Explore Cologne Walk

Cologne’s history is everywhere, as you’ll see on this walk, which circles through the heart of the bustling city. You can view Roman or medieval ruins.

Start Kölner Dom
Distance 2km
Duration Three hours

1 Cologne’s biggest drawcard is the impressive Kölner Dom. Climb the 533 steps up its tower to the base of the steeple.

2 The much-restored 15th-century Historisches Rathaus has fine bells that ring daily at noon and 5pm.

3 Cologne has expanded the Mi-Qua Archaeological Zone (http://miqua.lvr.de) and a new Jewish Museum will extend underneath the Rathausplatz.

4 The Wallraf-Richartz-Museum & Fondation Corboud houses a significant collection of European art, including Germany’s largest impressionist collection.

5 Home to a wide array of religious treasures, Kolumba (www.kolumba.de) also contains the ruins of the late-Gothic church of St Kolumba and has Roman foundations.

6 Cologne’s Third Reich history is poignantly documented in the NS Documentation Centre, housed in the former Gestapo headquarters.

Take a Break... Head to Brauhaus Peters to try the local Kölsch beer.

7 The Kölnisches Stadtmuseum (www.koelnisches-stadtmuseum.de), in the former medieval armoury, explores all facets of Cologne history.