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Berlin Design Week 2026: Curated tours through the Capital of Design



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Discover design, find your bearings and experience Berlin from new perspectives: for Berlin Design Week 2026, the festival offers a curated tour programme that guides visitors through a selection of exhibitions, showrooms and programme highlights. The tours are available on the Berlin Design Week website and serve as inspiration for individual routes — with recommended itineraries and a curated sequence of stops

The programme offers different ways into the festival: geographical tours lead through various Berlin neighbourhoods and design hotspots, thematic tours bring together related content and interests, while special tours offer exclusive behind-the-scenes access. Whether architecture, interior, material innovation, craft or emerging talent — the tours connect individual programme points into curated experiences and make the full breadth of Berlin Design Week discoverable from new angles.

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Four Tour Highlights



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KREUZBERG NORD – BETWEEN EMERGING DESIGN, CRAFT AND CREATIVE ENCOUNTER

The Kreuzberg Nord Tour leads through one of Berlin's most vibrant creative quarters, connecting emerging positions, design practice and open studios. The starting point is feldfünf in Kreuzberg, where two exhibitions offer insights into current design questions: with "Zwischen Tür und Angel" (Between Door and Frame), the University of Applied Sciences Potsdam (FH Potsdam) re-examines the often-overlooked entrance area as a social and spatial threshold. In parallel, the Berlin University of the Arts (UdK Berlin) presents recent graduation works and projects in product design under the title "AAAAH!", showcasing the breadth of contemporary design approaches.

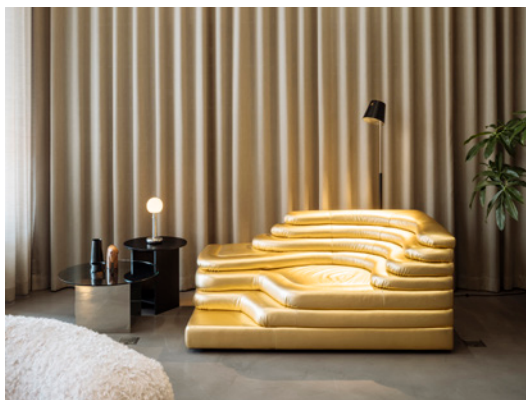
Further stops lead to designer Anna Rave, who offers a glimpse into transparent production processes at her Berlin pop-up, making craft work deliberately visible.

At GUBI × Hidden Fortress, "Between Objects & Atmospheres" creates a staging at the intersection of design and hospitality, examining the dialogue between timeless objects and contemporary conviviality. The tour concludes at the open studio of Ralph Appelbaum Associates (RAA), which uses current museum and exhibition projects to shed light on spatial storytelling and interdisciplinary design processes.

CITY WEST – DESIGN BETWEEN ARCHITECTURE, INTERIOR & CULTURE

The City West Tour reveals the creative diversity of a neighbourhood in transformation. It opens at Whitecliffe University of Applied Sciences with the exhibition "Let the Play Begin", in which students playfully explore how design can communicate social themes — from climate change to body image.

At the KALDEWEI Brand Space beneath the railway arches at Savignyplatz, the bathroom is explored as a design discipline in its own right: the e15 × KALDEWEI collection by Stefan Diez, alongside pieces by Christina Celestino and Werner Aisslinger, shows how steel enamel can be rethought at the intersection of luxury and rigorous circularity.



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Further stops include "Nordic Masterpieces" at LIVING BERLIN, where architecture and interior design meet in cinematic narratives and Scandinavian modernism is seen anew. With OTHERWISE – Interferenzen, the tour turns its focus to locally produced craft, collective forms of production and design as social practice. The exhibition ART & ARCHITECTURALS brings contemporary art and a curated furniture selection into shared dialogue, creating encounters between culture, architecture and interior. The evening closes with the Terrazza Gold-Party by deSede and Cramer Möbel Berlin — an evening format staging design, music and social encounter around an exceptional object.





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SPECIAL TOUR: A LOOK BEHIND THE SCENES AT MYKITA HAUS

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EDUCATION & NEXT GENERATION – NEW PERSPECTIVES ON THE FUTURE OF DESIGN

For those curious about what topics are driving the next generation of designers, this tour offers a wealth of impulses. Universities, studios and experimental formats connect education with practice and research. Alongside Whitecliffe University of Applied Sciences, FH Potsdam and UdK Berlin, young positions and studios also open their doors. Particular highlights include Mendel Heit's open studio with an exclusive preview of his new object series "Soft Brutalism", which merges digital form-making with raw materiality. The evening event "Materialforschung im Designprozess" (Material Research in the Design Process) by Silvia Wald uses material experiments and expert contributions to show how research and design are increasingly intertwined today. The tour is complemented by the workshop "Designing Between Worlds" by Clayground, which examines how personal experience, cultural background and individual perspective shape the design of spaces — understanding design as an expression of lived experience.

All Tours at a Glance

KREUZBERG NORD TOUR

Thursday, 28 May 2026 | 1 pm – midnight

Meeting point: Feldfünf, Treffpunkt: Feldfünf, Fromet-und-Moses-Mendelssohn-Platz 7-8, | 5 pm

Stops:

1. FH Potsdam – "Zwischen Tür und Angel" | Feldfünf Fromet-und-Moses-Mendelssohn-Platz 7-8
2. UdK Berlin – "Aaaah!" | Feldfünf Fromet-und-Moses-Mendelssohn-Platz 7-8
3. Anna Rave | Oranienstraße 45
4. GUBI × Hidden Fortress – "Between Objects & Atmospheres" | Oranienstraße 183
5. RAA Berlin – Open Studio Night | Oranienstraße 183, 10999 Kreuzberg



City West Tour

Thursday, 28 May 2026 | 11 am – 11 pm

Meeting point: Whitecliffe | Salzufer 6, 10587 Charlottenburg | 5 pm

Stops:

1. Whitecliffe – "Let the Play Begin" | Salzufer 6
2. Living Berlin – "Nordic Masterpieces" | Kantstraße 17
3. KALDEWEI Brand Space · Stadtbahnbogen 590 · S Savignyplatz
4. Otherwise – Inside Galerie & Atelier | Droysenstraße 16
5. Art & Architecturals | Galerie Anna Probst, Uhlandstraße 145, 10719 Wilmersdorf
6. DeSede / Cramer Möbel Berlin – "Terrazza Gold-Party" | Cramer Möbel+Design Berlin GmbH, Design Loft, Meinekestraße 11

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6. Mendel Heit – "Soft Brutalism & Open Studio" | Wilhelm-Stolze-Straße 16, 10249 Friedrichshain
7. Silvia Wald – "Materialforschung im Designprozess" | Aufschnitt Studio, Boxhagener Str. 32, 10245 Friedrichshain
8. Clayground – "Designing Between Worlds" | Danneckerstraße 7, 10245 Friedrichshain

INSIDE MYKITA HAUS TOUR

Thursday, 28 May 2026 | 11 am – 1 pm

Köpenicker Straße 20, 10997 Kreuzberg

Exclusive guided tour of Mykita Haus

Registration: press@mykita.com

Limited to 15 guests

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