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World-famous landmarks of German culture and romantic places to go off the beaten track: Baden-Württemberg's state heritage agency, Staatliche Schlösser & Gärten, looks after an impressive number of monuments well worth visiting and makes the federal state's rich history come alive.

FIFTY-NINE OF THE LOVELIEST PLACES IN BADEN-WÜRTTEMBERG ALL UNDER THE SAME MANAGEMENT

Heidelberg Palace, the most famous palace ruin anywhere in the world, is the "flagship" of the Baden-Württemberg monument landscape and has more people visiting it than any other monument in the federal state. In a current survey carried out by the German National Tourist Board it occupied a leading position out of the 100 most important sites in Germany. The UNESCO monument of Maulbronn Monastery is also managed by Staatliche Schlösser & Gärten. The Cistercian monastery in its rural tranquillity has been included on the World Heritage List on account of its uniqueness. The Ludwigsburg palaces with their museums, the extensive Schwetzingen gardens, the baroque palace in Mannheim, the monastery and palace in Salem on Lake Constance, Weikersheim Palace in Hohenlohe with its famous baroque gardens - Schlösser und Gärten are responsible for fifty-nine of the most delightful locations in Baden-Württemberg. The resplendent baroque monasteries of Upper Swabia, such as Wiblingen, Schussenried and Ochsenhausen, impressive medieval complexes, such as the monasteries of Bebenhausen and Alpirsbach, grandiose castles and ruins of fortresses, such as Hohentwiel or Hochburg near Emmendingen. Anyone wanting to make the most out of Baden-Württemberg will soon realise they've come to the right address at Staatliche Schlösser & Gärten.

COME. BE AMAZED. ENJOY. The State Palaces and Gardens of Baden-Wuerttemberg open, preserve, promote and teach about the 60 historical monuments in southwest Germany. In 2017, more than 3.8 million people visited these original locations with cultural treasures of the highest rank: including Heidelberg Castle, Schwetzingen Palace and Gardens, Ludwigsburg Palace, Weikersheim Palace, Maulbronn Monastery (World Heritage Site), Salem Palace and Monastery, and the Hohentwiel Fortress Ruins.

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MANY DIFFERENT RESPONSIBILITIES AND COUNTLESS VISITORS

Staatliche Schlösser & Gärten Baden-Württemberg have the job of looking after the federal state's historic legacy and of presenting it to the public at large – and also of encouraging even more people to want to find out about the history of Baden-Württemberg and its splendid sites. In 2017, more than 3.8 million visitors looked round Baden-Württemberg's monuments and enjoyed their very special atmosphere and the range of varied activities on offer there.

BRUCHSAL PALACE AS HEADQUARTERS

Staatliche Schlösser & Gärten Baden-Württemberg was re-established on 1 January 2009 as a public-law institution without legal capacity. Its headquarters and management are located in Bruchsal Palace. Eleven decentralised administrative units take care of the local monuments. More than 350 employees take care of Baden-Württemberg's own top-grade cultural monuments: palaces, monasteries, gardens, castles and ruins.

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