

25th Anniversary of the Fall of the Wall: Attractive Packages from Berlin's Hotels

Deals for 'Wallpeckers' and Enthusiasts of the East German Cuisine

Berlin, 10 July 2014 To peck your own piece of the original Berlin Wall is still possible even a quarter century after the fall of the Wall. The special 'wallpecker' package from the Westin Grand in Berlin-Mitte is just one of the numerous package deals being offered by the city's hotels to mark this memorable anniversary. Others include visits to the DDR Museum or a tour along the former course of the Wall in an authentic East German Trabant car. If you like, the Adlon Kempinski will pick you up from the airport in a Trabant.

And other hotels have come up with something special for those coming for conferences. Several are turning back the clock and dusting off menus last served more than 25 years ago. For example, the InterContinental Berlin is offering its "Wall Special" with Russisch Ei (a variant on a devilled egg) and Schopska salad from Bulgaria.

Some of the packages offered by *visitBerlin*'s partner hotels are already available, whilst others will only be available as part of the anniversary weekend from 7–9 November. The weekend will be marked with many events, culminating in a spectacular light installation along the former course of the Wall.

Stadt und Land Reisen GmbH is offering a Bahnhit Berlin package including travel and hotel for the weekend. The package includes three nights in selected hotels (up to 5-star level) with a rail ticket within Germany on the ICE, plus a visit to the DDR museum for a total price from € 169. For more information, go to: Bahnhit.de.

A list of hotel packages can be found at: visitBerlin.de/de/hotels_maueraktion. For more information about the events and exhibitions marking the twenty-fifth anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall, go to wall.visitBerlin.com.

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Hotel Packages “25th Anniversary of the Fall of the Wall”

List of *visitBerlin* partner hotels sorted alphabetically. Offers directly bookable with the hotels while availability lasts. All information without guarantee. (Updated: 10 July 2014)

1. Short Breaks

Adina Apartment Hotel Berlin Checkpoint Charlie, Berlin-Mitte www.adina.de

Adina Apartment Hotel Berlin Checkpoint Charlie is offering its "Back to History" package for a short trip back to the division of the city.

Price: varies based on dates selected

Includes:

- 2 nights in a spacious studio with a generous breakfast buffet
- admission to the DDR Museum
- typical East German menu on an evening of your choice (drinks not included)
- 1 day ticket for public transport in zones AB per person

Hotel Adlon Kempinski, Berlin-Mitte www.kempinski.com

Hotel Adlon Kempinski is offering its "Ich bin ein Berliner" package centring on Berlin's post-war history for stays of at least two nights.

Price: from € 985 (p.p.)

Includes:

- 2 nights in an executive room with a generous breakfast buffet
- airport transfer to Hotel Adlon Kempinski in authentic East German Trabant with guided tour
- typical Berliner speciality: the Adlon currywurst and a refreshing Berliner Kindl beer
- guided tour to the sites of key events leading up to reunification
- tickets to The Kennedys Museum or the Neues Museum
- three-hour Spree river cruise or city tour

Almodóvar Hotel, Friedrichshain www.almodovarhotel.de

To mark the 25th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall, the Almodóvar Hotel is offering a package that includes free admission to the DDR Museum and convenient return travel with Bahnhit Berlin.

Price: varies based on dates selected

Includes:

- 3 night accommodation
- return journey on ICE
- free admission to the DDR Museum

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- valid on all trains anywhere within Germany

Estrel Berlin, Neukölln www.estrel.com

The Estrel Berlin is offering two packages for the anniversary weekend from 8–10 November.

Price: from € 80 (p.p./night, double room)

Package 1:

- 1 night (9–10 November) in double room on the anniversary weekend with breakfast buffet
- free use of the wellness and fitness area

Package 2:

- 2 nights (8–10 November) in double room on the anniversary weekend with breakfast buffet
- tickets to Stars in Concert at the Estrel Festival Center
- free use of the wellness and fitness area

Grand Hyatt Berlin, Tiergarten berlin.grand.hyatt.de

To mark the anniversary, the Grand Hyatt Berlin is organising an exclusive celebration the evening of 9 November on the breathtaking rooftop terrace of the E-Werk.

Price: € 499 (p.p./night, double room)

Includes:

- 2 nights in double room, including breakfast
- rooftop party on 9 November 2014, limousine shuttle service between hotel and party venue
- use of the Club Olympus Spa & Fitness

Hotel i31, Mitte www.hotel-i31.de

Hotel i31 is offering a package that invites guests to discover the traces of the Berlin Wall and the city's division.

Price: from € 175 (p.p.)

Includes:

- 2 nights, each a delicious breakfast per person per day
- admission to the Berlin Wall Museum and the asisi Wall Panometer
- free use of the mini-bar and free wireless LAN

H'Otello K'80, Charlottenburg www.hotello.de/k80

The anniversary package from H'Otello K'80 is where the past meets the present. It will be offered from 31 October–27 November.

Price: € 199 (p.p./night, double room)

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Includes:

- 2 nights in a double room with a generous breakfast buffet
- admission to the DDR Museum (no waiting in queue)
- 1 glass of champagne and original Berlin currywurst in Greys | Bar & Lounge
- insider tips about the Berlin Wall
- free use of the wellness area

Kempinski Hotel Bristol, Charlottenburg www.kempinski.com

From 01 June –30 December 2014, the Kempinski Hotel Bristol has a special package for those tracing down the Wall and its history.

