



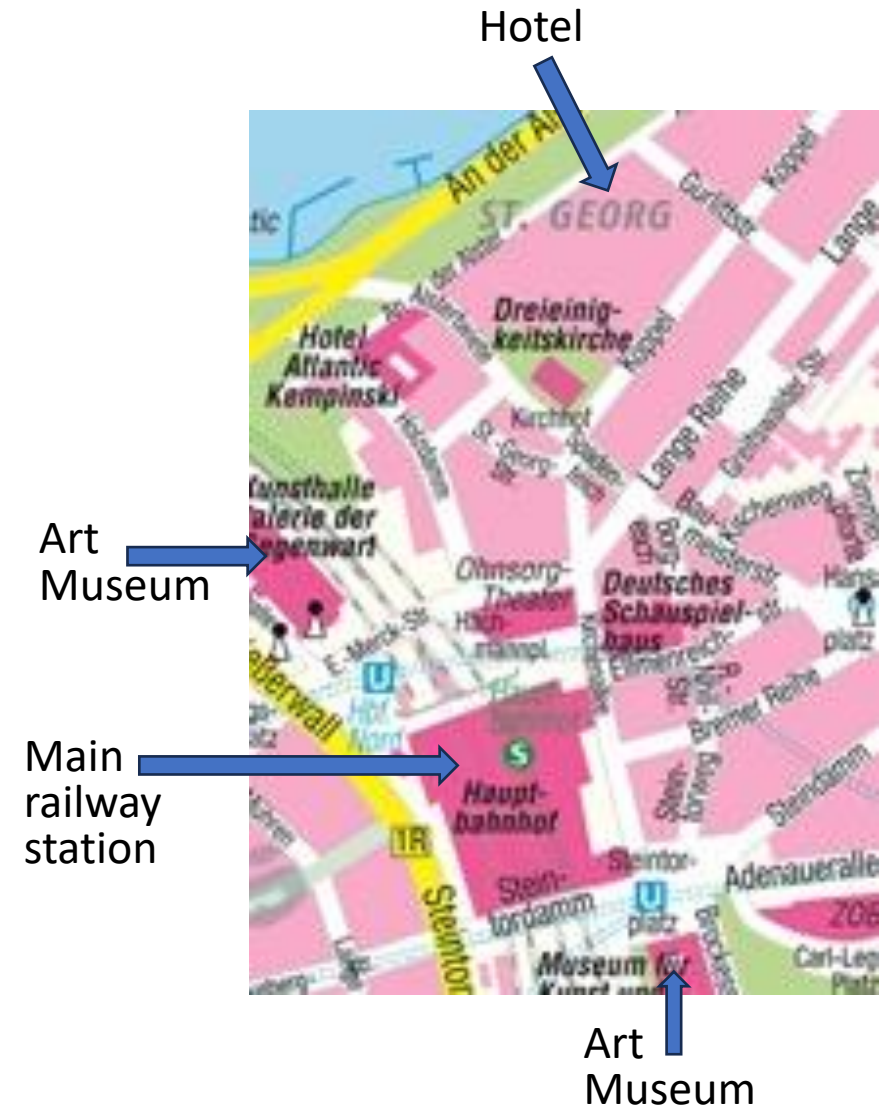
Hamburg

Some of Kirsten's personal recommendations
for slightly off the beaten track sights

To be considered at your own risk

To start with.

- Hamburg is an open minded town that has thrived through good trade relationships.
- It is one of the wealthiest regions/states in Europe, which you will see and experience (however, not necessarily at the back of the railway station, where the hotel is conveniently located).
- Just be normally vigilant, especially in and around the station.



Things to plan well ahead.

- Concert tickets at the Elphi, the acoustics are exceptional (the number of lady's restrooms is a matter of bad planning!)

