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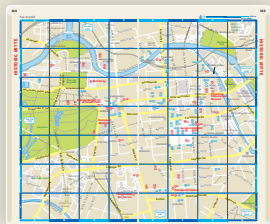
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These symbols help you to quickly identify listings in the text and on the maps:



SIGHTS



EATING



DRINKING & NIGHTLIFE



ENTERTAINMENT



SHOPPING



SPORTS & ACTIVITIES

Reviews are ordered by author preference to help you get the most out of the city.

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**Sustainable
Option**



Swimming Pool



**Telephone
Number**



**English-
Language Menu**



Opening Hours



Family-Friendly



Parking



Pet-Friendly



Nonsmoking



Bus



Air-Conditioning



Ferry



Internet Access



U-Bahn



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Tram



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Berlin

**“All you’ve got to do is decide to go
and the hardest part is over.**

So go!”

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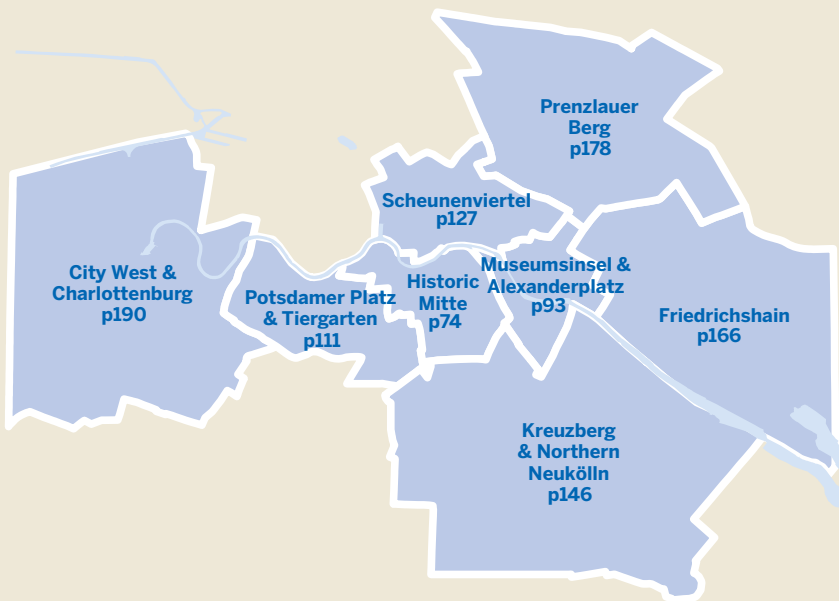
(left) Beach bar on the
Spree River

(above) Norman Foster-
designed dome at the
Reichstag (p76)

(right) Canal-side cafes,
Treptow



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Top Itineraries

Day One

Historic Mitte (p74)

 One day in Berlin? Follow this whirlwind itinerary to earn bragging rights for having seen all the key sights. Book ahead for an early lift ride up to the dome of the **Reichstag**, then snap a picture of the **Brandenburg Gate** before exploring the maze of the **Holocaust Memorial** and admiring the contemporary architecture of **Potsdamer Platz**. Before lunch, reflect on Nazi history at the **Topographie des Terrors** and Cold War madness at **Checkpoint Charlie**.



Lunch Renew your energies at Augustiner am Gendarmenmarkt (p87).

Historic Mitte (p74)

 After lunch, soak up the glory of **Gendarmenmarkt**, drop by **Fassbender & Rausch** for a chocolate treat and get a dose of retail therapy at the **Friedrichstadtpassagen**. Follow Unter den Linden east to **Museumsinsel** and spend at least an hour marvelling at the antiquities in the **Pergamonmuseum**. Beer-o'-clock! Head over to **Strandbar Mitte**.



Dinner There are plenty of dinner spots in the Scheunenviertel (p127).

Scheunenviertel (p127)

 After dinner, stroll over to the all-ages **Clärchen's Ballhaus** for a spin on the dance floor, then process the day's impressions over drinks at the trendy **King Size Bar**.

Day Two

Scheunenviertel (p127)

 Spend a couple of hours coming to grips with what life in Berlin was like when the Wall still stood by exploring the **Gedenkstätte Berliner Mauer**. Relax over coffee at **Barcomi's Deli**, then nose around designer boutiques or check out the latest exhibit at **C/O Berlin** and the galleries at the **Jüdische Mädchenschule**.



Lunch At Mogg & Melzer (p138) or Pauly Saal (p138).

Museumsinsel & Alexanderplatz (p93)

 Start the afternoon's sightseeing by peeking into daily life behind the Iron Curtain at the **DDR Museum**, then let the sights drift by on a one-hour **river cruise** around Museumsinsel. Afterwards, budget an hour for your audience with Queen Nefertiti at the stunningly reconstructed **Neues Museum** and, if time and energy permit, perhaps pop into the nearby **Humboldt-Box** to learn about the reconstruction of the Prussian royal city palace.



Dinner Make reservations at the riverside Spindler & Klatt (p157).

Kreuzberg (p146)

 After dinner, you might catch a concert at **Magnet Club** or **Lido**, find your favourite libation station along Schleissische Strasse or head straight to hip and idyllic **Club der Visionäre** for a waterfront nightcap.

Day Three

City West & Charlottenburg (p190)

 Day three starts at **Schloss Charlottenburg**, where the Neuer Flügel (New Wing) and the palace garden are essential stops. Take the U2 to Zoologischer Garten and meditate upon the futility of war at the **Kaiser-Wilhelm-Gedächtniskirche**, then – assuming it's not Sunday – satisfy your shopping cravings along **Kurfürstendamm** and its side streets. Finish up at **KaDeWe's** mind-boggling food hall.



