizers expect approximately 1,000 ships and boats from 35 different categories of vessels. Nearly a million visitors come each year to enjoy both the maritime sailing event and a fantastic program on land.

[travemuender-woche.com](https://www.travemuender-woche.com)

The Wide World

August 2025

Welcome to the small - and probably most charming - beach culture festival of the summer! Here, very diverse artists share a stage. In addition to classical cultural

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performances, you can also enjoy electronic sounds on the beach, crisp horn arrangements, great singing, and DJ loops.

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Sand sculpture exhibition

TBA 2025/2026

The charming fishing port opens its doors and invites families to an experience in an area of approximately 2,500 square meters. On the "Journey Around the World," visitors can expect traditional, architectural, and cultural highlights from all five continents - created by Europe's best sand artists from around 14,000 tons of special sand.

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Magic of lights

September 2025

September 2026

As the summer by the sea slowly draws to a close, a special kind of magic unfolds in Travemünde. We celebrate the Festival of 1,000 Lights and welcome autumn with poetry and fairy dust in the enchanting Godewind Park. Trees, the sea, and meadows transform into a sparkling sea of light in the evening hours.

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