<https://www.elbphilharmonie.de/de/programm/13-09-2024/>

- Soccer match tickets. The traditionally first league club HSV (who is not getting out of second league), has a home game the weekend of September 13-15. The cult club St. Pauli has just made it into the first league. They have a home game the weekend of September 20-22 (however, even with planning tickets for St. Pauli are extremely hard to come by).
- Dinner at the Fontenay Lakeside restaurant (in case you are into Michelin star cooking)

<https://www.thefontenay.com/restaurants-bar/lakeside-restaurant/>

The Fontenay is just across the Alster from the le Meridian, 1.7km away on foot along the water. It also has an excellent hotel bar with bar food from the same kitchen (where you typically do not need a reservation).

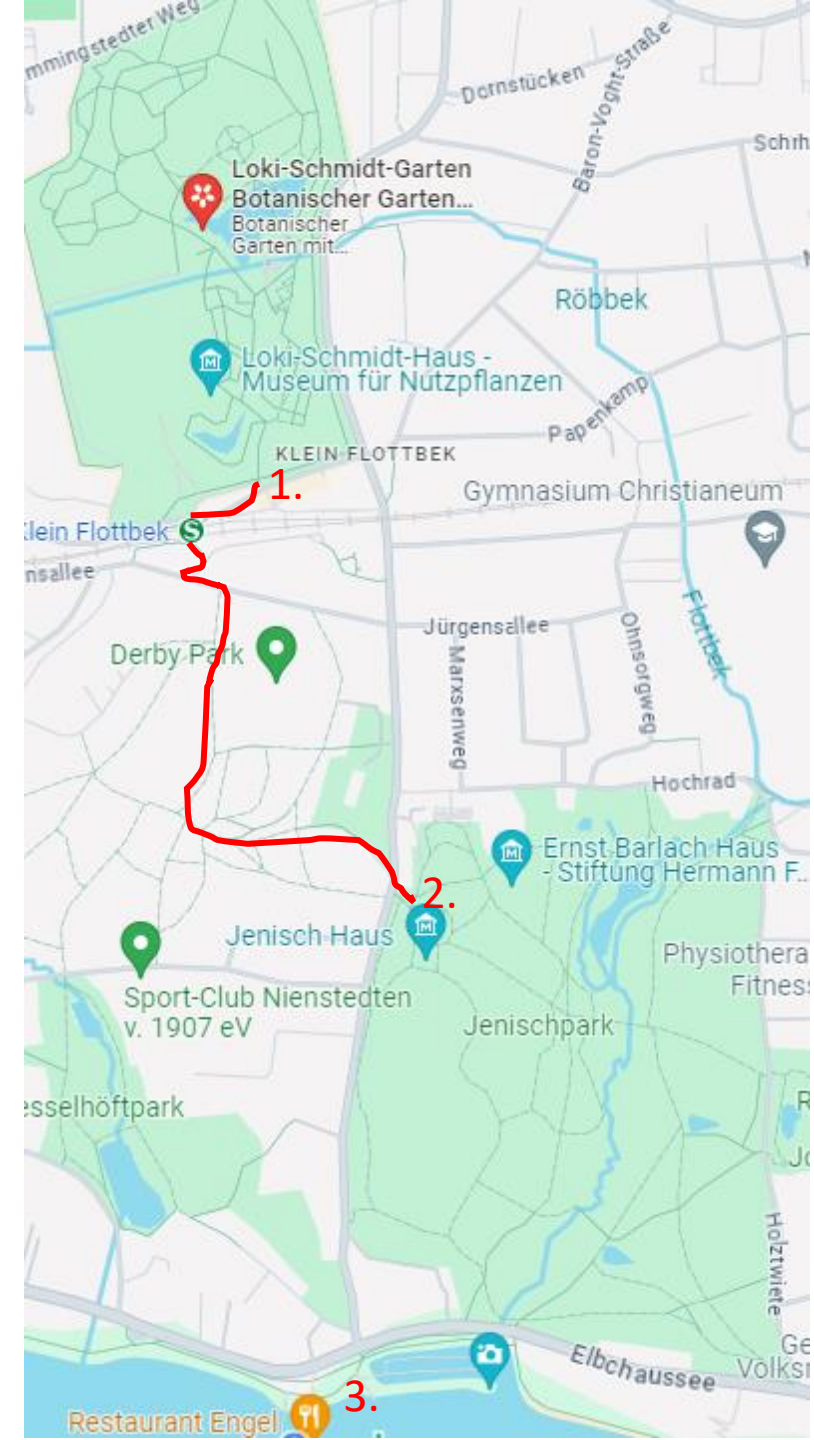
- Harbor tour on land. Almost every visitor goes on a harbor tour. By boat, these can be found a plenty at "Landungsbrücken". You can also just take one of the normal harbor ferries (more later) to see the city from the water. However, you can also visit the harbor by bus, which offers a totally different perspective. The "Tour of the Giants" does get booked out, so plan ahead if this interests you.