Lunch Enjoy a casual lunch in the KaDeWe (p202) food hall.

Kreuzberg (p146)

 Spend an hour or two at the amazing Daniel Libeskind-designed **Jewish Museum**, then go local on a stroll down Bergmannstrasse, building in a cafe stop for a pick-me-up. Follow your nostrils to the **Marheineke Markthalle**, perhaps picking up some gourmet treats. Then either amble east along the Landwehrkanal or take the U-Bahn to Schönleinstrasse.



Dinner Enjoy upmarket Turkish fare at Defne (p154).

Kreuzberg (p146)

 You're already in party central, so hit the bars around Kottbusser Tor and along Oranienstrasse or check out who's playing at **Festsaal Kreuzberg** or **SO36**. For all-night dancing, try **Watergate**.

Day Four

Potsdam (p111)

 There's plenty more to do in Berlin proper, but we recommend you spend the better part of the day exploring the parks and royal palaces in Potsdam, a mere half-hour S-Bahn ride away. Arrive early to beat the crowds to **Schloss Sanssouci**, a rococo jewel of a palace. Once that's done, explore the surrounding park and its many smaller palaces at leisure. The **Chinesisches Haus** is a must-see.



Lunch Have lunch at the charming Drachenhaus (p209) in the park.

Potsdam (p111)

 Continue your park explorations or head to Potsdam's old town for a spin around the **Holländisches Viertel** (Dutch Quarter) and a look at the **Nikolaikirche**, designed by Karl Friedrich Schinkel. If you're starving, stay for dinner here, otherwise head back into town, to Prenzlauer Berg.



Dinner Try Oderquelle (p182) or another eatery on Oderberger Strasse.

Prenzlauer Berg (p178)

 Wrap up a long day over a mug of beer at **Prater**, Berlin's oldest beer garden. Still got stamina? Turn your evening into a bar-hop, perhaps stopping at buzzy **August Fengler** or classy **Becketts Kopf**.

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Berlin Maps

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- Castle
- Christian
- Hindu
- Islamic
- Jewish
- Monument
- Museum/Gallery
- Ruin
- Winery/Vineyard
- Zoo
- Other Sight

Eating

- Eating

Drinking & Nightlife

- Drinking & Nightlife
- Cafe

Entertainment

- Entertainment

Shopping

- Shopping

Sleeping

- Sleeping
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- Skiing
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- Ferry
- Monorail
- Parking
- S-Bahn
- Taxi
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- Tram
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- U-Bahn
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- Other Transport

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- Secondary
- Tertiary
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- Steps
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- Pedestrian Overpass
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- Path

Boundaries

- International
- State/Province
- Disputed
- Regional/Suburb
- Marine Park
- Cliff
- Wall

Geographic

- Hut/Shelter
- Lighthouse
- Lookout
- Mountain/Volcano
- Oasis
- Park
- Pass
- Picnic Area
- Waterfall

