**Press Release**

# Stuttgart invites you to visit its great festivals

Baden-Württemberg's state capital traditionally hosts lots of festivals. Each year the Stuttgart Spring Festival rings in the festival season, which ends with the Stuttgart Christmas Market.

### 86th Stuttgart Spring Festival

Traditional roundabouts, the very latest fairground rides and sociable festival marquees fill the Cannstatter Wasen fairground each spring. The world's largest Spring Festival will be held from 18th April to 10th May 2026 and is a real highlight, especially for families. Three weeks long, around 250 showmen, festival hosts and market traders provide the best of entertainment.

### 50th Stuttgart Wine Festival

From 20th August to 5th September 2026, exquisite wines from Württemberg will be served in the attractively decorated wine arbours. Trollinger, Spätburgunder (Pinot noir) or Riesling – it's a hard choice. There are around 30 hosts on the Marketplace and Schiller Square. To accompany the regional wines, they also serve Swabian specialities such as "Maultaschen" (filled pasta), "Käsepätzle" (cheesy noodles) and "Schupfnudeln" (potato noodles) with sauerkraut, to name but a few.

### 179th Stuttgart Beer Festival

For 17 days (25th September to 11th October 2026) people will once again gather to celebrate around the 26-m-high Fruit Column – the traditional symbol of the Stuttgart Beer Festival –, which was originally founded in 1818 as a harvest thanksgiving festival. With its many fairground rides it is now one of the world's biggest public festivals. The white-water flume, the Ferris wheel and the colourful market stalls delight millions of visitors. In the huge marquees of the Stuttgart breweries, each of which seats up to 5,000 guests, as well as in the beer tents of the regional brewers and the beer gardens, the beer flows more or less unceasingly, and there's no shortage of food, either. Each year the festival opens with a grand procession with magnificently decorated brewery drays drawn by four or six horses, and with groups from all over the region dressed in traditional costumes.

### Stuttgart Christmas Market

Every year in Advent (25th November to 23rd December 2026) Stuttgart is transformed into a glittering Christmas city. Stuttgart's Christmas Market with around 300 beautifully decorated stalls is not only one of the oldest, but also one of the largest and loveliest of its kind in the whole of

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Europe. Its sparkling illuminations, the festive concerts of seasonal music in the Renaissance courtyard of the Old Palace and lots of regional specialities make for an incomparable yuletide atmosphere which enchants millions of visitors from Germany and abroad each year. With the "Wintertraum" – the traditional roller-skating rink –, the whole of the city centre is set aglow during the weeks of Advent.

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