<https://www.jasper.de/tickets-und-termine/>

If you like plants and (city) nature.

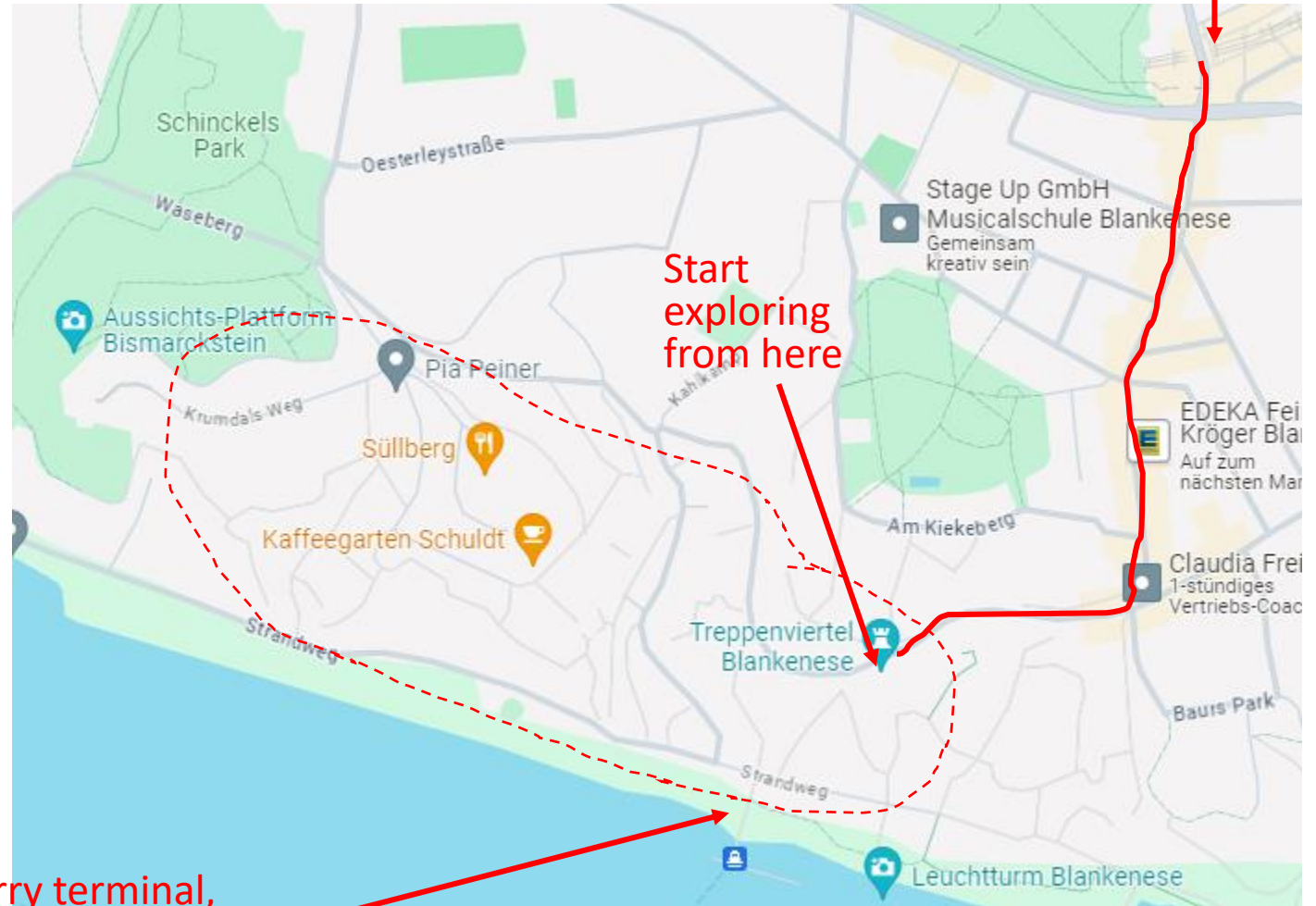
Take the S1 from the main station to „Klein Flottbek“
(direction Wedel/Blankenese)