Hydrography

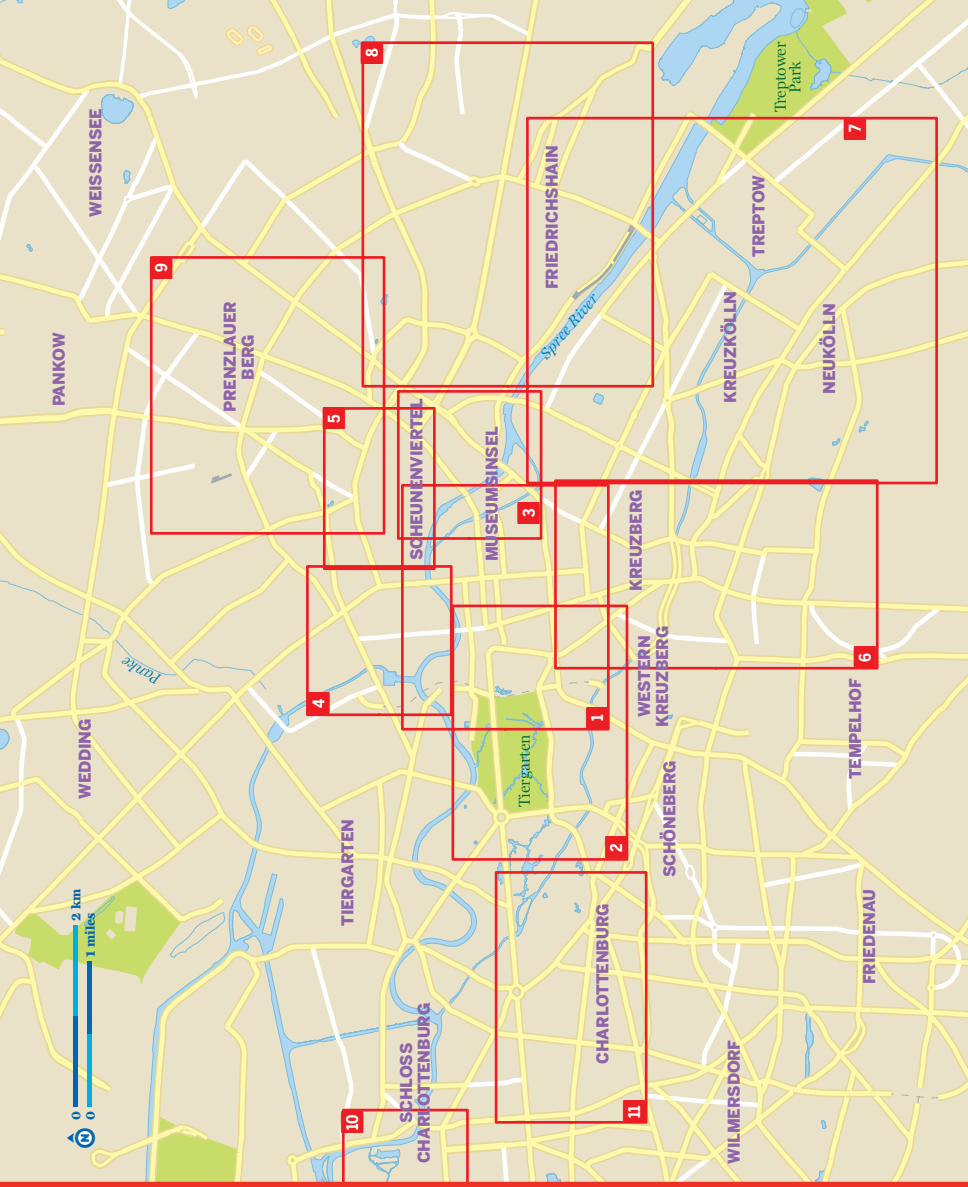
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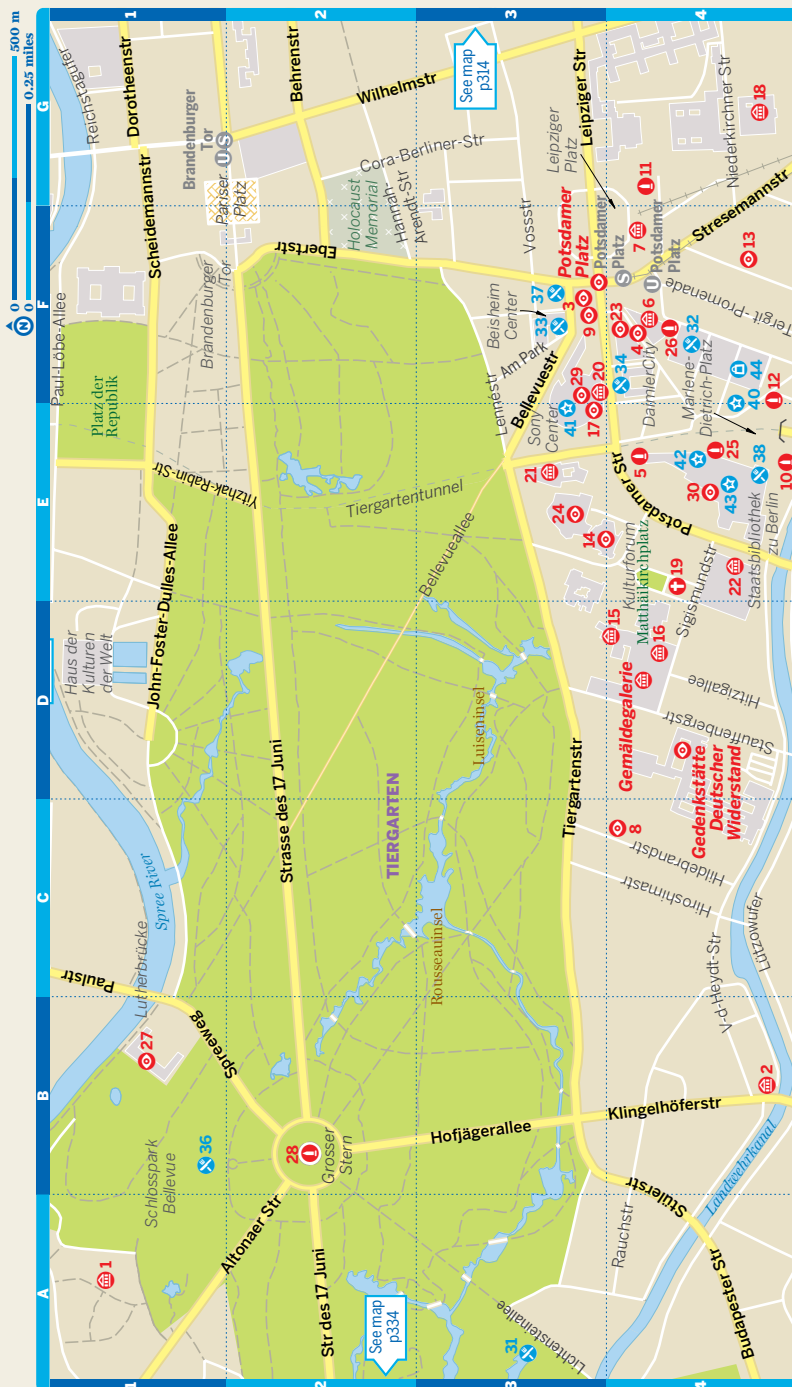