Price: from € 199 Euro (p.p./night, double room)

Includes:

- 2 nights in an elegant Superior room or Junior suite
- rich breakfast buffet in Restaurant Reinhard's
- a "Wall Surprise" to greet you when you arrive in your room
- 2.5 hour tour following the traces of the Wall in an original East German Trabant car with a personal guide
- use of the wellness area with pool, sauna, steam bath and mini gym

Maritim Hotel Berlin, Tiergarten www.maritim.de

To mark a quarter century since the fall of the Berlin Wall, the Maritim Hotel is offering a special package for visitors to the city all year long.

Price: from € 199 Euro (p.p./night, double room)

Includes:

- 2 nights including rich breakfast buffet
- original Berlin currywurst and a glass of champagne
- ticket to the DDR Museum
- a piece of the Berlin Wall as a souvenir
- free use of the swimming pool, sauna and fitness area

Maritim pro Arte Hotel Berlin, Mitte www.maritim.de

The Maritim pro Arte Hotel Berlin is also offering a special package all year to mark 25 years since the fall of the Wall.

Price: from € 199 (p.p.)

Includes:

- 2 nights including rich breakfast buffet
- original Berlin currywurst and a glass of champagne
- ticket to the DDR Museum

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Mövenpick Hotel Berlin, Kreuzberg www.moevenpick-hotels.com

The Mövenpick Hotel has special deals to mark the 25th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall: anyone booking two nights for the anniversary weekend, will save 20 per cent, while restaurant and banquet guests will receive 25% off their bills.

Price: depends on the dates and services booked

Hotel Palace Berlin, Charlottenburg www.palace.de

The Hotel Palace Berlin is offering its "Along the Wall" package, a great chance to discover the history of divided Berlin and the significance of the Berlin Wall.

Price: € 232 (p.p.)

Includes:

- 2 nights in a business deluxe room with a generous breakfast buffet
- VIP Berlin treatment upon arrival
- 48 hour Berlin Welcome Card for zones A&B
- map of Berlin
- guided bike ride along the Wall Trail
- admission to the DDR Museum (no waiting in queue)
- free use of the Palace SPA including fitness centre and sauna

Seehotel Grunewald, Grunewald www.seehotel-grunewald.de

From 6–11 November, the Seehotel Grunewald is offering its guests a special East-West package.

Price: from € 325 (p.p.)

Includes:

- 5 nights with half board and city tax included
- public transport ticket for use in Berlin and Potsdam
- city tour along the former Berlin Wall, border crossings, past the Berlin Wall Memorial and East Side Gallery
- a Berlin-themed night with the cabaret "Fliegendes Brettel" and an East-West Berlin-themed buffet

Das Stue Hotel Berlin Tiergarten, Tiergarten www.das-stue.com

The Stue Hotel has a special package to mark the 25th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall, only upon request and as long as rooms are available

Price: from € 325 Euro (p.p./night, double room)

Includes:

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- 2 nights in a Stue room, Embassy room, Junior Suite or Suite including breakfast
- three-hour guided tour in a private limousine along the Berlin Wall (Checkpoint Charlie, Brandenburg Gate, etc.)

Westin Grand Berlin, Mitte www.westingrandberlin.com

The "Wallpecker" package from Westin Grand Berlin offers guests the chance to peck and take home their own piece of contemporary history.

Price: varies based on dates selected

Includes:

- 2 nights with Westin SuperFoods breakfast buffet
- a self-pecked piece of the Berlin Wall, including certificate of authenticity and photo
- Berlin currywurst and champagne before or after pecking
- map of the former course of the Berlin Wall through the city centre
- relaxation in the "emotion Spa"

2. Seminar / Meeting Groups

InterContinental Berlin, Tiergarten www.berlin.intercontinental.com

To mark the 25th anniversary, InterContinental Berlin is hosting a culinary event that turns back the clock a quarter century. InterContinental Berlin is celebrating the quarter century since the fall of the Wall with menus and buffets featuring dishes from times past. This package is available on demand and reflects the connection of the InterContinental Berlin with the history of the German capital.

Price: This offer is available on demand.

Includes:

- menus and buffets for conference and seminar groups with Russisch Ei (a variant on devilled eggs), Bulgarian Schopska salad, "falscher Hase" (a kind of meatloaf) and Rote Grütze (a red berry compote)

Radisson Blu Hotel, Mitte www.radissonblu.de

For conferences held from 1–25 November, the Radisson Blu Hotel is offering a special 25th anniversary package.

Price: from € 149 (p.p./night)

Includes:

- breakfast included
- 1 upgrade to the next higher room category per 25 rooms booked
- 1 piece of the Wall as a welcome gift per guest
- typical specialties from the GDR during lunch and coffee breaks

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Upstalsboom Hotel Friedrichshain, Friedrichshain www.upstalsboom.de

The "25 Years after the Wall" special is bookable all year for conference and seminar groups at Upstalsboom Hotel Friedrichshain.

Price: varies based on dates selected

Includes:

- Groups from 25 persons will receive a VIP gift to mark "25 years after the Wall" upon arrival in their rooms
- the speaker will also receive an upgrade to a comfort category room
- welcome coffee for all participants on the first day of the seminar included

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