1. Botanical garden
2. Jenisch Park, the nicest park in town (the Jenisch House may be visited as does the Ernst Barlach Haus typically have exhibitions, however just strolling in the park is nice)
3. Ferry terminal (you can take a bus back, or a bus to Blankenese, see next slide, or the ferry, see two/three slides along).



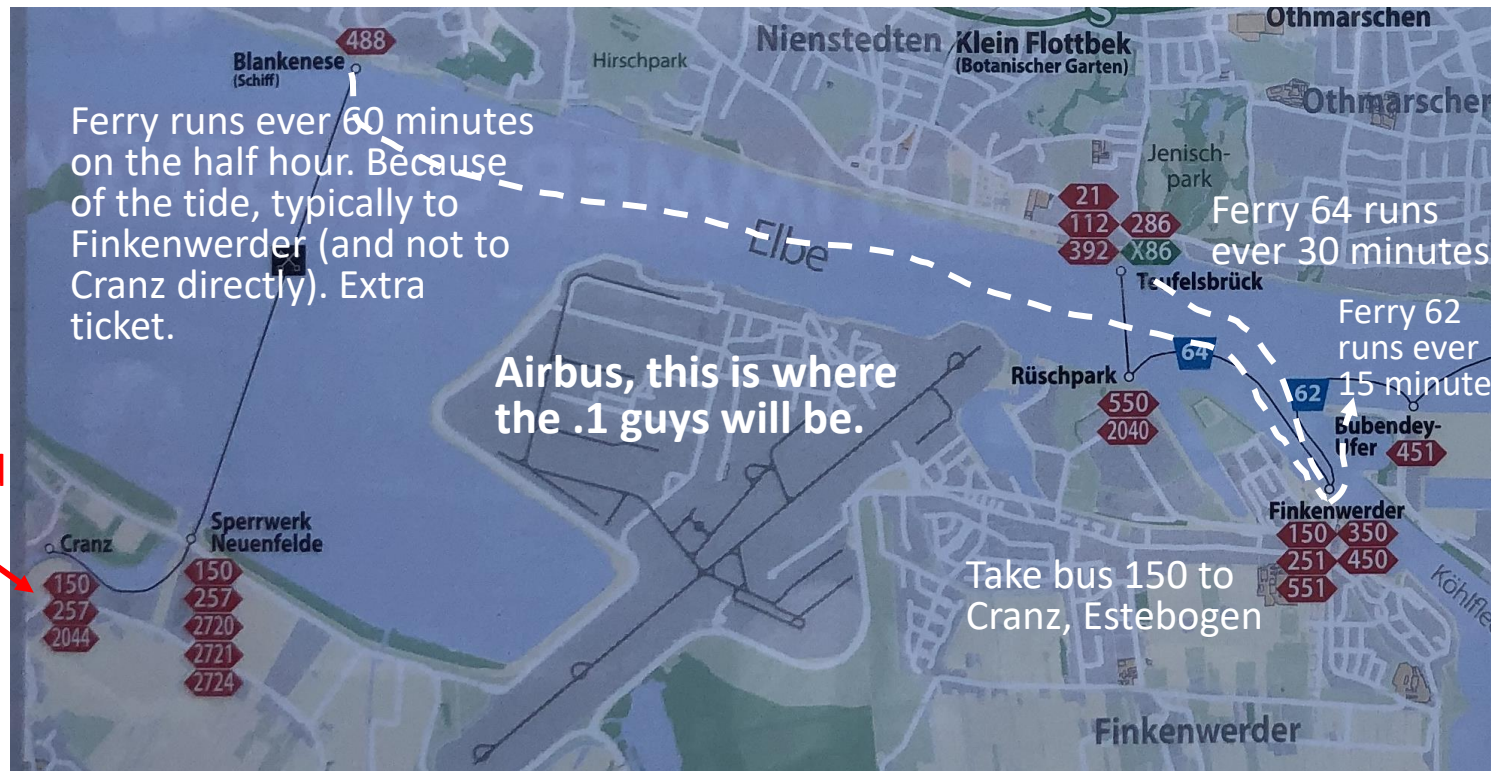
Staircase quarter, Blankenese.