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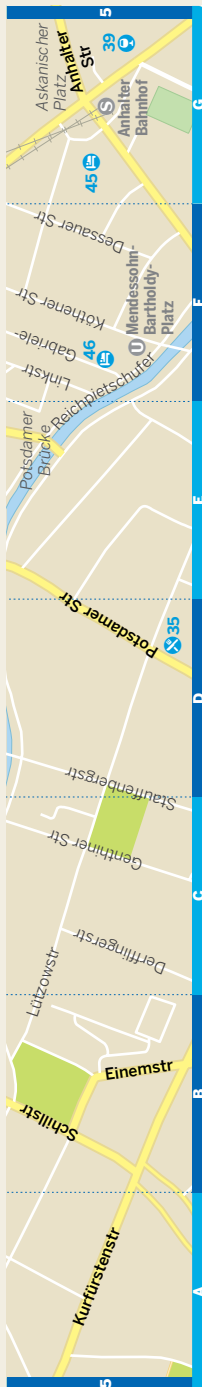
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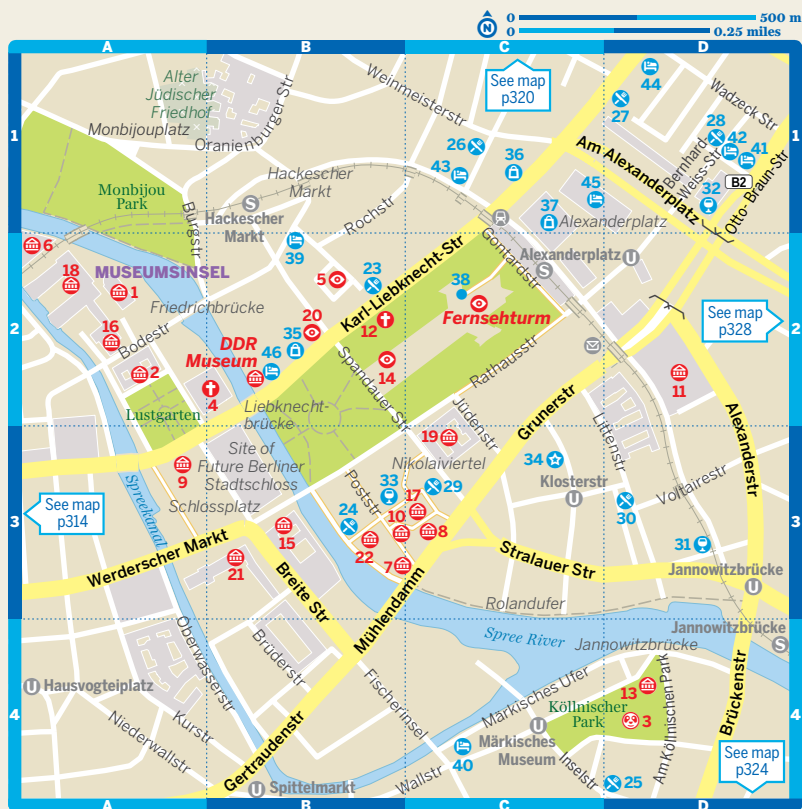


