



# Historical Highlights

This walk checks off Berlin's blockbuster landmarks as it cuts right through the historic city centre, Mitte ('Middle'). This is the birthplace and glamorous heart of Berlin, a high-octane cocktail of culture, architecture and commerce.

**Start** Reichstag  
**Distance** 3.5km  
**Duration** 3 hours



**Classic photo** of the neo-classical Brandenburg Tor.



**2** The only remaining gate of Berlin's 18th-century town wall, the **Brandenburger Tor** has become a cheery symbol of German reunification.



**7** **Museumsinsel** is a Unesco-recognised treasure chest of art sculpture and objects.

**6** Pompous and majestic inside and out, the **Berliner Dom** is a symbol of Prussian imperial power.

**5** Opposite Museumsinsel, the massive **Humboldt Forum** is taking shape. Its facade will mimic the old Prussian city palace. Details at the Humboldt-Box.



**4** Berlin's most beautiful square, **Gendarmenmarkt** is bookended by domed cathedrals and the famous Konzerthaus (Concert Hall).

**3** **Unter den Linden** has been Berlin's showpiece road since the 18th century.

**Take a Break** Einstein Unter den Linden ([www.einstein-udl.com/en](http://www.einstein-udl.com/en); Unter den Linden 42; mains €16-25; ☺7am-11pm Mon-Fri, from 8am Sat & Sun) is a good spot for people-watching, as well as a break over coffee and cakes.

**1** The 1894 **Reichstag** is the historic anchor of the federal government quarter. The glass dome was added in the 1990s.