- Legend says that captains retired to here to see the ships pass.
- This is an expensive area to live in, which you will see in the shops you pass to get to the starting point.
- There is no recommended path, except, do not just go downhill but also uphill.



End here: Ferry terminal,
see next slide (or bus stop)

How to top it off: Lunch at Hamburg's oldest family run restaurant „Zur Post“.



Gasthof „zur Post“,
Estedeich 88.
Reservation
recommended

The most typical north German fish is “Scholle” (plaice). It has very soft white meat. You will notice: Hamburgians like their fish, also in bread rolls.

How to get there:

- From Blankenese: special ferry to Finkenwerder (seldom Cranz direct),
- From Jenischpark ferry 64 to Finkenwerder,
- From downtown Landungsbrücken, ferry 62 to Finkenwerder.
- Then bus 150 direction Cranz/Estebogen.
- Home: bus 150 back to Finkenwerder, then ferry 62. (walk the one stop to the end of the 150 line!)

Along the Elbe. Just take the ferry 62.

Augustinum (roof top cafe open We, Sa, Su 15-18:00)
Strandperle (nicest beach bar)
Beaches
Harbour Museum
Dockland house
Many good fish restaurants
Sunday morning "fish market" (touristy)
Fish auction house
Social



The use of the ferries you see on this chart is included in your normal public transport HVV S-Bahn/Bus ticket.

Shopping.

- You are close to downtown, which means the main shopping district, filled with many of the expected and usual brands. It starts on the other side of the main station, or you turn left along the river/lake and walk to the end of the Alster (btw. the department store “Alsterhaus” has one of the best Japanese restaurants on the top floor).
- Somewhat more unusual are
 - Isemarkt (Food, Tuesdays and Fridays 8:30 – 14:00. U3 Hohe Luftbrücke or Eppendorfer Baum, note the U3 between main station and Landungsbrücken is a must, every movie filmed in Hamburg shows it at some point or other)
 - Karo Viertel. Markstraße. U3 Feldstraße (clothes, vintage, bars, cafes)
 - Schanze. Schulterblatt. S11, S31 Sternschanze (Pastelaria Transmontana, Hamburg has a strong Portuguese community with the best Portuguese pastries outside of Portugal)
 - Ottensen. Ottensener Hauptstraße S1/3 Altona (clothes, bars, cafes)

Else.

- The hotel is close to two art museums.
- There are plenty of restaurants in the „Lange Reihe“ near the hotel.
- Of course, you have to see the miniature museum.
- Inspiration for more slightly unusual:

<https://www.atlasobscura.com/things-to-do/hamburg-germany/places>

- Enjoy!
- And yes, those of you who visited CERN. Hamburg has DESY.