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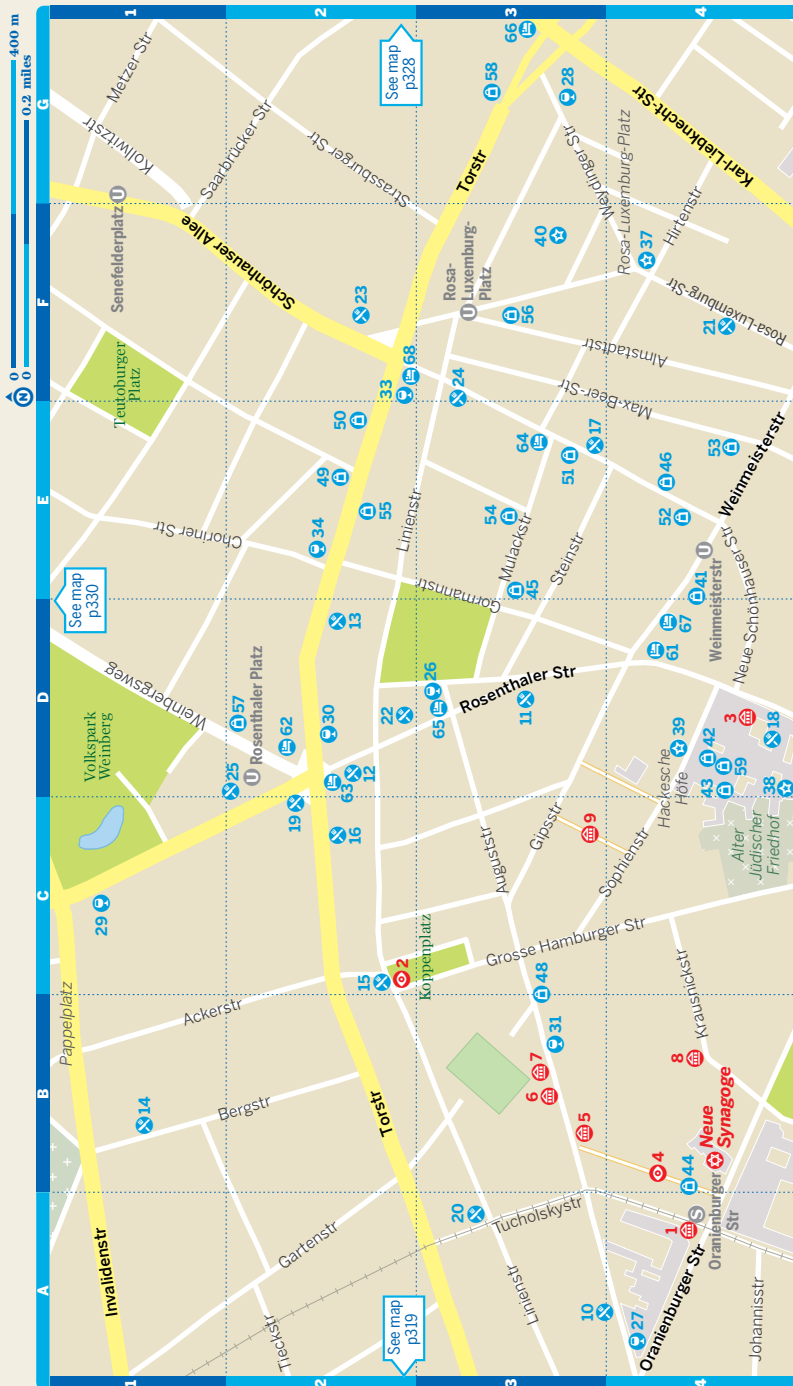


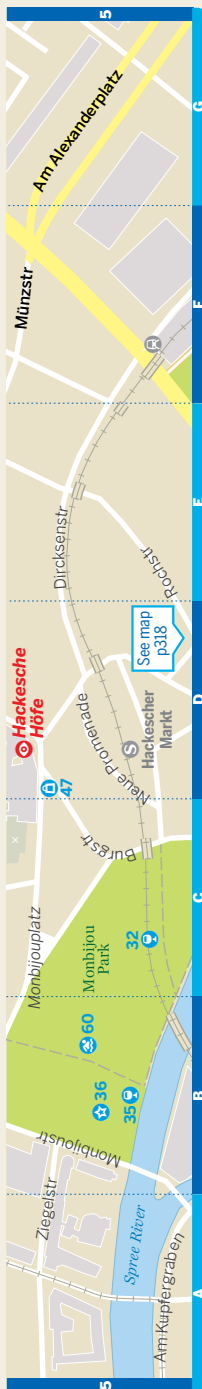
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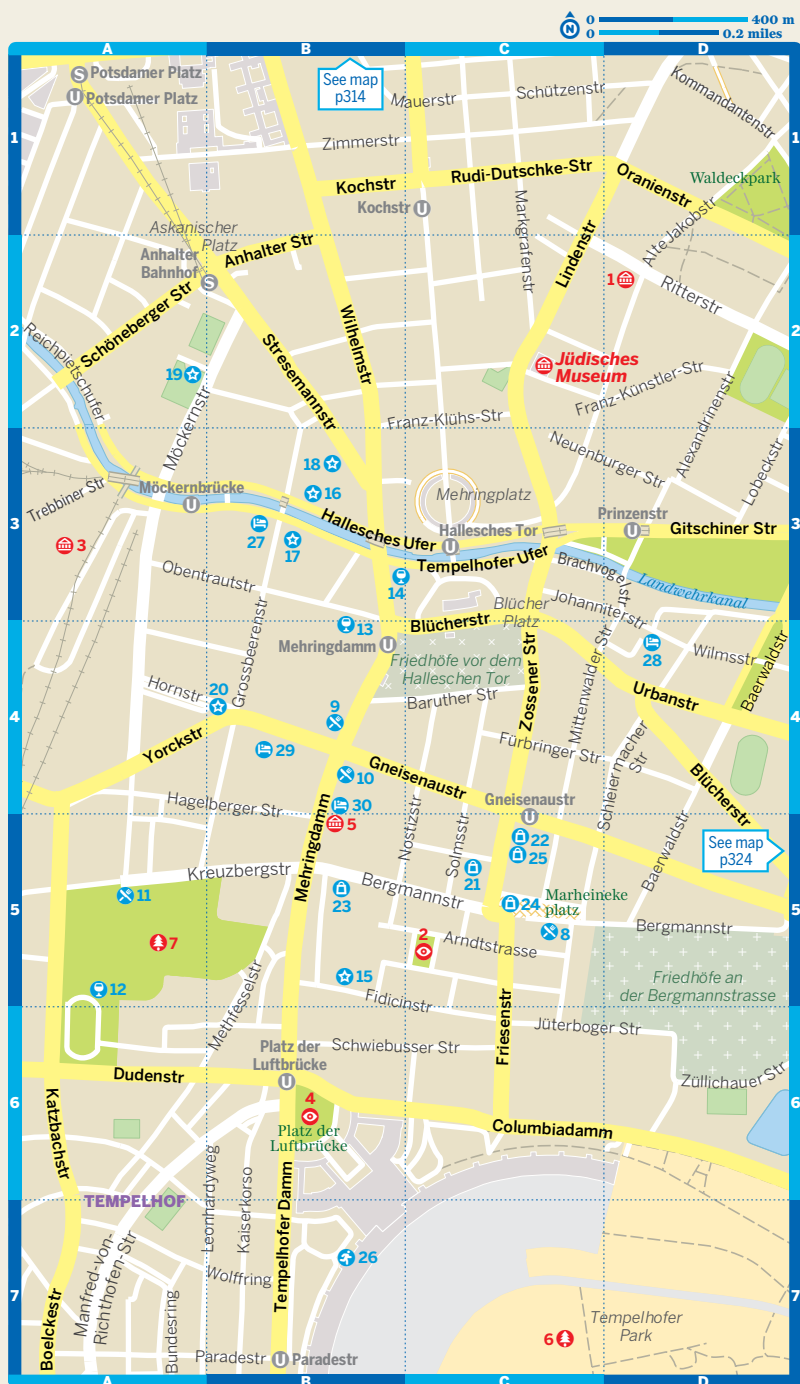
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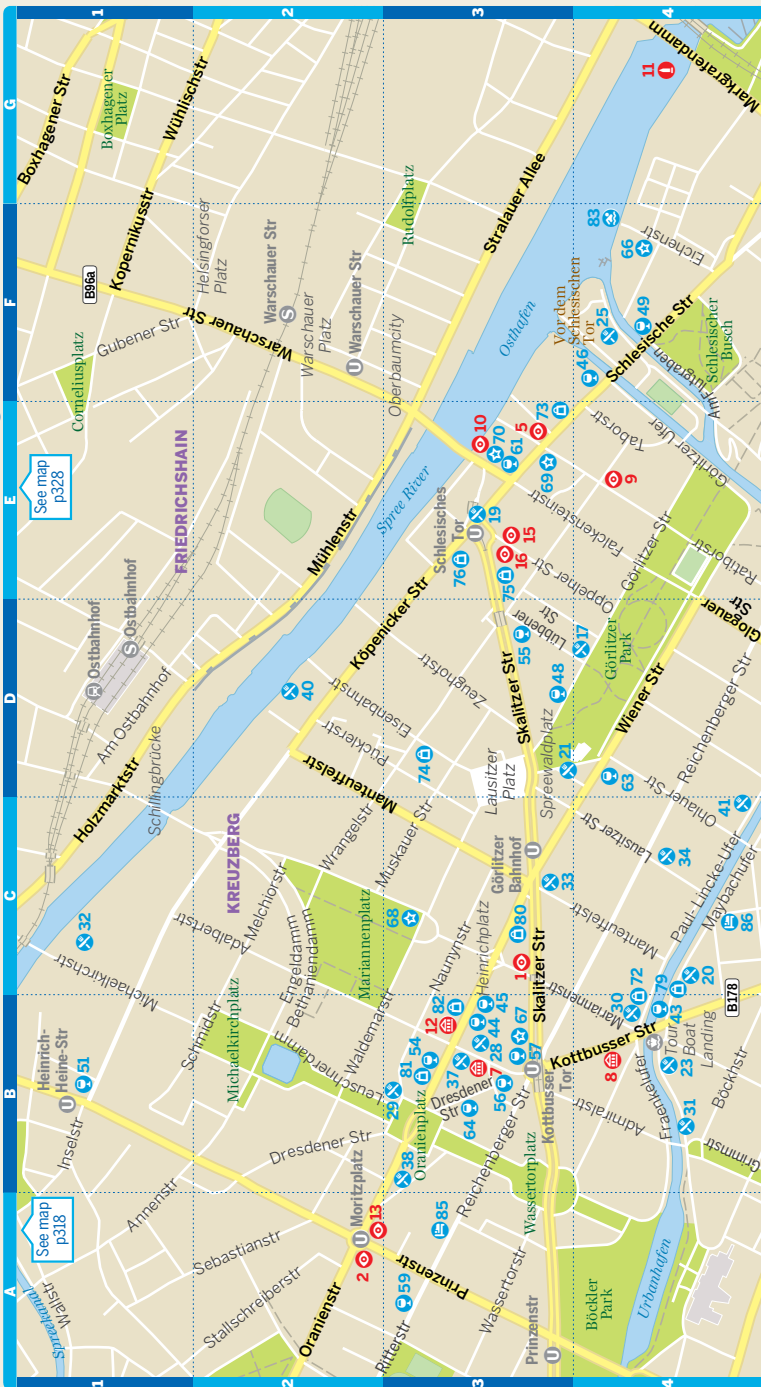


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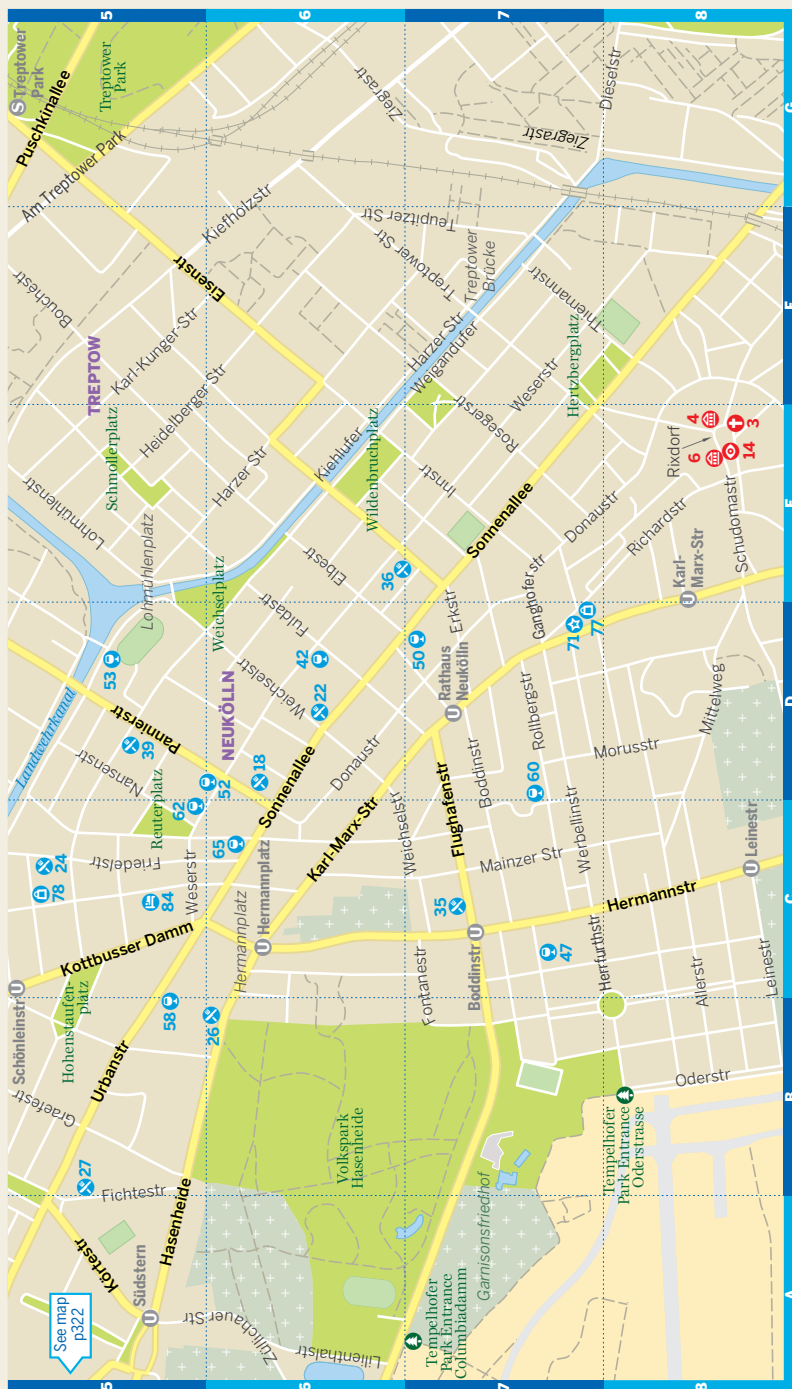


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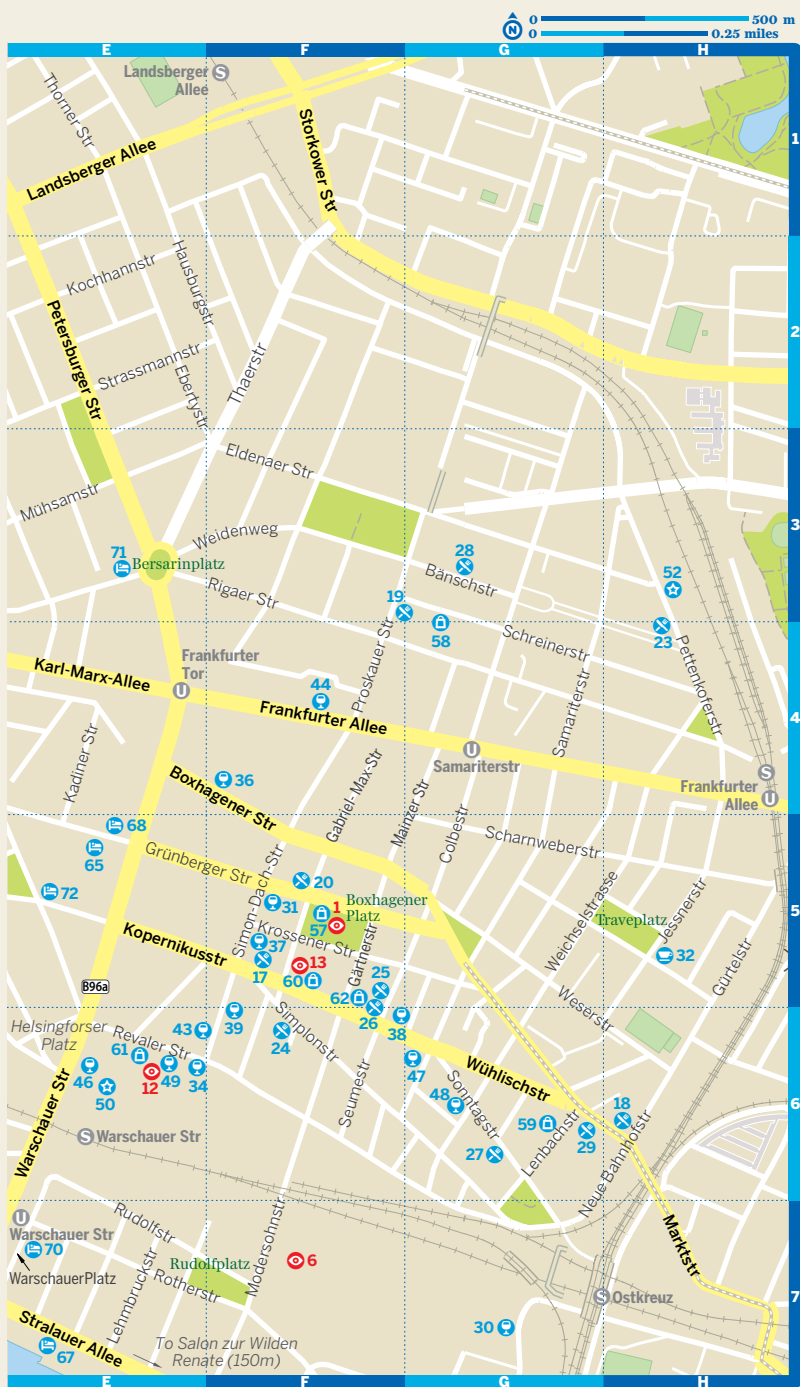
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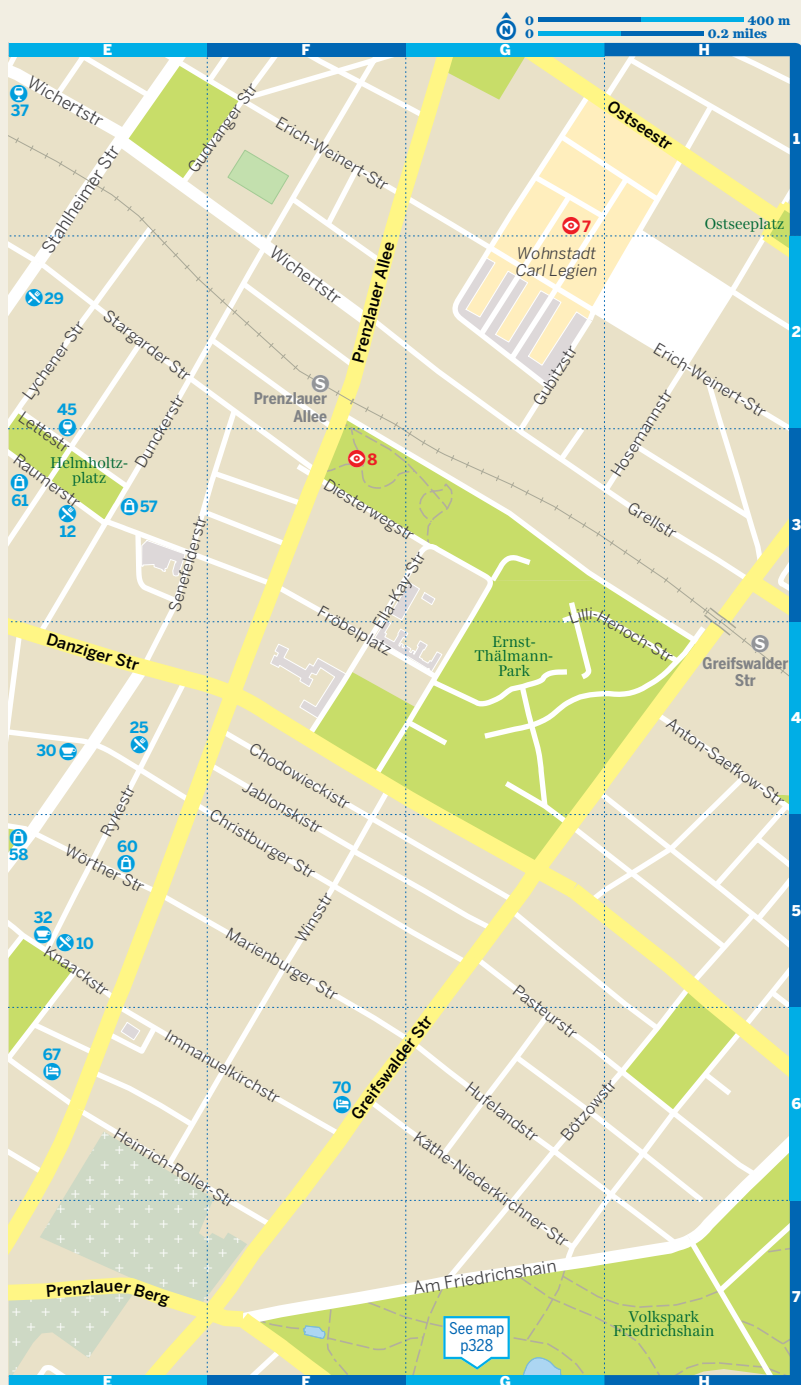
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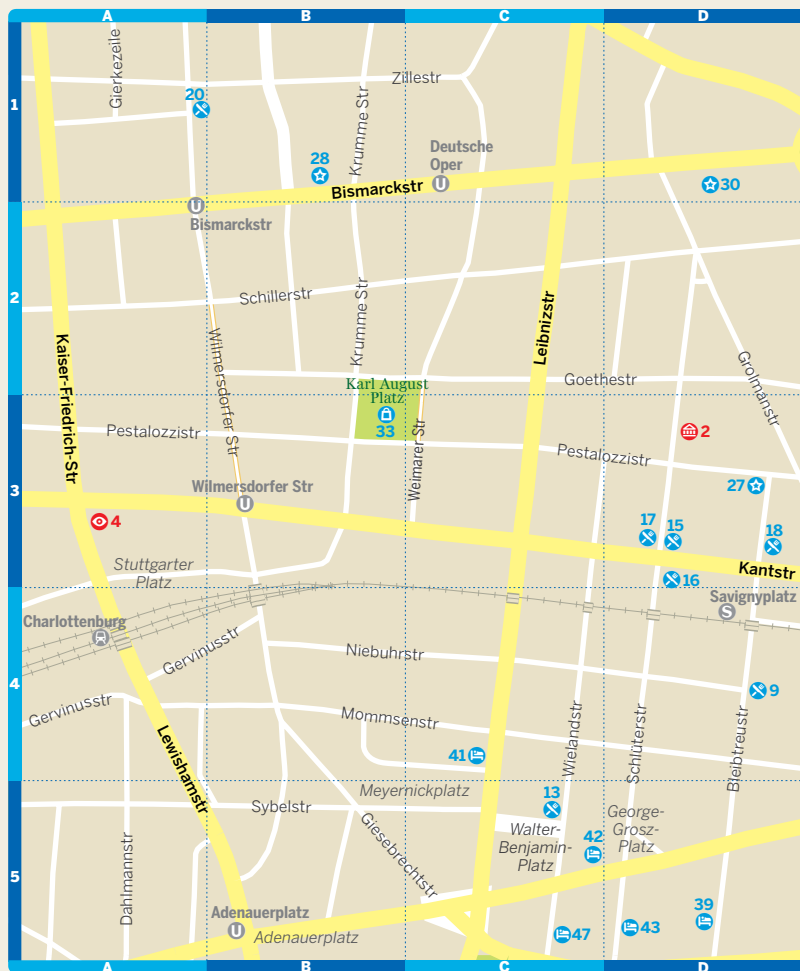
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